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

Voters now casting early party ballots

Early voting began Tuesday in Democratic and Republican primaries to determine who will be on the General Election ballot this November.

Local voters can continue to cast ballots early at the Donley County Courthouse Annex through March 2. The Primary Election Day will be Tuesday, March 6.

Most Donley County candidates appeared in a forum at the Bairfield Activity Center last week, which is covered in a related article in this week's Enterprise.

For information about other candidates appearing on ballots this spring, the League of Women Voters Texas' 2018 Primary Election Voters Guide is available at <https://my.lwv.org/texas/election-info>. The guide provides candidates' answers to questions on issues, ranging from the economy and the environment to social issues such as immigration reform.

CC ranch horse wins reserve title

The Clarendon County Ranch Horse Team was reserve team champions at the special intercollegiate challenge at the NRCHA Celebration of Champions in Fort Worth this past weekend.

Coach Gatlin Duncan says the win was a big accomplishment for team members as they were up against eight other colleges and universities.

Zane Davis won the non pro division. Gracie Paul was 4th in the limited, and Tanner Schultz was 3rd in the Novice. Jakob Dees was 4th in the invitational NHSRA cowhorse challenge.

Baseball sign-ups set for next week

The Clarendon Baseball League will be holding sign-ups for baseball players and softball players age nine and up next Tuesday and Wednesday, February 27 and February 28, at the Bronco Gym from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

St. Mary's to hold activities for Lent

St. Mary's Catholic Church invites everyone to join them for Lent activities and an Easter celebration.

Church members appreciate everyone coming out to kick Lent off with a Fish fry last Friday night, which they said was very successful. The church has now planned a second Fish Fry on March 2.

Upcoming Lent activities at St. Mary's include Stations of the Cross every Thursday at 5:30, February 22 through March 22. A Palm Sunday Service on March 25 at 11:00. A Holy Thursday service March 19 at 6:00 p.m. followed by a soup supper. Good Friday service on March 30 at 6:00 p.m., and an Easter Sunday service on April 1 at 11:00 followed by an Easter egg hunt for kids under 12.



Howardwick City Hall was shut and locked Tuesday morning after multiple resignations last week stopped the city from being able to conduct business. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

H'wick government shuts down

Donley County Commissioners will meet at noon this Friday to consider ordering an election in Howardwick after government functions there ground to a halt last week.

The county's special meeting is the result of a petition presented to Judge John Howard Tuesday morning bearing the signatures of 47 registered voters from Howardwick asking for a special election in the wake of resignations from two aldermen.

Mayor Greta Byars said the resignations last week of Aldermen Eric Riddle and Mac Miller have stopped the city from conducting business.

"The resignations show how much they thought of their city," Byars told the Enterprise. "They didn't care if they stopped the city."

The Howardwick City Council was scheduled to hold its regular meeting last Tuesday, February 13, but earlier that afternoon Riddle and Miller submitted letters of resignation. The council already had one vacancy from former alderman

Shelly Williamson's resignation in December. With only two aldermen remaining in office, Robert Brewster and Doc Holladay, the city lacks a quorum to hold a legal meeting.

Compounding the city's problems, City Secretary Tammy Jordan also resigned last Thursday, leaving Mayor Byars as the only person available to sign checks, and two signatures are required.

"I can't pay any bills," Byars said, noting that the water, power, and trash service for City Hall, the fire department, and the city's maintenance department may soon be turned off.

The administration padlocked City Hall starting Wednesday, but Byars did open the office through Friday to allow for people to sign up for this May's election. However, the city council had until last week to formally order the May election and failed to do so before it lost its quorum.

Byars says she has been in touch with the Texas Municipal League, Senator Kel Seliger's office, the Texas Secretary of State,

the city's attorney, and the district court to determine what the city must do next.

"My biggest care right now is some way to get the city operating to pay bills," Byars said.

Despite Riddle's and Miller's letters of resignation and only having two aldermen present, Mayor Byars proceeded with last Tuesday's schedule meeting. The lack of a quorum was noted by the Enterprise, but the mayor led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance, allowed a report to be presented on the annual audit, and discussed city business before Donley County Sheriff Butch Blackburn arrived and stopped the meeting.

Afterwards, several citizens made comments about dissolving the city and "going back to the county." Byars said this week that there are citizens who have talked about that but said it has never been her suggestion or idea.

Riddle did not give a reason for resigning in his letter last week, but Miller wrote that he was leaving "due to differences of opinion

on the running and management of the city."

Jordan wrote that she resigned as city secretary because of a hostile work environment and "being constantly belittled and frequently accused of being a liar and a thief" and said Byars had been "hateful and nasty...since the moment she was sworn in."

Byars said Tuesday that she has spent the better part of three months going through city records looking over the way things have been done in the past while her opponents have tried to make her life difficult.

Judge Howard said Tuesday that the resignations of Riddle and Miller become effective eight days after they were received, regardless of whether the city council could accept them.

However, Howard also said that under state law, an official continues to serve in office until their successor is in place and that the district judge could order those men to attend a meeting so that government could function pending an election.

College to hold election

Clarendon College is the only local government certain to hold an election this May after the sign-up period closed last Friday, February 16.

Seven local boards had positions available this year, but the college district was the only one to have enough candidates file to warrant having an election.

With three positions up this spring on the Board of Regents, incumbents Edwin Campbell and Jerry Woodard have filed for re-election, and Tommy Waldrop and Lance Wood have also signed up.

The college election will be held Saturday, May 5, 2018.

The City of Howardwick had with three aldermen's positions expiring in May; and although four people - Doc Holladay, Marietta Baird, Kay Dye, and Debora Sharp - signed up to run for office before the Friday deadline, the city's government is currently paralyzed by a lack of a quorum and did not approve an order of election by last week's deadline.

Other local entities only had enough candidates sign up to cover the positions available.

The City of Hedley reports that Mayor Carrie Butler and Aldermen Johnny Hoggatt, Lynn Kelske, and Willy Lewis all filed for their positions. The City of Clarendon also had all its incumbents file for reelection. Those are Aldermen Beverly Burrow, Larry Jeffers, and John Lockhart.

Hedley ISD incumbent Trustees Dana Bell and Carole Ward filed for re-election, and Clarendon ISD Trustees Wayne Hardin and Wes Hatley did also.

At the Donley County Hospital District, incumbents Jan Farris, Nikki Adams, Mark C. White, and Lori Howard all signed up for their seats on board of directors.

Republicans host candidates' forum

Donley County Republicans hosted their local candidates last Thursday in a forum at the Bairfield Activity Center. Seven Republicans running for county offices participated in the event organized by party county chairman Bill Word.

County Judge John Howard, who is unopposed for a second term in office, was the first candidate up to speak. He outlined the duties of his office, praised local emergency responders, and said he and other county officials are doing what they can to meet the county's needs.

County Treasurer Wanda Smith spoke briefly about her time in office, starting in the tax office in 1975 and now serving in her current capacity since 2005.

Precinct 2 commissioner candidate Randy Bond said he has spent 41 years in law enforcement and he is ready for a change to spend more time with his kids.

Precinct 2 Commissioner

Daniel Ford said he has spent his entire life living in his precinct except for four years in the Army. He said his first term in office has been exciting due to the agreements the county has reached with wind energy companies.

Precinct 4 Commissioner Dan Sawyer, who is running unopposed, said the county is in a much better standing now than when he first took office eight years ago. He said the present commissioners' court is open-minded and working for the future of the residents of the county.

Sawyer said road maintenance is a small part of a commissioner's job but the one that gets the most judgement. He discussed other commissioner duties, such as responding to grass fires and overseeing the business of the county.

Also running unopposed, Precinct 1&2 Justice of the Peace Pam Mason said she has learned



County Republican Chairman Bill Word visits with County Judge John Howard after last week's forum. ENTERPRISE PHOTO

her job through hands-on training and has enjoyed her time in office.

Precinct 3&4 Justice of the Peace Denise Bertrand said she is in her seventh year in office and spoke on the wide range of responsibilities of the JP's office, covering everything from Class C misdemeanors, magistrate work, evictions, small claims, and inquests. She said she hopes to continue to serve and praised the efforts of the commissioners' court to develop a new JP office

building in Hedley.

