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

Goodnight reunion to be September 21

The 2013 Goodnight School Reunion will be held September 21, 2013, at the Goodnight Community Building – the same place as in 2012.

Barbecue will again be served by the Bar H from Clarendon beginning at noon. The doors of the Goodnight Community Building will open at 11:00 a.m.

To RSVP send an email to bas@spivey-law.com or confirm by snail mail to Broadus Spivey, 48 East Avenue, Austin, TX 78701-4320.

Cotton test plots to be toured Sept. 24

Americot is inviting area producers to a field tour and barbecue in Hale County next week.

The event will be held at 10 a.m. next Tuesday, September 24, at the Agrisearch, Inc., Farm four miles west of Edmonson at SH 194 and FM 2881.

For more information about the tour of test plots, producers should contact the Americot office at 806-793-1431 or toll free at 888-878-SEED.

Retired teachers to meet next Monday

The Donley County Retired School Personnel Association will meet Monday, September 23, at 6:00 p.m. in the Church of Christ Family Life Center.

The program will be presented by Jerry Pybus who will be speaking on World War II History.

All members are urged to attend. Retired school personnel who have not joined the Donley County local unit are invited to come to this meeting. It's never too late to join and become a member. This local unit meets the 4th Monday of every other month in the Church of Christ Family Life Center.

All members are urged to pay your current dues if you have not already done so.

United Christian breakfast is set

The United Christians Breakfast will be from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. Thursday, September 19, 2013, at the First Methodist Church's Fellowship Hall.

They will serve a "low calorie" breakfast of hot biscuits, Lloyd Stices famous gravy, bacon, eggs, and hash browns.

This will be followed by a program by Billy Word. That has spent several years in the Middle East countries, especially Egypt.

Cub Scout Roundup to be held Oct. 8

Cub Scout Pack 437 will host "Cub Scout Roundup" on Tuesday, October 8, at 6:30 p.m. at the Clarendon Elementary Cafeteria. Cub Scouting is for boys in grades 1-5 or who are ages 7-10.

Nationally more than 1.6 million boys are members of the Cub Scouts. For more information, contact Roger Estlack at 806-662-4689.

City facing challenge in ratifying tax rate

A new challenge has emerged for the City of Clarendon, which is currently operating without a functioning Board of Aldermen, and this time it's a question of taxation and whether the city will be able to ratify its tax rate in order to get bills sent out on time.

This is typically the time of year that municipalities and other local governments deliberate and set their ad valorem property tax rates for the coming year, but Clarendon has been without a Board of Aldermen since June when three of its members resigned, leaving the city board unable to get a quorum.

The Donley Appraisal District says state law prescribes that if the

city does not adopt a new tax rate, the current tax rate or the effective tax rate – whichever is lower – is automatically adopted for the coming year. In Clarendon's case, that would be the current rate of 65 cents per \$100 valuation, the same rate that's been in effect since 2008.

But DAD officials say the problem lies in the fact that the tax rate still must be ratified by the Board of Aldermen, and City Hall says it needs to have a supermajority vote (four aldermen in favor) to make that happen.

City Secretary Machiel Covey says a holdover provision in the Texas Constitution stipulates that a city councilperson who resigns or

otherwise vacates their seat shall continue to serve in that capacity until their successor is elected or appointed.

Given that, the city reached out to two of the board members who resigned and called a special meeting for Monday night, September 16, with the only agenda item being the ratification of the city's tax rate. But a few hours before the meeting, the city was informed that one of the resigned members would be unable to attend, and the meeting was canceled.

Covey says the city has already proposed an agenda in hopes of having a meeting next Monday and, if necessary, will likely post agendas for

meetings everyday through October 5 until a quorum can be obtained and the tax rate ratified. If this effort fails, it will be after the November 5 special election before a new Board of Aldermen will be able to ratify the rate.

DAD Chief Appraiser Paula Lowrie says the city's delay will cause a lot of problems for her office and for the taxpayers. Combined tax notices for all local entities are usually sent out in October, but a city tax ratified in November would have to be billed out separately, causing confusion for taxpayers, extra cost for the city, and the creation of two separate tax rolls for her office to keep up with for an entire year.

"It puts us in an odd position," Lowrie said. "The whole purpose of having an appraisal district is to combine efforts and do all of this at once."

City taxpayers would also likely miss out on the discount they receive for paying taxes in October or November.

Waiting until November to ratify the tax rate will also mean financial uncertainty for the city, which is accustomed to receiving 45 percent of its property tax revenue in October. The city has a \$132,000 bond payment due February 1, and Covey says she may have to dip into the city's reserves to pay that or risk damaging the city's credit rating.



Remembering when

Gracie Clark watches her grandmother write down her memories of being six years old during Grandparents Day at Clarendon Elementary School last Friday. Gracie is a first grader in Mrs. Wann's class.

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New TxDOT program aims for child safety

AUSTIN – In an effort to help Texas drivers keep their child passengers properly secured, the Texas Department of Transportation today announced it is offering free, year-round child safety seat inspections conducted by certified technicians.

The inspections are available by appointment at each of TxDOT's 25 district offices. The announcement coincides with National Child Passenger Safety Week, Sept. 15-21.

"Buckling young children into safety seats is the law, so TxDOT is pleased to offer this service in

an effort to help keep them safe," said Phil Wilson, TxDOT executive director. "To ensure optimal safety, it's important those seats are properly secured and that parents are using the right seat based on their child's age, height and weight."

Texas law states: children younger than 8 years of age, unless taller than 4 feet 9 inches, must ride in safety seats. Nationally, three out of four safety seats are used incorrectly, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. A new study by the Texas Transportation Institute (TTI) found nearly nine

out of 10 Texas children were riding in safety seats, but many were not properly buckled. The new study also revealed 37 percent of infants and toddlers in Texas were secured incorrectly — or not at all — when riding in a vehicle.

The TTI study also reported the Texas cities with the highest rates of correct child safety seat use are Austin (83 percent), Tyler (78 percent), Fort Worth (77 percent), Bryan/College Station (75 percent) and Waco (73 percent).

Cities with the lowest rates of correct child safety seat use are

Brownsville (26 percent), Amarillo (37 percent), El Paso (37 percent), Lubbock (44 percent) and Houston (59 percent).

TxDOT's new interactive seat finder at TexasClickItorTicket.com can help drivers find the proper safety seats for their children. Visit the site and click on "Child Safety" to begin the search for an appropriate safety seat. To schedule a safety seat inspection, call a TxDOT district office or find your local contact at TexasClickItorTicket.com.

For information, call (512) 463-8700.



