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Hedley mayor resigns over town rumors

The mayor of Hedley has resigned his office after becoming frustrated with a growing rumor mill in that community.

Lonnie Roby turned in a letter of resignation on August 8, and the city council accepted it during a called meeting last Thursday, August 17.

In a copy of the letter obtained by the Enterprise, Roby wrote that it had been a privilege to serve the community for several years as a council member, mayor pro-tem, and mayor, but that he felt "a good mayor needs to spend more time being a mayor than I am able to give."

Following Roby's signature, he also wrote that he had asked City Secretary Ginger Burnett to go with him and his wife to take a drug test for herself. He wrote that she would do this, but then changed her mind after speaking to Mayor Pro-tem Carrie Butler.

Burnett told the Enterprise that she felt like Roby's request was unusual, so she had talked to Butler who advised her that this was not how Hedley's city policy was written. Burnett then refused Roby's request.

Roby told the Enterprise that he was tired of constant rumors about Burnett and the city and that in his mind the quickest way to clear up the matter was for Burnett to take a drug test.

"I didn't believe she was doing drugs," Roby said. "I still don't believe it. All I wanted to do was clear her name. We need to stop this rumor because it's running the City of Hedley down."

Roby said he still supports Burnett; but when she wouldn't help him clear her name, he no longer wanted to serve the city.

"I don't want to put her down," Roby said. "I think she does a good job for the city."

Burnett says the Hedley council will meet in called session this Friday to appoint someone to fill Roby's seat.

Elementary holding speech screenings

Clarendon Elementary will hold Pre-school and Speech screening for three-year-old children on Wednesday, August 30, 2017.

Children to be screened must be age three on or before August 30. Call 874-3855 to schedule an appointment.

PPHM exhibit looks at World War One.

A new exhibit at the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum in Canyon focuses on the 100th anniversary of the beginning of World War I.

"The Great War and the Panhandle" was researched by Melissa A. Griswold, and she is available to speak to local groups about the topic. For more information, contact Griswold by email at melisg123@gmail.com.

Local schools meet 2017 state standards

Clarendon and Hedley schools met the state's expectations during standardized testing this spring, according to information released by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) last Tuesday, August 15.

The state released the 2017 state accountability ratings for more than 1,200 school districts and charters, as well as more than 8,700 campuses statewide. The ratings reveal that approximately 95 percent of school districts and charters across Texas have achieved the rating of Met Standard, including Clarendon

and Hedley ISDs.

Clarendon exceeded the state's target scores in all indices as a district as whole as well as on its high school, junior high, and elementary campuses.

In the Student Achievement Index with a target score of 60, CISD scored 82, CHS received an 82, CJH was an 81, and Clarendon Elementary earned an 83.

The Clarendon school district and each campus also exceeded the state targets for three other measured indexes.

"We're very proud of our staff and students," CISD Superintendent Mike Norrell said. "It is evidence that hard work pays off. This is a measure of us based on one test and you always want to do the best you can and look for areas to improve."

Norrell also noted that CISD campuses earned several distinctions this year.

Clarendon High School earned distinctions for Academic Achievement in ELA/Reading and Social Students, Top 25 Percent in Student Progress, Top 25 Percent of Closing

Performance Gaps, and Postsecondary Readiness.

Clarendon Junior High received distinctions for Academic Achievement in ELA/Reading and Mathematics, and Top 25 Percent Closing Performance Gaps.

Clarendon Elementary received distinctions for Academic Achievement in ELA/Reading, Mathematics, and Science as well as for Top 25 Percent Student Progress, and Postsecondary Readiness.

Hedley ISD is scored as a whole instead of by campuses, and

that school received a score of 81 in Student Achievement and also exceeded the state targets in the other three areas.

To earn a rating of Met Standard or Met Alternative Standard, a campus or district must meet the target on either Student Achievement (Index 1) or Student Progress (Index 2) – plus meet the targets on Closing Performance Gaps (Index 3) and Postsecondary Readiness (Index 4).

To view the 2017 state accountability ratings, visit <http://tea.texas.gov/2017accountability.aspx>



Look! Up in the sky!

Ella Estlack, Ben Estlack, Kasen Hatley, and Jaxon McAnear (top photo) gaze at the solar eclipse Monday afternoon using special lenses and a welding mask to protect their eyes. Clarendon ISD set up live streaming websites for students to view the eclipse but did not allow students outside without their parents during the event. The bottom photo shows the eclipse as viewed through some clouds using a special filter on a camera.

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CISD trustees to vote on \$5.6 million budget Monday

The Clarendon ISD Board of Trustees will consider adopting a \$5.6 million budget for fiscal year 2018 when they meet next Monday, August 28.

Superintendent Mike Norrell says expenses in the proposed budget are 0.26 percent higher than the current budget. The school's proposed operating budget will be \$5.379 million plus approximately \$240,000 for food services.

"We saw a decrease in payroll expense because we lost seven longtime teachers who were replaced with new teachers at lower pay step," Norrell said.

Even though payroll expenses

will be down overall, the budget does include step raises for district teachers and instructional aides as well as a 2.25 percent increase for at-will employees.

Norrell said the budget is based on an average daily attendance of 440 students, just as last year's budget was. Clarendon ISD's enrollment Monday afternoon morning was sitting at 474.

Clarendon ISD will maintain its current tax rate of \$1.17 per \$100 valuation as approved by voters four years ago. Due to higher property values, that tax rate will generate about \$1.79 million in revenue.

Payments in lieu of taxes from the Salt Fork Wind Project are expected to bring in more than \$40,000, and the remaining funds to support the fiscal year 2018 budget will come from state appropriations and other sources. State revenues are up about \$7,000, Norrell said.

The fiscal year for Clarendon ISD begins on October 1. Public tax and budget hearings will be held August 28 prior to trustees voting on the measures.

In other CISD business, trustees met in regular session August 14 and accepted a bid from Gandy's Dairies for the milk for the

cafeteria as presented. Proposals were also accepted from Apple for computers and accessories for the Elementary Computer Lab to be expensed out of the 2017-2018 budget and from CDWG for Chromebooks and licenses to be expensed out of the 2017-2018 budget.

Two bids were accepted on tax delinquent properties Clark and Belinda Teague for lots in Howardwick.

The board also met in closed session for 17 minutes to discuss personnel, but no action was taken when the board reconvened in open session.

Impact on lives focus of CC talk

Changing people's lives was the main theme at Clarendon College Tuesday morning as faculty and staff assembled to prepare for the fall semester which starts next week.

CC President Robert Riza addressed employees during All College Day to remind everyone the purpose of the college.

"What we do is relevant, and it is more relevant today than it was a year ago," Dr. Riza said. "The number one predictor of success at a university is the possession of an associate's degree."

Riza said CC graduates finish at Texas Tech University and West Texas A&M University at a rate of about 70 percent, twice the rate of incoming freshmen at those institutions. He also reiterated statements made by WT President Walter Wendler who has said if student must borrow money for their first two years at WT, they should go to a community college instead.

CC continues to develop programs to meet the needs of area students, and Riza discussed the college's new horse judging program, an honors program for students with dual credit hours, and the new CDL program.

Clarendon College's innovative approach to developmental education is now a requirement for other colleges around the state. Riza said HB 2223 that was approved by the 85th Legislature now requires every college to teach developmental education using the co-requisite model pioneered by CC in 2014 in which students with remedial needs are immersed in traditional college classes with added tutorial help rather than having to spend multiple semesters in developmental classes.

