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All this and much more as *The Enterprise* reports in this week's amazing edition!

## Grand jury hears charge of evading

The Donley County Grand Jury met Monday, June 19, 2017, and handed up one indictment.

Corey Mark Aragon was indicted on the third degree felony charge of Evading for an incident that occurred on May 6, 2017.

## Landscape design program is July 25

CANYON – The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Randall County will continue its Summer Horticulture Series July 25 with tips on landscape design.

Liz Moore, AgriLife Extension horticulture agent in Randall County, said the four-part series is designed to concentrate each month on a topic of value to homeowners.

This month Dr. Bill Welch, AgriLife Extension landscape horticulturist in College Station, will offer attendees landscape tips.

"This is a great opportunity for homeowners wanting to learn the basics of landscape design or begin the process of improving their own yard," Moore said.

Registration is \$12 and requested by July 18. The meeting will be at the AgriLife Extension office at 200 N. Brown Road, Canyon.

The same program will be offered at noon and again at 6:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided at the noon programs and dessert and coffee at the evening programs.

Those planning to attend should sign up by contacting the AgriLife Extension office for Randall County at 806-468-5543 or email Moore at liz.moore@ag.tamu.edu.

The final meeting in the series will be Aug. 22 with Brian Scott, Texas A&M Forest Service staff forester in Canyon, presenting Trees and Tree Issues. Sign up is requested by Aug. 15.

## Library sponsoring summer contest

The Burton Memorial Library is sponsoring a Reading Contest for kids ages 5-12 years old. Great prizes will be awarded to the ones who read the most books in the month of July. For more information, call 874-3685.

## Win prizes during Race Across Texas

August 7 is the first day of a new kind of race – the Texas State Historical Association's Virtual Race Across Texas.

Participants can compete against friends, family, and fellow history buffs as they answer Texas history questions related to locations throughout the state.

Participants can: Win weekly prizes by earning more points than their fellow participants; Test their knowledge of Texas history and earn bragging rights; and Claim the grand prize in the final week of the race.

To join the virtual race, visit RaceAcrossTexas.com.



## Incoming!

Clarendon's Melvin Balogh sinks a basket during the second annual West Texas Experience disc golf tournament at Greenbelt Lake last weekend. The event attracted more than 40 disc golf enthusiasts from around the area for the two-day, three-round tournament, which was hosted by Top of Texas Disc Golf and sanctioned by the PDGA.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

## CC to build on success in next plan

The future of Clarendon College will soon be taking shape as officials there begin working on the institution's next strategic plan.

The "One College, One Vision" strategy implemented by President Robert Riza in 2014 had seven individual initiatives, and all have either been completed or are ongoing.

"We've had a very successful plan and a very successful three years," Dr. Riza said. "Now we'll build off that."

The current plan's first initiative was to complete the college's reaffirmation from its accrediting agency, the Southern Association of Colleges & Schools Commission on College (SACS-COC). That was successfully completed last summer

and was the most important of the seven points.

Other initiatives of the "One College, One Vision" plan included redesigning student services, increasing student success, strengthening the college's presence in the community, identifying programs for expansion, implementing effective models of instruction, and a creating district-wide master plan.

"We've got a completion percentage of 91 to 92 percent," Riza said, noting that some things can't be finished. "You never stop looking for programs to expand, for example."

Absent from the objectives was enrollment growth, which the president said caused some concern on the part of those who first saw the

"One College, One Vision" plan.

"If we did everything else, enrollment would take care of itself," Riza said.

In fact, CC has seen some of its highest numbers under the plan. Enrollment was up 10 percent last fall, 13.34 percent this spring, and summer numbers exploded with a spring mini-session up 172 percent and the college's Summer I session posting a 53 percent gain.

"Our success is a direct result of buy-in from everyone involved," Riza said. "As president, I'm the first believer. But when you have administrators and instructors also buy into it, then it's hard for someone to say it's not theirs. There are lots of voices, and they all count."

Riza said his cabinet recently

met to start laying the groundwork for the next plan.

"We use a start-stop-continue process with each person giving five examples of each," the president said. "You can see from that where the big ideas are, and the plan morphs itself."

With initial ideas in hand, Riza said an employee survey will be conducted in the fall with those responses used to help finalize the shape of the plan, which will likely be unveiled in January.

The new plan will also cover about three years.

"Some of the initiatives will look familiar," he said. "The process will also give ownership throughout the college and will contain initiatives big enough to keep us busy."

## Bit Ranch wins COEA rodeo

The Bit Ranch took top honors for the Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment Association's annual Ranch Rodeo during the 140th annual Saints' Roost Celebration, June 30 and July 1.

Bit Ranch's scores beat out 19 other local and regional teams as working cowboys put their skills to the test. The team was made up of Tate Bennett, Teal Bennett, Trey Rusk, Bray Bennett, and Brody Bennett.

Finck Cattle Company's team finished second with Ky Finck, Derek Finck, Cagle Joe Lewis, Carol Jack Lewis, and Caleb Rice; and the Rafter S Ranch was third with the team of Randy Crump, Brad Shadle, Elwyn McCleskey, Casey McCleskey, and Tell Good.

The Top Hand for the rodeo was awarded to Westin Griswold of the High Card Ranch, and the Top Horse award was won by Casey Joe Lewis of Finck Cattle Co.

This year's attendance for the two-day ranch rodeo was 1,191 compared to 1,351 last year. The Friday night performance was interrupted by a thunderstorm, and the stands and arena were emptied after officials told participants and spectators seek shelter due to lightning and the threat of hail. The junior rodeo on Tuesday, July 4, was attended by 336 people.

The Junior Ranch Rodeo was won by Harkins Cattle Co. with the team of Cagan Harkins, Colby Mason, Tyler Estenson, Tierra McCorkel, and Gus Gallard. The second place team was Shoe Nail Cattle Company with the team of Dalton Benson, Jake Baca, Trey Mitchell, Jade Benson, and Cole Franks. RO Ranch was third in the junior rodeo

with a team of Dalton Benson, Jake Baca, Trey Mitchell, Sterling Mitchell, and Cole Franks.

Top Hand winner for the Junior Ranch Rodeo was Trey Mitchell, and Colby Mason rode the Top Horse.

Junior Calf, Donkey, and Steer Riding and Mutton Bustin' were held all three nights. Overall Mutton Bustin' champion for the three nights was Madalyn Benson. Overall Calf Riding Champion was Jaxon McAnear, the Overall Donkey Rider was Levi Walden, and Steer Riding champion was also Levi Walden.

Nightly winners of the junior events were as follows:

June 30 – Calf Scramble – Harrison Howard, Jayton Fitch, and Braden Bond; Mutton Bustin' – Madilyn Benson; Calf Riding – Hudson Howard; Donkey Riding – Levi Walden; and Steer Riding – Levi Walden.

