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

### Sales tax revenues up for local cities

Local cities' sales tax revenues rose this month when Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar distributed February allocations last week.

Clarendon posted its first gain of the calendar year, coming in with \$42,304.75, which is an increase of 9.6 percent over the same period last year. That brings the city's calendar year-to-date total up to \$72,227.92, up 5.13 percent.

Hedley also saw a slight boost this month with revenue of \$1,172.25, up 0.71 percent from last February. That city is now ahead 33.63 percent for the year-to-date at \$1,962.37.

Howardwick's February allocation of \$1,244.19 was up 140.32 percent from the same period last year, boosting that city's year-to-date total 73.33 percent to \$2,351.02.

Statewide, Hegar distributed \$911.9 million in local sales tax allocations for February, 6.2 percent more than in February 2017. These allocations are based on sales made in December by businesses that report tax monthly; October, November and December sales by quarterly filers; and 2017 sales by businesses that report tax annually.

### Candidates' forum to be held Thursday

The Donley County Republican Party will host a candidate's forum this Thursday, February 15, at the Clarendon College Bairfield Activity Center.

Local GOP candidates in the March primary have been invited to attend the forum at 7:00 p.m.

The public is invited and light refreshments will be served. Local Republican candidates this spring are: for Precinct 3&4 Justice of the Peace, incumbent Denise Bertrand and challenger Pat White; for Precinct 2 Commissioner, incumbent Daniel Ford and challenger Randy Bond; for County/District Clerk, challenger Bobby Woodard, who will face incumbent Democrat Fay Vargas in the fall; County Judge John Howard; Treasurer Wanda Smith; Precinct 1&2 Justice of the Peace Pam Mason; and Precinct 4 Commissioner Dan Sawyer.

Early voting is February 20 through March 2. The primary election day will be March 6.

### Tree order deadline coming up soon

The Donley County Soil & Water Conservation office reminds everyone that the deadline for ordering spring trees is February 26, 2018. Come by the Donley County SWCD office at 321 Sully in Clarendon to order or call 806-874-3561, ext. 3.

### Scammers calling

Scammers are calling local businesses this week, claiming to be raising funds for Clarendon High School. CHS officials suggest that if you are receiving calls soliciting donations for the school, call and check with the school with the name and number.



Clarendon Chamber honoreestast week were (front) Tamra and Nathan Floyd for Business of the Year Floyd's Automotive, Saints' Rost Award winner Theresa Shelton, Woman of the Year Mary Shields, Man of the Year Roy Bertrand, (back) Clarendon Young Man of the Year Andy Davis, Clarendon Young Woman of the Year Hannah Hommel, Hedley Young Man of the Year Caylor Monroe, and Hedley Young Woman of the Year Kallie Lindsey.

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## Shelton earns top Chamber award Bertrand, Shields honored as Man, Woman of 2017

The Clarendon Chamber of Commerce recognized Theresa Shelton with the 2017 Saints' Rost Award for her lifetime of service and commitment to the community during the annual Chamber Awards Banquet last Thursday, February 8.

Man of the Year honors went to Roy Bertrand, and Mary Shields was named the Woman of the Year. Floyd's Automotive Supply was named the Business of the Year.

The Saints' Rost Award is the highest honor given annually by the Chamber to recognize a lifetime of volunteering and community service. Shelton's service has focused on Little Dribblers, the Clarendon County Club, and two decades of school functions, including class parties, sports banquets and proms. Whatever the project, she is the first to say yes, the first to show up, and the last to leave.

Two of the community's biggest events – the Saints' Rost Celebration Rodeo and the Clarendon Arts Festival – happen, in large part, because of her efforts. She exemplifies the best qualities of what it means to be a good citizen: dependable, hardworking, and selfless.

The Man of the Year for 2017 is Roy Bertrand, for his volunteer service across several organizations. He has been a volunteer fireman here for almost 30 years and has served his church tirelessly as a music leader, council president, and on the finance council. He also takes care of the maintenance and mowing for St. Mary's church, park, and cemetery and cooks for all the church fundraisers. He has spent 20 years working for TxDOT and received the TxDOT "Extra Mile Award" in 2002 for his service at a train fire. He's been involved in Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, school activities, the college ministry, baseball concessions, and the courthouse lighting, and is well known for his BBQ and lending a hand when needed.