"The state has given colleges four years to adopt this," Riza said. "Clarendon College did it in one year and changed whole lot of lives."

As another measure of success and hard work, Riza pointed again to the recent Legislative session. The governor's office said to prepare for a four percent reduction in state funds, but Clarendon College received a ten percent increase in state appropriations.

Riza said that due to that good news, along with enrollment growth, college employees who were in their current positions as of June 1 will receive a three percent raise and adjunct faculty will receive a raise of \$25 per credit hour.

The president also said dual credit continues to be an important part of CC, and those class offerings are expanding this fall to Canadian High School. Clarendon College has a 90 percent success rate in its dual credit program, and that number is 95 percent in Clarendon and Hedley high schools.

"What we do changes lives," Riza said.

Clarendon city budget holds line on taxes, fees

The Clarendon City Council is holding the line on taxes and fees as it prepares to hold a public hearing on its proposed \$2.126 million budget for fiscal year 2018 during a regular session this Thursday, August 24.

The budget is about 9.6 percent lower than the current budget due

largely to drainage improvements done on Third Street in the current fiscal year.

"We had about \$341,000 on street repairs in fiscal year 2017," City Administrator David Dockery said, "but now we are planning no extensive street repairs until the USDA-funded water system project

is completed."

Dockery said no service fee increases are proposed in the new budget, and the city intends to adopt the effective tax rate, which will bring in the same tax revenue as this year and yet lower the actual tax rate by about one penny per \$100 valuation. The new tax rate will be \$0.733821,

and the city expects to receive about \$260,000 in ad valorem taxes.

City employees will receive a 2.5 percent raise under the new budget, but they will be required to pick up about ten percent of their health insurance premiums going forward. Previously, the city paid the entire cost of employee premiums.

The budget includes \$17,000 earmarked to help replace storm sirens on the east and west sides of town. Funds are also set aside for \$25,000 worth of improvements to City Hall as the first phase of a three-year plan to bring the 1918 municipal building into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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New strategy, same results in Afghanistan

By A. Trevor Thrall and Erik Goepner, Cato Institute

Monday night Donald Trump announced a "new strategy" for Afghanistan and South Asia. He said the new strategy is predicated on three conclusions he drew regarding U.S. interests in Afghanistan. Those conclusions are the "immense" threat posed by Afghanistan and the region, the need for an "honorable and enduring outcome" and the pitfalls of a rapid exit.

How this will change U.S. strategy, though, was not entirely clear. He spoke of holding Pakistan accountable — not new; following a conditions-based schedule rather than a time-based one — also not new; easing use of force and targeting policies — again, not new.

In the end, though, Trump focused on killing terrorists: "attacking our enemies, obliterating ISIS, crushing al-Qaida..."

And most critically, throughout his speech he reminded Americans of his penchant for "winning." On 10 occasions he affirmed that "we will always win," or "in the end, we will win..."

President Trump's new strategy ignores the evidence amassed over 16 hard-fought years, and, as a result, more American treasure will be lost as this unnecessary war continues.

His "winning" rhetoric, like that of previous administrations, makes it sound as though this is America's war to win or lose. It is not.

In the aftermath of a previous war that did not go America's way, an American military officer told his counterpart, "You know, you never defeated us on the battlefield." To which the Vietnamese officer replied, "That may be so. But it is also irrelevant." A similar exchange could take place today. Thanks to its military might, the U.S. has exclusive control over who wins on the battlefield. However, the U.S. has very little control over how the Afghan government will govern or how Afghan security forces will fight. America, therefore, has little power to affect the outcome of Afghanistan's civil war.

Ever since the signing of the Bonn Accords in late 2001, the U.S. and the international community have endeavored to stand up a fledgling Afghan democracy. That has failed. Based on the lack of political rights and civil liberties available to Afghans, Freedom House rates the country as "not free," the lowest rating. Afghanistan also remains abysmally corrupt, ranking 169 out of 176 countries in the Corruption Perceptions Index.

If civil wars occur, in part, because citizens rebel when they have enough grievances against their government, then it seems unlikely Afghan insurgents will lay down their weapons now to support one of the world's most corrupt and least capable governments and live in a country that is not free.

Afghan security forces are similarly lackluster. There are approximately 350,000 Afghan military, police and local constables facing 35,000 to 45,000 Taliban and other insurgent groups. Despite being dramatically outnumbered, out-trained and out-equipped, the Taliban now control or contest 40 percent of Afghan districts, more than at any other time since 2001.

If civil wars occur, in part, because the government cannot prevent them, it seems unlikely, after 16 years and billions of dollars of effort, that additional U.S. troops and money will motivate and professionalize the Afghan security forces enough to secure its citizens.

The failure of the Afghan government and security forces is, primarily, a failure of Afghans. The U.S. can adjust its strategy as often as it would like, but Americans should not expect substantially different outcomes until Afghans find their own way.

And Trump's suggestion that we can kill our way to victory is similarly unsupported by the evidence. Despite invading two countries, toppling three regimes and conducting military strikes in seven nations, the estimated number of Islamist-inspired terrorists has grown from approximately 32,000 before initiation of the war on terror to 109,000 now.

Some may find these to be tough truths. Yet the reality is that all these issues are manageable because no vital U.S. interests are at stake. The terrorist safe haven argument does not hold water, as Americans since 9/11 have been and remain quite safe. Homeland security efforts have successfully kept foreign terrorists out of the country even as the number of Islamic State group, al-Qaida and similar terror group numbers have multiplied. And if terror safe havens were a vital national interest, then a number of other countries would require U.S. action well before Afghanistan: Pakistan, Syria, Yemen and Iraq, chief among them.

President Trump's new strategy ignores the evidence amassed over 16 hard-fought years, and, as a result, more American treasure will be lost as this unnecessary war continues. There will be no winning for the U.S. in Afghanistan.

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Upon finding the still waters...

Glen Campbell made the most of his decision three dozen years ago when he accepted Christ, was baptized and rose to walk in newness of life. He was led beside still waters, restored and ultimately able to cope with Alzheimer's. He dealt with life's final storm on even terms during most of his last six years.

Aren't we glad the gardener at his Scottsdale, AZ, home invited him to church? The rest, as is said, unfolded in storybook fashion.

Campbell vowed to make his earthly exit with a smile on his face and a song in his heart. When he died recently at age 81, he left throngs of fans worldwide with tearful eyes and remembrances of his music "falling gentle" on our minds....

Dr. Richard Jackson, who retired as senior pastor at North Phoenix Baptist Church in 1993, shepherded Campbell for a dozen years. He knew him "up close," and shared memories with me the other day.

"No person, entertainer or otherwise, has ever been more self-deprecating," Jackson said. "He thought himself to be no better than anyone else, and was as kind, compassionate and considerate as any person I've ever known."

Jesus Christ was their common denominator. They also had golf in common. For Jackson, it was when he had time; for Campbell, it was a passion second only to his profession. Campbell's green fees were once "comped," but Jackson had to pay. "The guy got it backwards," Campbell joked. "He should 'comp' you and charge me. After all, I'm independently filthy..."

At North Phoenix, Campbell was taken aback by the auditorium. It seats 6,000. "I'd love to have a concert here someday," he admitted later. (Suggestion: On YouTube, use North Phoenix/Glen Campbell for numerous musical treats.)

Little did he know at the time that he'd present many concerts there. The church was always packed, and no money changed hands. His performances were "comped," sort of "paying it forward," sort of like his waived green fees, I suppose.