Bertrand's opponent, Pat White, was unable to attend the forum due to illness but Chairman Word read a prepared statement from her. She wrote that she wants to help the county and uphold the law while being honest, compassionate, and firm.

Bobby Woodard, candidate for county/district clerk, did not attend Thursday's forum. He is unopposed in the primary and will face Democrat incumbent Fay Vargas in the fall.

Clarendon aldermen move forward with financing

The Clarendon City Council moved forward with plans to secure financing as part of its USDA water improvement project last Thursday, February 15.

Aldermen voted in favor of publishing notice in this week's Enterprise in another step toward issuing \$2,522 million in certificates of obligation. That money will be combined with USDA grant funds to provide a total of

about \$3.9 million to upgrade the city's infrastructure to improve water quality, elevated storage capacity, and water metering.

The council will meet in April to approve an ordinance issuing the certificates, which will be repaid by a \$10 per month charge that is already in place on every water bill.

In other city business, officials reached an agreement on

parking in front of a storage building used by Tommy Hill across from City Hall. Hill had painted a "no parking" zone on the curb in front of his 25-foot storefront. That point is to be removed in exchange for city employees agreeing not to park in that area during the day. Visitors and residents can continue to park there.

Aldermen approved adding

"bilingual Spanish" to the list of skills qualifying city employees for additional certification pay.

In his report, City Administrator David Dockery said the signs banning trucks from Third Street had been erected near the new Allsup's site. He also reported that the city's new sirens are being painted and should be installed in time for the spring storm season.

Woodard resigns as CC chairman

The chairman of the Clarendon College Board of Regents has stepped down from his leadership position on the board in compliance with a letter from the college's accrediting agency.

Jerry Woodard announced his resignation during the regents' formal meeting February 15, but he formally submitted his letter on February 8.

The resignation comes after a January letter from the Southern Association of Colleges & Universities - Commission on Colleges (SACS-COC), which found Woodard had a conflict of interest being chairman while employed as president of Herring Bank, which holds the college's depository.

SACS-COC officials have said Woodard can remain a member of the board but cannot serve as a board officer.

CC had reorganization of the board on last Thursday's agenda, but Vice Chairman Lon Adams was absent, so the board postponed that item, along with other agenda items, including the evaluation and contract of CC President Robert Riza, the evaluation of the board, minutes from the January meeting, and financial reports for the month of January.

Board Secretary Darlene Spier called Thursday's meeting to order, and regents then appointed Dr. Bill Sansing to act as chairman pro tem.

CC regents did take action to accept bids in five pieces of tax delinquent property in Howardwick.

College tax abatement criteria and guidelines were adopted. Following that action, the regents approved a letter of support of Childress County adopting a ten-year, 99 percent tax abatement for new solar farm in that county as presented.

The board approved an order for an election on May 5 for the purpose of electing three regents.

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In circles we will all go round...

Howardwick needs a dose of the truth

Clashing personalities, differences of philosophy, and multiple resignations have created a hot mess for the City of Howardwick.

The problems of the lakeside city have been simmering for months, dating back at least to last July when heated comments from the public at a council meeting led to a first round of resignations and a special election last November. That election saw Greta Byars elected mayor over Alderman and Mayor Protem Eric Riddle and also saw Doc Holladay elected to the city council.



editor's commentary by roger estlack

Friction was created right away with Byars and Holladay on one side, and Riddle — who still held his council seat, Robert Brewster, and Mac Miller on the other side. Byars delved into to city records, seemingly searching for anything she could find to criticize the previous administration and City Secretary Tammy Jordan.

The city's change from a Type B to a Type A municipality in 2014 also became a big issue, although why it took three years to become a problem is curious.

Through it all, some citizens have created a problem by their own behavior at city meetings. When the sheriff has to be in attendance — regularly, you know you've reached a new low in the level of civil discourse.

Howardwick now finds itself in a real pickle in terms of conducting business. The resignations of three aldermen over the last three months has left the council with no quorum to conduct business, and the resignation of the city secretary last week leaves the city without two signatures to write checks.

On top of this, a handful of fine citizens last Tuesday accused the Enterprise of not printing "the truth" about what had been happening at Howardwick. That was an interesting accusation since in January Alderman Holladay and Alderman Riddle both complemented the paper on its fair coverage.

The "truth" is a hard thing to find, especially when each side is convinced the other side is lying or dishonest. But here are several truths that all citizens should consider.

The truth is that you often have to put bigger interests above your own interests.

The truth is that Howardwick would have been better off if Riddle and Miller had not resigned and crippled the city. With Brewster, they had a voting majority and could have worked for the betterment of the city even while disagreeing with the mayor.

The truth is that Mayor Byars could have focused more on the future rather than spending time digging through the past.

The truth is that neither side listened to much of what the other side was saying... a problem that is becoming more and more pervasive in today's society.

The truth is that even though the mayor took Open Meetings Act training, it clearly didn't stick as evidenced by improperly worded and unprofessional city agendas and the conducting of a meeting without a quorum last week.

The truth is that Howardwick, when it gets back on track, probably needs to take "public comments" off its agenda, at least for a while, until people can learn to be civil and respectful in a public meeting. It's bad enough when there is friction on a board without a half a dozen loud mouths adding fuel to the fire.

The truth is that no one is right one hundred percent of the time.

The truth is that although mistakes may have been made, the city needs to find a way to move forward.

The truth is that board members or the mayor should not be seeking legal advice on their own; they should receive it from a qualified city attorney together at a public meeting.

The truth is that the fighting of a group of folks in a small city is now taking up a lot of other people's time from the Courthouse to the sheriff's office to the newspaper.

The truth is that Howardwick has a lot of good people living there, but right now everyone needs to chill the heck out for a little bit.

The truth is personal agendas shouldn't have a place on a public board. When you're elected to serve, you are to represent the best interests of everyone, and you have a sworn duty to follow the law and do what is right, even if it sticks in your craw and even if it means you sometimes have to admit you don't know everything about everything.

Howardwick's next steps will probably be determined by the Donley County Commissioners this Friday. If they see fit to call for an election, it would be a good time for people to think long and hard about who would make good candidates for city council... people who will put the good of the many at the forefront and focus on running a city properly with respect for everyone.



Columns often "just happen" — devoid of both rhyme and reason. Such is the case as this 16th year of weekly "whims" begins.

For several days, I've thought frequently of circles, some from 1944, when a beloved first-grade teacher meticulously drew circles on the chalk board. She called them "dishes," explaining that unexpected company had shown up, departing well before clean-up. "Who'd like to help me with the dishes?" she'd ask, smiling.

Hands flew up all over the room. Then, she'd ask each "helper" to "remove" one or two "dishes" with the sweep of an eraser. We were thus introduced to subtraction, perhaps the first (and maybe the last) mathematical concept I've truly understood....

As a rule, circles are precursors to something worse. For me, what begins as a twitch becomes a tremor when they morph into zeroes. Twitching sets in with nervous recall of high school and college algebra classes. Later, I barely made it through statistics during doctoral studies. There were simply too many numbers used in too many ways for this country boy. Stars properly aligned for degree completion, but not without major tremors.

We are in a high season for circles. A sports car is in orbit, and social media crawl with guffaws about it. If it is asked to "pull over," how far over is over? What if there are recalls? Will there be a need for tire alignment? Should the oil be changed regularly, maybe every million light years?

Our national debt — with big numbers in front of the zeroes — explodes. At church recently, two comments prompted more circular thinking. In the sermon was a reference to "concentric circles," illustrative of relationships. Then, in an announcement "round-up," reference was made to strong attendance, despite "frizzled" weather. Hmm. Is "frizzle" a shortcut to "freezing circles" — not dots — swirled in front of my eyes....



the idle american by don newbury

In Dallas, bicycles may be rented for a buck from four competing companies. They have 10,000 bikes to rent — more than any other city. Trouble is, riders may abandon them wherever they choose — on lawns, in traffic lanes, hanging from trees — you name it.