Mary Shields is the Woman of

the Year for 2017. She has worked tirelessly for the last 12 years to make sure the Donley County Center Citizens Center is running properly and stays open. She is dedicated to helping more than 86 elderly and disabled citizens get food on a home delivery route, who otherwise may not have gotten a hot meal at all. Another 40 or more citizens eat in-house at the center. She has been called a "bright light of hope" in the community that never seems to dim even when things get tough.

The Chamber of Commerce named Floyd's Automotive Supply as its Business of the Year and recognized the Floyd family as well as new owners Nathan and Tamra Floyd. The business was opened as First Supply in 1976 by Basil and Leitha Smith. It was later purchased by Bobbie and Eddie Floyd, and their sons – Jimmy, Lynn, Keith, and Johnny – all worked there. Johnny eventually took over the business and oversaw its move from 120 W. Third to its present location at 317 W. Second; and the business grew from three employees to ten employees. The business continues to serve the people of Donley County after 42 years.

The Chamber also recognized outstanding youth from Clarendon and Hedley.

Hannah Hommel was named the Young Woman of the Year from Clarendon. She has been involved in CHS student government for four years and is vice president this year. She has been instrumental in sponsoring and bringing blood drives to the community and played a part in the school's recycling program. She has been involved in basketball, softball, and track and was named to the All-District basketball team as a junior. She has also been involved in 4H and has received the Bronze, Silver, and Gold Stars; the I Dare You Award, Outstanding Young Female, and Outstanding Senior Awards. She also has been active in FFA, where she has served

as a chapter officer and received the Star Greenhand and Star Chapter awards. She is an example of hard work and courage to other students.

The Young Man of the Year from Clarendon is Andy Davis, who has been very involved in athletics during his time at CHS. One of his coaches says of him: "There is no quit and no slacking in him. He does things the right way and does them 100 percent whether it is a game or practice." He is a member of the National Honor Society, was named first team all-district tight end and linebacker in football and was also named to the Academic All-District Team. He exhibits leadership among his classmates and has been an example of the school motto of "Family and Unity."

The Young Man of the Year from Hedley is Caylor Monroe, and he has been very active in many extracurricular activities. He has participated in basketball, football, tennis, and golf, and was golf regional qualifier twice. He also ran cross country. This young man has been in UIL and has advanced to regionals. He is in NHS and is the senior class president. He is active in the Hedley FFA and has been on various LDE teams. He volunteers with the Bread of Life food pantry and is a member of the First United Methodist Church in Clarendon.

Kallie Lindsey is the Young Woman of the Year from Hedley. She has been very active in sports, student government and other organizations. She has participated in basketball, advanced to regionals in track, advanced to regionals in tennis, and served as a football manager. She is on the yearbook staff and is a member of the FFA and NHA and has participated in One Act Play. She is passionate about helping others and has had a hand in many community service activities. She is vice president of her class, president of the NHS, and Sweetheart of the Hedley Lions Club, and was this year's homecoming queen.

This year's Chamber banquet



Dusty and Nikki Green

followed a Denim & Diamonds theme and was catered by Great Western Dining. Approximately 200 people attended the event, which was held in the Bairfield Activity Center.

World travelers Dusty and Nikki Green were the keynote speakers for the evening. The couple lives at Howardwick and star and produce in the PBS series "Two for the Road." Their presentation featured photos and video shot from around the globe, and Dusty discussed how good people are everywhere and the thrill of traveling. He also talked about the value of the local community and the Texas Panhandle and their love for "home."

Tables were sponsored by Clarendon College, The Clarendon Enterprise, the City of Clarendon, Herring Bank, the Donley County Senior Citizens Center, Floyd's Automotive Supply, Flying 'A' Tack, Pilgrim Bank, and Shelton & Shelton Law Offices. Nikki Green selected the Enterprise table as having the best table decoration reflecting the banquet's Denim & Diamonds theme. Ella Estlack received a tiara for the award.