Jackson remembers a Palm Springs benefit where Willie Nelson was featured. Campbell was present, and he sang a few songs. Then, the Gatlin Brothers came on stage, and a jam session broke out. It was "spiced up" a bit by pianist/comedian Ray Stevens. They closed it out with Amazing Grace....



the idle american by don newbury

Campbell's humility showed through, often in small ways. Congregants noticed during services, Glen and wife Kim sought seats next to special needs members.

That makes good sense, whether or not we grew up as one of 12 children on a hardscrabble farm in Arkansas. The ground at the foot of the cross is exceedingly level.

The entertainment giant never thought himself to be a star. "Some fans

say I'm country; others say I'm rock," Campbell said. "Maybe I'm a combination; call me a 'crock'..."

Campbell spoke often of his childhood — in the midst of the Great Depression — before he headed for Hollywood. "I think people who knew Jesus figured we were too poor to hear about Him. Then, when I got a guitar and sold a few records, folks failed to tell us about Jesus because they thought we were too rich."

He endeared himself to fellow musical artists and the world at large. Tributes have long abounded.

Campbell faced his demise with class and confidence. Before the disease got the upper hand, he made a farewell tour, calling it "I'll Be Me." There were 151 performances. Three Campbell children helped him during difficult moments....

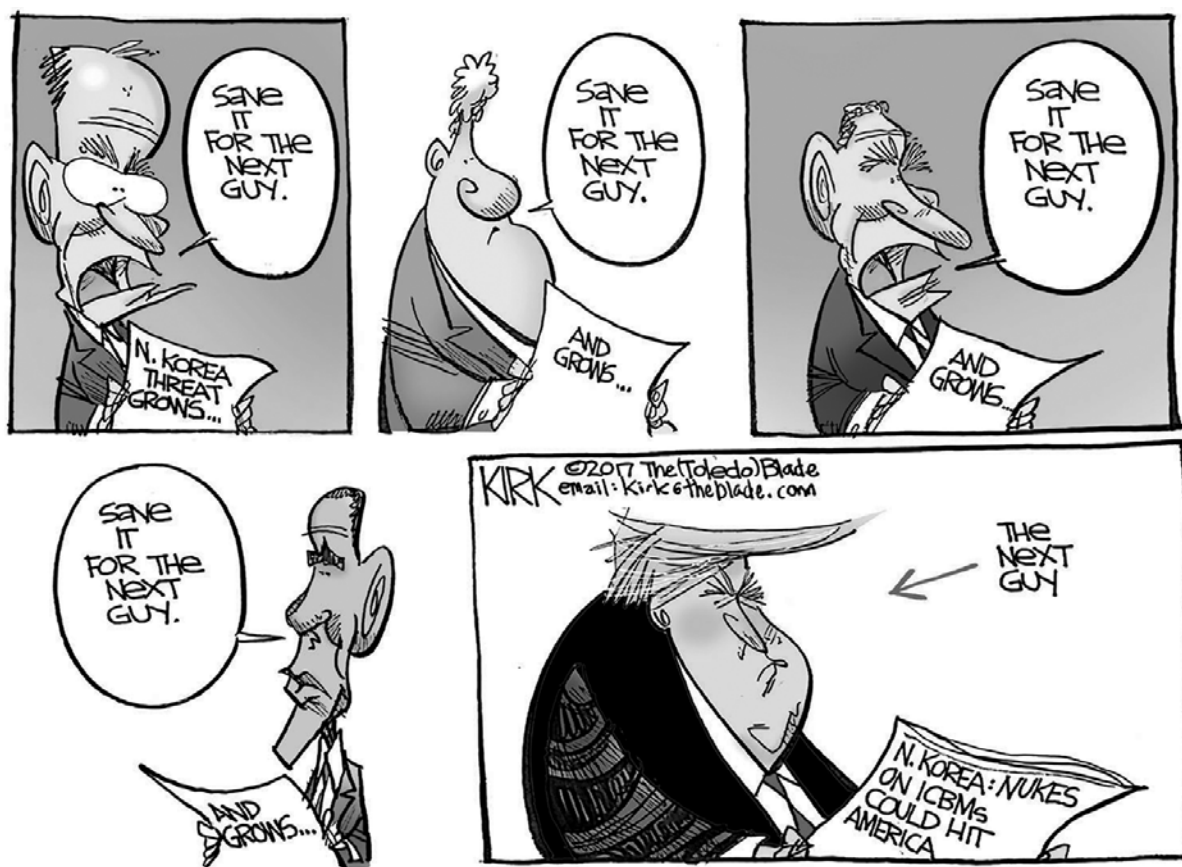
His final tour gave a face to Alzheimer's, increasing national awareness.

Surely his mind was filled with memories of impacts made on a nation, and how his TV show, The Goodtime Hour, lifted our spirits.

And how about the movie made with John Wayne? True Grit entertained, and the storyline typified Campbell's determination to entertain, thus providing a musical legacy that will long endure.

He never claimed to live the perfect life, but musically, he came close....

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A sixth grader with a great mission

Just after midnight on July 30, 1945 a Japanese torpedo struck the battleship USS Indianapolis in the Philippine Sea. The ship sank in twelve minutes. Nearly twelve hundred men were onboard. Three Hundred went down with it. The remaining nine hundred men were left in shark-infested waters with no food or water. They were in the water five days and four nights. Three hundred sixteen men survived. The ship's captain Charles McVay, survived and was court martialled for not zigzagging the ship.

David Stallings of Nacogdoches, a Navy veteran who served in the 1960's, did a television documentary series called AMERICA'S WAR HEROES and went to several veteran reunions.

"I've always had an affinity for veterans. My father was a World War Two Navy veteran and I had several uncles in the Army and Marines who were a part of the greatest generation and told me some of their experiences. I got interested in that war."

David has researched the story of the USS Indianapolis, the US Navy's greatest loss at sea. He went to the reunion of about 30 survivors on the 65th anniversary of the sinking and let

some of them tell their stories. Some brought photographs. He says it was a tearful experience for him because he could not imagine the horror the men experienced.

"We actually have footage of them pulling those boys out of the water when they found them. It was terrible. And our government brought the Japanese submarine commander over here to testify against Captain McVay at his court martial. He said he could have hit the ship whether it was zigzagging or not. But they convicted Captain McVay anyway. They didn't put him in jail or anything but it ruined his military career. Members of the crew tried for years to get the conviction reversed but were unsuccessful.

"A twelve year old boy from Pensacola, Florida, Hunter Scott, was watching the movie JAWS with his father in 1996. One of the movie stars, Robert



stories of texas by tumbleweed smith

Shaw, in a scene in the movie when sharks were about to attack the boat, tells one of the other guys that he had been a crew member on the USS Indianapolis and mentioned the sharks after the ship sank. The little boy asked his dad if that was a true story and his dad said it was. The youngster was about to do a history project for school and at that time a lot of the survivors were still living. He got a list of them and started calling them on the phone. He had a great project and got so interested in it and saw what a disservice the government had done to Captain McVay. Families of the survivors as well as members of Captain McVay's family had tried for years to get the conviction reversed but nothing ever happened.

"This little kid went to Washington and cornered congressmen and senators in the hallways up there and in 2001 singlehandedly got McVay's conviction reversed and his record cleared of all wrongdoing. Captain McVay took his own life in 1968. He was 70. He was found in his front yard clutching a toy sailor."