Non-riders are peeved; the city council is flustered. Until now, folks fishing in White Rock Lake have not been surprised to hook boots. Now, they may reel in bicycles.

Groans abound. At least one rental company owner is groaning. It began operations just months ago with 2,400 bikes. Its inventory now stands at 1,800....

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Residents shouldn't have to fear dogs

I have a radical idea. People should be able to walk, jog, and bicycle on public roads for fun and exercise. You probably think that people can do this already, but, in a year's time, I have been attacked by two dogs running loose on our fair streets. The first incident was by a Yorkie. It was annoying but certainly not dangerous. The second attack was by a dog so large and strong that it chased down a full grown adult, bit me on the leg, and shook me like a doll as it tried to drag me from my bike. I wish my experience was isolated. Unfortunately, many people have told me that they no longer exercise outdoors because of similar encounters.

Dog owners need to use common sense. Not only is it against city ordinances to allow your dogs to roam free, but you are also risking causing injury or death to your fellow citizens.

Friends, if a dog is roaming free (and especially behaving aggressively), please report it to the city. My second attack could have been prevented if people had reported the dog's previous behaviors towards them.

We should all be able to walk down public, city roads without fearing a dog attack.

Scarlet Estlack, Clarendon

Senate seat needs to stay in our area

This election is the most important election in my 54 years living in the Texas Panhandle. I have been involved in politics as I served four different Counties as State Representative of District 87. I was first elected in 1990 and served thru 2010. During those 20 years and 10 contested elections, I have learned a lot about elections. Elections are important.

This election for Senate District 31 is the election I feel is the most important. Let me discuss the reason I say this. Amarillo has had a Senate District for many years. During redistricting several years ago, Amarillo, Midland and Odessa were put in the same district. This presents a problem. These two areas are very different as far as economic interest.

Amarillo area is the largest agricultural district in the State. Livestock, crops, dairies, agriculture processing, and irrigated crops are the life blood for most of our communities. We need a Senator that understands this segment of the state's economy. Most of the Senate seats in our current legislature are urban. That being the case, we had better elect

Nailing down reasons to write a "circular" column was Andy Howington, a fellow churchman and the object of guffaws since his recent purchase of a cherry-red Honda Gold Wing motorcycle. He found it on the Internet and soon was off to DeLeon for a "look-see." Sure enough, it was in mint condition.

Andy has owned a half-dozen cycles — maybe more — but this one is different. It has two rear wheels....

Sunday school buddies are kidding him with little mercy. "Old Andy has reached his second childhood," one cackled. "He's back on a tricycle." Another claimed that when Andy rides, "he has to kick twice — once to start his motorcycle and another to start his pacemaker."

Still another said he saw "figure eights" on the icy church parking lot, tracks that were "clearly made by a three-wheeled motorcycle."

Andy chuckles, explaining he'll ride only when the temperature is near his age. He will be 90 on April 7....

The affable widower had wife Lois alongside until her death 15 months ago. She remains fresh on his mind. Early in their marriage, she, too, had a motorcycle.

Andy rattles off the marital years of this revered Christian couple: 68 years, 3 months and 4 days — nary a zero in the bunch....

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David Swinford, State Representative District 87, Retired

CISD Trustees hold reglar meeting, renew contracts

Clarendon ISD Trustees renewed administrative contracts during their regular meeting last Thursday, February 15.

The board met behind closed doors for 23 minutes before returning to open session to take action on six positions.

Trustees extended the contracts of principals Larry Jeffers, John Taylor, and Mike Word and offer Athletic Director Clint Conkin

a two-year contract. Contracts for one additional year were approved for Counselor Jenae Ashbrook and Special Programs Director Leslie Norrell.

In other business, administrative reports were received from Jeffers, Word, Taylor, Ashbrook, and Superintendent Mike Norrell.

The board approved the Interlocal Agreement to participate in the 2018-2019 West Texas Food Service

Cooperative.

A motion was approved to request the Staff Development Minute Waiver from TEA, and the board voted in favor of purchasing Network Servers from Lakeshore IT Solutions as presented. A budget amendment was also approved as presented.

They also approved bids on tax delinquent properties as presented by the Donley Appraisal District.

Newhouse elected to Texas Peanut Producers board

LUBBOCK — The Texas Peanut Producers Board re-elected two board members and elected two new board members during elections held in January. Each person elected will serve a six-year term, or until the year 2024.

Clint White of Vernon was re-elected in Voting Region Two and Grayson Wilmetth of Dilley was re-elected in Voting Region Four. Michael Newhouse of Clarendon was elected to the board in Voting Region Two, and JR Cudd of Brownfield was elected as a write-in candidate in Voting Region One.

News releases and legal notices on the election were sent to all major newspapers in the voting regions in which the election was held. The voting period was from Jan. 9-23, 2018. A canvassing committee counted ballots on Feb. 9 and the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) ratified the election.

The four board members will be sworn in on March 1, 2018, during TPPB's spring board meeting in Gueyue by a representative from the TDA.

The state of Texas has been divided by TPPB into four separate voting regions. These voting regions allow for board directors to more closely represent the peanut interests of a particular region of the state, and to provide representation for all Texas peanut producers on the board. Since 2014, the TPPB has consisted of 9 board members. Founded in 1969, TPPB is the oldest agricultural commodity board in the state of Texas.

The next election will be in 2020 with two seats up for election.

Amarillo PD warns public of counterfeit prescription pills

The Amarillo Police Department is making the public aware that the lethal hazards of tainted, counterfeit prescription pills which could become available "on the street" in Amarillo.

Earlier this month, the APD Narcotics Unit was made aware that an agency had intercepted a quantity of about 2000 pills that were en route to Amarillo. These counterfeit pills, which are illegally sold as Xanax or other benzodiazepines, contained another even more hazardous drug: fentanyl.

Fentanyl is a powerful opiate narcotic pain reliever. According to the Drug Enforcement Administration web site, the drug is "30-50 times as potent (and deadly) as

heroin." The DEA also states that the drug's effects "resemble those of heroin and include euphoria, drowsiness, nausea, confusion and sedation."

With repeated exposure comes tolerance, addiction, respiratory depression and arrest, unconsciousness, coma, and death."

The counterfeit pills found for Amarillo contained unpredictable amounts of the deadly drug. The DEA considers 2 milligrams as a lethal dose for most non-opioid dependent persons. APD Narcotics investigators familiar with local trends described the pills as being white or yellow. They are referred to as "school buses" or "yellow school buses."

Sellers have previously targeted young athletes, claiming that the pills will improve sleep and recovery to enhance athletic performance. Anyone who purchases pills sold "on the street" as Xanax or any other substance is risking overdose and death.

This information does not in any way apply to legally prescribed medications obtained from licensed, legal pharmacies.

APD encourages people to see the following the news story by a Los Angeles television station to help understand the threat posed by these pills: <http://www.foxnews.com/news/u-s-world/counterfeit-xanax-laced-with-deadly-fentanyl-becoming-popular-party-drug>.

College:

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The board also voted in favor of ratifying the resignation of English instructor Melissa McCoy and the action of the administration under personnel.

In his president's report, Dr. Riza said spring semester enrollment had hit yet another record for the college's 120th academic year.