July 1 – Calf Scramble – Kal Brunson, Jackson Graves, Sterling Mitchell; Mutton Bustin' – Jaxon Stoker; Calf Riding – Parker Haynes; Donkey Riding – Rye Reynolds; and Steer Riding – Duncan Banks.

July 4 – Calf Scramble – Rankin Profit, Sterling Mitchell, and Tyler Harper; Mutton Bustin' – Reece Myers; Calf Riding – Jaxon McAnear; Donkey Riding – Colton Benson; and Steer Riding – Levi Walden.

Beef winners this year were Scott Smith and Lee Smith.

COEA also held a Washer Pitching Tournament on Sunday, July 2. The first place team was Bob Evenson and Steve Nail, and the second place team was Tres Hommel and Chance McAnear.



Hudson Howard hangs on tight during the Calf Ride before the Junior Rodeo last Tuesday evening, July 4, during the annual Saints' Roost Celebration.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / MORGAN BEBOUT

## County approves deputy cameras

Donley County Commissioners approved two purchases to benefit the sheriff's department during their regular meeting Monday.

At the request of Sheriff Butch Blackburn, the county approved spending \$1,124 for a back-up radio system.

County Judge John Howard said the back-up radio will allow law enforcement to continue to communicate if the department's primary radio goes down.

The commissioners' court also gave approval to purchase body cameras for deputies at a cost of about \$800. A special grant of funds from the justice of the peace office will pay for those. Judge Howard said the county outfitted its highway safety officer with a body camera last year through a grant, and it was determined to be beneficial enough to be worth having one for all deputies.

The amount of data recorded by the cameras will necessitate purchasing additional computer equipment for the sheriff's office to store that information. Howard said the county is looking a way to obtain funds to help with that purchase or it may be included in the fiscal year 2018 budget.

In other county business, commissioners reviewed health insurance options through the Texas Association of Counties. The county received a \$5,000 rebate from TAC, but maintaining the county's current health plan would have brought an increase of 8.5 percent or about \$30,000. Commissioners approved moving to a plan with a higher out of pocket expense for a premium increase of about five percent. Considering the rebate, the county's health care expense will increase about 15,000 in the coming year.

The court considered and approved the Chapter 59 and Pre-Trial Diversion budgets for FY 2018 as presented by District Attorney Luke Inman and ADA Harley

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The failure of American leadership

By A. Trevor Thrall, Cato Institute

Advocates for robust American global leadership are having a bad decade. Donald Trump's election was clearly a wake-up call to the foreign policy establishment in Washington.

His tense relations with long-standing allies and his decisions to withdraw from the Trans-Pacific Partnership and the Paris climate treaty have moved critics like former national security adviser Susan Rice to argue that Trump is "undoing American leadership on the international stage."

Fears about Trump, however, simply echo concerns voiced throughout the Obama administration. Critics point to Obama's withdrawal from Iraq, his failure to intervene in the Syrian civil war, and his failure to check Russia over Crimea and Ukraine as evidence of unhealthy retrenchment resulting in "the desperation of our allies and the glee of our enemies."

The United States, and the world, would be better off if America led less often and more thoughtfully.

The real issue, however, is not America's failure to lead; it is the failure of American leadership. Since the end of the Cold War the United States has flexed its muscles repeatedly. The problem is that this has too often produced resentment, conflict and instability, precisely the opposite of what its proponents have promised.

The past 15 years provide ample evidence of the perils of leadership. After the 9/11 attacks, the Bush administration launched a war on terrorism based on a strategy combining military intervention, regime change and nation building.

The Obama administration mostly followed suit, scaling back in Iraq but pursuing regime change in Libya, surging in Afghanistan and expanding the drone war against terrorists in seven countries.

The problem in the Middle East hasn't been the lack of leadership; the problem has been the failure to recognize that the American strategy has been a failure. Political leaders exaggerated the terrorist threat to the United States and then applied the wrong tools to the problem.

Since 2001 the number of terrorist groups and jihadist fighters has skyrocketed, al-Qaeda franchises continue to operate, and the invasion of Iraq inadvertently caused the chaos that helped the Islamic State take root.

Nor has the nation-building game gone any better. The United States has spent billions of dollars on nation-building efforts in Iraq and Afghanistan rebuilding infrastructure, training the police and military troops.

Sadly, despite this recent history, there is little sign that Washington is ready to recognize the limits of American leadership. Though the Trump administration may frustrate the foreign policy establishment on certain issues, it is clear that American reliance on military intervention in the Middle East is here to stay.

American leadership can indeed be a powerful influence for good, but the United States is neither all-powerful nor faultless. The United States, and the world, would be better off if America led less often and more thoughtfully.

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No favors in getting a ticket to ride

I remain a fan of the Trinity Railway Express, provider of commuter rail service between Fort Worth and Dallas. (I deserved a recent TRE tongue-lashing that resulted from my poor judgment.)

"If you're running to catch a train, don't. There'll be another one soon," I've advised. "But, if you are running to avoid getting hit by a train, run like the wind."

Oh, there are plenty of "what if's." If an airport parking space had been tougher to find, or if pick-up by two buses hadn't been so timely, this column topic would never have been mounted....

Striving to allow plenty of time, I left home at 8:30 a.m., planning to deposit daughter Jeanie's car near the baggage claim area for her family's return from a cruise. Eureka! I found a choice space. Along came the bus, and I hopped on. How wonderful things are, thought I, as pleasantries were exchanged with the courteous driver.

"Hurry, you can make it," the driver yelled. Sure enough, the 9:30 train to Fort Worth was about to pull out, lights blinking and doors about to close.

I had to act quickly, knowing that

if I took time to purchase a ticket from the machine, I'd miss the train. My mind raced, thinking of the impending discomfort of spending a miserable hour outdoors where the heat was already pushing toward 90 degrees. Further, I might be alone the entire time, and what if my heart acted up? I felt in my pocket for the small nitroglycerin bottle my cardiologist warned me never to leave home without. What to do?....

Dare I run to catch a train? Of course, thought I. I have ridden the TRE many dozens of times, and, for the record, have always paid, sometimes double when machines malfunctioned.

I reasoned that the attendant I'd seek out would understand my plight, and perhaps sell me a ticket on board. Or, maybe he/she could watch me buy a ticket upon reaching Fort Worth, three stops and a quarter-hour away.

Upon seeing the TRE guy, I hastened to him. He was not busy; I was the only rider on the car; my interruption may have delayed his reaching to the next car....

No doubt, thought I, he'd appreci-



the idle american by don newbury

ate my observance of all the other rules. I was clothed in both shirt and pants, and had on lace-up shoes (with socks). I was clean-shaven, and, as per a woman driving the airport bus, my "silver hair glistened in the sunlight."

My appearance didn't impress. "You have to have a ticket to ride," he said, firmly. "This is true for presidents, priests, preachers and police. I could issue a \$500 fine," he added.