Reader discusses streets, potholes

The great rains we've been experiencing has emphasized the lack of street maintenance on the east side of town When the potholes are full of water, it is hard to determine just how deep each pothole is and how badly it will damage one's tires. Many years ago the City wanted to float a bond issue to

re-pave most of the streets on the west side of town. We east-side dwellers got together and voted it down. In a snit, the Aldermen found an alternate method to finance their desire and paved their streets anyway. To placate we east-side dwellers they promised to upgrade our streets as soon as theirs were paid for.

We are still waiting. While waiting, we read of many thousands of dollars being spent on projects that will bring visitors to our town. I guess that's nice, but for Pete's sake keep them away from the east side of town and our potholes.

Billie Shaffer, Clarendon

Drunk driving victim shares his story to warn others about dangers of drinking and driving

AUSTIN – Sean Carter looks out onto a sea of high school students before beginning his speech. Most of these students likely share the same dreams Sean once had — to have a successful career and a family. The life Sean dreamed about abruptly ended in 2005 when he got into a truck driven by a friend who had been drinking. The driver caused the truck to hydroplane, striking a tree and causing Sean to suffer a traumatic brain injury that left him unable to walk or talk.

“I was not born needing a wheelchair,” Sean told the students through an iPad that speaks the words he types. “The choices I made put me here. For 12 years, I’ve lived with the consequences of my choices. Nothing can undo my decision to ride with a drunk driver, and despite how much I improve, I will never escape those consequences.”

Sean tells his powerful story to students across the country, hopeful that they will not make the same

mistake. He is also sharing his story through the Texas Department of Transportation’s “Plan While You Can” campaign, which aims to save lives by decreasing alcohol-related crashes leading up to and beyond the Labor Day holiday weekend. In 2016, there were 344 alcohol-related crashes in Texas during the Labor Day holiday weekend,* resulting in 12 fatalities and 39 serious injuries.

“We appreciate Sean sharing his story with others and we wish him continued luck on his tremendous efforts to recover from the terrible incident,” said TxDOT Executive Director James Bass. “We need to remember that each time someone dies or is seriously injured on our roadways, it’s someone’s son or daughter, mother or father, or friend. We hope Sean’s story will encourage safe driving behaviors so that we can all see fewer deaths on our roadways.”

The “Plan While You Can” campaign includes a statewide tour

featuring an interactive dodgeball game where participants avoid incoming “dodgeballs” as virtual drinks are added to the screen. As more drinks are added, participants experience how drinking can slow their reaction times as on-screen avatars begin responding more slowly to their players’ movements. Drivers under the influence of alcohol can face up to \$17,000 in fines and fees, jail time and loss of their license. As always, TxDOT strongly encourages everyone to plan for a sober ride before going out.

Visit SoberRides.org to find alternatives to drinking and driving, such as:

Designating a sober driver. Contacting a cab or ride-share service. Using mass transit. Asking a sober friend or family member for a ride home. Spending the night.

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Cattle raisers warn of scams targeting ranchers

FORT WORTH – Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) Special Rangers have noticed a troubling increase in a scam that targets ranchers and agriculture producers. TSCRA’s Special Rangers are credentialed peace officers who primarily investigate livestock and agriculture related crimes, including theft by fraud. Over recent weeks Special Rangers across the state have received reports from ranchers who have been targeted by the scams. The details vary, but most incidents follow a similar theme. A buyer, often from out of state, will call to inquire about cattle, hay or equipment that is for sale. The two parties will agree on a price and the buyer will send a check or cashier’s check, which is where the trouble begins. The check sent by the buyer will be over the agreed to price, and the buyer will ask that the check be cashed and the extra money wired or given to someone else to pay for transportation and delivery. In some

cases, the scammer has no intention of making the purchase. The check is counterfeit, designed to look legitimate for just long enough that it can be cashed and the money wired. In other cases, the scammer will attempt to obtain the items before the check has finally cleared and is found to be counterfeit. In either case, the victim will be left liable for the funds while the crook enjoys the ill-gotten proceeds, and potentially the stolen livestock or equipment.

“Knowledge is power in these sorts of situations,” said Larry Gray, the director of law enforcement at TSCRA. “If you are aware of the red flags and act cautiously you can avoid falling victim to such scams.”

Gray offered a few tips to stay safe:

1. Try to do business with people you know. When working with an unknown buyer, try to verify their information through a third party.
2. Be cautious about accepting

checks—even a cashier’s check—from people you do not know. It can be difficult to pursue a remedy if the transaction goes bad.

3. Never accept a check for more than the selling price if you are expected to give the excess to someone else.

4. If you do accept a check, contact the institution that issued it to verify the authenticity, and if possible ask that the check be drawn from a bank with a branch in your area.

5. Be especially wary if someone insists that you send funds by wire transfer

6. Make sure the check has finally cleared before you deliver the items, and save all your documentation.

Ranchers who are concerned about a sale or buyer are encouraged to contact their local TSCRA Special Ranger to report suspicious activity. You can locate your TSCRA Special Ranger here.

Obituaries

Ariola
Michael Wayne Ariola, 64, passed away on Thursday, August 17, 2017, in Menard, Texas. Memorial services were held at Heritage Funeral Home on Monday, August 21, 2017.

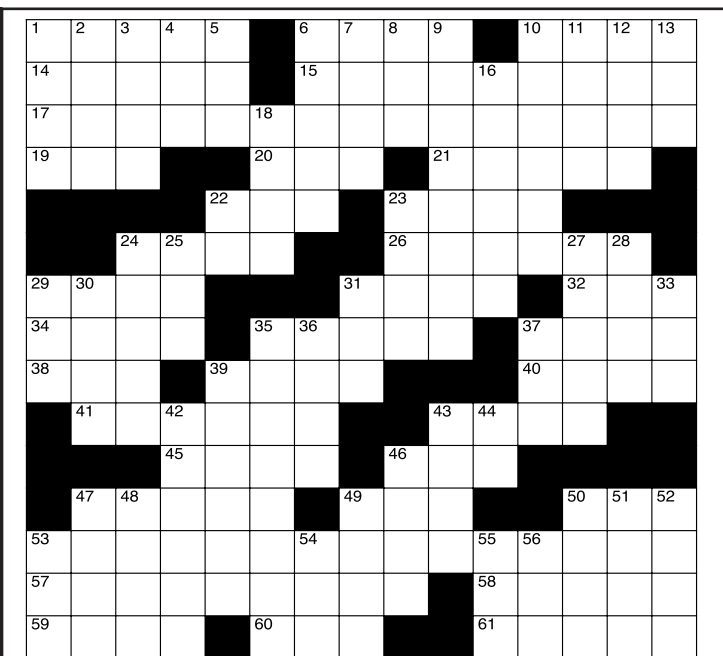
Michael was born in Memphis, to his parents Tom Ariola and Mildred Fitzpatrick Ariola on December 30, 1952. Michael at the age of 24, married the love of his life, Shirley Taylor, in Wichita Falls, on November 30, 1977. They lived in Clarendon before moving to Voca 16 years ago.

He was proud to have served in the Airforce. After he returned home from serving his country, he worked for the U.S. Post Office in Wichita Falls, then at the Hoechst Celanese in Pampa. After leaving there he moved to Voca as a Government Trapper. He retired from trapping and went to work for Kubota. Michael valued anything that dealt with guns. He enjoyed to shoot, hunt, and collect guns. He also loved his family dearly and his grandkids knew him as Poppo.

