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

County assistance district to be on May ballot

Donley County will again ask rural residents to adopt a sales tax to help fund local law enforcement following action taken at the January meeting of county commissioners.

If approved by rural voters, Donley County Assistance District #2 would levy a two percent sales tax on sales outside of the cities of Clarendon, Hedley, and Howard-wick with the proceeds going to benefit the Donley County Sheriff's Office.

Clarendon supports the sheriff's office with city funds, and Howard-

wick last May approved creation of Donley County Assistance District #1 to levy a one percent sales tax to help law enforcement. Hedley voters turned down a similar measure last May, and rural voters also narrowly rejected the idea by a margin of ten votes, 101 "for" to 111 "against."

Voters in the unincorporated areas of the county will have their say on the matter on May 3.

Also in January, commissioners formally named themselves as members of the board governing the Donley County Assistance Dis-

trict #1, which began collected sales taxes in October 2024. County Judge John Howard says the district will let that money grow for a time before spending it. Taxes on sales in October through December amounted to \$2,832.09 for the district.

In other county business recently, commissioners named the following citizens to the Donley County Historical Commission: Bill Word, Christi Benson, Madeleine Black, Judy Burlin, Lori Howard, Ferol Shelton, Buffie Smith, Chrisi Tucek, and Brittney Wolfe.

The annual contract with the Donley Appraisal District was approved, and commissioners agreed to purchase a machine to help take down trees and shrubs on county rights of way.

The county accepted an offer by the Texas Historical Commission to reconsider a grant that was approved last fall for further courthouse restoration work. The THC had previously offered the county an award but the terms were not favorable to the county.

The new proposal would see

the state put in \$2.6 million with approximately \$458,000 in funds from the county for a total project of about \$3.1 million. The work would focus on stone and brick conservation that was left out of the original courthouse restoration in 2003 due to costs.

Commissioners also met February 10 for a regular meeting. Items at that meeting included receiving the annual audit report and approving budget amendments needed due to several grants, such as the THC money, being awarded to the county.

Living Wax Museum set for this Friday

The Donley County Home-school Co-Op will present its annual Living Wax Museum on Friday, February 28, at the Burton Memorial Library from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

The public is invited to attend as these students breathe life into the biographies of their favorite historical figures. Refreshments will be served.

Chamber banquet tickets are sold out

Fancy masks and fun times will be in store at the 2025 Clarendon Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet Thursday, February 27, at the Bairfield Activity Center.

The awards to be given will be the Saints' Roost Award for a lifetime of service to the community and the Man and Woman of the Year, the Volunteer Organization of the Year, and Business of the Year in addition to recognitions for outstanding youth from Clarendon and Hedley.

Chamber officials are expecting a big crowd and say tickets are sold out for the event.

Lions Club's Jones 5K to be April 26

The 13th annual Chance Mark Jones Roar & Run 5K will be held Saturday, April 5, in front of the Donley County Courthouse.

The Clarendon Lions Club is hosting the event again in memory of the late Chance Mark Jones to raise awareness of Child Abuse. Jones passed away in January 2011 as a result of abuse.

Those interested in running or walking the 5K (about 3.1 miles) encouraged to sign up by March 28 to be guaranteed the official 5K t-shirt. Registrations are \$30 each.

The year's 5K will again start and end at the Courthouse and will run through the city, around Prospect Park, and past several historic sites. The race will begin at 8:30 a.m.

Race registrations will be available at the Clarendon Visitor Center at the Mulkey Theatre or at the Enterprise.

For more information, contact Lion Ashlee Estlack at ashlee.estlack@gmail.com or 806-662-4687 or Lion Roger Estlack at publisher@clarendonlive.com or 806-874-2259.



Celebration

The Clarendon Lady Broncos celebrate the presentation of the Regional Semi-Final trophy by assistant coach Kasey Bell last week in Floydada after the girl's win over Roscoe.

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Ag conference to be March 6 in Clarendon

The Southeast Texas Panhandle Ag Conference, sponsored by Donley and Hall County AgriLife Extension will be held March 6, 2025, in Clarendon at the Donley County Activity Center located at 4430 HWY 70 North 79226.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the sessions on cotton agronomics, weed, insect, disease control, farm bill updates and pesticide laws and regulations will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. CEUs will be offered to pesticide applicator license holders.

There will be a \$25 charge at the door which includes lunch by Bertie Fannies. To RSVP or for more information please call the Donley County Extension Office at 806-874-2141 or the Hall County at 806-259-3015 or Leonard Haynes at 806-282-7680 or JD Schnitker at 806-269-0112.

Clarendon pioneer cowboy rode the unrideable horse

Editor's Note: Bones Hooks was an early pioneer in Donley County and helped organize the first Black church in the Texas Panhandle in Clarendon - St. Stephen's Baptist Church - in 1897. The following story centers on Hooks after he moved from Clarendon and was originally written by Billie Grace Poteet and recently edited by former Clarendon businessman James F. Hayes.

Matthew "Bones" Hooks was the oldest of eight children born to the freed slaves, Annie and Alex Hooks. He was born in 1867. Realizing the need to help support the family, at seven he drove a meat wagon for a butcher; at eight he began learning his master horsemanship skills; and at nine he drove

a camp wagon to Denton County and stayed on the JA ranch for some time as a cow puncher. Then a Pecos rancher told the barefooted boy that he would buy him some boots and make a cowboy out of him, if he would work on his ranch. Matthew did and became an excellent horseman. If there were horses that needed breaking, he was ready. He went on several cattle drives, but as the wrangler he cared for the horses.