Rough road ahead

Sixth Street near the ballparks shows the damage of rainfalls that dropped an unofficial seven inches of moisture on the city on and off from Friday through early Tuesday morning. Other streets also sustained damage. This street along with Third Street near from Allen to Bugbee are scheduled to be repaved but not until next spring.

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CC reports drop in fall enrollment

Clarendon College's fall enrollment is down compared to one year ago, but college officials say they have slowed the decline and expect a rebound beginning in January.

CC reported a total enrollment of 1,215 students following the 12th class day last Wednesday, September 11. That reflects a headcount decline of 2.9 percent compared to the 1,252 students in the fall of 2012.

Numbers on the Clarendon campus improved over last year with 367 students compared to 356 a year ago, but the college was down 18 students at its Pampa Center and down 28 students in dual credit classes, which are offered through area high schools.

CC President Phil Shirley said the college is blessed to have full dormitories in Clarendon and that overall the college's enrollment picture looks good.

"I'm very optimistic that we've slowed the trend," Shirley said. "We're also doing very well in looking at other colleges which are down in numbers generally speaking."

All three Panhandle area community colleges were reporting lower enrollments, but Amarillo College said its numbers were down five percent, and Frank Phillips College in Borger reported losing about 3.5 percent. FPC remains the smallest college in the state, reporting 1,140 students this fall.

Clarendon has brought two workforce programs – vocational nursing and welding – back to the home campus, and CC officials are expecting great things – as many as 80 students – when its new cosmetology center opens in Amarillo in November.

Additionally, the college is working with officials at the Clements Unit in Amarillo to offer welding classes there.

"We are working on creating programs that are needed," Shirley said, and he praised the college faculty and staff for doing a great job in recruiting and retaining students. CC has taken steps to make improvements in its dormitories in an effort to give students a more enjoyable experience.

Shirley also noted that it is difficult to grow college enrollment in times when the economy appears to be growing.

The drop in dual credit students, Shirley said, is due to area school districts having a lack of master degree teachers qualified to teach those classes. CC is exploring ways of offering dual credit classes to area ISDs with college faculty teaching via teleconferencing.

"The changes we are making will take effect soon," Shirley said, "but not in time to count for the fall semester. They should make an impact for the spring 2014 semester."

CC's enrollment total for this semester breaks down as follows: Clarendon 367, Pampa 341, Childress 49, Distance Education (Online) 83, and Dual Credit 375.

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Remember the Anti-Federalists

By Trevor Burrus

On September 14, 1787, the delegates to the Constitutional Convention got a little rowdy. Joining a group of elite militiamen who staged a party in honor of George Washington, the 55 men, delegates and militiamen together, drank 54 bottles of Madeira, 60 bottles of claret, 50 bottles of "old stock," and ample amounts of other spirits.

They certainly had something to celebrate. In three days they would sign the Constitution. Tuesday was the 226th anniversary of the signing, and it is a good time to reflect on the document and the men who created it.

Yet, if we want to understand that monumental event, we should not reflect on it using the myths that have been manufactured by leftist historians. The Constitution's existence and ratification was not foredoomed, and to think so is to eschew a deeper understanding of the times.

In particular, we should remember the Anti-Federalists. Those men, the opponents of the Constitution, are generally demonized by leftist historians who view centralization as synonymous with progress. The resisters to the Constitution are generally regarded as knuckle-dragging phillistines who doggedly held onto antiquated ideas and resisted "modernity," an epithet with which modern conservatives should sympathize.

But the Anti-Federalists were far from obstructionist cavemen. In fact, they offered some of the best and most prophetic critiques of the Constitution. To see why, however, we must remember the context in which the Constitution was written.

By the fall of 1786, when James Madison and others met in Annapolis, Maryland and decided that a convention would be held in Philadelphia beginning in May of the next year, many people believed that the newly formed United States teetered on the edge of anarchy. The Articles of Confederation were unworkable, they believed, and a stronger, more energetic central government was needed.

To understand late-Eighteenth century America and the Articles of Confederation, it is useful to look at Europe. The Articles of Confederation were more a treaty than a constitution. Treaties preserve the sovereignty of every individual member, treat every signatory country as one unit regardless of population, and hold no power over members without their consent.

Unification is useful, but it has its limits. The nations of Europe are a fractured bunch with different cultures, languages, and interests. Unification can help some things, but, particularly for tiny nations like Luxemburg, unification can destroy local interests that are more closely aligned to the people.

First and foremost, the Constitution is a unifying, centralizing document. It was a "big government" solution to the problems of the day. Those who refused to sign the Constitution, or to attend the convention at all, such as Patrick Henry, were appalled by the act of centralization carried out that summer in Philadelphia.

That summer in Philadelphia, 55 men tried to walk a tightrope between destructive unification on one hand, and unworkable decentralization on the other.

Did they succeed, or were the Anti-Federalists correct? In many ways, they were.

Anti-Federalist George Clinton, described the "Federal City" prescribed in the Constitution — the ten square miles that would become Washington, D.C. — as inevitably becoming the "asylum of the base, idle, avaricious, and ambitious." Gee, glad that didn't happen.

Anti-Federalist "Brutus," most likely Robert Yates, thought the Necessary and Proper Clause, which gives Congress the ability to extend its power beyond the small list of enumerated powers, would eventually "annihilate all the State governments, and reduce this country to one single government."

Yates's prescience was particularly astute as to why the national government would, in time, steamroll over the state governments: "it will be found that the power retained by individual States, small as it is, will be a clog upon the wheels of the government of the United States; the latter, therefore, will be naturally inclined to remove it out of the way."

The Anti-Federalists offered wisdom at a time, like all times, when immediate solutions were suggested to fix pressing problems but the long-term, negative effects of those solutions were ignored or downplayed. They looked further into the future than most Federalists and saw a federal government inevitably increasing in size and scope.

Constitution Day is always a good day to reflect on our founding document. But don't forget the wisdom of those who opposed it. Trevor Burrus is a Research Fellow at the Cato Institute's Center for Constitutional Studies.

Tea Partiers are on the prowl again

Well, now that the Charlie Good-night chuck wagon cook-off is again on the near horizon, it can only mean one thing: the Tea Party Republicans in the House and Senate are fixin to rise up and try to shut the government down again.

This year, as we have known for months now, the Tea Partiers are dead set on defunding, repealing, or delaying Obamacare. Tis Obama blood they want, and will have, come hell or high water.

For most of the year they have mainly just sat around, moaned, wailed, and gnashed their teeth, thereby making this Congress the least productive in the history of this great land.

We all know that the Tea Party Republicans absolutely abhor President Obama and everything he stands for. They hate him so much that they are willing to hurt the economy and the American people just so they can have their little bit of retribution.