Michael is survived by his wife, Shirley Taylor Ariola; two sons, Matt Ariola and wife, Joli, of Amarillo, Kelly Lowe and wife, Tina, of Amarillo; one daughter, Chandice Cook and husband, Ben, of Voca; sister, Betty Wiley of Houston; seven grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Tom Ariola and Mildred Fitzpatrick Ariola; one sister, Patsy Tom Morgan; and one brother, Sonny Ariola.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to be made in Michael’s name to Hope From the Heart at 906 S. Bridge St. Brady, TX 76825.



CLUES ACROSS

1. Nocturnal rodents
6. “Sin City” actress Jessica
10. Strong dark beer
14. Nebraska city
15. Inclined to avoid conflict
17. Mistaken belief
19. Expresses disgust
20. Greek goddess of the dawn
21. Cranky
22. Boy who wouldn’t grow up
23. Scots for “home”
24. Turfs
26. Countries
29. The duration of something
31. Pastries
32. Golf score
34. Reasonable
35. Female parents
37. Art __, around 1920
38. Beloved sandwich
39. Damaged
40. Long time
41. One who rears
43. Without
45. Occupational safety and health act
46. Political action committee
47. Geological period
49. Swiss river
50. Type of mathematical graph
53. Doctors are sworn to it
57. One’s concerns
58. Type of wrap
59. Foray
60. Born of
61. A temporary police force

CLUES DOWN

1. __ and circumstance
2. Bowfin fish
3. Ready money
4. Expression of satisfaction
5. A person who lacks good judgment
6. Cooks where one
7. Majors and Oswald
8. __ humbug
9. Salts
10. Type of hound
11. A notice of someone’s death
12. Disgust with sweetness
13. Barbie’s friend
16. Rectal procedures
18. Partner to carrots
22. Group of cops (abbr.)
23. First Chinese dynasty
24. A favorite of children
25. Being a single unit or thing
27. Fencing swords
28. New England river
29. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
30. Insect feeler
31. Payment (abbr.)
33. Director Howard
35. Large deep-bodied fish
36. Architectural term describing pillars
37. Chargers legend Fouts
39. Awaken
42. Covered
43. Frock
44. Cools a home
46. Congratulatory gestures
47. __ fide
48. Ancient Incan sun god
49. Card players’ move: __ up
50. Gentlemen
51. Educational organizations
52. Actress Daly
53. Southern sky constellation (abbr.)
54. Midway between east and southeast
55. Small European viper
56. Language close to Thai.

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- Owls v McLean • 7:30 p.m. • Home
- September 4**
Labor Day
- September 7**
Hedley Chicken BBQ
- September 8**
Broncos v S-Earth • 7:30 p.m. • Away
- Owls v Lefors • 7:30 p.m. • Home
- September 11**
Patriot Day
- September 15**
Broncos v Wheeler • 7 p.m. • Away
- Owls v Harrold • 7:30 p.m. • Away
- September 22**
Broncos v Gruver • Homecoming • 7:30 p.m. • Home
- Owls v Higgins • 7:30 p.m. • Away
- September 23**
Col. Charles Goodnight Chuckwagon Cookoff • Saints' Roost Museum

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Menus

- August 28 - September 1**
- Donley County Senior Citizens**
Mon: Ham sandwich, tomato & lettuce, broccoli & raisin salad, sliced peaches, iced tea/2% milk.
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Wed: Cheeseburger on bun, baked sweet potato fries, lettuce, tomato, onions, banana pudding, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Meatloaf, German potato salad, green beans, garlic bread, white cake, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Barbecue chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, whole wheat roll, vanilla pudding, iced tea/2% milk.
- Hedley Senior Citizens**
Mon: Chicken salad sandwich, tomato, lettuce, pickle, carrot sticks, watermelon, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Ham & pinto beans, cornbread, margarine, spinach, seasoned corn, orange pineapple cup, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Baked chicken breast, baked potato with sour cream, peas, pineapple tidbits, chocolate pudding, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Taco salad & corn chips, seasoned corn, watermelon, peach cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Cheeseburgers, potato wedges, tomato wedge salad, melon medley, iced tea/2% milk.

- Clarendon ISD**
Breakfast
Mon: Sausage kolache, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Tue: Cheese omelet, toast, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Wed: Waffles, sausage, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Thu: Breakfast pizza, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Fri: French toast, sausage, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
- Lunch
Mon: Drumstick, Texas toast triangles, baby carrots, seasoned corn, fresh grapes, milk.
Tue: Crispy tacos, fresh veggie cup, charro beans, salsa, apple-pineapple delight, milk.
Wed: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, garden salad, Tuscan vegetables, roll, pears, milk.
Thu: Hot dog, oven fries, baby carrots, orange smiles, milk.
Fri: Popcorn chicken, roll, broccoli bites, oven fries, fresh fruit, milk.

- Hedley ISD**
Breakfast
Mon: Pancake & bacon, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Tues: Sunrise sandwich, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Wed: Biscuit & gravy with scrambled eggs, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Thu: Oatmeal & cinnamon toast, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Fri: Breakfast burrito, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
- Lunch
Mon: Corn dog, baked beans, broccoli bites, apple pineapple delight, milk.
Tues: Nachos Grande, refried beans, salsa, lettuce, tomato, cucumber dippers/ranch, milk.
Wed: Chicken sandwich, oven fries, lettuce, tomato, fresh veggie cup, orange smiles, milk.
Thu: Salisbury steak, biscuit, brown gravy, mashed potatoes, garden salad, fruity jello, milk.
Fri: Hot dog, corn chips, broccoli salad, baby carrots/ranch, fresh grapes, cookie, milk.

Beware work-at-home, secret bank account scams

Hi, gang! We have three good articles this week. Working together to protect Texas consumers. False promises from a work-at-home scam, and No secret bank accounts to pay your bills. Read and learn.

“Working together to protect Texas consumers” by Dama J. Brown, FTC

When it comes to meeting ambitious goals, even the Lone Ranger knows that working with partners is more productive than working alone. And that’s why civil, criminal and regulatory enforcement agencies from across the Lone Star State came together in Dallas this week to talk about how to better protect Texans and build better partnerships.

The August 17 meeting in Dallas was organized in cooperation with the Texas Attorney General’s Office and U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Northern District of Texas, and included many state and federal agencies. They discussed local and national issues of interest to consumers living inside and outside Texas. Highlights included: Protecting people’s personal information and privacy. Fighting unfair lending and deceptive advertising in car sales. Exploring the safety, soundness and reliability of consumer banking and lending. Fighting frauds affect-

ing older adults, including lotteries, prize promotions, sweepstakes, and Medicare fraud. Helping people have access to quality education by challenging deceptive practices in diploma mills and for-profit schools

Stopping the spread of illegal pyramid schemes, which are being heavily promoted online, in social media, and through affinity groups. Combatting scammers who promote illegal notario and immigration services scams, especially in border communities. Enforcing state laws that ban the sale of synthetic drug products.

As Attorney General Ken Paxton said, “This event, in which state and federal agencies shared information on protecting Texans from unscrupulous business practices, benefits Texas consumers. The men and women of our office’s consumer protection division work tirelessly to stop deceptive businesses and return millions of wrongfully obtained dollars to Texans each year. I appreciate the Federal Trade Commission organizing this event allowing us to collaborate with others on this important mission.” The FTC is grateful to the many law enforcement partners who participated in yesterday’s conference. We all look forward to better serving consumers

as a result.