Bones, as he soon was renamed because he was tall and skinny, went on one cattle drive to Clarendon. He liked the orderly community and the plains. He stayed in the area for the next 23 years. Bones had little dis-

crimination to bother with, as he was the only black man around. He ate with the cowboys. One day a neighbor's wife and little girl came in. The little girl said, "Oh, Mama, one of them forgot to wash his face." Bones reminded the young girl of that story many years later at a Pioneer Reunion.

About 1910, Bones became a porter on the smoking car of the Santa Fe passenger train. (The smoking car was where a lot of alcohol was consumed. The alcohol led to gambling, political arguing, and some lying! Because of the strong drink and talk, women were not wel-

See 'Bones Hooks' on page 4.



"The Ride" of Bones Hooks as depicted by McCain in 1981.

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Ready to run

Clarendon High School senior Bryce Williams signed to run cross country for Bethel College in North Newton, Kansas. Williams has had a successful tenure running for the Broncos and also plays football, basketball, and baseball for CHS. Also shown here are Williams' mother, Amber, and sister, Makenna.

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CCISD Trustees extend principals' contracts

The Clarendon Consolidated Independent School District Board of Trustees renewed several administrative contracts when it held its regular meeting February 12.

Following a 20-minute executive session, the board returned to open session to okay the contracts.

Principals John Moffett, Jenifer Pigg, and Cynthia Bessent along with Athletic Director Aaron Wampler were extended for two years. Counselor Jenae Ashbrook, Counselor Erin Shaw, and Federal Programs/Curriculum Director Jen Bellar had their contracts extended for one additional year.

In other school business, a public hearing was held on the 2022-2023 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR).

Administrative reports were presented by Athletic Director Aaron Wampler, Elementary Principal Cynthia Bessent, CJH Principal Jenifer Pigg, CHS Principal John Moffett, Elementary Counselor Erin Shaw, High School Counselor Jenae Ashbrook, Programs Director Jen Bellar, and Superintendent Jarod Bellar.

The trustees ordered an election for the purpose of electing three trustees this May.



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Controversial cabinet picks is nothing new

Amongst the many perceived controversies of Donald Trump's second term as U.S. president are some of his choices for cabinet secretaries. Of the 15 secretary positions, so far 11 have been confirmed by the Senate including controversial nominees like Pete Hegseth for Secretary of Defense and Robert Kennedy Jr. for Health and Human Services. That means there are still four awaiting confirmation, including provocative picks like Linda McMahon for Education. With a Republican Senate, chances are, all the nominees will be confirmed.

Historically speaking, very few nominees have ever been rejected; presidents knowing they need to get their picks past the Senate tend to only put forth names in which they are confident. Historically, only nine picks have ever been officially rejected by the Senate. I say officially because 19 others have been pulled out of the running like Matt Gaetz did earlier this year when he withdrew himself for consideration for Attorney General. So confident are most presidents that there was not a single issue with the first six presidents. But everything changed with the seventh – Andrew Jackson, the one many compare to Trump, who put forth the first nominee deemed too controversial to approve.

The courts in several cases have made interpretations of the president's constitutional appointment power, but there are two that are most important when it comes to Senate confirmation. First, the courts have made a distinction between principal and inferior offices. Principal offices like cabinet positions are subject to the appointment clause or need senate confirmation while other offices do not. What constitutes a principal or inferior office has changed many times over the year, especially as the government has grown, but the cabinet has always been considered a principal office. The second ruling the courts have made is that it is a three-step process for a principal office to receive the position. First, the president nominates a candidate. Second, the Senate confirms the nominee by a simple majority. Third, the president commissions the approved nominee. In other words, even after a candidate is confirmed, the president can change his mind and not give the final commission.

As mentioned earlier, this process is normally pretty smooth, especially when the president and Senate are from the same party. Yet, during Jackson's presidency, for the first time the Senate deemed his choice for Treasury Secretary unacceptable – and for good reason. One of Jackson's most infamous accomplishments was his war on the Second Bank of the United States (BUS). Jackson had always hated the idea of a national bank. He felt it unconstitutional as there was nothing in the Constitution about the creation of such an institution. He also felt it was corrupt and gave too much power to the wealthy elite over the common people. The charter for the second BUS was not set to end until 1836, but Jackson's opponents believed they could use the BUS to their advantage and pushed a bill to recharter the BUS early. They knew Jackson would veto the recharter and they could then use that against Jackson when he ran for reelection in 1832. What Jackson's opponents were not prepared for was Jackson's popularity among the people and his decision to veto the BUS recharter was popular as well. Jackson had made it an issue of rich versus poor.

When Jackson easily won reelection, he took it as a mandate to kill the bank even before its 1836 end date. He planned to take all the federal money out of the BUS and distribute it to state banks friendly to the Jackson administration. The problem was when Jackson instructed his Secretary of the Treasury, Louis McLane, to remove the money, he refused saying it would destroy the economy and Congress had not signed off.

Upset, Jackson removed McLane and appointed William J. Duane as the new Treasury Secretary. Cleary, Duane did not understand his assignment, because when he argued with Jackson about removing the money, he, too, was released. Jackson needed someone to follow orders blindly and so, turned to Roger Taney. Jackson waited until Senate was out of session and appointed Taney through a recess appointment. Recess appointments are constitutional and used often in the 19th century when the Senate did not meet as often. It allowed the president to temporarily make appointments, which had to be confirmed when the Senate met again. With Congress not in session, Taney was appointed and did as he was instructed – removed federal money out of the BUS. Long story short, the death of the BUS was one of the major issues that led to the Panic of 1837, the largest depression the U.S. had seen to date.