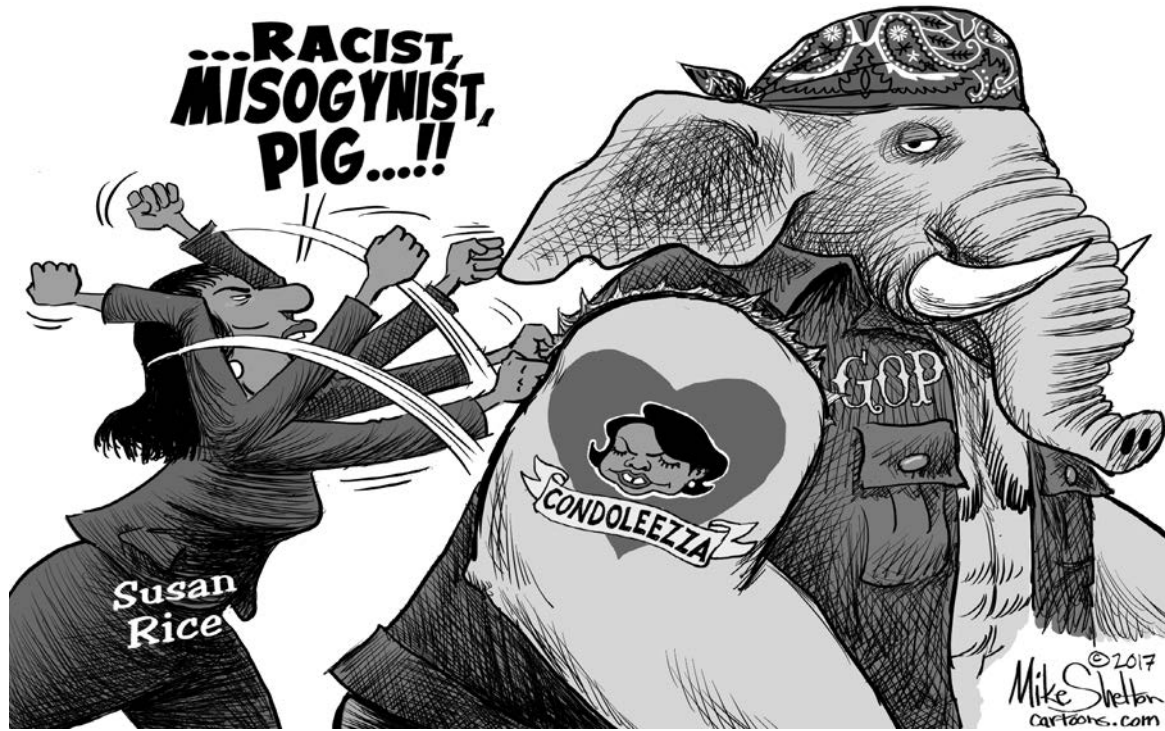
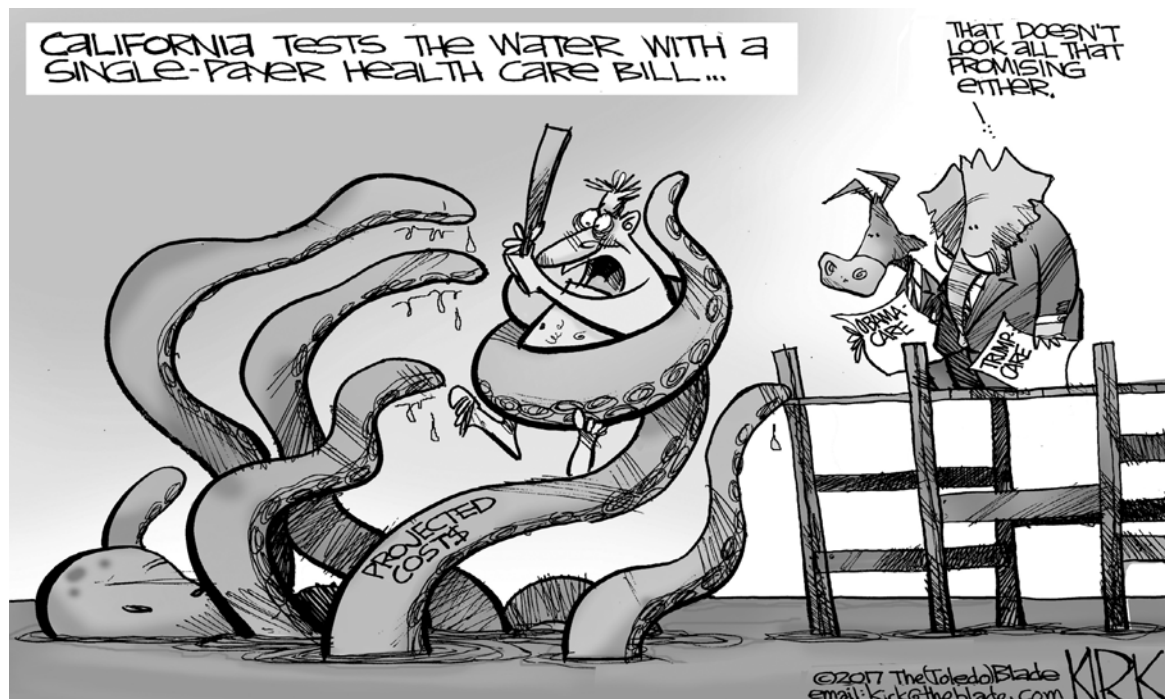
That I am a couple of months short of 80 years of age and a heart patient for 18 years didn't shorten his lecture. He emphasized he would NOT be so lenient in the future. I believed him, and should have doubted his interest in witnessing my purchase of a ticket in Fort Worth....

In retrospect, the young man - probably 55 years my junior - was doing his job. At least he didn't write the citation, nor did he throw me off at one of the two stops before reaching Fort Worth.

Upon arrival, I purchased the \$1.25 senior ticket with two one-dollar bills. I left the three quarters to tip the booth lady. Her jaw dropped somewhat, then it fell "floorward" when I tore up the ticket.

Maybe the TRE should sell undated tickets, say for \$10 or thereabout, for one-time use when there's no time to buy a ticket. I'd buy one....

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Moreman protected Tech mascot

Some people told me I ought to interview Jack Moreman of Clarendon. They said he was a character and did lots of stuff, including making compost from feedlot manure. So I called him on a rainy morning and asked him to come to the motel where I was staying.

When he walked into the motel wearing a yellow slicker, he spoke to everybody and called the people behind the registration counter by name.

My room was on the second floor, and I asked him if he needed an elevator, and he said, "I'd rather walk." So we climbed the stairs.

Jack was born at Hedley, a small place just east of Clarendon.

"I was born at home. We didn't have any hospitals in Hedley." His family was in the hardware business. "My granddad had a hardware store in the old town of Rowe, which is no more. The railroad missed Rowe and people moved to Hedley. So granddad put in a hardware store there. He also owned a hardware store in Estelline and one in Lelia Lake."