“False promises from a work-at-home scam” by Andrew Johnson, FTC



bob’s whittlin’
by bob watson

It’s hard to pass up a job opportunity that promises a large income and the flexibility of working entirely from home. Especially when the opportunity appears at the top of your online search results and includes video testimonials of success stories, making it seem legitimate. The problem is, most of these job opportunities are scams and won’t deliver on their promises. Today, the FTC announced that a federal court put a temporary stop to a work-at-home scam that failed to live up to its promises. According to the FTC, Work At Home EDU made false claims that people could earn “hundreds of dollars, per hour from home, without any special skills or experience” by paying for a \$97 work-at-home program. Once people paid, they were told that for \$194.95 more, they could buy the advanced program and earn a whopping six figures a month. Unfortunately, none of it was true.

The good old golden rule days

“School days, school days, dear old golden rule days; reading and writing and ‘rithmetic; taught to the tune of a hickory stick” was the way I learned the song when I started school in first grade in 1943 at Estel-line, Texas. The words to the song have been changed so much, the only way to recognize it is by the first four words and the tune.

That isn’t the only thing that has changed. As a first grade student, I had a red Big Chief tablet, a yellow pencil, an eraser, a box of eight Crayola’s, scissors, and a bottle of LePage’s glue. Today, they bring a flash drive and earphones to wear during computer time.

I learned to read from the “Dick and Jane” books that also had Baby

Sally, Mother, Father, dog Spot and kitten Puff. I don’t know what first grade students read today, but I know it is not Dick and Jane

unless they are having a big adventure. I learned to print and began learning cursive writing in the fourth grade and had penmanship classes writing with a pen staff dipped in a bottle of ink and the teacher walking down the aisle with that hickory stick to rap your knuckles if you weren’t precise.



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Kids know things such as my first grade g-granddaughter watching a fire fly and saying, “I thought only bioluminescence creatures lived in the ocean”. I love the progress made in school, but I also wish they had more of the innocence of my time. Most of all I want our children to read books and stay safe and loved.

Road patching continues in Howardwick with Tammy Jordan, Heidi Phelps, Erik Riddle, Manuel Hernandez, Mac Miller, and Brice Hawley, working last week with patches holding up well. Another work day of patching is planned for Thursday, August 24 beginning at 8 a.m. Call City Hall at 874-2222 if you can volunteer a few hours to help repair our roads.

Watching the solar eclipse

This Monday was the solar eclipse. The solar eclipse is when the moon and the sun line up perfectly, and the moon blocks most of the sun’s light. The total eclipse causes a ring to appear around the moon and that’s the sun’s corona. (That means crown in Spanish.)



the cub reporter
by benjamin estlack

In Texas, we could not see the total eclipse. But my cousins, Nathan and Daniel, went all the way to Nebraska to see the total solar eclipse. Here we saw a partial eclipse, which is where the moon passes between us and the sun and makes a crescent shaped sun.

I got to see the eclipse with my mom and dad because they came to get me during school. I looked at it with a pair of solar glasses, and we also looked through a welding mask. I thought it was really cool. Sometimes you could see clouds pass over and it looked really neat. Also the tree we were near started acting as a pinhole projector between the leaves, and that made little crescents of light on the sidewalk so you could see the eclipse on the sidewalk.

There will be another eclipse in 2024, which will be my senior year in high school, and me and my family plan to go the part of Texas that year to see the total solar eclipse.




Natural projector

A tree’s leaves made a natural pinhole projector Monday afternoon, casting the image of the eclipse on a sidewalk for safe viewing.

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WHISTLE STOP LEGENDS



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DOYLE MESSER

Doyle Messer was born in McKnight and spent most of his life in Donley County and in service to others. He was a US Army Air Corps veteran serving during World War II, and, along with farming, he made education a career in the Quail and Hedley school districts as a vocational ag teacher. He was the past president of Rowe Cemetery Association, past president of the Donley County Hospital District, Past President of the Hedley Lions Club, and was the president of the Hedley Senior Citizens when he passed away in 2012.

During his lifetime, he was also a member of the Hedley Volunteer Fire Department, the Donley County Retired Teachers Association, Hedley American Legion Adamson-Lane Post 287, and the Hedley Church of Christ.

He was known as a family man and for his annual work with the Hedley Chicken Barbecue.

The Whistle-Stop and the community salute the late Doyle Messer for his life of service and devotion. Thank you, sir!



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If you’re looking to work from home, here are some questions to ask to help you determine if a program is legitimate: What tasks will I have to perform? Are any other steps involved? What is the total cost of this work-at-home program? What will I get for my money? Will I be paid a salary or commission?

Who will pay me? When will I get my first paycheck? What is the basis for your claims about my likely earnings? What documents can you show me to prove your claims are true before I give you any money? Before you hand over any money, also make sure you know what information you’re entitled to under the FTC’s Business Opportunity Rule. Doing an online search of the company’s name with the words “complaint,” “reviews,” or “scam” also can be a good way to hear what others have to say.

“No secret bank accounts to pay your bills” by Colleen Tressler, FTC

Another day, another scam. Case in point: the Federal Reserve Bank of New York reports that scammers are telling people they can pay their bills using so-called “secret accounts” or “Social Security trust accounts” and routing numbers at Federal Reserve Banks. In exchange for personal information, like Social

Security numbers, people get what they think is a bank account number at a Federal Reserve Bank. But this really is just a way to get your personal information, which scammers can then sell or use to commit fraud, like identity theft.

It’s good to keep in mind that people do not have accounts at Federal Reserve Banks. Only banks can bank at the Federal Reserve. But what happens if you try to use this “secret” account? Well, the Federal Reserve Bank will deny the payment, since you don’t really have an account there. Once the payment is rejected, you’ll be notified that you still owe the money – which is about when you might figure out that this was a scam. At that point, you may owe a late fee or penalty to the company you thought you were paying. You also may owe fees to your bank for returned or rejected payments. If you see a video, text, email, phone call, flyer, or website that describes how you can pay bills using a Federal Reserve Bank routing number or account, report it to the FTC. It’s a scam. And remember: never give your credit card, bank account, or Social Security number to anyone who calls or emails and asks for it – no matter who they say they are.

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CC regents approves budget for 2018

Clarendon College Regents approved a \$9.1 million budget for fiscal year 2018 during a called meeting Tuesday afternoon.

The budget includes a three percent raise for college employees who were in their current positions as of June 1 and is supported by a ten percent increase in state appropriations.

The board also approved increasing ad valorem taxes in the Clarendon College District by 7.99 percent to \$0.251149 per \$100 valuation. The college tax on a \$50,000 home would be \$125.57.

Regents also approved the college's new policy on weapons following legislation that allows handguns to be carried concealed on campus by those licensed to do so.

During a public hearing before

last Thursday's regular board meeting, publisher Roger Estlack spoke in support of the budget and the proposed tax rate and reiterated the findings of a recent study that found Clarendon College has a \$44.5 million economic impact to Donley County and the surrounding area and that every tax dollar invested in Clarendon College results in \$6.80 in benefits to society.

"Those numbers were based on 2013 data," Estlack said. "So with your proposed tax levy of about \$500,000, we would receive a \$3.4 million benefit for our tax dollars."

Also last Thursday, regents approved bids on tax delinquent property at Howardwick and approved the changes to the college's policy manual, personnel

manual, student handbook, and catalog as presented.