This year's corporate sponsors were Broken Road Junior, The Clarendon Enterprise, Greenbelt Electric Co., Greenbelt Water Authority, GreenLight Gas, Lowe's Family Center, Pioneer General Contracting, and Two for the Road.

## Boards still looking for candidates

Only a few days remain in the sign-up period for local offices, and, as of Tuesday, only one board is poised to have an election while another has no candidates at all.

Of the seven local governments with board positions available this year, the Clarendon College District is the lone board with enough candidates to have an election. With three positions up this spring on the Board of Regents, incumbents Edwin Campbell and Jerry Woodard have filed for re-election, and Tommy Waldrop and Lance Wood have also signed up.

The City of Hedley, with four aldermen's positions and the mayor up this year, has had no candidates at all sign up yet.

Of the other entities, two have enough candidates to fill all the positions available, and three are still needing one or more people to sign up.

The City of Clarendon has had all its incumbents file for re-election. Those are Aldermen Beverly Burrow, Larry Jeffers, and John Lockhart.

Hedley ISD's Board of Trustees also has its incumbents – Dana Bell and Carole Ward – signed up to run again.

Clarendon ISD has two trustee positions up this year, and incumbent Wayne Hardin is the only candidate so far.

The City of Howardwick, with three aldermen's positions coming up, has only incumbent Doc Holladay signed up.

At the Donley County Hospital District, incumbents Jan Farris (Place 4), Nikki Adams (Place 5), and Mark C. White (Place 6) have signed up for their seats on board of directors. No one has signed up yet for the Place 7 seat.

All local boards are elected at-large, but hospital board candidates must file for a specific place on the ballot. Filing continues through Friday, February 16. Elections are scheduled for Saturday, May 5, 2018.

## Court hears one local plea

One local case was heard when the District Court considered 17 pleas in Panhandle on Tuesday, February 6, 2018.

Dean Allen Crawford pleaded guilty and was placed on deferred adjudication community supervision for two years for the Class A misdemeanor offense of unlawful use of a criminal instrument.

Crawford, 53 from Clarendon, Texas, was arrested in Donley County by DPS Trooper Spencer Berry on July 19, 2017. Crawford pleaded to an information filed by the State on October 26, 2017.

Pursuant to the plea agreement, Crawford was required to pay an upfront fine of \$4,000, \$458 in court costs, \$180 bail restitution, and complete 100 hours of community service. If Crawford violates probation, he could face up to one year in the Donley County Jail.

## CVFD adds new truck to fleet

The Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department has added a new truck to its fleet this month that should serve local needs for many years to come.

The new truck is built on a 2018 Ford F550 4x4 Diesel chassis at a cost of \$189,000 with 90 percent of its funds provided by the Texas Forest Service. Local funds, including donations, covered the other ten percent.

Steele Fire Apparatus of Haskell, Texas, manufactured the truck, which was ordered in September 2017 and delivered February 2.

Fire Chief Jeremy Powell said the department looked into several fire truck manufacturers before deciding to go with Steele Fire.

"The truck was designed by Clarendon firemen to fit our specific needs," Powell said. "Steele Fire took our thoughts and ideas and created us a very well designed fire truck. With Steele Fire being only three hours from Clarendon, we were able to make trips down during the fabrication process to make sure that our truck was exactly how we wanted it built."

The new unit replaces an older truck in the department that is the most used vehicle and responds to almost every call received by CVFD.

The unit carries a new style of fire suppression system for Clarendon's fire department – a ROWE CAFS System. CAFS stands for Compressed Air Foam System. The CAFS system uses a mixture of high pressure air, high pressure water, and foam to lay down a blanket of foam to more effectively suppress a fire or to protect from fire.

"If we had had this truck in ser-



Clarendon's newest fire truck.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

vice at the recent fire at Panhandle Road & Field, we could have put those tires out," Powell said.