Back then, hardware stores sold funeral supplies. "I was in the store at Hedley one time and I was probably doing things I shouldn't be doing and my granddad said 'Jack if you don't sit down and behave yourself I'm gonna lock you up in the casket room.' That just terrified me. I behaved from then on."

After graduating from Texas Tech with an agricultural degree, he managed ranches and farms, including the famous JA Ranch. He spent a few years at TCU teaching in the ranch management program, then set up a similar program at Clarendon College and headed it for 20 years. He started a feedlot in Hereford and ended up owning a company that turns feedlot waste into compost, serving farmers in seven counties.

"When I had that feedlot in Hereford somebody said something needed to be done with the piles of manure, that they were interfering with TV reception."



stories of texas by tumbleweed smith







**Power Camp**

Donley County 4-H member Tanner Burch (second from right) along with about 90 other 4-H youth from the Panhandle and South Plains attended the annual Xcel Energy/4-H Power Camp at the Plains Baptist Encampment near Floydada.

COURTESY PHOTO

**Local youths attend 4-H Power Camp**

FLOYDADA – About 90 youth from the Panhandle and South Plains districts attended the annual Xcel Energy/4-H Power Camp June 30-July 2 at the Plains Baptist Encampment near Floydada.

Among those attending was Donley County 4-H member Tanner Burch.

The goal of this camp is for the youth involved in Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service's 4-H program to learn about leadership, electricity and team building, said Shawnte Clawson, AgriLife Extension 4-H youth development specialist in Amarillo.

The camp activities included ziplining, ropes course, kayaking, nightly dances and other recreational activities, which allowed participants to learn the basics of leadership and character development, Clawson said.

Xcel employees from Hereford, Plainview, Perryton and Lubbock taught classes and assisted with the event. The classes covered wiring and electrical safety along with energy conservation and careers in

energy, said Mike Grant, Xcel community service and economic development manager in Hereford.

"We had a great time teaching about electricity and safety, two of my favorite topics," Grant said. "We had the largest group attend the camp in over 10 years."

"Our relationship with this wonderful group allows us to reach many of our rural areas with an electric safety message that can save lives and teach young people about electricity," he said.

Xcel named three top campers: Carter Strawn, Ochiltree County; Katherine Bezner, Dallam/Hartley; and Kynzie Hardegree, Mitchell.

Clawson said this year's camp also included the election of each district officer team. Those elected for District 1, the Panhandle area, were: president – Jenna Mayer, Potter County; vice president – Asher Miller, Ochiltree County; second vice president – Clay Wilson, Wheeler County; public relations officer and state 4-H council delegate at large – Alejandro Mata, Deaf Smith County; secretary – Ashby

Dauer, Carson County; health and safety officer – Lydia Miller, Ochiltree County; photographer – Sedona Bailey, Potter County; treasurer – Mallory McKinney, Potter County; and two member advisers – Kaleigh Meador of Potter County and Marcee Cooke of Hemphill County.

District 2, South Plains area, elected officers were: president – Tyler Hardegree, Mitchell County; vice president – Rachel Graham, Floyd County; delegate at large – Quinton Linson, Gaines County; second vice president – Bryson High, Castro County; third vice president – Chandler Schulte, Castro County; secretary/treasurer – David Burt, Lamb County; public relations officer – Kristi McAlister, Castro County; and member adviser – Carson Millican, Gaines County.

Clawson said 4-H and Xcel Energy have collaborated for over 64 years in educating youth about leadership and energy.

"The North Region 4-H program thanks Xcel for their continued financial and educational support of its programs," she said.

**Obituaries**

**Couch**

Stanley Joe Couch, 62, of Amarillo, former Clarendon resident, died on July 5, 2017. A private family burial will be held at a later date.

Arrangements are under the personal care of LaGrone Blackburn Shaw Funeral Directors, 8310 S. Coulter Road.

Stanley was born on June 6, 1955, in Liberal, Kansas to Pete and Jo Couch. He married Kay Jordan in 1979. Stanley worked in the oil fields in the mid 1980's and later he was a volunteer fireman and paramedic at Howardwick in Clarendon. Stanley received the Medal of Honor in Firefighting. He loved to fish at Greenbelt Lake.

He was preceded in death by his parents and wife.

Mr. Couch is survived by his sister, Kimberley; three step children, William, Kathy and Sherry; an aunt, Frankie; four cousins, Cindy, Curtis, Doug and Rex; and numerous step grandchildren.

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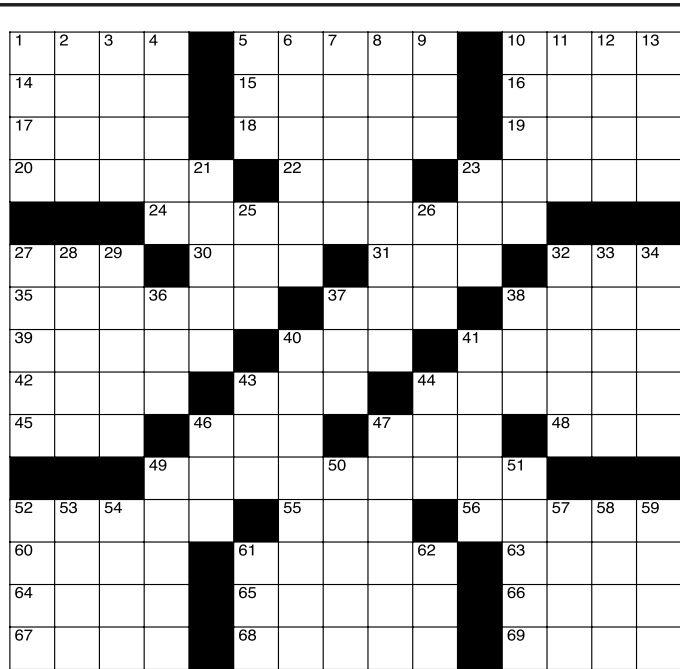
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Commissioners set the first two weeks of August as the dates to clean up some illegal dumping sites with the work being funded by a grant of about \$20,000.

The court also approved submitting a credit package to AEG Petroleum as an alternate to fuel purchases for county vehicles, approved making the clerk for the Pct. 1&2 Justice of the Peace a full time position, and turned down a proposal for a new postage meter presented by Pitney Bowes.

Under courthouse maintenance, it was reported that Randy Hughes of Mid-Continental Restoration visited Clarendon and recommended a Dutchman technique to reface spalling sandstones on the 1890 building. He will be submitting a proposal to the county in the near future.