The House has been clearly stating for months now that it will not agree to the Senate's more reasonable spending plan for 2014, a spending plan that will alleviate some of the damage caused by the sequester, by adding a mix of revenue increases and more rational cuts.

known as a continuing resolution, to keep the government funded through mid-December — at this year's paltry level.



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However, last Wednesday, with time again running out, John Boehner, the Speaker of the House announced that he can't even do that. Boehner, and Eric Cantor, the idiot savant majority leader, have created a new plan that's needed to placate the tea party radicals in their caucus by attaching a nice little provision to the spending resolution that will try to force the Senate to vote to defund Obamacare.

Anyways, the Republican mad dog brigade killed even that idea, leaving Boehner and Cantor without enough votes. The Tea Party Republicans are no longer interested in symbolic blows against Obamacare; they've got enough symbolic victories. They actually think that they can force the Senate, and even Obama himself, to approve and accept the defunding of Obamacare — only President Obama's most important achievement — by threatening to seriously harm the American people and the economy.

Wow! Talk about pure delusion. So, the Democrats are suddenly going to undo the law, especially since they are plainly aware of the huge self-inflicted wound Republicans would suffer if they really did force a shutdown, or even worse, an actual default? If the Republicans were actually able to pull off such a feat, the Democrats would be gleefully dancing in the aisles, knowing if such a thing actually happened, the Republicans would be toast.

the powerful Tea Partiers, even the Club for Growth, a conservative group, announced it would utilize its dreaded ratings system against any Republican who supported a continuing resolution that did not "defund Obamacare."

Additionally, the Senate Conservatives Fund, a conservative activist group, weight in on the issue and proclaimed, "House Republican leaders have chickened out and decided to fund a program that will destroy our country."

Speaker Boehner, still suffering from the shocking Obama win against the Mittster bears no small amount of responsibility for the chaos that surrounds him. Just last Thursday, he demanded "health-law concessions" from the Democrats, even as he stated that "we'll continue to do everything we can to repeal, dismantle, and defund Obamacare."

House Republicans and Democrats ought to be doing the only things that will spare the economy unnecessary trauma: by putting a rational spending bill and debt-ceiling increase before the full house for a vote, making it clear that the House is actually capable of overcoming the views of the extremists Tea Party Republicans.

If rational behavior doesn't come from the Congress soon, regardless of political persuasion, this country will be destroyed from the inside. At that time, it will be the Mohammedans who are dancing in the streets.



Immigration reform needs help

By Dr. Tracy C. Miller

The U.S. House and Senate are considering an immigration reform bill. Critics of the legislation say that it will not do enough to secure our borders and that it grants amnesty to illegal immigrants.

The Border, Security, Economic Opportunity and Immigration Modernization Act of 2013 includes some steps to make immigrants less of a burden on government budgets, but it could include more. As noted by the Heritage Foundation, America's immigration system has serious flaws that this legislation fails to address.

The immigration reform bill provides a way for illegal immigrants to obtain legal status and also opens a path for citizenship. It takes a step in the right direction by excluding some newly legal immigrants from receiving federal welfare benefits.

receive welfare benefits. The proposed legislation also creates new rules for guest workers.

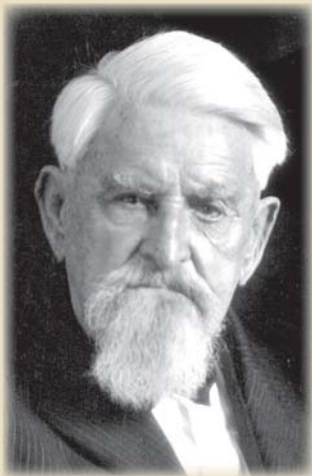
Opponents argue that these changes do not do enough to limit immigrant eligibility for government benefits. Although the bill forbids registered provisional immigrants from receiving welfare benefits for 10 years, the present value of the benefits they will eventually receive as legal residents is expected to exceed what they pay in taxes.

Immigration is mutually beneficial as long as immigrants work and pay their fair share of taxes. The benefits include more output production in the United States, and the immigrants often earn higher wages than they could earn in their home countries.

We need bipartisan efforts to craft a good solution to immigration problems. Immigrants coming to work in the United States contribute to a more prosperous economy. Low-income immigrant families, however, put a strain on government budgets by enrolling their

children in government schools, receiving emergency medical care they may not pay for, and in some cases, collecting other welfare benefits. Immigrants should either be denied access to entitlement programs that American citizens qualify for or be charged a fee to account for the cost of government benefits and emergency medical care they qualify for if they reside in the country.

Immigrants can help enhance the prosperity of our nation. Immigration should be encouraged as long as immigrants are required to pay enough to compensate for any benefits they may receive. The Border, Security, Economic Opportunity and Immigration Modernization Act of 2013 takes steps to reduce welfare benefits for newly established classes of immigrants, but the bill does not do enough. Congress must devise alternative legislation that makes it easier for those who can find employment to immigrate legally, while increasing restrictions on immigrants' eligibility for welfare programs.



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September 20
Broncos v Gruver • 7:30 p.m. • Gruver

Owls v Hart • 7:30 p.m. • Hart

September 27
Broncos v Booker • 7:30 p.m. • Booker

Owls v Lazbuddie • Homecoming • 7:30 p.m. • Hedley

September 28
Clarendon Cross Country • HS/JH • Amarillo (Tascosa)

Col. Charles Goodnight ChuckWagon Cookoff • 1 p.m. • The Saints' Roost Museum

October 4
Owls v White Deer • 7:30 p.m. • White Deer

October 11
Broncos v West Texas • 7 p.m. • West Texas

Owls v Kress • 7:30 p.m. • Kress

October 18
Broncos v Panhandle • 7 p.m. • Clarendon

October 25
Broncos v Stratford • 7 p.m. • Stratford

Owls v Motley Co. • 7:30 p.m. • Motley Co.

Menus

September 23 - 27

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, seasoned spinach, garlic bread, green salad, fruit bowl, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Breaded chicken tenders, baked potato, sour cream, peas & carrots, strawberries w/whip cream, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: BBQ brisket, ranch style beans, cornbread, carrot sticks, chocolate pudding, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Navy beans w/ham, sweet potatoes, turnip greens, cornbread, apple cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Cheeseburger, potato wedges, salad, melon medley, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Oven fried chicken, bow tie pasta, broccoli/raisin salad, fruit cocktail, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Pork roast, mashed potato, peas & carrots, wheat roll, cake, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Chicken fried steak, country gravy, stewed okra, seasoned corn, pumpkin square, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Salisbury steak/gravy, mashed potatoes, cauliflower/broccoli, wheat roll, apricots, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Sloppy Joe, country potato salad, zucchini & tomatoes, creamy fruit squares, iced tea/2% milk.