Angered over the money being pulled, when Senate resumed in 1834, they rejected Taney's appointment as Secretary of the Treasury, but the damage had been done. Unfortunately, Taney's story was not done. In that same year, Jackson's supporters took over the Senate during the midterm elections. As a way of thanking Taney, Jackson nominated him, and the Senate confirmed him as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. The man who was willing to hurt the country over political orders now controlled the highest court in the land. His most notable cases were fighting to return escaped slaves to bondage during the Amistad case and declaring slaves were not citizens in the Dred Scot case. It was his decision in the latter case to allow slavery in all states, even in the North, that help set the nation on course towards Civil War.

So, while all of Trump's nominees will probably be confirmed by the Senate – even the controversial ones – there have been nominees so grievous, like Taney, that the Senate felt it necessary to say no.

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historically speaking
by dr. james finck

The Texans' capture of Santa Anna

The battle was over. Sam Houston and his band of Texians had defeated Santa Anna's Mexican army at the Battle of San Jacinto, and Texas had essentially won its independence from Mexico. Throughout the remainder of the day and into the night, the Texians hunted the scattered Mexicans. Some were brought in as prisoners; many others were slaughtered.

The next day an air of relaxation settled on Houston's forces as they licked their wounds and began to forage the area around the San Jacinto battlefield for food and game. During the course of the afternoon, surviving Mexican prisoners were processed, and many were subsequently set free to return to their native land. But General Santa Anna was nowhere to be found, neither among the prisoners nor among the dead, and this greatly disturbed Sam Houston. Although the Texians had won the battle, if Santa Anna were free to organize another army, the Texians might not yet have won the war.

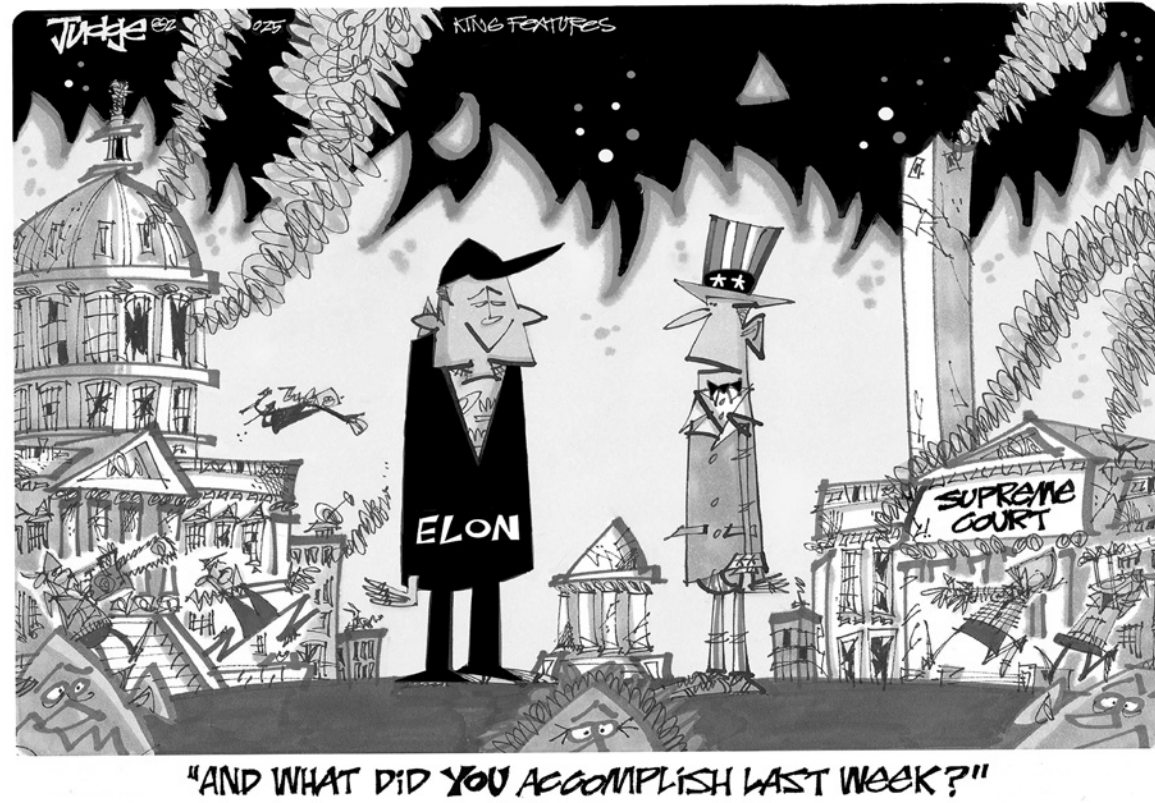
As Joel Robinson and a patrol of four other Texians were foraging near the destroyed Vince's Bayou Bridge about five miles away from the battle site, they happened upon a lone Mexican soldier concealed in a thicket. Wearing a white blouse and trousers that resembled a Mexican fatigue uniform, the soldier had become disoriented in attempting to escape and had hidden in the thicket all night following the battle. Upon hearing the Texians approach, he attempted to further conceal himself under a blanket. The Texians discovered him, however, and Robinson managed to prevail over the other Texians who wanted to shoot the prisoner.

Tempted at first to let the bedraggled warrior go, Robinson thought the



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by george u. hubbard

better of it and ordered the captive onto his (Robinson's) horse. As the patrol approached the Texian encampment, Robinson was again tempted to let the polite little Mexican go free. But when he noticed some of the Mexican prisoners saluting the captive seated behind him on his horse, Robinson got the idea that perhaps his captive was no ordinary prisoner. As the patrol continued into the encampment center, other Mexican prisoners raised their hats and began the shout, "El Presidente, El Presidente!" The captain of the guard came running, and the prisoner gave Robinson the shock of his life by requesting to be taken directly to General Houston. And thus it was that Santa Anna, the general of the defeated Mexican army and dictator of the Mexican nation, was captured and surrendered personally to Sam Houston the day following the Battle of San Jacinto. George U. Hubbard is an author and former resident of Clarendon. His book, *The Humor & Drama of Early Texas*, is available at fine booksellers everywhere.