The truck carries 400 gallons of water and 10 gallons of Class A Foam. It has the ability to draft water

from the department's tanker trucks, increasing its capabilities when it's not able to connect to a fire hydrant.

"This truck should last the department 15 to 20 years," Powell said.

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# Two of a kind in Texas education

Rarely do guests at funerals “buy” officiants’ claims that we “gather together to celebrate the life of \_\_\_\_\_.” You fill in the blank. We’ve all “been there, heard that.”

Most are prone to think of funerals as marking ends rather than beginnings. Usually, grief engulfs us, dragging us far below the state of joy we’d prefer. Our spirits don’t seem to be on wings of eagles, soaring across sun-splashed skies.

To attend two funerals a couple of days apart for giants who’ve completed long lives of meritorious service, one is fortunate indeed. Both had nothing left to prove professionally. C.A. Roberson, 88, served Tarrant County College for 30 years, the last seven as chancellor; and Dorothy Estes, 90, toiled for 27 years as student publications director at the University of Texas at Arlington.

There were countless reasons to celebrate both lives. Their combined years in education exceeded 100. At UTA, the feisty Estes won tons of awards, and so did her students who turned out the student newspaper, The Shortorn. (More than 600 of her journalism graduates are in the communications field.)

A few miles away at TCC, Roberson was the longest-serving senior administrator in the college’s history, on hand when the institution’s South Campus opened to 4,272 students, then overseer of construction of four additional campuses before retiring in 1996. (Today, TCC enrolls some 100,000 students annually in credit and non-credit courses.) He was a “go-to” man for college presidents, trustees, faculty, students and even the Texas Legislature. In the 1960s, he developed the funding for-

mula that’s still largely in place to determine allocations for the state’s public two-year institutions.

He started early. Roberson was business manager of San Angelo College at age 20, and was dean of students at Sul Ross State College at 23. (Now, Angelo State and Sul Ross State Universities)...

They both held humor, albeit in different ways. Dorothy laughed with total abandon. Roberson, more subdued, restricted “rollicking” largely to his innards.

At each service, I was “on the look-out” for amusing scenes or situations, and I lucked out.

At Dorothy’s funeral, much was “Episcopalian boilerplate.” The priest read from his own material in “The Collect,” during which he prayed on behalf of “thy servant Dorothy.” The rest of us took silently from the program; however, it listed “Eleanor” instead of “Dorothy.” I thought of her endless “hammering” for students to “get names right,” since many people make the newspaper just twice – at birth and death. What irony. It turned out that Eleanor’s funeral had occurred a few days earlier, but the program names weren’t changed. Dorothy would have laughed herself into a smothering spell....

For a smile at Roberson’s service, the “yolk” was on me. He would have

“high-slapped” at my misadventure. Upon reaching the church parking lot, I noticed five identically-marked spaces near the main entrance.

Upon first reading, I thought the spaces to be reserved for “DR BETTER.” Hmmmm, could the minister’s name be “Better”? But, why would he need five parking spaces? Closer inspection revealed a more likely message: “70 RO BETTER.” I was egg-faced.

Okay. Show me a man with his head held high, and I’ll show you one unaccustomed to his bi-focals....

Speaking of bi-focals, here’s a story from a car rental place, and by the story and his predecessor, Dr. Joe B. Rushing, were flummoxed, unable to extinguish a dash light.

They summoned the rental car guy; he quickly assessed the situation. “That light means ‘high beam,’” he said....

I learned much from Estes and Roberson, admiring greatly her master teaching and his administrative expertise.

Another with keen memories is Bill Moyers, public television personality and President Lyndon B. Johnson’s press secretary. In Marshall, Texas, Junior High, he sat in Dorothy’s first class. She probably helped him with his eventual journalistic credo: “When at all possible, tell the truth, but, never lie.”

“Nuff said....”

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# Protecting journalists from harm

By Gene Polincinski, Inside the First Amendment

I understand the motivation behind the just-proposed Journalist Protection Act, which would make it a federal crime to attack those involved in reporting the news. The legislation comes at a time of particularly vocal attacks on news operations and individual reporters, many of which stem from the highest office in the land.