Clarendon ISD
Breakfast
Mon: French toast sticks, fresh fruit, milk.
Tue: Scrambled eggs, biscuit & gravy, fruit juice, milk.
Wed: Breakfast club, fresh fruit, milk.
Thu: Chicken-n-waffles, fruit juice, milk.
Fri: Breakfast burrito, fresh fruit, milk.
Lunch
Mon: Pizza dippers w/ spaghetti sauce, garden salad, baby carrots, apple slices/sauce, milk.
Tue: Ultimate taco salad, tortilla chips, seasoned corn, snowball salad, milk.
Wed: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, gravy, savory green beans, apple-pineapple d'lite, milk.
Thu: BBQ on a bun, black beans, baby carrots, salsa, orange smiles, milk.
Fri: Hamburger, garden salad, fresh fruit veggie cup, milk.

Hedley ISD
Breakfast
Mon: Waffles & chicken, syrup, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.
Tue: Oatmeal muffins squares, yogurt, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.
Wed: Texas toast, scrambles eggs, sausage, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.
Thu: Breakfast club, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.
Fri: Biscuits w/gravy, sausage, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.
Lunch
Mon: Chicken & broccoli penne, garden salad, baby carrots, apple slices, breadstick, milk.
Tue: Ultimate taco salad w/ tortilla bowl, salsa, garden salad, seasoned corn, snowball salad, milk.
Wed: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, savory green beans, apple-pineapple d'lite, milk.
Thu: BBQ on a bun, black beans, baby carrots, salsa, orange smiles, milk.
Fri: Hamburger or cheeseburger, garden salad, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit, milk.

Looking back on the Tri-State Fair

Glorious, wonderful, life-giving rain: 2.50 inches in three days' time with cooler temperatures. I think my favorite time of year is here and that means Tri-State Fair week. I don't know what causes it or why, but every year we have a week of cooler, wet weather during fair week. The crowds keep coming though.

The earliest County Fair was designed to show case the crops the farmer had raised that summer, showing the prized farm animals, adding the food the wife had preserved and later showing quilts and hand work, all hoping for a blue ribbon showing they were the best.

Later the midway with games to entice you to spend and lose money was added, now the emphasis is on the rides and food. I think at one time admission was free, but that is

not the way I remember the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo.

Mother's brother, Loyd Reynolds, was a fireman in Amarillo, and in the late 1940s the firemen were hired to collect admissions at fair gates. A few weeks before the fair, we received a post card from them telling where and when Loyd would be, and he would let us in free of admission. It must have been the last day because most displays were packed and gone including the midway and rides, and we were all very disappointed our free fun day

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was a bust. I suppose I learned then the word "free" did not always mean "good".

After moving to Alanreed in the 1950s, the school bus took everyone to the Tri-State Fair, and this time it was fun. I remember hot dogs and Cokes and cotton candy. The most adventurous ride for me was the Ferris wheel, maybe once the tilt-a-whirl, but I am not a fan of rides like that. The biggest adventure for me at the Fair was accepting a date from Ole Jim, and here we are 60 years later and still together.

Have fun at the fair. I hope you all received that blue ribbon and you were not disappointed.

We have so many very sick people in Howardwick, and I ask you all to keep them in your prayers. God Bless you all.

Les Beaux Art Club to host October Art Festival

The Les Beaux Art Club met September 6th at the First Baptist Church. The hostesses for our delicious meal were Jan Campbell, Lori Howard, Evelyn Mann, and Neal Risley.

Jack Craft, an example of our local unbelievable talent presented their program. His presentation of the sculpture of iron works was absolutely amazing. His work has appeared in New York City, several museums around the country and on a permanent display at a Gallery in Marfa.

Jack also introduced Kate Beck, an artist from Maine that has been at the ranch as an Artist in Residence. Mrs. Beck has a brief history of her work.

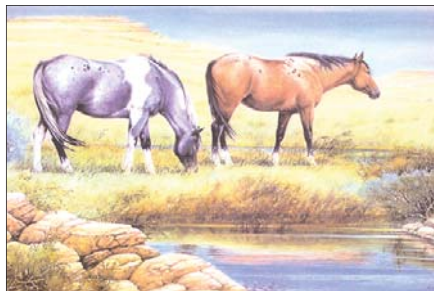
We are hard at work on the Art Festival that will be October 26th & 27th. We will be featuring many of the artist that will be appearing at our festival so you will see what amazing talent we have coming and what a terrific show we will have. We will have our Buyer's Reception Thursday night. This is a private showing for those people that have bought purchase awards.

Friday is School Day, and Saturday and Sunday is open to the public and there is no charge for admission. On Sunday, the Catholic ladies will have the famous Enchilada Dinner.

Featured artist this week are:

Manuel S. Franco
Franco was born in Coyame, a northwestern state of Chihuahua, Mexico. His subject matter includes still life, wildlife, Native American Indian/Mexican cultures, and landscapes of the American West. He creates in pencil, pastel, oil, and bronze, but is most prolific in watercolors. His art has been displayed throughout the United States: Washington D.C., Las Vegas, Nevada, Orlando and Lakeland, Florida, Ellenburg and Seattle, Washington, Santa Fe, New York City, Calgary and Alberta, Canada, Great Falls, Montana, and Kerrville, Texas. During his thirty years he has received many awards, but the most meaningful was when his alma mater, the University of Chihuahua, celebrated his achievements with a one man show. At the same time, his hometown of Coyame named him "their favorite son".

Rafael J. Cañizares-Yunez
Rafael has been an artist for 20 years and his work has ranged from paintings, sculptures, and works



Art by Manuel S. Franco



Art by Rafael J. Cañizares-Yunez



Art by Jon Birdsong

in wood and clay. His latest work is more impressionistic which was achieved through prayer and meditation. His work has been featured in over twenty-five exhibits, including two-man shows and seven solo exhibits. His closest solo exhibit was at the Process Art House in Amarillo.

Jon Birdsong
Jon Birdsong taught art in the classroom for 32 years. He considers

his art as loose realism with a little impressionism. His work is mostly in Texas and New Mexico, and his medium is watercolor. Birdsong's work is on display at Weem's Gallery in Albuquerque, New Mexico and his studio in Portales, New Mexico. He is well known as a teacher/artist. One of his student's art "Birdsong" was accepted by President General Ford to hang in the White House.



Holly Cornell and Lee Walker

Cornell, Walker to wed

Bill and Deanna Cornell of Clarendon are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Holly Cornell, to Lee Walker of Bushland. The groom is the son of Ladd and Patty Walker of Logan, New Mexico.