Kids' food fight leaves lasting memory

Column deadlines often are near enough to nudge before first paragraphs are actually written.

Some might think such to be sheer procrastination. I prefer to consider my "delays" to be viewed as being more akin to prolonged research. Pretend that I am hacking through the vines of a word jungle with a machete, searching for just the right ones.

Ernest Hemingway considered it a good writing day if he turned out 500 words (think *Old Man and the Sea*), while Stephen King had goals of writing at least 2,000 words between sunrise and sunset

Heavens to Betsy, I'm not trying to compare my writing to these literary giants, but rather acknowledging great authors who "stayed at it," no matter how much time was required. I make the same pledge, to "stay at it," even if time is short and deadlines loom.

Before leaving recently on a five-day speaking trip to Florida, I prepared a draft of my next column. I wanted to return home to put finishing touches on column #1,132 with comparative ease.

Alas, I couldn't find the draft, even prying into my computer's deepest innards, finding zilch. There is the temptation to remember that speaking should always be an improvement over silence. This said, the printed word should always be preferable to a blank space. Editors, however, never approve of blankness, even when their faces suggest otherwise. So, I write, even if hurriedly,

almost tearful that a draft is flying aimlessly about in cyber space. I do recall that it centered on a church youth minister and the luncheon setting on the final day at summer youth camp, shortly before he left youth ministry....

He will never forget an unexpected "food fight" waged by a bunch of youngsters chowing down in the dining hall, soon to board a couple of buses for the ride home. It's just as well that this man of the cloth remains unnamed, since a mild epithet flew from his mouth – one that would hardly be noted in today's culture even if uttered by the Pope.

Yet, it was strong for this man, whose previous typical utterances were squeaky clean. Okay, it was a four-letter word, but not one of the worst ones. Still, it shocked the youth, his wife, the camp director and a handful of parents, all of whom had been in prayerful mode earlier for the several life-changing spiritual decisions by several students during the weeklong outing.

He stood on a table to make what began as a one-word expression to "describe what the place looked like." He spoke bravely at the height of a food fight, with splatterings of steak, potatoes and buttered rolls flying by. (Okay, the expression was screamed, and the word



the idle american
by don newbury

began with "c," and that's the only clue I'll provide. And don't even think of asking me the name of the church.)....

The leader then bellowed out specific instructions. The kids were told to grab their towels that already were packed and ready for home washing machines. They were then to return to the dining hall for scrubbing of the painted concrete floors on "all fours." Then, he joined them in a crawling mode, determining that another scrubbing session would be needed, followed also by a third. He didn't want campers during the upcoming week to slip and slide due to his kids' silliness.

Before a fourth scrub started, the camp director grabbed the microphone. "I appreciate your efforts," he said. "But enough is enough. You're rubbing the paint off the concrete." (Addendum: Chris remains in ministry for ages, and for, uh, all ages.)

Finally, my initial piece had a remembrance of yet another preacher, the late Homer (Bud) Stephens, who twice annually made the same announcement at Easter services and Sundays nearest Christmas at his small rural church. "On the other 50 Sundays, we don't have real flowers."....

Dr. Newbury, longtime university president, continues to speak and write. *The Idle American*, begun in 2003, is one of the longest-running syndicated columns. Contact: 817-447-3872. Email: newbury@speakerdoc.com. Website: www.speakerdoc.com.

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Obituaries

Schwertner

Norma Jean Schwertner, 87, of Clarendon died Sunday, February 23, 2025, in Amarillo.

Rosary will be said at 6:00 p.m. Thursday, February 27, 2025, in Robertson Funeral Directors' Roost Chapel in Clarendon. Mass will be celebrated at 2:00 p.m. Friday, February 28, 2025, in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Clarendon with Fr. Raj Malapady and Deacon Arnold Schwertner as the celebrants. Burial will follow in St. Mary's Cemetery in Clarendon.



Schwertner

Viewing will be held Thursday

at the funeral home with the family receiving friends for visitation prior to Rosary from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Arrangements are under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Norma was born January 24, 1938, in Slaton to Edwin Herman and Ella Martha Steffins Verkamp. She married Bruno Charles Schwertner on August 30, 1958, in Lubbock. Norma was a longtime homemaker and she also cleaned houses, babysat, and was an elderly care giver. She was the sweetest mom and wonderful grandma where she was a wonderful cook and always had hot meals on the table. She was known for her fried chicken and pork roast. Norma was a member of the Red Hatters Club. She also enjoyed traveling to ag conventions with her husband and taking many trips with her sister.

Norma was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Clarendon where she was involved

with the Catholic Daughters of America and St. Mary's Altar Society.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband on October 27, 2019; her brothers, Robert and Marvin Verkamp; and her sister, Lucille Verkamp.

She is survived by three sons, Curtis Schwertner and wife Dorothy of Dumas, Steve Schwertner and wife Trish of Clarendon, and Eugene Schwertner and wife Robyn of Amarillo; three daughters, Karen Wilkinson of Wolforth, Sharon Allison and husband Rick of Amarillo, and Christina Kaderka and husband Kelly of Midland; 12 grandchildren, Hannah, Emily, Cody, Tyler, Stone, Rowdy, Eric, Jared, Rebekah, Joseph, Jakob, and Jonah and 3 great grandchildren, Ryker, Karriana, and Emeri.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be sent to St. Mary's Catholic Church building fund, PO Drawer C, Clarendon, TX 79226.

Jackson bill would protect rural health care

Congressman Ronny Jackson (TX-13) last week reintroduced the Rural Health Care Technical Assistance Act.