Sheriff's Report

February 12, 2018
8:44 a.m. - EMS assist 700 block West 2nd
1:24 p.m. - EMS assist Clarendon Nursing Home
9:58 p.m. - Out @ Nursing Home

February 13, 2018
6:20 p.m. - Out @ Howardward City Hall
11:19 p.m. - See caller South Kearney Street
11:43 p.m. - EMS assist I-40

February 14, 2018
12:06 a.m. - EMS assist location not logged
5:43 a.m. - Units paged vehicle accident South 70
6:49 a.m. - To jail with one in custody
10:00 a.m. - Welfare check 200 block North Gorst
2:58 p.m. - EMS assist 400 block Ten Bears
6:55 p.m. - See caller 1000 block East Montgomery
7:15 p.m. - EMS assist 1400 block West 8th
8:09 p.m. - To jail with one in custody

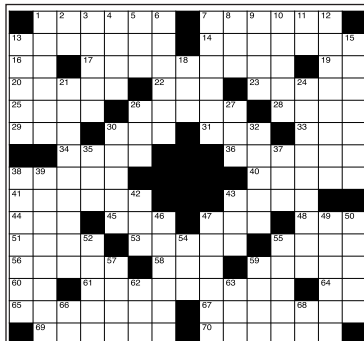
February 15, 2018
3:46 a.m. - EMS assist 1400 block West 8th
5:29 p.m. - EMS assist 600 block Johnson - Hedley
11:37 p.m. - Units paged to fire - Lillian Lake

February 16, 2018
1:08 a.m. - Commercial burglar alarm 500 block West 2nd
12:44 p.m. - EMS assist 1400 block West 8th
5:15 p.m. - See caller 400 block West 2nd
10:39 p.m. - EMS assist 500 block South Hartzell

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- Overlapping part of a garment
- Type of smartphone
- Full apart
- Football's big game (abbr.)
- Crocodilian reptile
- OFI
- Swamp plant
- Sun can help you get one
- Hops, ___ and jumps
- Cuckoos
- Small cavities in rocks
- American traitor
- Tooth caregiver
- Popular fish
- Ottoman military leader
- Anger
- Fish of the mackerel family
- Some people can't eat it
- Amer. Revolutionary War battle
- Misleading ads
- Atomic number 76
- A type of castle security
- Sunscreen rating
- Very fast airplane
- Vigor
- 48,007's creator
- ___ and that
- Indicating silence
- Brown and gray rail
- Nocturnal insects
- Make an incision
- Norwegian village
- Commercial
- Criminal
- Northeast
- Clouds of gas and dust in outer space
- Mysterious things
- One who won't be forgotten
- Starts over

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- Straighten
- Gives medical advice (abbr.)
- Touts
- One's job
- Afflict in mind or body
- Proofed
- Capital of Angola
- Social insect living in organized colonies
- One who are financially compensated
- Jacket
- Electron volt
- Tuned
- Syrian leader
- Reduces
- Congress' investigative arm
- Make uneasy
- A fake
- Any thick messy substance
- Goat
- Titan
- Continental Congress delegate for NY
- Peyton's younger brother
- Fiddler crab
- Delivers the mail
- Lilacaceous plant
- Mountain Time
- Where wrestlers work
- Secured
- Dog breed
- Where rockers perform
- Nostrils
- Express doubt
- Pointer
- Slang for sergeant
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Broncos Baseball • Hale Center • Home • 4:00 p.m.

March 1-6
Broncos Baseball • Childress Tournament • Away

March 1 & 3
Lady Broncos Softball Tournament • West Texas High • Away

March 2
CHS Track • Sanford Fritch

March 3 & 4
Whistle Stop Trade Days

March 5
Coffee Memorial Blood Drive • Hedley • 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

March 3 & 4
Hedley's District OAP competition • Shamrock

March 9
CHS Track • Tulla

April 3 & 4
Whistle Stop Trade Days

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Menus

February 26 - March 2
Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Sloppy Joe on bun, baked tater tots, corn, tossed salad, chocolate cake, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Beef stew, cornbread/crackers, apple cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Chicken fried chicken, mashed potatoes, mix vegetables, whole wheat roll, strawberries topping, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Salisbury steak, mushroom gravy, mashed potatoes, Italian green beans, whole wheat roll, banana pudding, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Hawaiian ham, new potatoes, buttered carrots, whole wheat bread, pineapple salad, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Chicken fajitas, fajita veg: etables, chuckwagon corn, Spanish rice, flour tortilla, fruit cocktail, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Macaroni, beef, tomato, lima beans, wheat roll, fruit & oatmeal bar, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Vegetable beef stew, cornbread, margarine, tossed salad w/ dressing, orange pineapple cup, diet pumpkin custard, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Beef taco bake, Spanish rice, cauliflower, toss salad, country apple crisp, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Meatloaf/tomato sauce, mashed potatoes, winter blend vegetables, wheat roll, apple fluff, iced tea/2% milk.

Clarendon ISD
Mon: Pancakes, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Tue: Cheesy toast, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Wed: French toast, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Thu: Oatmeal, cinnamon toast, yogurt, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Fri: Breakfast burrito, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch
Mon: Steak fingers, gravy, mashed potatoes, carrot coins, roll, strawberries & bananas, milk.
Tue: French bread pizza, marinara sauce, garden salad, California blend vegetables, fruit cup, vanilla pudding, milk.
Wed: Texas chili, cornbread, celery sticks, carrot sticks, orange smiles, brownie, milk.
Thu: Chicken quesadilla, corn, refried beans, salsa, lettuce & tomato, fruit, milk.
Fri: Popcorn chicken, roll, broccoli, oven fries, fruit, milk.

Hedley ISD
Mon: French toast, bacon, hash browns, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Tue: Biscuits & gravy, sausage, scrambled eggs, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Wed: Stuffed bagels, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Thu: Pancake wrap, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Fri: Cinnamon roll, bacon, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Lunch
Mon: Corn dog, tater tots, buttered corn, sliced apples, milk.
Tue: Nacho Grande, refried beans, cucumber cup, salsa, peaches, milk.
Wed: Chicken sandwich, oven fries, lettuce & tomato garnish, mandarin oranges, milk.
Thu: Salisbury steak, roast potatoes, carrot coins, biscuit, fruity jello, milk.
Fri: Pizza, broccoli salad, buttered corn, lime sherbet, milk.

Online romance scams cost Americans over a billion dollars

Hi, gang! The spammers are active everywhere. Last week, they were calling here claiming they were raising money for Clarendon High School; and Potter and Randal County Sheriff's Offices were still with calls claiming to be them and demanding money or go to jail.

Our article this week is a warning about Online Romance Scams. There are a lot of others going around. I am getting a lot of calls from 806-205 numbers that are scams. You can easily protect yourself with this information don't answer; and if you, do just hang up. If it is a good call, they will leave a voice mail.

Also remember, caller ID is NOT reliable at telling you who is really calling you. If someone comes to your door, don't answer just watch that they go on down the street. It is getting hard to stay out there or in here. Bob.

"Online Romance Scams Coaxing Millions out of Unsuspecting Victims," by Janna Kiehl, BBB

February 13, 2018, a study released by the Better Business Bureau (BBB) reveals an estimated 1 million Americans have been victimized in romance fraud scams with losses nearing \$1 billion over the last three years. BBB warns those who use dating websites to be wary



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by bob whittin

of scammers who prey on unsuspecting victims. The study "Online Romance Scams: A Better Business Bureau Study on How Scammers Use Impersonation, Blackmail and Trickery to Steal from Unsuspecting Daters" says the scheme can take a number of months to play out as the scammer gains the victim's trust. The scammer eventually will ask for small amounts of money to feel out the victim. Victims often turn into unknowing accomplices of money laundering. The study recommends that law enforcement agencies share more information about successful romance fraud prosecutions, do more training and prosecute more cases. BBB recommends online dating sites and social media do more to screen, identify and remove profiles used for scams. There also needs to be more support services offered for romance fraud victims.

"We believe that this is an under reported crime with many victims too embarrassed to report what has happened to them," said Janna Kiehl, Amarillo BBB President and CEO.

"Victims can be wiped out financially and devastated emotionally. If you are going to search for a date online, it's vital that you know the person on the other end of the conversation is who they say they are."

Among the report's key findings: There is no "typical" victim of romance fraud. They can be male or female, young or old, straight or gay. The common denominator is that they are seeking a loving relationship, and they believe they have found it. Scammers often portray themselves as U.S. military members. Military officials say they receive thousands of complaints yearly from scam victims around the world. Officials note military members will never need money for leave or health care.

The majority of romance fraud has its home in West Africa, particularly Nigeria. There are also groups that operate in Russia and the Ukraine that employ online dating sites to defraud victims. At any one time, there may be 25,000 scammers online working with victims. A company that screens profiles for dating companies told BBB that 500,000 of the 3.5 million profiles it scans monthly are fake.