The couple plan to wed October 5, 2013, at Country Home Weddings in Canyon.

Holly graduated from West

Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science degree in equine business, minor animal science. She is employed as a cattle accountant at Cactus Feeders corporate office in Amarillo.

Lee graduated from West Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science in business administration. He is Territory Manager for Brandt Consolidated, Inc.

One-person scramble to be held

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon Country Club hosted a One-Person Scramble September 14-15 with forty-six golfers in attendance. The two day event consisted of two 18-hole rounds and consisted of six flights.

Chris Linquist won the Championship flight with a score of 58. Mike Santos won the first flight with a total of 126, and second place went to David Wynne with a 129. Zane Majors and P.J. Lemons tied for third place with Majors winning after a scorecard playoff.

Kelly Linquist defeated Mike Vance on the card to win first place in the second flight with a 136, and Ray Martin won third place with a 138 after a five-way tie. Ryan Esch won the third flight with a 140, and Daniel Burcham won second with a 145. Michael Thompson won third at 146.

Gary Hamilton bested Bruce Ferguson in the fourth flight to win first with a 156, and Bob Permenter was third place with a 158. The fifth flight winner was Sherol Johnston with a 160 and second place was won by Tim Fielder with a 161. Gayle Rogers shot a 169 to win third.

Chris Linquist won the weekly men's game on Wednesday with a gross score of 68, and low net was won by Bo Morrison and Redell Johnston with a handicapped score of 69. Sherol Johnston won low gross on Thursday, and Gayle Rogers and Mary Ann Sawyer tied for low net with a 68.

The club championship will be played Saturday and Sunday, September 21-22, at the CCC. Tee times on Saturday will be at 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. The tee time on Sunday will be at 1:00 pm. Entries are still being taken at the Pro Shop.

Brice Reunion
at Katherine Ariola's house on **October 5th**.
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Dear Friends,
We have a very serious problem to discuss. On Nov. 5th, on the ballot, there will be a Liquor Election Option to vote on. If passed it will make the sale of all alcoholic beverages legal in Donley County. This includes not only the package stores of beer, wine, and liquor, but also liquor by the drink in bars or restaurants. In which they can sell mixed drinks.
Alcohol is a product that you can do without totally and still live a normal and very happy life. However on the other hand it has wrecked many homes, and caused much heart ache and many children have suffered because of its use. Not to mention the lives lost from its use.
An open bar which would come about in time would be a terrible eye sore in our town not to mention the fights and possible killings that would come about late at night from it. With possibly our children or college students involved.
The only ones profiting from this venture are the ones selling it. Proponents of this venture are saying tax revenue to the city would be worthwhile. My guess is it will not be as much as the extra cost to police and the corruption that comes from it.
Our founders of this town after moving to the railroad saw the problem associated and chose to keep it dry, thus the name Saints' Roost. I personally would like to keep living in Saints' Roost.
It is our moral and Christian obligation to provide a wholesome atmosphere for our family to grow up in. Maxine and I urge you to join us in defeating this proposition/option. Do not become complacent about this hoping it will go away! It will not. Help us fight it!
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Immigration calls may be scams

Hi, gang! On September 19, Dorothy and I will celebrate our 60th wedding anniversary. Wow! It does not seem but a very short time. Enjoy your mate while you can, and may you make it to your 60th or more.

Scammers are becoming more aggressive in their attacks on us. I was visiting with a lady a couple of weeks ago who told me that she didn't have a computer or a cell phone. She needed to know what she could do about all those unwanted calls she received. I advised her to register at the national do-not-call registry by telephone, she may call 1-888-382-1222. She had a caller ID I also told her she could write down all the scam numbers that called and then watch for area codes that was on that list and not to answer if the call was from one of the scam area codes. Also consumers can register on-line for the national do-not-call registry by going to www.donotcall.gov.

"Who Are You?"

You get a call from someone saying she works for the US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS). She seems to know exactly who you are. She might already

know your name and address, and might even know what kind of visa you've applied for. She says you have to pay a new fee—and, if you don't wire money immediately, your hopes of immigrating will be lost. She might even threaten you with arrest or deportation.

Except it's not really USCIS calling. It's a scammer who's targeting foreign nationals, looking for their money and personal information. If this sounds familiar, it might be because we posted about a similar scam last month. Those scammers also tried to sound like USCIS, and they tried to convince you to pay them. These scammers, however, have taken the scam to a new level.

These scammers have spoofed the real USCIS phone number—which means the real USCIS number shows up on your caller ID, even though the scammers are calling from an entirely different number.

bob's whittlin'
by bob watson



They've even mocked up the USCIS phone tree, so if you call them back on a number the scammer gave you, it sounds very much like you're calling the real USCIS. Since these scammers have personal information about you, and they're calling from what seems like a USCIS phone number, the call seems like the real thing. But it's not.

What should you do if you get a call like this?

Whatever they tell you, don't wire any money. "Don't give payment over the phone to anyone who calls claiming to be a USCIS official," said USCIS Press Secretary Chris Bentley. "USCIS will never call someone to ask for any form of payment over the phone." Hang up and call the real USCIS at 1-800-375-5283. Tell them what happened. They'll tell you what to do next.

Remember, you can't be sure of who's calling you. Never give your personal information—like your I-94 number, "A" number, or visa control number—to anyone who calls you, no matter who they claim to be. Hang up and call the real USCIS: 1-800-375-5283.

Be safe out there.

Lambert to leading revival at FBC Hedley

Pastor and revivalist Ronnie Lambert will be leading revival services at the First Baptist Church of Hedley Sunday evening, September 22, through Wednesday, September 25.



Ronnie Lambert

Ronnie and his family are well known in this area and will bring a blessing each service. Danny Mullins will bring music for the services, and the church expects a big blessing each evening as he shares with them.



Danny Mullins

The Sunday evening service begins at 6:00, and there will be a meal for everyone after the service. Monday through Wednesday services begin at 7 p.m., and Wednesday they will have a pizza feed for everyone before the service beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend for a special time of spiritual renewal.

CHS Juniors start selling magazines

The Junior class will be selling magazine subscriptions this month to help provide funds for the 2014 Prom. Don't miss an issue of your favorite magazine; contact a junior class representative to place an order.

Nursing home to hold Open House

The Community Care Center of Clarendon will be having an open house on Saturday, September 21, 2013, at noon. They will be serving hotdogs and drinks for all those who attend. For more information call 806-874-5221 or go by and visit at 10 Medical Center Dr. in Clarendon.