This bill aims to codify and expand an existing United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) program that provides critical technical assistance to rural health care facilities, helping to prevent hospital closures, strengthen essential health services in rural communities, and enhance the financial and operational stability of these vital institutions. Rep. Jill Tokuda (HI-02) co-led this bill in the House.

"As a physician and West Texas native, I've seen firsthand the vital role rural hospitals play in our communities," said Rep. Jackson. "Unfortunately, too many of our rural health care facilities are on the verge of closure, and if they do, the

entire community is left vulnerable. This bill is critical to helping ensure these hospitals have the tools and resources needed to stay open and continue providing quality, accessible healthcare to rural Americans."

"I've heard too many stories from constituents across my district - one of the most rural in the country - about the challenges they face trying to get basic healthcare. Our rural hospitals are lifelines, and investing in them is critical to maintaining a strong rural health safety net that ensures patients don't have to travel for hours to receive the healthcare they need," said Rep. Jill Tokuda. "That's why I am proud to join Rep. Jackson in introducing this important bill to prevent hospitals and clinics from closing their doors in rural areas and provide them with the resources and support they need

to stay operational."

Alan Morgan, CEO, National Rural Health Association praised the bill.

"The National Rural Health Association (NRHA) applauds Representatives Jackson (R-TX) and Tokuda (D-HI) for their introduction of the Rural Health Care Technical Assistance Program Act to expand and codify the existing USDA pilot program," Morgan said. "This legislation will help prevent hospital closures, improve financial and operations performance for facilities receiving Rural Development funds, and strengthen essential healthcare services in rural communities. NRHA looks forward to working with Congress to keep hospital doors open and continue providing care for the 60 million residents living in rural America."

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Community Calendar

February 27
Bronco & Lady Bronco Track @ Wellington • TBA

February 27
Lady Bronco Softball v Palo Duro @ Floydada Tournament • 1:20 p.m.

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Lady Bronco Softball v Palo Duro @ Floydada Tournament • 1:20 p.m.

Lady Bronco Softball v Estacado @ Floydada Tournament • 4:00 p.m.

Lady Bronco Softball v O'Donnell @ Floydada Tournament • 5:40 p.m.

February 28
Broncos Baseball v Forsan • Hawley Tournament • 7:00 p.m.

March 1
Broncos Baseball v Junction • Hawley Tournament • 10:00 a.m.

Broncos Baseball v ACHS • Hawley Tournament • Anson Field • 4:00 p.m.

★ Menus March 3 - 7

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Oven fried chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, cornbread, peach crisp, iced tea/2% milk.
Tues: Enchilada casserole, tossed salad, pinto beans, Spanish rice, churro, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Stroganoff, black eyed peas, spinach, whole wheat roll, strawberry short cake, iced tea/2% milk.
Thurs: Chicken strips, gravy, potato wedges, garden salad, whole wheat roll, brownie, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Pulled pork sandwich, French fries, coleslaw, melon & cantaloupe, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Meatballs, garlic mashed potatoes, baked beans, buttered peas & carrots, fruit cobbler, cornbread, iced tea/2% milk.
Tues: Cajun baked fish, baked sweet potatoes, red beans & rice, buttered Brussel sprouts, banana pudding, whole wheat buttermilk biscuit, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Chicken fried steak, county gravy, mashed red skin potatoes, broccoli & carrots, angel food cake w/strawberries, buttermilk whole wheat biscuit, iced tea/2% milk.
Thurs: Beef pot roast w/brown gravy, roasted carrots & potatoes, black forest cake, mandarin oranges, buttermilk whole wheat biscuit, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Chili cheese done on whole wheat bun, crispy French fries, baked beans, mixed green salad, rice Krispie treat, apricots, iced tea/2% milk.

Clarendon CISD
Breakfast
Mon: Sausage kolache, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Tues: Pancake wrap, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Wed: Power breakfast, biscuit, gravy, eggs, bacon, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Thu: Breakfast pizza, fruit, fruit juice, milk.
Fri: Dutch waffles, sausage, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Lunch
Mon: Cheeseburger, beans, corn, salsa, pudding, fruit, milk.
Tues: Chicken-n-waffles, veggie cup, potatoes, fruit, milk.
Wed: Chicken nugget, mac & cheese, carrots, fruit, milk.
Thu: Breaded mozzarella sticks, marinara sauce, tomato cup, salad, fruit, milk.
Fri: X-treme burrito, corn, cucumbers, dessert, fruit, milk.

Hedley ISD
Breakfast
Mon: Pancakes, bacon, bananas, fruit juice, milk.
Tues: Croissant ham & cheese sandwich, peaches, fruit juice, milk.
Wed: Donut holes, sausage, fruit juice, milk.
Thu: Maple pancake sandwich, apples, fruit juice, milk.
Fri: Waffles, sausage, orange, fruit juice, milk.

Lunch
Mon: Drumstick, garden salad, tomato cup, apples, milk.
Tues: Frito pie, beans, veggie cup, pineapple, cookie, milk.
Wed: Steak fingers, gravy, roll, green beans, corn, peaches, milk.
Thu: Boneless chicken wings, celery, carrots, mixed fruit, milk.
Fri: PBJ, celery, carrots, animal crackers, orange, milk.

Bones Hooks: Ride lasted seven minutes

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come in the Smoking Car and were encouraged to travel in the chair car.) After being employed by the Amarillo Hotel, Bones' transition to the Santa Fe railroad working as a porter in the smoking car was considerably less strenuous than breaking ranch Horses.