The report was prepared by C. Steven Baker, BBB International Investigations Specialist. Baker is the

retired director of the Federal Trade Commission's Midwest Region. In his role with BBB, Baker is working with an alliance of five BBB's in analyzing and reporting on some of the most pervasive fraud issues that impact American consumers. This is his third study released through BBB. A September 2017 study on puppy scams and a December 2017 study on tech support scams he authored each were met with worldwide media coverage.

BBB offers the following tips for daters to avoid being caught in a romance scam: Protect your identity and your wallet. Scammers prefer prepaid cards and money transfers. Never send money or any personal information to someone you've never met in person. Visiting with someone via a video call doesn't mean they're not a scammer. Also, be cautious to not reveal any personal information or do anything you might regret later when using video applications. Some scammers use software to record video calls and then use it to extort money from victims. Don't succumb to pleas of financial crisis.

Think before going from public to private. Be hesitant if the conversation moves from a monitored site like social media or a dating site to a more private form of communication like email or instant messaging.

This strategy might be a way for the scammer to draw you in without other people interfering. Do your research. Pour over the profile image and description. If it sounds too good to be true, verify it. You can perform a reverse image search to see if the profile photo has been used on other websites. You can also copy a portion of their biography and search to see if it's been used on other sites. Scammers often use the same profile details and photos on multiple sites.

Ask for details and get specific. Request other forms of identification, like a photo of them holding a piece of paper with their username on it. Ask specific questions about details in their profile. If they claim to be a military member, ask for their official military address as those all end in @mail.mil. Scammers likely will make excuses for why they can't provide you more information. Pay attention to communication. Be wary of bad grammar and misspelled words. No one is perfect, but if mistakes often are repeated, it may suggest they aren't from where they claim. Be on guard for use of pet names or discussions of marriage early in correspondence. Report it. If you feel like you've been victimized, report it to BBB's Scam Tracker, the Federal Trade Commission and FBI. Stay safe out there!

Howardwick continues to need our prayers

I awoke Saturday morning to a beautiful, bright blue sky, birds singing, and the freshest, sweet smell of rain. We got rain, folks! Not much, a quarter inch, but we always start somewhere, and we will start with a quarter inch. Thank you, Jesus, for blessing us.

Some of you may not have seen the breaking news from the Enterprise last week explaining the later chapter in Howardwick city government which began with the resignation of aldermen Eric Riddle and Mac Miller last Tuesday.

When added to the vacancy on the board left by Shelly Williamson in December, there is no longer a quorum. (The number of members



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required to be present to conduct business is three aldermen.) This left Mayor Greta Byars and Aldermen Doc Holliday and Robert Brewster on the board. Sign-ups for May election had been ongoing, but the official call for election had not taken place and with no quorum it could not happen. No business could be conducted. What a mess.

There is a hand printed note on the door of City Hall stating,

"Closed until further notice." Oh, yes, City Secretary Tammy Jordan has also resigned.

Hope is on the way. A petition for a "special election for filling vacated seats" is being circulated by Sandy Lynn Childress who lives on South Arthur for the purpose of getting our government functioning again. With enough signatures presented to County Judge John Howard and placed on the agenda for the County Commissioners, there is hope to have an election in May.

Please folks, continue to pray for our community.

Pondering a few random thoughts

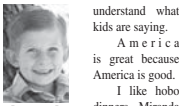
This week's column is a bunch of random thoughts.

I think people should keep their dogs in their yards. So that way a dog doesn't chew up my aunt again. I'm glad my dog isn't the one that almost mauled someone.

I feel like the US needs to focus more on space exploration. Is it really that hard to build a reusable rocket that America can use to go to the space station without having to go to Russia to get a ride?

The 5K is fun but tiring. Every time I sprint for a mile but then I feel like I messed up my ankle.

I think sometime when we're in school we should have a class judge to settle incidents where people mis-



the cub reporter
by benjamin enlack

understand what kids are saying. America is great because America is good.

I like hobo dinners. Miranda Bets makes really good hobo dinners for Shrine Club, and my Cub Scouts' last den activity will be making hobo dinners again.

The reason this column is random is because not much has happened since last week so I went random.



the lion's tale
by scarlet estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting February 20, 2018, with Boss Lion Pro Tem John Howard in charge.

We had 11 members, visiting Lion George Hubbard, and one guest this week. Nori Buckhaults was the guest of Lion Tex Buckhaults.

Lion Mike Norrell reported on the public school where Aubrey Jaramillo is advancing in power lifting. Hannah Hommel won her swine division in San Antonio, and the boys are in the playoffs tonight.

Lion Landon Lambert reported on new court software being implemented at the county, and Lion Buckhaults reported on the college. Lion Howard urged everyone to continue to try to avoid the flu by washing hands and covering coughs.

Lion Buckhaults distributed posters for the April 14 Roar & Run 5K in an extremely brief but impressive program. Registration forms will be available this week at the Visitor Center.

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New pesticide applicator training set March 22 in Canyon

CANYON – A Pesticide Applicator Training, open to anyone wanting a private applicator license in the region, will be conducted March 22 by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service at the Kuhlman Extension Center, 200 N. Brown Road in Canyon.

The training will begin at 9 a.m. with registration starting at 8:30 a.m. The training should conclude around noon, said Dr. J. C. Ragland, AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent for Randall County.

In addition, Ragland said he will be offering the mandated auxin training from 1-2 p.m. for those who still may need it.

There will be one Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education unit offered in laws and

regulations. "For the pesticide applicator training, I'm requesting that those attending already have their training guide purchased and bring it with them to the training," Ragland said. Ragland will use the training guide, "Using Pesticides Private Applicators Manual," to teach the program. This guide can be ordered at <https://agriflife.org/aes/> or by calling 979-845-1099. The manual cost is \$40.

Those planning to attend must RSVP by 5 p.m. March 19 by calling the AgriLife Extension office for Randall County at 806-468-5543. There is a \$10 fee for the meeting, and will also include the afternoon auxin training.

"This is just the training," Rag-

land emphasized. "No testing will be provided on this day."

Following the training, Ragland said participants will be given two forms: Training Verification form, D-1411, verifying completion of training; and the Private Pesticide Applicator License Application form, PA-400P.

The application can also be obtained at <https://www.texasagriculture.gov> or by calling 1-800-835-5832 or 512-463-7622. To locate a form, click on the top menu bar "Forms." Click on the second page and at the top will be PA-400P for download.

Completed forms and fee of \$100 should be mailed to Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12076, Austin, Texas 78711-2076.

Hemphill beef conference to address market turning points

CANADIAN The 2018 Hemphill County-Texas A&M AgriLife Beef Cattle Conference and Ag Tour set for April 24-25 will include experts who will help participants understand how and what they do on their ranches makes a difference in the market.

Ranchers in the Texas Panhandle and throughout the beef-producing regions of the U.S. play a role every day in establishing the market, their actions create turning points for the industry, said Andy Holloway, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service agriculture and natural resources agent for Hemphill County.

Holloway said the cattle conference has grown in size and emphasis, bringing producers from across the nation to hear experts address industry hot topics.

"This beef conference has truly become more than a regional event," Holloway said. "Last year we had participants from 11 states and 22 Texas counties. We really try hard to address important, critical issues and select the top speakers on these subject matters from throughout the nation."

The main conference will be in the Jones Pavilion, 1101 N. Sixth St. in Canadian. For both the beef conference and tour, there will be 15 nationally recognized speakers, three beef meals, a trade show with 50-plus agribusinesses represented, two ranch tours, a tour of the Hemphill County Pioneer Museum and entertainment from the Sons of the Pioneers.

Registration is open at www.hemphillcotxbeef.com. Participants

can also call the AgriLife Extension office in Hemphill County at 806-323-9114 or contact Christa Perry at christa.perry@ag.tamu.edu to register or receive additional information. The cost is \$100. A spouse ticket is \$85.

The theme this year is "How to produce more calves out of your cowherd," Holloway said.

This year, the topics on the first day will address more of the state of the industry and what can be done to make the cowherd more efficient to sustain profitability for the next generation on the ranch, he said.