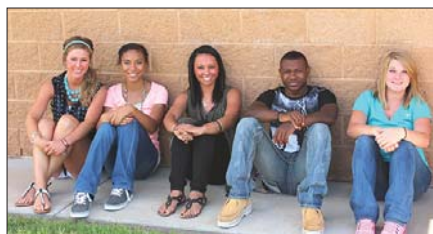
Hawkins Scholarship

Herring Bank President Jerry Woodard and Glenda Hawkins presents the annual Jerry Hawkins Memorial Scholarship to MaKayla Red, a freshman at Clarendon College from Sunray. Also pictured is CC Judging Coach Johnny Treichel.

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The Donley Farm Loan Credit Team of the Farm Service Agency was commended and recognized on June 24, 2013, for extraordinary efforts and commitment in providing agricultural credit to SDA/ Beginning Farmer and Ranchers and meeting or exceeding all loan servicing goals in the 2012FY. Shown here are Tonya Watson, Farm Loan Manager, and Debbie Roberts, Farm Loan Officer.



(Left to right) Junior class officers: Skyler White - President; Abby Johnson - Vice President; Taylor Gaines - Secretary; Charles Mason - Treasurer; Brittney Braim - Reporter

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Hedley Owls soar by McLean

By Fred Gray

On a surprisingly dry home field, the Hedley Owls ran around and through the McLean Tigers last Friday night. The Owls were able to continue pounding the ball against the Tigers and were able to run out the clock while nursing a nine point lead for most of the fourth quarter. Mother Nature even got into the act, holding the rain at bay until after the final gun.

Once again, the Owls' defense was scrappy and swarmed around the ball. The Hedley defense, led by Denver Chambliss' 8 solo tackles and 4 assists – several for big losses, held McLean to 88 yards rushing on 27 carries, a rather paltry 3.3 yards per carry. Kyle Lindsey added 6 solo tackles along with 4 assists. Seth Rutlhardt added another 4 assists and 5 solo tackles. It's telling that each of the Hedley players had multiple assists, a sure sign of an aggressive,

swarming defense.

Offensively, the Owls were able to hold on to the ball and pound McLean. Hedley's version of the Lone Ranger, Klaton Moore, slashed and slugged his way through the Tigers, rushing for 248 yards on 20 carries – for a remarkable 12.4 yards per carry, along with 3 touchdowns. Seth Rutlhardt had another beastly night, rumbling and bulling his way for 184 yards on 19 carries, a very healthy 9.7 yards per carry, while scoring 2 touchdowns. In total, Hedley rushed for 432 yards on 39 carries, averaging 11 yards per run.

Hedley's special teams also performed well, breaking Klaton Moore free for a 65 yard td run.

This coming Friday, September 20, the Owls travel to Hart for a 7:30 kickoff. It will be worthwhile to make the trip and watch the speedy Owls go against the size and heft of Hart.



Denver Chambliss brings down the Tiger offense during Friday's 37-28 win over McLean.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / KARI LINDSEY

Colts begin season with a win

The seventh and eighth grade Colts kicked off their 2013 football season on the road against Wheeler. The seventh grade's game was more of a scrimmage and the Colts managed a touchdown while holding the Wheeler Colts out of the end zone.

"The seventh grade did really well for their first time in junior high," coach Brad Elam said. "It was more of a scrimmage setting than a game. Preston Elam ran it in from 30 yards out after reversing the field. Cameron Smith and Ryan McCleskey ran the ball well."

Defensively, the Colts were spot on.

"On defense, Isaac Dunham and Ryan Ward had many tackles behind the line of scrimmage," Elam said. "Dalton Benson, Cole Franks, and Noah Elam made several tackles as well"

The eighth grade scored a lot of points and earned the 38-34 win.

Colt Wood got things rolling when he ran it in from 60 yards out for the first Colt score and Nathan Shadle added the two-point conversion.

"Wood scored again on a three-yard run and Shadle added the conversion to make it 16-8," coach Brandt Lockhart said. "Wood then threw a ten-yard pass to Kade Hunsaker to make it 22-14 at halftime."

Wood went on to score on a 55-yard run and a five-yard run adding the bonus each touchdown.

Mario Flores had an interception and outstanding defensive players according to Lockhart were Randy Aguilar and Zach Caison.

"The offensive line did a good job of opening holes for our running backs," Lockhart added.

Both junior high Colt teams will be at home Thursday, September 19, to take on the Greyhounds at 5:00 p.m.



Running 60 yards for a touchdown is Colt Wood during the Colts game against Wheeler.

COURTESY PHOTO / CONNIE WOOD

Bronco JV suffers loss to Wheeler

The Bronco junior varsity traveled to Wheeler Thursday night and suffered a 6-44 loss to the Mustangs.

Despite taking the early lead, the Broncos had trouble managing Wheeler throughout the game, but they continued to play hard until the end. Clint Franks scored the Broncos' six points on an eight yard run to make the score six to zero.

According to coach Brandt Lockhart, the Broncos had several

players out with injuries.

"The kids played a hard-fought game considering we had several out with injuries," Lockhart said. And coach Alton Gaines added that Riley Shadle, Marshal Johnson, and Chance Lockhart were outstanding on defense for the game.

The Broncos will play Gruber at home Thursday, September 19, immediately following the 8th grade game.



Mrs. Williams's first grade class enjoyed having their grandparents visit for Grandparent's Day Friday, September 13.

Runners compete in Amarillo meet

By Sandy Anderberg

The Bronco and Lady Broncos competed in a cross-country meet in Amarillo last Saturday, and Abby Johnson finished the two-mile course in 27th place with a time of 14:07.

Brooke Smith was 78th at 15:00, Deborah Howard 80th at 15:03, Myra Castillo was 82nd at 15:07, Hannah Howard ran the course in 16:08, Kelsey McAnear

17:21, and Misti Scott 18:47. Sarah Williams finished with a time of 15:57 in the JV division and Brooke Martin ran the two miles in a time of 16:20. Parker Womack ran for the Broncos finishing 49th with a time of 20:47 for the three-mile course and Austin Lowry ran for the junior varsity.

The next meet will be September 28 at Tascosa in Amarillo.



Mrs. Gribble's first grade class enjoyed having their grandparents visit for Grandparent's Day Friday, September 13.



Lady Bulldog Penny Holdren of Snyder sets the ball for Kaitlyn Schaffner of Burkburnett during the ladies game against NMMI last Wednesday.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

Lady Bulldogs fall to NMMI, 3 to 1

By Fred Gray

The Lady Bulldogs of Clarendon College hosted the New Mexico Military Institute Lady Broncos last Wednesday the 11. The Lady Bulldogs easily won the first set, then proceeded to drop three straight, with every game but the last by close margins.

This year's team is very young, composed mainly of freshmen. On occasion, their youth results in inconsistent play, which happened against the big, aggressive hitters of NMMI.