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**CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Type of ion
- 5. \_\_\_ N' Bake
- 10. At all times
- 14. \_\_\_ Triad: fictional cult
- 15. Spiked revolving disk
- 16. Swiss river
- 17. Bleat
- 18. Finnish lake
- 19. Spanish cubist Juan
- 20. Consumer
- 22. No seats available
- 23. Arrive
- 24. Upstate NY city
- 27. Team's best pitcher
- 30. Follows sigma
- 31. Consume
- 32. Congressman
- 35. Spider's territory
- 37. Conclusion
- 38. Female parent
- 39. Instruments
- 40. \_\_\_-bo: exercise
- 41. Jewish spiritual leader
- 42. Oil cartel
- 43. In support of
- 44. More creepy
- 45. Color of blood
- 46. '\_\_\_ death do us part
- 47. Radio finder (abbr.)
- 48. Promotions
- 49. Songs
- 52. Tony winner Daisy
- 55. Not just "play"
- 56. Affected with rabies
- 60. Formal group of like-minded people
- 61. Hold valuables
- 63. Male admirer
- 64. Actress Lucy
- 65. Prevents the fermentation of
- 66. Furniture
- 67. Long, winding ridge
- 68. Cover with drops
- 69. Major European river

**CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Greek goddess of youth
- 2. Early kingdom in Syria
- 3. Fortifying ditch
- 4. Walk into
- 5. Island state \_\_\_ Lanka
- 6. Japan's most populous island
- 7. Mindful of
- 8. Fuel
- 9. NY Giants' Manning
- 10. Very willing
- 11. Linear unit
- 12. Guitarist Clapton
- 13. Semitic letter
- 21. Habitual repetitions
- 23. Soak
- 25. Taxi
- 26. Small amount
- 27. A theatrical performer
- 28. 2-door car
- 29. \_\_\_ and flowed
- 32. Arabic female name
- 33. Implant within
- 34. Groups of two
- 36. College athletic conference
- 37. Body part
- 38. Disfigure
- 40. Accept
- 41. Allude to
- 43. Type of tree
- 44. Doctor of Education
- 46. Pearl Jam's first album
- 47. Flower cluster
- 49. Heavy cavalry sword
- 50. Arabian Peninsula desert
- 51. Marten
- 52. Type of sound
- 53. Expression of grief
- 54. Liberian tribal people
- 57. Wizards' shooting guard Bradley
- 58. Metrical foot
- 59. Mislead knowingly
- 61. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
- 62. Midway between south and southwest

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**July 24**  
Vacation Bible School • 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. • Community Fellowship Church

**July 25**  
Vacation Bible School • 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. • Community Fellowship Church

**July 26**  
Vacation Bible School • 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. • Community Fellowship Church

**July 27**  
Vacation Bible School • 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. • Community Fellowship Church

**July 28**  
Vacation Bible School • 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. • Community Fellowship Church

**August 5**  
Whistle-Stop Trade Days

**August 6**  
Whistle-Stop Trade Days

**August 17**  
Clarendon • Back to School

**August 18**  
Broncos v Bovina • scrimmage • 5:00 p.m. • Away

**August 21**  
Hedley • Back to School

**August 24**  
Broncos v Electra • scrimmage • 6:00 p.m. • Home

**September 1**  
Broncos v Shamrock • 7:30 p.m. • Home

**September 4**  
Labor Day

**September 8**  
Broncos v S-Earth • 7:30 p.m. • Away

**September 10**  
Grandparents' Day

**September 11**  
Patriot Day

**September 15**  
Broncos v Wheeler • 7:30 p.m. • Away

**September 22**  
Broncos v Gruver • Homecoming • 7:30 p.m. • Home

**September 23**  
Col. Charles Goodnight Chuckwagon Cookoff • Saints' Roost Museum

**September 29**  
Broncos v Booker • 7:30 p.m. • Away

**October 9**  
Columbus Day

**October 13**  
Broncos v Lockney • 7 p.m. • Home

**October 20**  
Broncos v Crosbyton • 7 p.m. • Away

**November 7**  
Election Day

**November 11**  
Veterans' Day

**November 23**  
Thanksgiving

## Menus

July 17 - July 21

**Donley County Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Breaded chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, carrot raisin salad, wheat roll, strawberry short cake, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Sliced brisket, seasoned butter beans, greens, cornbread, peachy gelatin, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Smothered steak, mashed potatoes, broccoli & cauliflower, wheat roll, angel food cake/pears, iced tea/2% milk.

Thu: Meatloaf, German potato salad, garlic bread, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: Mexican pile on, tomatoes, lettuce, onions, pinto beans, tortilla, brownie, iced tea/2% milk.

### Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Chicken tenders, garlic mashed potatoes, turnip greens, wheat rolls, mandarin oranges, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Ham & pinto beans, cornbread, margarine, spinach, seasoned corn, orange pineapple cup, country apple crisp, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Roast beef, baked potato w/ sour cream, buttered carrots, roll, chocolate pudding, iced tea/2% milk.

Thu: Spaghetti w/meatballs, Italian vegetables, broccoli, garlic toast, Autumn Jello, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: Roast turkey & bread dressing, seasoned broccoli, Waldorf salad, cranberry square, iced tea/2% milk.

# Charity scams, fake sales

Hi gang, I have made it back from MD Anderson with a good report and will not have to go back for 6 months. I hope your summer is going well and you are enjoying this hot dry summer. If you think that I should continue this column please let me know, bwatsonwbs@gmail.com. Or you can call the Enterprise at 806-874-2259.

Scams in the name of charity by Lisa Lake Consumer Education Specialist, FTC

Scammers are creative, cunning and cruel — and they often mix in a little truth to spice up their big lies. This scheme shows just how low they can go. Government imposters claiming to be with the FTC, or another agency like the fictitious “Consumer Protection Agency,” are calling to inform people they have won a huge sweepstakes from the Make-a-Wish Foundation, a well-known charity for very sick children. To get the money, the callers say, the “winner” must first pay thousands of dollars to cover taxes or insurance on the prize. The call may even come from a 202 (Washington, DC) area code to appear credible — since the headquarters for the FTC and most federal agencies are in DC.

This is just a scheme using the well-known names of Make-a-Wish and the FTC to rob thousands of dollars from people. Once you wire money or send banking information, you will never see your money again. Here are a few facts and tips to protect yourself and others: If someone asks you to wire money or provide your bank account information over the telephone, it's a scam.

Anytime you have to pay to get a prize, it's a scam. The FTC doesn't oversee sweepstakes and no FTC staff is involved in giving out sweepstakes prizes. We do, however, go after sweepstakes scams like this one. If an FTC case results in refunds, you can find the details at [ftc.gov/redress](http://ftc.gov/redress). The Make-a-Wish Foundation has information about this specific scam on its fraud alerts page. If you encounter this or other scams, report it to the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or [ftc.gov/complaint](http://ftc.gov/complaint). Talk to your friends and family about scams. Visit [FTC.gov/PassItOn](http://FTC.gov/PassItOn) to find out how.