Under personnel, the board ratified the hiring of Chip Ivany as an assistant basketball coach and Clifton Burrow as a maintenance worker at the Pampa Center. Regents also were informed of the resignations of assistant baseball coach Jimmy Breneman and Vice President of Administrative Services Lana Ritchie.

In his president's report, Dr. Robert Riza said Texas Tech officials will be coming to talk to students in CC's honors program, judging coach Johnny Treichel received an award for Texans Helping Texans recently, and that the college will be picking up about 81 dual credit students from Canadian ISD.

Boys Ranch Rodeo set for September 2

BOYS RANCH – Cal Farley's will host the 73rd annual Boys Ranch Rodeo +adventureFEST on Saturday, Sept. 2, said Dan Adams, president and CEO.

"Rodeo is one of the most significant events for our community each year," Adams said.

Continuing a 7-decade tradition, the annual rodeo will feature the talents of the boys and girls of Cal Farley's, ages 5-18, in categories ranging from mutton busting to bronc riding. A barbecue lunch is

included in the \$10 ticket price. Festivities kick-off at 10 a.m., with lunch at noon and rodeo action beginning at 2:30 p.m.

The Boys Ranch Rodeo will feature an accompanying festival called "adventureFEST." This family-centered, midway-style event offers food, games, hands-on learning and souvenirs for the whole family from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Rodeo tickets are available by calling 800-687-3722, in person at the Cal Farley's Campus Support

Center, 600 SW 11th Ave., Amarillo, or at the gate on the day of the event. General admission for children ages 6 and under is free. Box seating is available.

Cal Farley's is grateful to its corporate partners, Texas Dodge, All-Star Dodge, First United Bank, American Recyclers, Amarillo National Bank, Hirtle Callaghan & Co., Cavender's and Toot'n Totum for their invaluable assistance in making the 73rd annual Boys Ranch Rodeo +adventureFEST a success.

Smith receives a quilt of valor

Golden Needles Quilters met Thursday, August 17, at the Senior Citizens' Center with Tiny Alderson as the hostess. Tiny provided a stunningly beautiful quilt she pieced with the "Illusion" pattern. Members enjoyed very much quilting on it. We also celebrated Allene Leathers birthday.

The Gold Needles Quilting Club has committed to honoring our Veterans by assembling "Quilts of Valor" for each one. We were honored to present Don Smith's quilt to his son, David Smith and his family with thanks for Don's service.

Members present were Carlene Hollar, Mary Lynn Manning, Dortha Reynolds, Gay Cole, Wilma Lindley, Mary Gene Lynn, Betty Jean Williams, Allene Leathers, and Eva Lee Swinney.



Quilt of Valor

The Golden Needles Quilters honored Don Smith and his family with a "Quilt of Valor" to thank Don for his service during their meeting last Thursday at the Donley County Senior Citizens' Center.

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Library reading contest winners

The winners of the reading contest at Burton Memorial Library are: Kassie Askew and Mason Green in the 5-8 age group and Henry Bivens and Haughton Bivens in the 9-12 age group.

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On July 31, 2017, Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) filed a petition with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) requesting Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) authorization for a nominally-rated 2000 MW wind generation resource to be located in Texas and Cimarron Counties in northwest Oklahoma (Wind Facility) as well as an associated generation tie line (Gen-Tie) (together, Project). The docket number and style of the case are PUC Docket No. 47461, *Application of Southwestern Electric Power Company for Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Authorization and Related Relief for the Wind Catcher Energy Connection Project*. SWEPCO is not seeking to change its rates in this proceeding, but is seeking a PUC finding that special circumstances exist, as contemplated under 16 Texas Administrative Code § 25.236(a)(7), to allow the cost of the Project as an eligible fuel expense.

The total estimated cost (including Allowance for Funds Used During Construction (AFUDC)) of the Wind Facility is approximately \$2.902 billion, of which the SWEPCO share is approximately \$2.031 billion. The total estimated cost (including AFUDC) of the Gen-Tie is \$1.624 billion, of which the SWEPCO share is approximately \$1.137 billion. The total estimated cost (including AFUDC) of the Project is \$4.526 billion, of which the SWEPCO share is approximately \$3.168 billion. The SWEPCO Texas retail jurisdictional total estimated cost of the Project (including AFUDC) is \$1.087 billion. SWEPCO requests that its CCN be amended to include the Project. SWEPCO's Petition affects all customers and customer classes throughout its service territory.

Persons with questions about this Project should contact SWEPCO at 428 Travis Street, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101 or call toll-free at (888) 216-3523 during normal business hours. Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon action sought, should contact the Public Utility Commission, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or call the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the commission at (512) 936-7136. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is October 13, 2017 and you must send a letter requesting intervention to the Commission which is received by that date.

A copy of SWEPCO's petition may be viewed on the Commission's webpage at www.puc.state.tx.us. The Commission maintains an electronic copy of all filings on the "filings - interchange" section of its webpage. The control number for this proceeding is 47461.

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Allred, Cummings graduate from renowned space camp

HUNTSVILLE, AL – Mason Allred and Kayden Cummings both of Clarendon, recently attended Space Camp at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center, NASA Marshall Space Flight Center's Official Visitor Center.

The weeklong educational program promotes science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), while training students and adults with hands-on activities and missions based on teamwork, leadership and problem solving.

Allred and Cummings were part of the Space Camp program, which is designed for trainees who have an interest in space exploration. Allred and Cummings spent the week training with a team that flew a simulated space mission to Mars. The crew participated in experiments and successfully completed an extra-vehicular activity (EVA), or space-

walk, and returned to Earth in time to graduate with honors.

Space Camp operates year-round in Huntsville, Ala., and uses astronaut training techniques to engage trainees in real-world applications of STEM subjects. Trainees sleep in quarters designed to resemble the International Space Station and train in NASA-inspired simulators. More than 750,000 trainees have graduated from Space Camp since its inception in Huntsville, Alabama in 1982, including STS-131 astronaut Dottie Metcalf-Lindenberg, European Space Agency astronaut, Samantha Cristoforetti and NASA Expedition 48 astronaut Dr. Kate Rubins. Last year, children and teachers from all 50 states and 69 international locations attended Space Camp.

For information, visit space-camp.com or call 1-800-637-7223.



Mason Allred gets ready to take a spin on the Multi Axis Trainer (MAT) during his recent training at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama. The MAT simulates the disorientation one would feel in a tumble spin during reentry into the Earth's atmosphere.

COURTESY PHOTO



Kayden Cummings acts as the Guidance, Navigation and Controls System Engineer (GNC) during a simulated mission to Mars during his training at Space Camp in Huntsville, Alabama.

COURTESY PHOTO

Conkin takes the helm of the Broncos

By Sandy Anderberg

Clarendon High School's new head coach and Athletic Director Clint Conkin stepped on the field as the leader of the Broncos in a scrimmage held in Bovina last Friday night to kick off the 2017-18 football season.

Conkin brings 16 years of experience to the Broncos and is excited for the opportunity to guide the maroon and white.

According to Conkin, the Broncos are running a new offense this year and so far things are going well. "Everybody did good (at the scrimmage)," Conkin said. "We are still learning the offense, but I was pleased with their execution."

The Broncos finished one touchdown up on Bovina scoring three TD's to their two. Bear Smith made good on one, and Collin Butler was able to find the end zone twice.

Defensively, Conkin felt the

Broncos made a good showing as well.

"Our defense did well and had a good goal-line stand when Bovina was on the one. Both sides of the ball played well."

The Broncos will face off against Electra at home in another scrimmage next Thursday night, August 24, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

"We still have a lot of work ahead of us, but we are excited and ready for the first game."