The second day is aimed more at production practices on the ranch, including how to best match the cattle to the environment and actions that can improve the overall herd health and productivity year after year, Holloway said.

"We wanted to concentrate on where we are, how we get here and what we need to do to get to where we want to be in the beef industry," he said.

This discussion will open with Troy Applehans, CattleFax market analyst, Denver, Colorado, providing an examination of where the industry stands regarding markets and cowherd size, Holloway said. Applehans will address both the actual size and weight of the cows as well as the numbers of cows nationally.

Applehans is a cow/calf and stocker market analyst specialist responsible for the feeder cattle and cow/calf regions of the Southern Plains region as well as Southeastern states of the U.S.

He also covers feedyards in the Midwest, Colorado and western

Nebraska regions.

"The way CattleFax assists beef producers is knowing the vital facts, figures and potential turning points in the industry relative to the supply and demand of our U.S. beef both nationally and internationally," Holloway said.

Second on the speakers list will be Dr. George Perry, a South Dakota State University beef reproduction specialist. His research focuses on factors that impact pregnancy success in beef cattle. His presentation is titled "Factors that impact fertility: this generation and the next."

Dr. Perry will display important research on beef cow reproduction and the factors involved in day-to-day production that may be keeping the cowherd from being as reproductively efficient as it could be due to present day management and protocols of health that are deeply affecting production," Holloway said. "He has a very expensive research trial on thousands of cows and heifers spanning a number of years."

Dr. Clay Mathis, King Ranch Institute of Ranch Management executive director in Kingsville, will discuss the factors regarding making the cowherd more efficient and profitable for the rancher.

"Dr. Mathis will examine what our cows will need to be like in the year 2037 to be a viable part of the protein business for the future needs of the consumer," Holloway said. "This presentation will be compelling and most inspiring to prepare for the demands that ranchers will face in both the near- and long-term future of the beef industry."

'Right-of-Way' meeting set for February 27 in Amarillo

AMARILLO – The annual "ROW" Conference for right-of-way management, conducted by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, will be Feb. 27 at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center, 6500 W. Amarillo Blvd. in Amarillo.

The program will begin with registration at 8:30 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m., with lunch on your own, said Rick Auckerman, AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent in Deaf Smith County.

There is a \$10 registration fee. No credit cards accepted; make

checks payable to the Leadership Advisory Board. RSVP to r-auckerman@tamu.edu or 806-364-3573 by Feb. 23.

Participants can earn five Texas Department of Agriculture private pesticide applicator continuing education units. TDA pesticide numbers must be put on the sign-in sheet. TDA will no longer take any other form of identification.

Program topics and presenters will be: General Vegetation Management in Right-of-Ways, Rhonda Franklin, Dow AgroSciences sales representative, Princeton.

Weather Effects on Pesticide Applications, Chris Morris, National Weather Service journeyman forecaster, Amarillo.

Laws and Regulations in Right-of-Ways, Levon Harmon, retired Texas Department of Agriculture consultant, Tulsa.

Prairie Dog Biology and Control, Joe Zotter, Texas Wildlife Services, wildlife biologist, Canyon.

Use of Adjuvants in the Right-of-Way, Curt Franklin, Green Industries sales professional, Italy.

For more information, contact Auckerman at 806-364-3573 or r-auckerman@tamu.edu.

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Clarendon Elementary servant leaders for January are (back) Shaun Childers, 3rd grade; Josie Murillo, 2nd grade; Jaymi Mitchell, 5th grade (Front) Korbyn Jones, 1st grade; and Carlos Vaquera, Kindergarten.

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Clarendon Junior High servant leaders for January are (back) Emberly Gonzalez, 7th grade; Isabella Martinez, 8th grade, and (front) Rowdy Eytcheson, 6th grade.

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Clarendon High School servant leaders for January are Roxie Adams, freshman; Tanner Burch, sophomore; Shiann Cook, senior; Brandalyn Ellis, junior.

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Servant Leaders for January named by Clarendon CISD

Clarendon CISD has released the names of its Student Servant Leaders for January.

Superintendent Mike Norrell says true leadership is rooted in the service of others. To be a servant leader is to think of others first and place their needs before your own, to be kind and generous, to be a positive influence, and to realize that there is something bigger than oneself.

Furthermore, anyone and everyone can be a servant leader, and if we have a campus, school, community, nation, and world of those that respect others and sacrifice their time, efforts, and treasures for others, then we all benefit.

The following are reasons and quotes as to why the students were nominated for January: Polite, mannerly, holds doors open for all; Stood up for another student; Especially helpful to all in math and technology; Hard worker and leads by example in STUCO; Willingness to help and do anything that is asked; Supports fellow classmates and class activities; Great listener and helper, 1st one to clean up messes without

being asked; Leads by kindness; never rude; Great friend, always does her best; Very conscientious, always gives his best effort; helps struggling students; Self-driven and motivated; great attitude and gets along with all; and Positive outlook and gets along well with others.

Mr. Norrell asks everyone to join CISD as they recognize and extend their gratitude to the following students:

Elementary – Kindergarten, Carlos Vaquera; 1st grade, Korbyn Jones; 2nd grade, Josie Murillo; 3rd grade, Shaun Childers; and 5th grade, Jaymi Mitchell.

Junior High – 6th grade, Rowdy Eytcheson; 7th grade, Emberly Gonzalez; and 8th grade, Isabella Martinez.

High School – 9th grade, Roxie Adams; 10th grade, Tanner Burch; 11th grade, Brandalyn Ellis; and 12th grade, Shiann Cook.

"We are very honored to have these students attend Clarendon CISD and are very pleased to recognize them for selflessly serving others," Norrell said.

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AgriLife Extension cotton trial results released

AMARILLO – Just in time for cotton producers making variety selections for the coming year, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service agronomists in the High Plains and Rolling Plains have released their 2017 Replicated Agronomic Cotton Evaluation, or RACE, trial results.

Drs. Jourdan Bell in Amarillo, Seth Byrd in Lubbock and Emi Kimura in Vernon, all AgriLife Extension agronomists, recently released the results of their large plot, on-farm, replicated cotton variety trials, which are conducted annually to assist Texas cotton producers in remaining competitive in these regions.

For the second year in a row, growers on the Texas High Plains produced over 5 million bales of cotton. And, planted acres in the Rolling Plains increased 15 percent compared to the average planted acres in 2015 and 2016.

Variety selection is one of the most important decisions a producer makes in all cotton producing regions, Bell said. In the northern

High Plains region, however, it can be especially challenging as producers well pick varieties that perform well in the region's narrow production window between planting and maturity, May-October.

Cool spring conditions at planting frequently result in reductions in early season vigor and seasonal growing degree day accumulation, she said.

Consequently, region-specific variety trials evaluating early to early mid-maturity cotton varieties are necessary to provide producers unbiased comparisons of top-yielding varieties.

These RACE trials provide producers knowledge of varietal performance and stability under regional environmental conditions, the agronomists said.

The 2017 production season saw many weather-related challenges across the High Plains and Rolling Plains.

The 2017 growing season was successful after timely rains enabled the crop to support and fill a heavy

fruit load developed over the first two to three months of the season, but it wasn't without early setbacks, Byrd said.

Many areas struggled to find good planting conditions due to spells of cool, wet weather followed by days of hot, dry, windy conditions, making crop establishment a challenge, he said.

And a late spring blizzard May 5 delayed cotton planting until mid-May across much of the Texas Panhandle, Bell said.

In the Rolling Plains, in-season precipitation varied across the trial sites from 8.7 inches to 16.7 inches, Kimura said. The moisture from May to October was 2-6 inches less than 2016.

The first killing frost was a week earlier, Oct. 27, than the traditional first killing frost in the Rolling Plains, which Kimura said was detrimental to the late-planted cotton.

She said she also saw minor herbicide damage in the Hardeman irrigated site and major herbicide damage in the Wichita irrigated site

in July and August. Other issues included poor stand establishment in Childress, Dickens and Stonewall dryland trials due to lack of moisture.