On the train from Chicago through Topeka, Kansas, ultimately bound for parts west through Amarillo and New Mexico, there were four ranch owners from the Texas Panhandle. These Texans were riding in the "Men Only" smoking car where they were visiting with some English gentlemen from Great Britain who owned ranches in Texas and prided themselves on horses and fox hunting. These English fellows considered themselves to be experts on fine horse flesh. The Englishmen brought up the name of a mustang named Coal Oil who had outlived as a cow horse and had never been ridden. The conversation continued with the Englishmen certain that their information was correct and the horse could not be ridden by anyone.

One of the Texas men knew Bones had said there never was a horse that couldn't be ridden and told the others that he would bet \$100 that that black porter over there could ride that horse. The Englishmen did not know anything about Bones, yet they called the bet. The horse was owned by a man who owned a ranch in Gray County near the Santa Fe railroad station in Pampa. Word was sent out to have the horse brought to the Pampa train station at a certain time. Bones overheard the conversation and told the men he would ride that horse if they paid him \$25. When ole Coal Oil showed up at the Pampa train station, in the smoking car, the bets were laid down and covered, and Bones' riding fee was put in the pot along with the bet money.

When the train pulled into the station in Pampa, the crowd was there as was Coal Oil. Bones climbed down from the train and decided to mount when he thought the time was right. The time was perfect, and Bones swung into the saddle. The blinding hood was pulled from the

horse so that, temporarily, he was no longer blinded. It was obvious that Coal Oil was in a foul mood. His ears were pinned back, and his eyes were darting around him. At the point when Bones decided to make his move, he climbed into the saddle and goosed the horse with short-shanked spurs which resulted in a poke in the ribs. Old Coal Oil farted loudly and squealed, breaking in to a real fit. Bones stayed with him for five minutes or so and then allowed Coal Oil to settle down.

The horse had ruled the roost for just a few minutes. Bones took charge and gave him a good talking to, informing him that he was boss of the all the time. Coal Oil was mad with his ears laid back, snorting feverishly. Finally, time was up. Bones gave him all he wanted, and then rode the horse to a standstill.

After it was over with a ride of seven minutes, history had been made. The winners took the money, and Bones got his \$25.

The story can never be forgotten, for it is history.

Jackson announces Congressional art contest

The Office of Congressman Ronny Jackson (TX-13) is now accepting submissions for the 2025 Congressional Art Competition. All high school students in Texas' 13th Congressional District are invited to participate. The winning artwork will be displayed in the US Capitol for one year, showcasing the talent and pride of Texas on a national stage.

Students must submit original artwork and a typed entry form to Rep. Jackson's Amarillo, Wichita Falls, or Denton office between Monday, March 3, 2025, and Friday, April 11, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.. Submissions can be mailed or dropped off at the Amarillo or Wichita Falls offices between 9:00 AM and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Drop-off at the Denton office is by appointment

only.

Teachers and students should carefully review the competition rules and regulations on Rep. Jackson's website. For any questions, please contact Jennifer Hodges, Art Competition Coordinator, at Jennifer.Hodges@mail.house.gov.

This year's theme is Texas Grit and Grace, highlighting the strength, resilience, and kindness of TX-13 constituents.

Artwork must be two-dimensional, original in concept and execution, and must not exceed 26 inches high, 26 inches wide, and 4 inches deep. The winning piece must be framed before being sent to the U.S. Capitol and must continue to meet size and weight guidelines.

Accepted Mediums: Paintings: oil, acrylic, watercolor; Drawings:

colored pencil, pencil, ink, marker, pastels, charcoal (charcoal and pastels should be fixed); Collages: must be two-dimensional. Prints: lithographs, silkscreen, block prints; Mixed Media: use of more than two mediums, such as pencil, ink, watercolor; Computer-Generated Art; and Photographs.

Each entry must be original in concept, design, and execution and may not violate US copyright laws. Any entry that has been copied from an existing photo or image (including a painting, graphic, or advertisement) that was created by someone other than the student is a violation of the competition rules and will not be accepted.

For more information on copyright laws, we recommend you visit the Scholastic website.

SRT to host celebration on March 2

The Sons of the Republic of Texas (SRT) remind Texans that March 2 marks Texas Independence Day, commemorating the signing of the Texas Declaration of Independence in 1836.

In observance of the 189th anniversary, the SRT, in partnership with Washington on the Brazos State Historic Site and the Descendants of the Signers of the Texas Declaration, will host a ceremony at 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 2, at the historic

site. The event will feature remarks from local officials, with Justice Ken Wise of the Texas 14th Court of Appeals, Place 7, serving as the keynote speaker. The public is invited to attend.

The Washington on the Brazos State Historic Site is located at 23400 Park Road 12 in Washington, Texas.

For more information about the event, contact Michael D. Wilson, KSJ, at mdwilson2929@gmail.com.

Texans unable to attend are encouraged to celebrate Texas Independence Day with their own observances.

The Sons of the Republic of Texas is dedicated to preserving the memory and spirit of those who fought for and maintained Texas' independence.

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Bronco Kreed Robinson bats for the Broncos on Saturday against Highland Park.

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Bronco Hudson Howard gets a hit against Highland Park on Saturday.

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Broncos begin baseball season

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos began their 2025 season with a 2-12 loss to Sanford-Fritch before coming back to defeat Highland Park and Sudan in the Hornet Tournament last week.

The Broncos took the field behind the pitching of Colton Caudle who threw 79 pitches that included 38 strikes thrown. Caudle went the distance and got the win striking out eight batters and walking six.

Bryce Williams, Mason Allred, and Braylon Rice had three runs each

in the win and the team racked up seven RBI's. The Broncos were spot on with stolen bases as the team stole a base twenty times in the game. Rice and Shane Hagood posted four each and Mason Sims recorded three stolen bases in the win. Rice, Allred, Hagood, and Hayden Moore had doubles in the game and Kreed Robinson and Dakotah Jameson hit singles.