I admire the goal – preventing or penalizing misguided thugs who would censor through violence. And I salute California Rep. Eric Swalwell for introducing it in an era in which support for journalism is at an all-time low.

But some part of me – the free press advocate in me – hopes the proposed act never becomes law, not because journalists don’t need protection, but because I fear unintended consequences. As the old maxim goes, “No good deed goes unpunished.”

The great power, and the proper position, of a free press has always been that it represents “the people.” The press is – simply and magnificently – not a group apart, but part of that group. It is not made up of “elites” or players united in some grand conspiracy to control the news or steer the nation, as some grandstanding politicians claim, but a disjointed gaggle of vocal, well-informed fellow citizens, who are employed to report on behalf of us all. Those who would damage democracy’s checks and balances by isolating the “watchdogs on government” from fellow citizens would like nothing better than to tell journalists themselves give credence to such a separation.

In a Feb. 5 news release, Rep. Swalwell makes his good case for the Journalist Protection Act: “President Donald Trump’s campaign and administration have created a toxic atmosphere. It’s not just about labeling reports of his constant falsehoods as #FakeNews – it’s his casting of media personalities and outlets as anti-American targets, and encouraging people to engage in violence.”

Swalwell, while conceding that not all attacks against journalists in the U.S. can be connected to Trump, said nonetheless “such antagonistic communications help encourage others to react, regardless of their views, that violence against people engaged in journalism is more acceptable.”

Journalism groups also noted, in the news release, the dangers their members now face. Broadcasters in the field often work alone or with a single colleague, said Charlie Braico, president of the National Association of Broadcast Employees and Technicians. “With their expensive and cumbersome equipment, they are easy and tempting prey for anti-media extremists and thieves.”

“Dozens of physical assaults on journalists during their jobs were documented by the U.S. Press Freedom Tracker in 2017,” said Rick Blum, director of News Media for Open Government. “Physical violence and intimidation should never get in the way of covering police, protesters, presidents and other public matters.”

The tracker that Blum refers to is a new database, launched and operated by the Committee to Protect Journalists, which logs arrests, harassment and physical attacks on journalists. As of Feb. 7, it showed that since January 2017, 30 reporters in the U.S. have been attacked while covering protests and two reporters had been assaulted by politicians. (Note: The Newsum is among the journalism groups supporting the database project.)

Globally, the situation is much grimmer: According to Freedom House, an international freedom advocacy group, barely 13 percent of the world’s population lives in nations where the press is considered free. The CPJ reports that journalists killed this far in 2018, 262 imprisoned since 2017, and 58 journalists missing around the world.

So to all those critics who already are attacking Swalwell’s bill as unneeded or rooted in partisan politics – sorry, but the threat to journalists is real from those who consider violence an acceptable form of press criticism.

Still, we should be wary of giving journalists a special place in the zone of laws that already protect us all from assault, battery or worse. Granted, the proposed act could be an alternative when local officials refuse to follow up on an attack – or do so ineffectively. But I like the old news-gathering maxim that “journalists have no more rights than anyone else ... but also have no fewer rights.”

Better to encourage police and prosecutors to zealously do their jobs when an attack occurs. Better we hold accountable politicians and others – who for political gain or other unscrupulous motives – choose to simply taunt the news media rather than doing the hard work of legitimate, fact-based criticism.

The Journalist Protection Act is prompted by sincere and worthy motives – and there is a sickness in the land today that condones and encourages threats and violence against journalists. But a free press is better protected by laws that protect us all.

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# Cloudy day for Texas sunshine laws

By Ross Ramsey, Texas Tribune

It might deflate your confidence in the state of Texas to find that the people protecting your access to government information have their thumbs on the scale. That they’re playing favorites. That they put requests from their enemies on the slow track. Or that they advise the agencies who come to them for advice to act that way.

But that might be your takeaway from a remarkable 10-minute-21-second video of Marc Rylander, director of communications for Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton, talking to a crowd at an open government seminar put on by the AG’s office in San Marcos last month.