“Going out of business” sales: Are the deals real? by Colleen Tressler Consumer Education Specialist, FTC

Who doesn't like to save money? Those big colorful “going out of business” sale signs can draw you in, like a moth to a flame. Before you fork over any cash, make sure you understand the real deal. Otherwise, you might get burned. Here are a few things to think about. How can you tell if you're getting a good deal? Comparison shopping is your best bet. Check to see if the same, or similar, products are sold elsewhere for less. If you're at the store, use your smart phone to compare prices online. Timing can make a big difference. The longer the sale lasts, the deeper the discounts. The trade-off:

there will be less merchandise to choose from.

Who's handling the sale? The store owner or a liquidator? Most of the time, the store owner or company is not in charge of running a going-out-of-business sale. Instead, they sell off their merchandise to third party liquidators, who hold the sale. Liquidators may base discounts on the manufacturer's suggested retail price, which often is higher than what stores typically charge. That means goods can end up costing more than they did before the going-out-of-business sale began. Liquidation firms generally don't honor gift certificates, coupons or store credits. Chances are they also have a “no refunds or returns” policy, so inspect merchandise carefully before buying. Make sure the instructions and warranty cards are included, especially if you're buying appliances and electronics.

When can a company advertise a “going out of business sale”? The short answer is: only when a store is going out of business. It's against the law to advertise a “going out of business sale” when a store is not going out of business. If a store in your area is advertising what looks to be a bogus “going out of business sale,” contact your state Attorney General's office. Some states limit how long a seller can advertise it's going out of business. For example, sales might be limited to 30 days unless the seller applies for, and is granted, an extension. That helps protect customers from being duped by never-ending “going out of business” sales. Stay Safe Out There



Mr. And Mrs. Josh Fetsch

## Askew, Fetsch wed June 17

Miss Katie Askew and Mr. Josh Fetsch were united in marriage on June 17, 2017, at 6 o'clock in the evening at the Allen Creek ranch in Donley County. The Rev. Lance Wood officiated the ceremony.

Katie is the daughter of Danny and Terry Askew of Clarendon. She is the granddaughter of Lucy Saye and the late Tommie Saye of Clarendon, and Jerry and Karen Askew of Amarillo. Josh is the son of Ronnie and Debbie Fetsch of Hereford. He is the grandson of Claudine and the late Bill Cooper of Texhoma, Oklahoma and the late Mr. and Mrs. F.A. Fetsch of Hereford.

The bride was given in marriage by her daddy, Danny Askew. Jessica Eriksen of Victoria, Texas was the

Maid of Honor. Katie's Bridesmaids were Amanda Askew and Savannah Askew, her sisters-in-law. Katie's niece, Kassie Askew, and nephews, Caleb and Conner Askew, were the flower children.

Jaxon and Jaten Fetsch, sons of the groom, were the ring bearers. Kyle Fetsch, brother of the groom, was the Best Man. Dale and Dalton Askew, brothers of the bride, were Groomsmen.

Katie is a graduate of WTAMU and teaches at Clarendon I.S.D.

Josh is Sales Manager of Flying A Tack in Clarendon.

Following their “Family-moon” to Dallas, to enjoy time with their boys, Katie and Josh reside in Clarendon.

## Vacation time again in Colorado

Last Monday, me and my family took a trip to Colorado to see my Aunt Dixi and Uncle Dick. They live a little bit outside of Pueblo, and they have a nice house and a dog named Digby.

This is the third time we've gone and visited them on vacation. They have a fish pond, and they also have a little pond with minnows and tadpoles in it. Then down one trail is a dried up creek bed with fossilized fish, sea shells, and plants. The first year we went to Aunt Dixi's with my cousins Nathan and Daniel. We went into the creek and searched and found a rock about 12 inches across. It had three fossil fish that were almost the same. This year I found mainly sea shell fossils but there was one that looks like a decapitated fish.

We also went four-wheeler riding and got to shoot a .22 rifle. Also during the first hour we were



While visiting his Aunt and Uncle in Colorado last week, Ben Estlack learned to drive his Uncle Dick's tractor and dumped a load of dirt for him.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

there, I got to drive my Uncle Dick's tractor and dumped a load of dirt for him. It was a really fun experience!

I'd like to thank Aunt Dixi and

Uncle Dick for letting us come stay and do all things!

The second half of our trip will be in next week's paper.



the lion's tale  
by scarlet estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting July 11, 2017, with Boss Lion Tex Buckhaults in charge. We had 16 members and no guests this week.

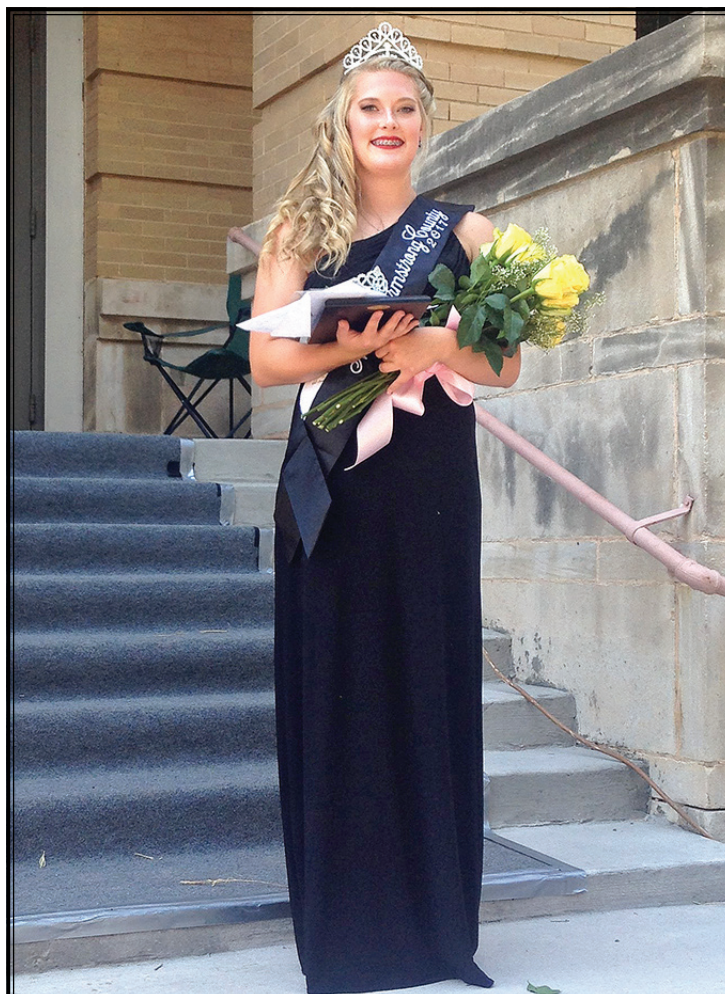
Lion Ashlee Estlack reported business as usual at the college where the Summer II session is about to get underway, and Lion Landon Lambert reported that the county is working on its budget.

Lion Mike Norrell said the public school is now fully staffed and ready to start the school year.