The Broncos defeated Sudan 9-4 on seven hits and recorded no errors in the game. Moore pitched

for three innings and Sims came in as relief for two. Moore had five strike-outs and Sims was able to strike out two hitters. The Broncos had their bats going and Rice and Allred slammed a triple apiece and Williams had three stolen bases of the team's eight.

The Broncos will participate in the Hawley Tournament February 28 - March 1 with games and times to be announced. They will play at home March 6 against Valley beginning at 4:30 p.m.

Lady Bronco softball underway

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos' 2025 softball season began a week ago with a 14-2 win over Pampa varsity.

Josie Murillo was on the mound for the Lady Broncos going four innings. Murillo allowed one hit and two runs with two errors and two walks. She posted six strike-outs in the game. Shelbi Coles came in as relief for one inning.

As a team, the Lady Broncos recorded six stolen bases with Elliot Frausto, Eli Rodriguez, Coles, and

Maloree Wann stealing two each.

In her two at bats, Frausto earned four runs off of two hits, and Coles had three runs, two hits, and two RBI. Shelby Christopher posted two runs, two hits, and one RBI and Riley Jantz had one hit and three RBI.

The Lady Harvesters tied the game at two all in the top of the third, but the Lady Broncos stormed back to put 10 runs on the board. Frausto doubled and was able to score on a wild pitch and Coles went

home on a Christopher double. With two outs Zane Cruse hits a ground ball to bring the runner home and Rodriguez singled to score Murillo and pinch runner Lilly Robinson. The Lady Broncos were able to turn a double-play in the fourth to end Pampa's turn at the plate. Coles went three up and three down to help the Lady Broncos get the win.

They will participate in the Floydada Tournament to be held February 27-March 1 and travel to Childress March 4 and play at 4 p.m.

Mays returns to the Regional Powerlifting meet

By Sandy Anderberg

Clarendon High School's Kaleb Mays qualified at the Childress meet for the Regional Powerlifting meet to be held next week. Mays lifted in the 119-pound weight class with great results.

In last week's meet, Dakota Bond and Zak Roberts placed third in their respective weight classes. Bond lifted at 131 pounds and had a

lift total of 790 pounds.

He had lifts of 290 in the squat, 200 in the bench press, and deadlifted 300 pounds. Roberts lifted in the 244-pound class and had a squat of 450 pounds, bench pressed 300 pounds and had a deadlift of 425 pounds for a lift total of 1,175 pounds.

Coulter Wortham lifted at the 215-pound class finishing fourth

with a total of 1,095 pounds. He had lifts of 400, 290, and 405 pounds. Max Caudle lifted in the same class and earned a fifth-place with lifts of 375, 279, and 350 for 995 total pounds.

Nolan Burrow lifted 356, 275, and 400 pounds in the 265-pound weight class for a total lift of 1,040 pounds. Congratulations to all the powerlifters this season.

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- Loosen grip
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- enveloping the brain
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- Belonging to me
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- A salt or ester of acetic acid
- Takes to civil court
- Sodium
- Produces anew
- Military figure (abbr.)
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- Town in Galilee
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Senior Tandie Cummins goes up for a jumpshot last week against Roscoe.

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Senior Kennadie Cummins breaks towards the basket last week.

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Lady Broncos stopped by Farwell
By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos' stellar season was cut short by a ranked Farwell team in Bushland last Thursday evening. Just out of the Lady Broncos' reach was a coveted Regional Championship that had eluded the team for the last 11 years.

They are a team that had the ability to get it done if a couple of plays would have gone in their favor. The 40-46 loss was a painful one for the team especially the three very strong seniors that are graduating.

A slow start put the Lady Broncos playing catch up, but they were able to come back at the end of the first quarter to tie the game at seven all. The Lady Steers turned up the heat before the break to lead 23-15.

The Lady Broncos never gave up and worked their way back to come within three points, but stumbled a bit which allowed Farwell to hold the edge and force Clarendon to foul at the end. Free throws made the difference in the game as Farwell shot twice as many as the Lady Broncos, who hit 10 of 11 while Farwell was able to hit 14 of 22.

Inside player Kate Shaw led the way with 12 and Kenidee Hayes and Kashlyn Conkin helped with 10 points each. Hayden Elam put in four, Tandie Cummins and Kennadie Cummins finished with two each.

In the big 52-41 win over Roscoe for the Regional Semi-Final game, T. Cummins pumped in 12 big points and Elam and Berkley Moore added eight each. Gracie Ellis put in seven, and K. Cummins and Conkin put in six each. Hayes finished with three and Shaw had two.

Good luck to seniors Kennadie and Tandie Cummins and Hayden Elam on a job well done for the past four years.