Then on Saturday, September 14, the Lady Bulldogs travelled to Seminole State, in Seminole, Okla., losing in four sets: 25-20; 18-25; 24-26; 23-25. Once again, they won the first set, and then lost two really close matches.

When these Lady Bulldogs finally get their groove on, they are going to be something very special.

The Lady Bulldogs host the Western Texas College Westerners in another conference matchup, this Wednesday, September 18. Game time is 7:00 p.m.

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Bronco Bryce Hatley is taken down by Wheeler during last Saturday's game. The Broncos fell to the Mustangs 27-20.

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Broncos beat Wheeler Mustangs

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos' hard work last week in practice paid off big in their huge 27-20 rout over Wheeler on Saturday. The Broncos trailed early, but regrouped to get the win.

The game was scheduled for Friday night, but heavy rain and some lightning strikes delayed the game until it was finally rescheduled for the next morning.

"It was a slow start for us," head coach Gary Jack said. "After the first quarter, we got going. Playing the game on Saturday morning had a different feel for us and we let them have a two touchdown lead."

But the Broncos came roaring back and put up 27 unanswered points before Wheeler was able to score again.

"We had 427 total yards," Jack said. "We were very balanced. Charles Mason had a good game rushing, and Chance McAnear did a good job of passing the ball. The guys up front gave him a lot of time to throw and several of our guys made good catches. Cedrick McCampbell, Zack Laroe, Brandon Miller, and Zack Watson all did a good job."

Jack credited the offensive line for their good play as well. David Johnston, Tres Hommel, Montana Hysinger, Zach Cornell, Zack Watson, Taylor Knorpp, Jacob Bishop, and Johnathon Taylor were on the line. Defensively, the Broncos exploded racking up numerous tackles and sacks.

"Taylor Knorpp had a really good game and he's just a freshman," Jack said. "And Dustin Crump did a great job for us getting 17 tackles and two sacks."

Laroe had 16 tackles, Cornell 11 tackles and a caused turnover, Hommel nine tackles, Watson 10 tackles, Mason 11 tackles, JoJo Cartwright six tackles and caused a fumble, Knorpp six tackles and one sack, and Johnston played some defense as well.

"The win was just what we needed," Jack said. "We played well. It was good to get the win, and we will just keep moving."

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September 9, 2013

1:27 a.m. – See caller 300 block Sailfish
1:56 p.m. – Courtesy ride to residence
5:00 p.m. – Welfare check 100 block North Sully
6:26 p.m. – Report of lost subject 3600 block Co Rd 15
6:34 p.m. – See caller 700 block South Goodnight
6:50 p.m. – Units paged to structure fire HWY 70 South
7:35 p.m. – EMS assist 300 block South Jefferson
7:56 p.m. – See caller Clarendon College

September 10, 2013

1:46 a.m. – Lots of activity at building on FM 1755
3:17 a.m. – EMS assist 300 block South Jefferson
8:29 p.m. – Out @ Courthouse
10:36 p.m. – Out in 300 block Carroll Creek
2:08 p.m. – Reporting strange man 700 block West 2nd
2:19 p.m. – Courtesy ride to county line
5:36 p.m. – Welfare check 900 block South Parks
5:57 p.m. – To jail one in custody
9:19 p.m. – EMS assist 800 block East 4th

September 11, 2013

8:27 a.m. – See caller at Clarendon College

8:45 a.m. – Out @ Clarendon JP Office
4:42 p.m. – EMS assist 800 block East 4th

September 12, 2013

8:57 a.m. – EMS assist 200 block Oleta
2:44 p.m. – Fire department paged to Community Care Center
4:02 p.m. – Out @ JP Office
8:49 p.m. –

September 13, 2013

7:29 a.m. – Loose livestock CO Rd R
8:06 a.m. – Loose livestock FM 2162
1:38 p.m. – To jail with one in custody
5:40 p.m. – Report of tree limb down in West bound lane East of town
5:49 p.m. – Reporting water covering HWY West of town

September 14, 2013

10:47 a.m. – EMS assist 500 block East 4th
7:30 p.m. – EMS assist 300 block East 2nd - Hedley
11:08 p.m. – To jail with one in custody

September 15, 2013

1:20 a.m. – See caller 500 block South Jackson
10:05 a.m. – Report of gunshots- Howardwick
11:54 a.m. – EMS assist 700 South Carhart

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THERE IS A WAY THAT SEEMS RIGHT....

Proverbs 14:12: "There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death." Things aren't always what they seem, or so says the Bible. How we feel, think, or believe, often has no relevance to the reality of the situation. Jacob believed that his son Joseph was dead but he was wrong. His sons had sold him into slavery and Joseph was living in Egypt.

I've discussed spiritual things with people and it is truly amazing how many attach feelings to how to worship or obey God. Basically they tell me they know what they are doing is right because they feel good about it. This must have gone on since the beginning of time, hence the scripture from Proverbs. Actually a couple of chapters later the exact verse is used again.

There are some folks living amongst who "feel" or "think" bringing alcohol and bars into our town will be good for us. Data and law enforcement show that they are wrong, as a matter of fact, it can't be gainsaid. It comes down to honesty with the facts and whether we are concerned for our neighbors or not. Some feel its ok and others don't care what happens. My prayer is that those who haven't made up their mind will also pray and honestly look at the facts.

I've sent in a couple of articles with information and websites where the public can get the information concerning alcohol, bars and the accidents and crime that happen in their proximity. There are many places to get this information. If you don't trust or have access to the internet, go ask Butch our sheriff about what we will soon be having if bars are brought into town. There will be more fights, drunk driving, death, crime, etc. because of it. It can't be successfully debated against. Those who will vote for it will all have a selfish reason for doing so. Some may want a drink with their meal or stop off at the bar and have a "cold one" after work. If it only stopped there! The "riff-raff" that we will get in our community from it and the future tragedies, one has to wonder if it is worth it. I guess as long as one of their own people don't get hurt, for them, it will be worth it.

We have first amendment rights to free speech but even those are restricted if it hurts the public. The example of yelling "Fire!" in a crowded theater wouldn't be allowed because of the potential harm that could come about. Is it so hard to understand that bringing in a bar or bars into our community is just like yelling "Fire!" in a crowded room? We have to pay for the consequences of others' actions. How selfish.