After the Electra scrimmage, CHS will host "Meet the Broncos" on the football field. They will introduce the team at that time. As of now, they have 29 players on the varsity but will not play a junior varsity schedule. Seniors on the team are Andy Davis, Damarjae Cortez, Justin Christopher, Daquawne Oliver, Clay White, Nathan Shadle, and Colt Wood. There will be introductions of the cross-country team as well.

Forty-eight golfers participate in Night Scramble at CCC

By Sandy Anderberg

The team of Justin Lamberson, Clay Lankford, Jared Miller, and Brayden Cruph, took the top spot over the field with a 56.

Todd Curry, Jennifer Clark, Cody Favr, Carla Moore, and Tracy Duncan tied for second place with the team of Ben Davis, Debbie Davis, Landry Davis, Susan Maxwell, and David Manley with a score of 59.

Neil Conrad won low net in the weekly men's game on Wednesday with a handicapped score of 67. Second place went to George Leathers with a 69, and Don Hinton turned in a net score of 70 for third place.

The team of Redell Johnston, Lauri Mooring, Derek Shields, and Wes Shields won the Friday night nine-hole scramble at three under after a putt off.

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the lion's tale

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting August 22, 2017, with Boss Lion Pro Tem John Howard wielding the gavel.

We had 12 members, Sweetheart Shiann Cooke, and one guest this week – Lion Pamm Dickey, guest of Lion Lauren Graves.

Lion Landon Lambert reported it was a busy day dispensing justice at the county, and Lion Graves reported that the Broncos' scrimmage went well in Bovina and the team will scrimmage Electra on Thursday. Sweetheart Shiann said "Meet the Broncos" will be held after the scrimmage.

Lion David Dockery said the city is going to receive new storm sirens from the City of Sunray that will be installed soon.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

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8. buying and selling goods brought _____ more work and money
9. people switched from trading goods for other goods (bartering) or from using silver bars to using gold _____ for large purchases
10. it was a time of questioning, thinking and _____
11. _____, music and written works like poetry were encouraged
12. a man named Leonardo _____ was an artist, scientist, musician, engineer
13. math, science, technology, new medical ideas and _____ advanced quickly
14. the invention of the _____ press let people share ideas widely and quickly
15. your local Renaissance fair may have fun _____ like archery, or axe or star throwing

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Donley County Memorial Post
7782 Veterans of Foreign Wars. Meets first Tuesday at 7 p.m. 822-VETS.

Clarendon Lions Club Regular meeting each Tuesday at noon. Robert Riza, Boss Lion. Roger Estlack, Secretary

Clarendon Chamber of Commerce Regular meeting 1st Thursday each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Clarendon Visitor Center.

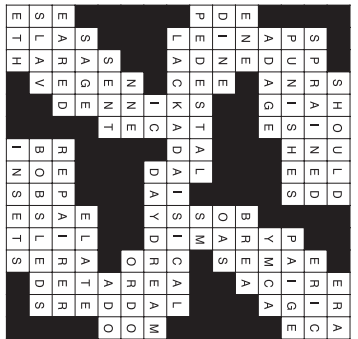
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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE CITY OF HOWARDWICK will hold its 2016-2017 Budget Hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at Howardwick City Hall.

THE CITY OF HEDLEY will hold a meeting at 7:00 p.m. on August 31, 2017, at Hedley City Hall to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2017. The proposed tax rate is \$.418545 per \$100 of value. The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in the City of Hedley by 8%.

PRIVATE CLUB ALCOHOL BEVERAGE PERMIT
The Country Club of Clarendon, Inc., 100 Porter Drive, Howardwick, Donley County, Texas 79226, has applied for renewal of their Private Club Alcoholic Beverage Permit. Officers of the club are: Russell King, President; Josh Minkley, Vice President; Sherol Johnston, Secretary/Treasurer.

THE CITY OF HOWARDWICK will hold a meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at Howardwick City Hall to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2016. The proposed tax rate is .40 per \$100 of value. The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in City of Howardwick by 62.5%. This would increase annual taxes on a home valued at \$62,000.00 is \$93.00 per year.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Clarendon, Texas (the "City") will hold a special meeting at its regular meeting place at City Hall, Clarendon, Texas at 7:00 p.m. on the 19th day of September, 2017, which is the time and place tentatively set for the passage of an ordinance and such other action as may be deemed necessary to authorize the issuance of the City's certificates of obligation, payable from ad valorem taxation and a limited (in an amount not to exceed \$1,000) subordinate pledge of revenues of the waterworks and sewer system of the City, in the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$400,000, bearing interest at any rate or rates not to exceed the maximum interest rate now or hereafter authorized by law, as shall be determined within the discretion of the City Council at the time of issuance and maturing over a period of years not to exceed forty (40) years from the date thereof, for the purpose of evidencing the indebtedness of the City to pay contractual obligations to be incurred for (1) the renovation and reconstruction of a multi-use event center and (2) for the payment of contractual obligations for professional services pursuant to Subchapter C of Chapter 271, Texas Local Government Code, as amended. City Secretary City of Clarendon, Texas

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Hedley, Vernon Northside, Chillicothe and Throckmorton football teams join together in prayer after the scrimmage Friday.



Hedley center, Josh Fish snaps the ball during Hedley's scrimmage against Chillicothe last week.

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Hedley Owl TJ Leal carries the ball against Vernon Northside in the scrimmage Friday.

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Junior Officers

Clarendon High School's Junior Class recently elected officers for the coming year. They are Noab Elam, President; Gavin Word, Vice President; Brandalyn Ellis, Treasurer; and Dalton Benson, Secretary.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Clarendon Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 7:00 pm, August 28, 2017 in the Clarendon CISD Administration/Technology Building located at 416 South Allen Street Clarendon, TX. **The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.**

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$ <u>1.17000</u> /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$ <u>0.00000</u> /\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)
Approved by Local Voters	\$ <u>0.00000</u> /\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	<u>0.04</u> % increase	or	<u>0.00</u> % (decrease)
Debt service	<u>0.00</u> % increase	or	<u>0.00</u> % (decrease)
Total expenditures	<u>0.04</u> % increase	or	<u>0.00</u> % (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Tax Code Section 26.04)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ <u>477,995,068</u>	\$ <u>631,786,525</u>
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ <u>1,480,515</u>	\$ <u>234,316</u>
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ <u>149,112,119</u>	\$ <u>153,441,665</u>
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ <u>1,455,515</u>	\$ <u>234,316</u>

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8).
** "New property" is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17).
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10).

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 0

* Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ <u>1.17000</u>	\$ <u>0.00000</u>	\$ <u>1.17000</u>	\$ <u>3,867</u>	\$ <u>7,785</u>
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ <u>1.25147</u>	\$ <u>0.00000</u>	\$ <u>1.25147</u>	\$ <u>4,030</u>	\$ <u>7,869</u>
Proposed Rate	\$ <u>1.17000</u>	\$ <u>0.00000</u>	\$ <u>1.17000</u>	\$ <u>3,919</u>	\$ <u>7,869</u>

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ <u>64,410</u>	\$ <u>59,359</u>
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ <u>35,390</u>	\$ <u>36,861</u>
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ <u>1.17</u>	\$ <u>1.17</u>
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ <u>414.06</u>	\$ <u>431</u>
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ <u>16.94</u>

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.1700. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.1700.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ <u>1,650,765</u>
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ <u>0</u>

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