Rylander seems to be joking at the beginning of the video, but he’s persistent – what communications pros call “on message” – for the whole time. That message? He doesn’t trust the news media, and you shouldn’t, either.

He’s not alone in that sentiment, even in the communications business. But Rylander seemed to jump the tracks with his suggestion – delivered with a smile, but delivered without rebuttal – that the people in front of him could use their bureaucratic wiles to follow the state’s open information laws, which require responses to requests within 10 business days, as slowly as possible.

“Communications guys love it when reporters make a request and you all wait until the 23rd hour of the tenth day to send it back to them,” Rylander said. “So it all works out both ways, right?”

“I’m supposed to tell you not to do that,” Rylander said, laughing. “It depends on who the reporter is. Can we

name names? I promised the attorney general I would not say anything bad about The Dallas Morning News, so I’m not gonna do it. I’m not gonna call any paper by name.”

It’s fair to say The Dallas Morning News has been particularly persistent, though certainly not alone, in reporting on criminal securities charges against Paxton, Rylander’s boss. And it’s fair to say that Rylander used his time on stage to punch back at the paper.

The Morning News got a copy of the video and wrapped a scathing editorial around it. Here’s a sweet little detail: The AG’s office shot the video in question, and Rylander’s office handed the open records request that put it in the paper’s hands.

On stage, Rylander spent several minutes ripping the news media, directing most of his wrath at newspapers in general and his local paper – he’s from the Dallas area – in particular. “You ask the question, what’s the one piece of advice you give on dealing with the media?” he said in response to a question. “Know who you’re dealing with. That’s it.”

He says he’s got a beef with the Dallas paper and that it doesn’t extend to everybody else it deals with in the press.

“As a public official, do you have an ethical responsibility to answer the media?” he said a little later, repeating a quiet question from somewhere in the room. “My answer to your question is yes, and absolutely, unless that reporter doesn’t have the ethical responsibility to report fairly and honestly. At that point, I’ll never talk to you again. Call the open records office.”

Rylander and the AG’s office are relatively responsive to requests for information, and Texas laws requiring government employees to give information to their masters – that would be the citizens of Texas – are better than the laws in most states. And the vast majority of information requests to the state government don’t come from the media. They come from citizens, companies, accountants, lawyers, you name it.

The problem with what Rylander said is really about who he was talking to when he said it. State agencies and local governments get their advice on how to treat requests for information from the state’s attorney general.

Railing at a bunch of government officials who to stall out a request for information that belongs not to the government but to the public is another thing. Listen to the last thing he said on the video: “The problem with our culture today is that journalists and reporters no longer have ethical responsibilities, but they demand everybody else does.”

We can settle that later, over a cup of coffee or a beer. But remember that first thing he said on the video, about running the clock and not delivering open records to requesters until the last minute.

“I’m supposed to tell you not to do that,” he said. “It depends on who the reporter is.”

Actually, it doesn’t – and in a conversation later, he made it clear that he knows that. But thanks to his presentation, a roomful of public officials have reason to think it does.



CHS students Shylee Morrow, Angelina Araujo, Kira Weatherthorn, Kailee Osburn, Alex Bilbrey and (not pictured) Philip Mondis all received metals at the Canadian Invitational Academic Meet last Saturday.

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### Clarendon High School spelling team wins again

Clarendon High School sent 26 students to the Canadian Invitational Academic Meet last Saturday, and the Spelling and Vocabulary team again placed first.

Kira Weatherthorn again medaled, coming in 2nd, and she was joined on the medal stand by Shylee Morrow, who placed 3rd. Kailee Osburn and Angelina Araujo rounded out the first place team.

Senior Alex Bilbrey came away first in Current Issues & Events and

Philip Mondis placed 2nd in Mathematics to finish the medalists for Clarendon.

Brandalyn Ellis placed 5th in Ready Writing with Philip Mondis placing 6th in Ready Writing. Matt Boyd placed 4th in Editorial Writing, and Marquis McGuire came in 6th in Science and 2nd in Physics to round out individuals who placed in the top six at the meet.