I hope that all who vote for this liquor provision will go to the victims later and help pay medical or other expenses by this plague they are bringing upon the rest of us. Enjoy your drink and when you hear the metal on metal sound of a drunk causing a wreck in our town, many of us will be praying it's not your loved ones in the other car.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Brief Explanatory Statements of Proposed
Constitutional Amendments
Special Election November 5, 2013

Proposition Number 1 (HJR 62)

HJR 62 proposes a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to provide by statute for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of a member of the United States armed services who is killed in action, as long as the surviving spouse has not remarried. An eligible spouse who later qualifies a different property as the surviving spouse's residence homestead could be authorized by statute to receive an exemption from ad valorem taxation in the same amount received for the first qualifying homestead during the last year in which the surviving spouse received the exemption.

The proposed amendment would appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a member of the armed services of the United States who is killed in action."

Proposition Number 2 (HJR 79)

HJR 79 proposes a constitutional amendment to repeal the constitutional provision requiring the creation of a State Medical Education Board and a State Medical Education Fund, neither of which is in operation. No new loans have been made from the fund by the board in more than 25 years, and the board currently has no appointees and receives no program funding.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment eliminating an obsolete requirement for a State Medical Education Board and a State Medical Education Fund, neither of which is operational."

Proposition Number 3 (HJR 133)

HJR 133 would authorize local political subdivisions to extend the length of time that aircraft

parts could remain temporarily in this state before being subject to ad valorem taxation. Under current law, merchandise, wares, and goods (including aircraft parts) may remain in this state temporarily for up to 175 days before being subject to ad valorem taxation; the proposed amendment would permit taxing entities to extend the exemption up to 730 days after the date that a person acquired or imported aircraft parts in the state.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize a political subdivision of this state to extend the number of days that aircraft parts that are exempt from ad valorem taxation due to their location in this state for a temporary period may be located in this state for purposes of qualifying for the tax exemption."

Proposition Number 4 (HJR 24)

HJR 24 proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or a partially disabled spouse of a partially disabled veteran if the residence homestead was donated to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran if the residence homestead was donated to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization."

Proposition Number 5 (SJR 18)

SJR 18 would amend the definition of "reverse mortgage" to authorize the making of reverse mortgage loans for the purchase of homestead property in addition to the current

legal uses of those loans, and would give lenders recourse against borrowers who fail to timely occupy the homestead properties purchased with such loans. SJR 18 would also add to the definition of "reverse mortgage" an extension of credit that is not closed before the 12th day after the lender provides to the prospective borrower a written notice summarizing risks and conditions of a reverse mortgage. The language of the required notice is prescribed in the resolution.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the making of a reverse mortgage loan for the purchase of homestead property and to amend lender disclosures and other requirements in connection with a reverse mortgage loan."

Proposition Number 6 (SJR 1)

SJR 1 would create the State Water Implementation Fund as a special fund inside the state treasury and outside the General Revenue Fund. Money in the fund would be administered by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) and would be used to implement the state water plan, as adopted by general law, by TWDB.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas and the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas to assist in the financing of priority projects in the state water plan to ensure the availability of adequate water resources."

Proposition Number 7 (HJR 87)

HJR 87 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow home-rule municipalities to adopt charter provisions authorizing the filling of vacancies in the governing body by appointment, but only when the remainder of the vacant term is less than 12 months. Under current law, municipal voters may adopt terms of office for municipal officers longer than two years, but upon approving longer terms of office, any resulting vacancies in office must be filled by special election. The proposed amendment would provide an option

for home-rule municipalities to fill short-term vacancies through appointment.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing a home-rule municipality to provide in its charter the procedure to fill a vacancy on its governing body for which the unexpired term is 12 months or less."

Proposition Number 8 (HJR 147 and SJR 54)

HJR 147 would repeal the Texas Constitution's maximum tax rate for a Hidalgo County hospital district; the maximum rate is currently set at 10 cents per \$100 valuation. This rate is lower than the maximum tax rate allowable for hospital districts in all other counties in the State (75 cents per \$100 valuation). The repeal of the constitutional cap would authorize hospital district tax rates in Hidalgo County equal to the hospital district tax laws applicable to all other Texas counties.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment repealing Section 7, Article IX, Texas Constitution, which relates to the creation of a hospital district in Hidalgo County."

Proposition Number 9 (SJR 42)

SJR 42 would expand the potential sanctions that the State Commission on Judicial Conduct can issue following a formal proceeding. This constitutional amendment would allow the Commission to issue an order of public admonition, warning, reprimand, or a requirement to obtain additional training or education in addition to the Commission's current authority to issue a public censure or recommend removal or retirement of a judge.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment relating to expanding the types of sanctions that may be assessed against a judge or justice following a formal proceeding instituted by the State Commission on Judicial Conduct."

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Something to crow about

Estlack Bantams continued a family tradition over the weekend, capturing several awards, including the Championship of the Junior Show, at the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo. Nathan Estlack earned a Tri-State belt buckle when he won the Grand Champion of the Junior Show with a Black Breasted Red Old English, he also had the champion AOCCL with a Dark Cornish and the Champion Old English. Daniel Estlack showed the Champion Modern with a Black Modern, Elaina Estlack had the Champion Duck with an Apricot Call duck, and Benjamin Estlack had the Champion Feather Leg with a Black Cochin. The kids also received several ribbons, including one for the Reserve Champion SCCL on a Rhode Island Red. Shown here are Nathan, Daniel, Elaina, and Benjamin Estlack.

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Ready for the show

Katie Adams smiles for the camera as she prepares for the pig show at the Tri-State Fair Sunday morning. Also shown from Donley County are Austin Adams, Extension Agent Leonard Haynes, Ronnie Edwards, and Hedley FFA Sponsor Lon Adams.

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Wed	11	89°	65°	-
Thur	12	92°	61°	-
Fri	13	84°	63°	2.79"
Sat	14	84°	64°	-
Sun	15	88°	63°	.82"

Total precipitation this month: 3.61"
Total precipitation to date: 15.32"

weekend forecast

Fri., Sept. 20
Isolated T-Storms
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Drugs in the News

Blood Pressure Medication May Help Brain Function

A new study conducted by researchers in Canada and Ireland shows that the use of the ACE inhibitors may improve brain function and delay dementia. The specific medications that were studied were ramipril (Altace) and perindopril (Aceon). ACE inhibitors are a class of medications used to help reduce blood pressure. They act on hormones that control the body's salt and water concentration.

In this study, over 300 individuals who suffered from dementia were analyzed. Study participants were divided into the following three groups; already taking an ACE inhibitor, started an ACE inhibitor at the beginning of the study, and not taking an ACE inhibitor. Those who took ACE inhibitors had a smaller drop in cognitive test results (related to the brain processing including memory and understanding) than those not taking an ACE inhibitor. Researchers indicate that more studies are needed to occur, however, before ACE inhibitors are routinely recommended for improving brain function. Side effects of ACE inhibitors include elevated blood levels of potassium and a dry cough.

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