The southern High Plains region planted 17 RACE trials; the northern High Plains planted at seven, but only five locations were harvested; and the Rolling Plains conducted trials at 15 locations. A wide range of planting dates and seeding rates were used to reflect the different cultural practices of cotton producers to address issues specific to their location.

For a complete look at the results, go to: <http://bit.ly/2sCpTmX> for the southern and northern High Plains' trials and <http://bit.ly/2sXlVl1> for the Rolling Plains.

The RACE trials were in part funded by Plains Cotton Growers' Plains Cotton Improvement Program, Cotton Inc., the Texas State Support Committee, Americo/ NexGen, Bayer CropScience, Deltapine, CROPLAN Genetics and PhytoGen Cottonseed.



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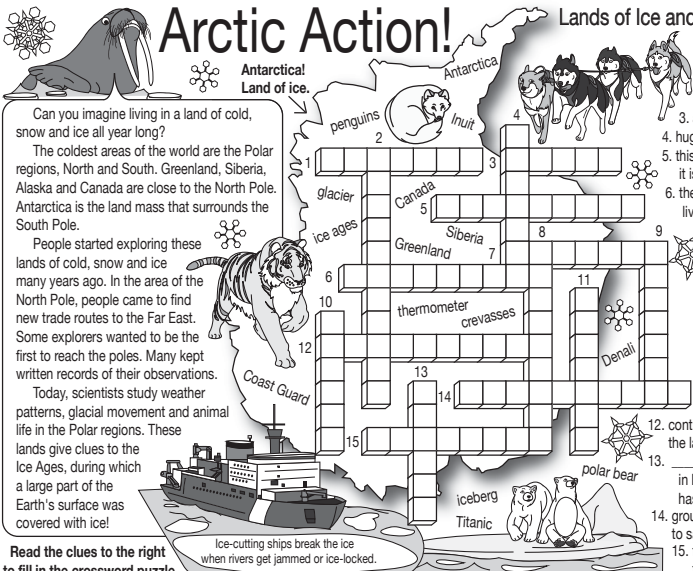
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Today, scientists study weather patterns, glacial movement and animal life in the Polar regions. These lands give clues to the Ice Ages, during which a large part of the Earth's surface was covered with ice!

1. "safest ship in the world," sank after hitting an iceberg
2. glass tube with liquid that rises and falls with the temperature
3. a native people of Canada, Alaska
4. huge area of North Asia, Husky dogs
5. this country's name is "tricky" - it is actually covered in ice
6. the world's largest land meat-eater; lives in the Arctic Circle
7. chunk of a glacier broken off at ocean's edge; only 1/8 can be seen above the water
8. large cracks in the ice
9. over thousands of years, snow hardens into thick mass of slow-moving ice
10. North American nation
11. time periods during which a large part of Earth's surface was covered in ice
12. continent surrounding South Pole; has the largest sheet of ice in the world
13. _____ is the highest peak in North America; its temperature has plunged as low as -75° F
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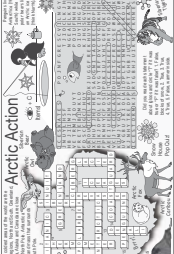
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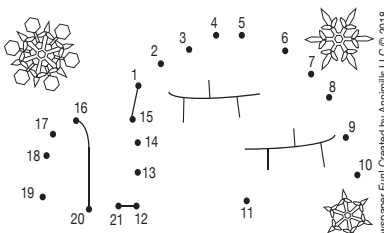


Snow House Pop Quiz!

The Inuit people of Greenland and the Canadian Arctic live in lands of ice and snow. They have learned how to thrive there. Those who travel or hunt often have the skills to build an igloo or a snow house to shelter themselves. Here is a short pop quiz about igloos.

Read each statement about igloos and circle "T" if it is true or "F" if it is false.

1. An igloo is a dome-shaped house made out of blocks of dirt. T F
2. A hunter or traveler could build an igloo for a shelter. T F
3. Inuit families today live in wooden or other kinds of houses today. T F
4. An igloo has a short tunnel entrance to help keep out wind and cold. T F
5. It is very cold outside an igloo, and colder inside. T F



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Clarendon College to honor former players

Former Clarendon College basketball players Joan Crawford and Myrna Carney will be honored during half-time of the Lady Bulldogs vs. South Plains College basketball game on Monday, February 26.

Scholarships have been created in each player's honor, and they will be recognized for the scholarships and their continued support of Clarendon College.

Crawford and Carney attended Clarendon College in 1957, where they played on the women's basketball team together.

After leaving Clarendon College, Crawford attended Nashville Business College where she played on an AAU team. Over the next twelve seasons, the Nashville team would win the National AAU Championship ten times, and Crawford was named to the All-America team

in every year. In 1962, the Nashville team was especially dominant, winning every game in the post-season tournament by at least 14 points, and winning the championship game over Wayland 63-35.

She would go on to win the MVP of the 1963 and 1964 AAU National Tournaments.

With the US National team, Crawford won the World Championship in 1957, and the 1959 and 1963 Pan American Games. The World Championship game was against the USSR, the first time the USA had faced the USSR in a major competition.

The USA came into the final with a single loss to Czechoslovakia, while the USSR was undefeated. The USA team was down by three points at the half, but came back in the second half to win the championship 51-48. Crawford scored a game

high 27 points in the championship game against Brazil.

Carney went on to attend Northwestern Oklahoma State University, the University of Oklahoma, Michigan State University, and University of Minnesota, and holds a Ph.D. in Educational Psychology from OU. She worked in a number of roles at the University of Oklahoma for 42 years, and retired as the Assistant Dean at University College in 2008. Ms. Carney holds a number of awards and honors including Outstanding Alumni from Northwestern Oklahoma State University and Leedy High School, and she was inducted into the Dewey County Oklahoma Hall of Fame in 2007.

The women's game start at 5:45 p.m. and will be followed by the Bulldogs vs. South Plains College matchup at 7:30 p.m. in the Bulldog Gym.



Joan Crawford



Myrna Carney

Clarendon College Lady Bulldogs beat WOSC 31-2

The Clarendon College Lady Bulldogs split two games with Seward Community College and then beat Western Oklahoma State College twice last week.

Despite a 6-run deficit in the fourth inning last Tuesday, February 13, Clarendon College's softball team almost came all the way back, eventually falling 6-4 to Seward Tuesday. Clarendon scored four runs in the failed comeback on a home run by Kasmir Perez in the fourth, a triple by Mariah Miramontez in the seventh, and a single by Regina Garza in the seventh. Clarendon lost despite out-hitting Seward Community College nine to eight with Garza going 4 for 4 at the plate.

Kabria Arnold took the loss for the Bulldogs as she surrendered four

runs on four hits over two and two-thirds innings, striking out one and walking zero.

Later Tuesday afternoon, CC grabbed an early lead on its way to a 10-4 victory over SCC. Clarendon collected 15 hits on the day with Miramontez, Sierra Wooley, and Taylor Hewlett each racking up multiple hits for the Bulldogs. Clarendon was also very aggressive on the bases stealing 11 during the game. Wooley went 3 for 4 on the day, stealing a team high of 4 bases.

Dezire Garcia was credited with the victory for Clarendon College. She went seven innings, allowing four runs on six hits, striking out six and walking one.

In the first inning against WOSC Saturday, the Lady Bull-

dogs got their offense started when Danae Villarreal doubled on a 3-2 count, scoring one run. Destinee Alvarez had a busy day at the plate on Saturday, smacking four hits in Clarendon College's 26-1 victory. Alvarez singled in the third, fourth, and fifth innings and homered in the fifth as well. The Bulldogs racked up 25 hits in the game. Alvarez, Wooley, Garza, Holguin, Miramontez, Sandoval, Villarreal, and Hewlett all had multiple hits for Clarendon College.

Garcia got the start in the circle for CC as she surrendered one run, on two hits, over five innings, striking out six, and walking one. Garcia now advances to 6-0 on the season.

The CC women also beat WOSC, 31-2, in a second game Saturday.

Clarendon College Bulldogs beat Howard College 76-68

The Clarendon Bulldogs split two conference games last week.

Clarendon College faced Howard College last Monday and won 76-68 in overtime.