In addition to the Spelling team's placement, the Number Sense

team of Gavin Word, Shylee Morrow, Mattee Johnson, and Sophie Bilbrey came in 2nd, and the Math team of Philip Mondis, Harmon Drenth, Kira Weatherthorn, and Trenton Smith placed 2nd as well. The meet was a large one, with Clarendon, Berger, Dalhart, Canadian, Fritch, Stinnett, Spearman, Stratford, and Gruver all taking part. Students and sponsors now turn their attention to preparing for district competition in March the week after Spring Break.

### United Christians to hold breakfast

The United Christians February breakfast will be the morning of February 15, at the Fellowship Hall in the United Methodist Church. Breakfast will be served at 7:00 a.m. and will be finished by 8:00 for people to get to work.

The program "Showing love by feeding the hungry" will be brought by Mary Shields.

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### Locals make WT honors lists

West Texas A&M University has named 1,710 students to honors lists for the fall 2017 semester. Of that total, 629 were named to the President's List and 1,081 students were named to the Dean's List.

Students named to the President's List must have a grade point average (GPA) of 4.00 and carry a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours. Those students included Deborah Joyce Howard of Hedley, a junior Communication Disorders major; and Abigail Nicole Johnson of Clarendon, a junior Psychology major.

Those named to the Dean's List must have a GPA between 3.50 and 3.99 and carry a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours. Those students included Joe Darrell Hall, a senior Sociology major; Kimberly A. Harper, a senior Sports/Exercise Science major; and Cedrick Jamal McCampbell, a sophomore Sports/Exercise Science major, all of Clarendon; and Cynthia Nicole Lambert, a senior Applied Arts & Science major, and Wyatt Earl Wheatly, a junior Sports/Exercise Science major, both of Hedley.

### Five locals graduate from WTAMU

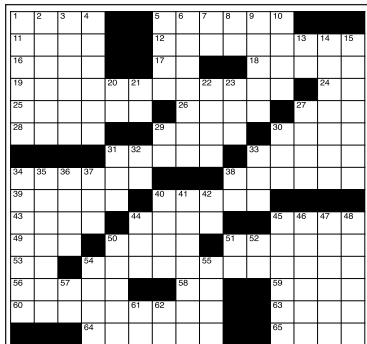
Degrees were officially conferred on 858 West Texas A&M University students during fall commencement exercises Dec. 16 at the First United Bank Center. The University awarded 585 baccalaureate degrees and 273 master's degrees.

The graduating class represented 37 states, eight countries and more than 100 Texas cities and towns.

Clarendon graduates included Meghan P. Gribble with a Master's in Social Work; Kimberly A. Harper with a Bachelor's of Science in Sports/Exercise Science; Brandi M. Havens with a Master's of Business Administration in General Business/Management; Deidre Louise Lewis with a Master's of Arts in Counseling; and Erin C. Osburn with a Master's of Science in Social Work.

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  - Hundredth anniversary
  - Chew the fat
  - Doctor of Medicine
  - Large, edible game fish
  - Revitalization
  - Personal computer
  - Unfettered
  - Clumsy persons
  - Japanese classical theater
  - Part of a ship
  - Rate of movement
  - How much
  - Image taken with a camera
  - Sharp mountain ridge
  - Czech capital
  - One who treats poorly
  - By right
  - Relating to odors
  - As soon as possible
  - Israeli Olympic swimmer
  - Scored perfectly
  - Financial ratio (abbr.)
  - Unpleasant emotion
  - Sign of the zodiac
  - Promotional material
  - Your parents' parents
  - Monetary unit
  - Farm state
  - One of Hollywood's Bridges brothers
  - Not the plaintiff
  - "Night Train" novelist
  - Martens valued for their fur
  - Discount
- CLUES DOWN**
- Bone in the lower back
  - Goddess of wisdom
  - Comedic honors
  - A way to grasp
  - Apex
  - British soldier
  - Manganese
  - Indicates position
  - Decompressions in scuba diving (abbr.)
  - Soon
  - Blood type
  - Clever reply
  - One who travels by luxurious boat
  - Once more
  - Rural delivery
  - Mexican dish
  - Nigerian City
  - Is not (Span.)
  - Italy's longest river
  - Grand \_\_\_ vintage
  - Monetary unit
  - The man
  - Basics
  - Poster
  - Small remains
  - Gelatinous substance
  - A narrow opening
  - Artificial intelligence
  - Algerian coastal city
  - Canned fish
  - Milligram
  - Carrot's partner
  - Single-celled animals
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  - Necessitate
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**February 22-24**  
Lady Broncos Softball • Fitch Tour-  
namant • Away