Lion David Dockery said the city will meet Tuesday to discuss financing for the Mulkey project and the water recreation project.

The secretary reported that the club made about \$400 on the cow patty bingo after one of the \$50 winners, Russell Latham, donated his winnings back to the club. Brock Holland and Rachel Foradory won the \$250 pot, and Brenda Hill was the other \$50 winner. This year's bingo was one for the history books as the bovine participant made a grand escape en route to the bingo pen and a backup cow had to be called in as the number two... so to speak.

Installation of officers will be held next week. There being no further business, we were adjourned to spread Lionism and good cheer throughout our fair county.



## Miss Armstrong County 2017

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## WHISTLE STOP LEGENDS

Whistle-Stop owners Jordan & Kimberly salute this week's legend...

ONITA THOMAS



Onita was born in Potosi but spent much of her early life in Donley County, graduating from Lelia Lake High School in 1954 before becoming a resident of Amarillo and going through Northwest Texas Hospital's School of Nursing and started a career as an RN that would span 50 years.

She returned to Clarendon in 1964 and worked at Adair Hospital, the Donley County Rural Health Clinic, and Clarendon Family Medical Center.

During her life, she devoted much time to the community through the Boy Scouts, the First Baptist Church, the local American Cancer Society chapter, the Donley County Senior Citizens board, the Donley County Hospital Board, and the Clarendon College nursing advisory board.

Onita passed away in 2006, but she leaves behind a legacy of service to others and a gentle touch in caring for the sick.

The Whistle-Stop and the community salute the memory of the late Onita Thomas for her contributions and her service. Thank you, Onita!

DEADLINES

News & Photos Monday @ noon  
Ads & Classifieds Monday @ 5 p.m.

Don't miss Whistle-Stop Trade Days: Aug. 5 & 6



# Franks competing in rodeo finals

SHAWNEE – Cole Franks of Clarendon is competing this week in the 25th annual International Finals Youth Rodeo held July 9-14 at the Heart of Oklahoma Exposition Center, in Shawnee, Oklahoma.

Franks is participating in the world's richest youth rodeo, hoping to win his share of more than \$250,000 in prize money and championship saddles and buckles.

Franks will join more than 800 of the top high school athletes from around the world for the 2017 IFYR. He is vying for prizes in bareback riding and saddle bronc riding.

Contestants will compete in 10 events running simultaneously in three arenas throughout the week. Events include barrel racing, pole bending, breakaway roping, goat tying, team roping, tie-down roping,

steer wrestling, bull riding, saddle bronc riding and bareback riding. The IFYR consists of two long go-rounds and a short go. All contestants compete once in each of the long go-rounds. The top 15 averages in each event will compete Friday night in the championship round short go for fame and prizes.

"The International Finals Youth Rodeo was developed to provide high school athletes with a professional level rodeo," said Chris Dunlap, assistant director of the Heart of Oklahoma Exposition Center and International Finals Youth Rodeo. "Twenty-five years later, the IFYR is where any hopeful rodeo champion wants to be and be seen."

The IFYR is not only home to the top high school athletes in the nation, but it is also an opportunity

that allows for contestants and their families to travel, rodeo along the way and meet peers from across the country. The International Finals Youth Rodeo, held annually since 1993, is a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization that presents top high school athletes with a professional rodeo. The internationally-recognized IFYR is held annually at the Heart of Oklahoma Exposition Center in Shawnee, Oklahoma. The action-packed event includes hundreds of contestants vying to win more than \$250,000 in prize money, competing in 10 events running simultaneously in three arenas over six days. In 2016, more than 920 contestants and their families traveled from 34 states and Australia to participate in the IFYR. For more information, visit IFYR.com or call (405) 275-7020.



## New officers

Clarendon Lodge #700 A.F.&A.M. installed officers for the 2017-2018 year during its regular meeting Monday night. Shown here are Tiler John Lockhart, Chaplain Sam Lowry, Worshipful Master Roger Estlack, Senior Warden Jim Owens, Junior Warden Butch Blackburn, and Secretary Grett Betts. Other officers not pictured are Treasurer Billy Powell, Senior Deacon Larry Hicks, Junior Deacon Russell Estlack, Senior Steward Don Smith, Marshal Jimmy Garland, and Master of Ceremonies Will Chamberlain.

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## Red Cross Award

Former Clarendon resident Temi Wardell was recently nominated for and received the "Rookie of the Year" for the Panhandle Red Cross. Wardell provides great team leadership for her Red Cross chapter.

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CASA volunteers Medina Gribble and Debbie Roberts-Hillis pick up the CASA donation jar from Clarendon Outpost Dinner employee, Latonya Wilson.

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## Drugs in the News

### Upadacitinib May be Effective for Crohn's Disease

A recent study reported that a drug called upadacitinib was shown to be a safe and effective treatment for people with Crohn's disease, who do not respond to other medications. Upadacitinib is a Janus kinase-1 (JAK-1) blocker. It works by blocking the activity of JAK-1, a protein that plays a role in triggering inflammation. Several doses of Upadacitinib were studied in 220 adults with long-standing moderate to severe Crohn's disease. When compared to a placebo, individuals who were given upadacitinib for 16 weeks had higher disease remission rates. Additionally, individuals taking upadacitinib experienced less soft stools and less stomach pain. Side effects of upadacitinib may include headache, nausea, or infection with higher doses.

Crohn's disease is a condition where the lining of the digestive tract becomes inflamed. It may be caused by genetics, viruses, or bacteria. Symptoms of Crohn's disease may include diarrhea, stomach pain, fever, and tiredness.

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300 N. JEFFERSON ST. • PASTOR: ROY WILLIAMS  
SUN. SCHOOL: 10 A.M. • SUN. SERVICE: 11:15 A.M.  
WED.: 7 P.M. (WEATHER PERMITTING)

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SUN. SCHOOL: 10 A.M. • SUN. SERVICE: 11:15 A.M.  
WED.: 7 P.M.

### HEDLEY

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
110 E. SECOND ST. • MINISTER: BRIGHT NEWHOUSE  
SUN. BIBLE CLASS: 10 A.M. • SUN. SERVICE: 11 A.M.  
SUN. EVENING: 6 P.M. • WED.: 7:30 P.M.

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WED.: 7 P.M.