Howard led but just one point at the half, and CC was able to keep the score even at the end of regulation play before outscoring HC 11-3 in overtime.

Scoring for the Bulldogs were Reece Brooks 26, Ellis Jefferson 14, Edwon Brady 12, David Carter 9, Jaquan Home 5, and Xavier Trent, Donovan White, Jr., Shavaiire Murray, Paul Corbin, Jr., and Thomas Clement with two each.

Clarendon then faced New Mexico Junior College last Thursday and lost, 68-88. Scoring that

game were Trent 15, Jefferson 12, Brady 12, Tyreek Price 10, Brooks 6, Murray 4, Corbin 4, Home 2, Dadou Traore 2, and White 1.

CC is now 18-9 for the season and 8-5 in conference.

The Bulldogs travel to Odessa this Thursday and will face South Plains College at home next Monday at 7:30 p.m.

CC Lady Bulldogs drops games to Howard, NMJC

The Clarendon Lady Bulldogs lost two games last week to Howard College and New Mexico Junior College.

Clarendon College fell to Howard last Monday, 59-75. After a tough first quarter, the Lady Bulldogs came back and led by one at the half, but Howard dominated the second half of the game for the win.

Scoring for CC were Ja'Vonda Daniels 20, Mia Castaneda 13, Bailly Shelor 11, Chaumel Acosta 8, Lexi Escobal 3, Daijah Henry 2, and Aleyah Brantley 2.

Clarendon played NMJC last Thursday and trailed throughout the game, losing 54-74. Castaneda led for the Lady Bulldogs with 18 points, and Daniels had 16. Also scoring were Shelor 10, Lizet Sosa 5, and Escobal 5.

The Lady Bulldogs travel to Odessa Thursday and will face South Plains College at home Monday at 5:45 p.m.

CC Bulldogs won three out of four

The Clarendon Bulldogs won three out of four games with Lamar Community College here last Saturday and Sunday.

CC lost the opening game, 5-6, Saturday before coming back later that day to win the second game, 4-3. Clarendon won the third and fourth games of the series, 13-2 and 17-6, on Sunday.

The Bulldogs will host another four-game, two-day series against Ranger College, February 23 and 24.

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Broncos' beat Wheeler to end regular season

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon Broncos wrapped up regular season play last week and are headed to post-season play as they ride the momentum they have gained. Their last win came in Wheeler last week with a big win at 50-46.

The game began evenly and stayed close throughout as both teams executed well offensively. The Mustangs were up by one after the first quarter, but the Broncos were able to go up by four after the break.

Both teams put eight points on the board in the final eight minutes, which was enough to get the Broncos the win.

The Broncos have been nailing the three-pointers and finished with a total of eight against Wheeler. Damarjae Cortez hit four, and Noah Elam put down two. Collin Butler and Preston Elam made good on one three-pointer each. The Broncos also shot 75 percent from the bonus line, which made a big difference in the game. Cortez and Bear Smith finished in double figures with Cortez putting in 16 and Smith adding 14 to lead the Broncos on the scoreboard. Colt Wood put in seven, Noah Elam had six, Butler added four, and P. Elam helped with three.

"It was good to go on the road and finish with a win," coach Blake Nichols said. "We have won six in a row and momentum heading into the playoffs is always a good thing. I like where we are, and hopefully we can put together a few more wins and make a good showing in the playoffs."

The Broncos were set to play their first playoff game Tuesday night as the Enterprise went to press. Visit ClarendonLive.com for game results.



Clarendon Bronco Bear Smith looks for an open man during last Friday's game against Wheeler.

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Bronco JV drops last game at Wheeler

The Bronco junior varsity took on Wheeler in their last game of the season on the road and was defeated 19-55.

The Mustangs took control of the game early and built up a big lead early in the game. The Broncos struggled to get any offense going and the Mustangs were solid on the defensive end of the court. Defensively, the Broncos could not stop Wheeler to get back into the game.

Donovan Thompson led the way with seven points, and Gavin Word and Jamal Butler added four each. Dalton Benson and Aaron Roys put in two points each.

Jaramillo headed to regional meet

Clarendon High School freshman Aubrey Jaramillo has been a solid power lifter all season and she has recently earned the right to lift in the Regional Power Lifting Meet to be held on March 2 in Monahans.

Jaramillo competed in the Borger Meet last weekend and finished third in the 97-weight class with a lift total of 390 pounds.

"She set a personal best in the squat with a lift of 155 pounds," coach Johnny Nino said.

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Obituaries

Martin

Clayton Scott Martin was born on September 24, 1955. He passed away on February 14, 2018, at home.



Martin

Graveside services were held on February 18, 2018, in Flomot Memorial Park Cemetery in Flomot, Texas with Chuck Robertson, officiating. Masonic Rites will be by Clarendon Masonic Lodge #700, AF&AM.

Arrangements are by Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

His mother Joy Lee Martin and Father Jerrel Martin lived on the Mill Iron ranch where they raised Scott until he was 3 years old when they made the move to Clarendon to work at the Bitter Creek Ranch. Scott would grow up on the ranch with his brother Mitchell and sister Jayne and would attend school at Clarendon.

Scott was involved in many activities in school including 4-H and FFA and high school football where he was proud to have been a part of the 1972 State Finalist football team. Scott graduated from Clarendon High School and would enter the Ranch and Feedlot Operations program at Clarendon Junior College. Scott graduated from the RFO program and would take a job at the Waggoner Ranch in 1975 where he would spend many years as a cowboy.

Scott married Shonda Kaye Lyons on July 10, 1976, at Mata-dora First Baptist Church. Scott and Shonda welcomed their only child Shanon Scott Martin on December 27, 1982.

They would live and work on the Waggoner Ranch until March of 1993 when Scott would join his father Jerrel and brother Mitchell to work on the Bitter Creek Ranch at Clarendon. Scott would work for the ranch until 1996 when he joined the Texas Department of Transportation where he would work until he retired in 2015. He would then join Donley County Road maintenance in 2015 where he worked until the time of his death.

Scott was a member of the Masonic Lodge of Vernon where he would be the Master of the Lodge in 1991-1992. After moving to Clarendon, he joined the Khiva Shrine of Amarillo and the Khiva Muleskinners.

Scott enjoyed cooking with the Muleskinners at different events including the Clarendon 4th of July Celebration, getting together with family, and hunting with his good friends and son Shanon. He enjoyed travelling to College Station where his son Shanon lives and attending sporting events at Texas A&M. Scott was a beloved husband and father who will be missed by many.

He is preceded in death by his father Jerrel Martin and his mother Joy Lee Martin.

He is survived by his wife Shonda Martin and son Shanon Martin, brother Mitchell Martin and sister in law Mary Martin, sister Jayne McElroy and brother in law Kick McElroy. He is also survived

by nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews who loved their Uncle Scott.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Khiva Shrine of Amarillo. Khiva Shrine P.O. Box 328 Amarillo, TX 79105.

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Koen

Kenneth Neal Koen, 78, died Saturday, February 10, 2018, in Wichita Falls, Texas. A private burial in Citizen's Cemetery.

Mr. Koen was born August 5, 1939, in Clarendon to D. B. and Orvetta Koen. He attended Clarendon Independent School District and graduated from Memphis High School. He served in the U.S. Air Force. Mr. Koen was employed by DFW Airport. He retired to Bowie, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents D. B. and Orvetta Koen of Clarendon, stepmother Cellie Koen of Memphis, his brother Lynn Koen of Florida, stepbrother George Stanley of Lawton, Oklahoma, and one grandson and granddaughter.

He is survived by his white wife Sharon Koen of Wichita Falls, brother Truitt Koen of Houston, his sons Paul Koen and his wife Mercy of Bowie and Brian of Granbury, stepdaughter Tracy Otis and her husband Robert of Jacksonville, Florida, stepson Todd Clemens of Wichita Falls, stepsister JoAnn Dickens of Clarendon, six grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren.

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Donley County Memorial Post 782 Veterans of Foreign Wars
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Clarendon Lions Club Regular meeting each Tuesday at noon. Robert Riza, Boss Lion. Roger Estock, Secretary

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