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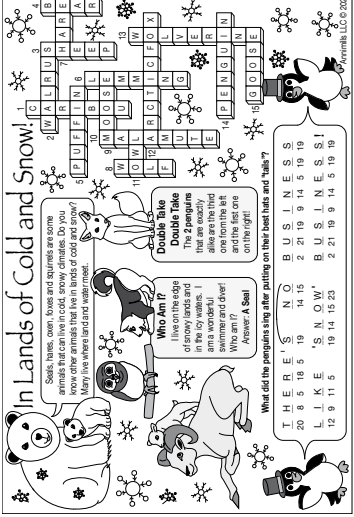
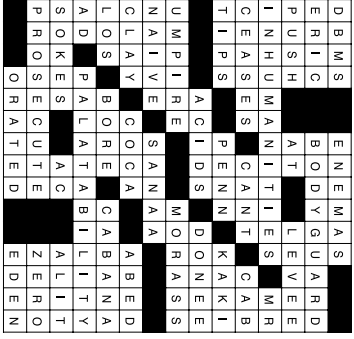
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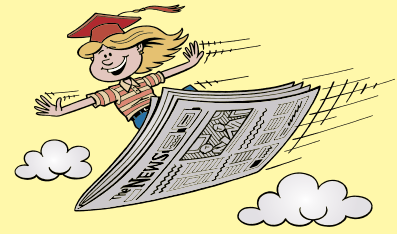
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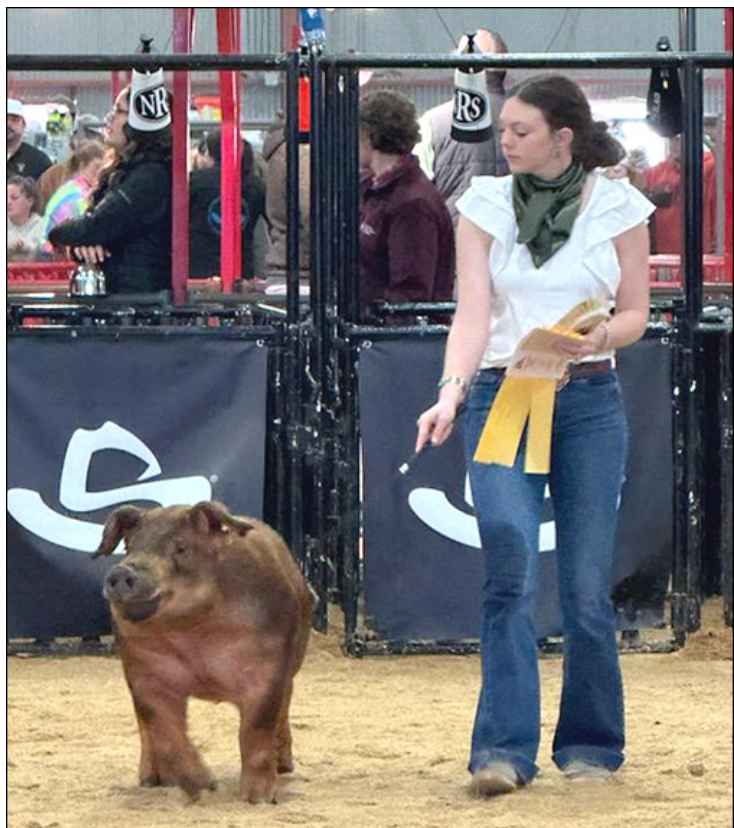
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- walk in single file; lead animal breaks trail in snow; known to travel great distances
- large sea animal hunted for its hide, ivory tusks, oil; moves in herds; sunbathes in groups
- Dall _____ - horned animal; hooves have rough pads to help traverse mountains
- polar _____ has black skin, but "white" fur; hunts seals from sea ice
- large, beaked bird; dives up to 60 meters to catch fish
- collared _____ - burrows under snow; eats stored seed, bark
- snowshoe _____ - lives above ground unlike many long-eared cousins; grows white coat of fur for camouflage
- timber _____; moves up to 12 miles a day in a pack to hunt
- largest of northern deer; wide hooves help it walk in snow
- Alaskan _____; oldest known sled dog; does not normally live in wild, cared for by people; has strength and endurance
- snowy _____; stays awake during day, unlike others; white feathers; travels to slightly warmer places in winter
- fluffy white animal; can hear prey as it moves under snow
- short legs, long nose and hair; finds things under snow using smell
- flightless bird glides on stomach along snow, ice; huddles with others for warmth; oil on feathers protects from cold water
- bird; migrates to slightly warmer climates for cold winter months; moves in large groups to protect young from predators like arctic fox

Who Am I?
I live on the edge of snowy lands and in the icy waters. I am a wonderful swimmer and diver! Who am I?

Follow the dots to see me!



Stock show stars

Three members of the Donley County 4-H Club made the sale at the San Antonio Stock Show this past weekend. Maloree Wann had a 5th place finish in Class 38 Duroc barrows. Grant Haynes 3rd place Medium weight Red Cross steer, and Parker Haynes 6th place Medium Weight AOC (All other crosses). Congratulations!

COURTESY PHOTOS



Jordan Baker, P.E

Baker named TxDOT assistant engineer

Jordan Baker, P.E., was recently named the Childress District Assistant Area Engineer and will assume duties in the Childress Area TxDOT office on March 1.

Baker earned his license as a professional engineer in December of 2024. He was raised in Seminole and graduated from West Texas A&M University.

Jordan's career with TxDOT began in the area office, where he worked as an engineering assistant. During that time, he performed construction inspections and project management. He then rotated to the design office, where he prepared plans for construction projects before taking over as the transportation engineer.

"We are pleased to have Jordan join the Childress Area Office," stated Childress Area Engineer, Louis McDow, III, P.E. "We look forward to the construction and design knowledge he will bring to our team." Jordan and his wife, Leda, are residents of Hall County.



the lion's tale
by roger estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting February 25, 2025, with Boss Lion Pro Tem Brian Barboza in charge.

We had ten members in person, two attending virtually, Sweetheart Lauren Cenicerros, and three guests this week – Matthew and Monroe Newhouse, guests of Lion Anndria Newhouse; and Rita Gehman, guest of Lion Eric Gehman.

The 13th annual Chance Mark Jones Roar & Run 5K was discussed, and the club voted to have the event during Child Abuse Awareness Month on Saturday, April 26. Registration will be \$30 and sign-up deadlines will be announced soon.

Lion John Howard reported on the county and said the Donley County Child Welfare Board is in need of volunteers. The organization serves as a liaison between state child protective services and local children. Three Lions volunteered to serve on the board. Appointments to the board will be made by the Donley County Commissioners' Court.



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