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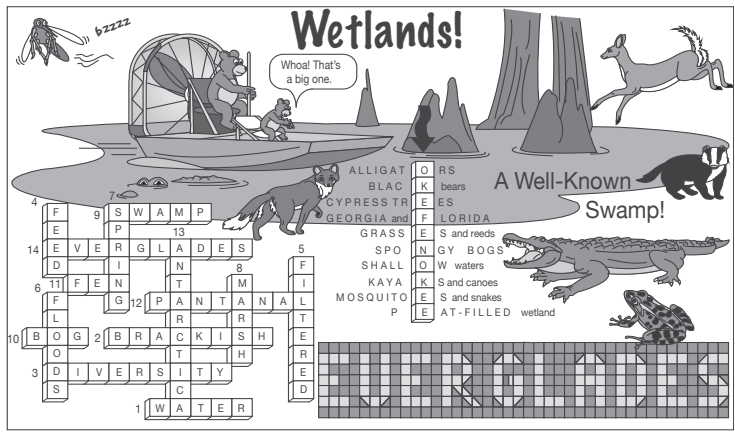
Two artifacts handed down through the Estlack family were donated to the Saints' Roost Museum last Thursday. The two Majolica pitchers have been in the family since the 19th century and were among the possessions of Alfred Estlack, the father of former local publisher J.C. Estlack, and were once displayed in the former Donley County Museum in the 1930s. They were later passed down through the family of Eugene and Helen Estlack with instructions that they ultimately be returned to Clarendon for display. Shown here are museum curator Madeleine Black with Eugene and Helen's daughter-in-law and granddaughter, Marilyn Estlack and Dawn Estlack Sweet.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

**Publish on Amazon like a Pro**

AMARILLO – Texas High Plains Writers will meet Saturday, July 15, at 9:00 a.m. for a program from local Author, Ryan McSwain. The topic will cover how to self-publish your book through Amazon. McSwain will cover all facets of the Indie Author process including book editing, cover design, formatting, marketing and distribution. Uploading your book to Amazon for publication is free. Amarillo Author, Ryan McSwain is a stay-at-home dad and full-time Indie Author. He enjoys reading novels by Phillip K. Dick, D.B. Weiss, and Joseph Heller.

This handful of authors influence McSwain's writing style and keeps him hooked on writing fiction. McSwain's current book "Monsters all the Way Down" was published September 2014. His new self-published release "Four Color Bleed" is available for pre-order on ryanmcswain.com. Following lunch, a reception honoring the winners of the youth writing contest will be held. The contest is sponsored every year by Texas High Plains Writers to encourage and promote creative writing among young authors.



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Wed	5	95°	66°	-
Thur	6	94°	66°	-
Fri	7	91°	65°	.12
Sat	8	92°	61°	-
Sun	9	92°	61°	-

Total precipitation this month: 1.68"  
Total precipitation to date: 11.38"

**weekend forecast**

Fri., July 14	Sunny	61° / 28°
Sat., July 15	Mostly Sunny	54° / 34°
Sun., July 16	Mostly Sunny	61° / 41°

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What might you see in swamps? Birds, snakes, alligators and mosquitoes.

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**Wetlands!**

I live in the ocean. I meet my "swampy" friends at the mouth of the Suwannee River, whose waters flow from the Okefenokee Swamp in southern Georgia to empty into the Gulf of Mexico! Look these up on a map!

Have you ever heard of a *biome*? It is a community of plants and animals that have adapted to their environments – such as a desert or a wetland. Wetland biomes are often found inside of another biome such as a rainforest. A wetland is wet most of the year. It hosts plants and animals that can live in its wet soil and shallow water. Water, mud, plants and living creatures make up the wetlands. There are many fascinating things to see in swamps, bogs, marshes and fens. If you explore these areas, be careful. A wetland with a boardwalk is safest!

**Read the clues to fill in the crossword puzzle:**

- wetlands have \_\_\_\_\_ above the surface of the soil at least part of the year
- wetlands have fresh water, salt water or a mix of both called \_\_\_\_\_ water
- wetlands have a large variety of plants and animals; this \_\_\_\_\_ of life makes wetlands important to preserve
- about half of U.S. birds nest or \_\_\_\_\_ in wetlands
- as water flows through a wetland's soil, harmful materials are \_\_\_\_\_ out by plant life; cleaner water returns to nearby ponds, rivers, lakes, oceans and the underground 'water table'
- like a sponge, wetlands absorb and hold a lot of water; may take on millions of gallons of extra water, thereby stopping \_\_\_\_\_
- some wetlands only appear in the fall or \_\_\_\_\_, when the weather allows water to build up
- this wetlands ecosystem becomes flooded during wet seasons or high tides; see cattails, cranes, reeds, muskrats
- \_\_\_\_\_ is an ecosystem similar to a marsh, but it can support trees such as red maples or cottonwoods; other plants like pussy willows
- the \_\_\_\_\_ gets its water from rain or snowfall; soil contains few nutrients, which is perfect for peat and sphagnum moss
- a \_\_\_\_\_ gets some water from mountain streams; water picks up nutrients as it moves; supports plant life – grass, sedge, rushes
- world's largest tropical wetland is the \_\_\_\_\_ of Brazil, Bolivia and Paraguay; 75,000 square miles in the center of South America
- wetlands are everywhere except \_\_\_\_\_; soil there isn't wet, but frozen; not enough plants to support a wetland
- most famous wetland in the U.S. is the Florida \_\_\_\_\_; people say the sawgrass there is so sharp that it can cut through clothes

Everglades, brackish, Antarctica, Spring bog, marsh, water, fen, feed, filtered diversity, Pantanal, swamp, floods, swamp, bzzz, zzz





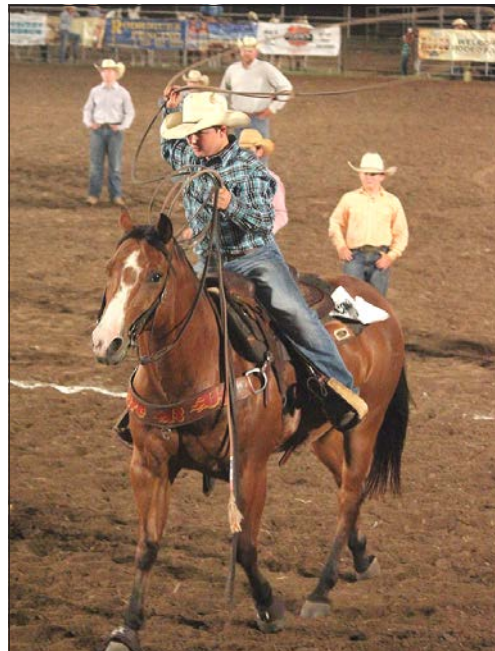


# Scenes from the Junior Ranch Rodeo



Following the Junior Ranch Rodeo on Tuesday, July 4, buckles were given to the following individuals Overall Mutton Bustin' champion was Madalyn Benson; Overall Calf Riding Champion was Jaxon McAnear, the Overall Donkey Rider and Steer Riding champion was Levi Walden.

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Johnny and Gail Hill won the John Deere Riding Mower raffled off by the Junior Livestock Association during this year's Fourth of July festivities.

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Clarendon Junior High Cheerleaders raffled off a Fitbit Blaze during the 4th of July festivities. The winner of the raffle was Diane Skelton. She graciously donated the cost of the item back to the cheerleaders. Pictured are Jayde Gribble, Darcy Grahn, Graci Kidd and Finley Cunningham.

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