**February 24**  
Broncos Baseball • Berger • Home •  
1:00 p.m.

**February 26**  
Broncos Baseball • Hale Center •  
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Lady Broncos Softball Tournament  
• West Texas High • Away

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Hedley's District OAP competition •  
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**March 9**  
CHS Track • Tulla

**April 3 & 4**  
Whistle Stop Trade Days

## ★ Menus

February 19 - 23

**Donley County Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Spaghetti/meat sauce, garlic bread, tossed salad, green peas & carrots, spice cake, iced tea/2% milk.  
Tue: Roast beef sandwich, relish plate, cucumber/tomato salad, fruit salad, iced tea/2% milk.  
Wed: Barbecue chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, whole wheat roll, vanilla pudding, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thu: Chicken enchilada casserole, pinto beans, tossed salad, banana pudding, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: Cheeseburger on bun, sweet potato fries, lettuce, tomato, onions, sugar cookie, iced tea/2% milk.

**Hedley Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Beef & bean Chile Verde, long grain white rice, tossed vegetable salad, saline cracker, cantaloupe, iced tea/2% milk.  
Tue: Creamy mushroom steak, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, whole wheat roll, margarine, emerald peas, iced tea/2% milk.  
Wed: Sloppy Joe on bun, country potato salad, carrots & zucchini, creamy fruit square, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thu: Chicken tenders, garlic mashed potatoes, turnip greens, wheat roll, mandarin oranges, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: Ham & pinto beans, cornbread, margarine, spinach, seasoned corn, orange pineapple cup, country apple crisp, iced tea/2% milk.

Clarendon ISD

**Breakfast**  
Mon: No School  
Tue: Chicken n biscuit, fruit juice, fruit, milk.  
Wed: Biscuit, gravy, scrambled eggs, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk.  
Thu: Pancake wrap, yogurt, fruit juice, fruit, milk.  
Fri: Biscuit, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

**Lunch**  
Mon: Taquito, queso, Spanish rice, charrro beans, seasoned corn, salsa, fruit crisp, milk.  
Tue: Meatball sub sandwich, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit, milk.  
Wed: Chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, savory green beans, garden salad, apple slices, milk.  
Thu: Cheese pizza, seasoned corn, tiry tomato cup, fruiti gelaatin, milk.  
Fri: Frito pie, lettuce, tomato, cucumber slices, baby carrots, cinnamon applesauce, cookie, milk.

Hedley ISD

**Breakfast**  
Mon: No School  
Tue: Cheesy toast, scrambled eggs, bacon, fruit, fruit juice, milk.  
Wed: Pizza, hash browns, fruit, fruit juice, milk.  
Thu: Cinnamon toast, oatmeal, fruit, fruit juice, milk.  
Fri: Donuts, bacon, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

**Lunch**  
Mon: No School  
Tues: Frito pie, tater tots, veggie cup, apricot, milk.  
Wed: Chicken nuggets, mac n cheese, toss salad, pears, milk.  
Thu: Hamburger, cheese, vegetable garden, fries, orange smilie, milk.  
Fri: Pulled pork sliders, coleslaw, green beans, pineapple delight, milk

## Scammers pose as magazine salesman

Hi, gang! We have a new scam warning. The Amarillo Police Department has been made aware of a possible scam in that city involving magazine sales. I talked to Sheriff Blackburn who advised that the Sheriff's Office did not have any complaints in Donley County, however these people usually hit Amarillo first and then moved out into the smaller cities. Please watch out, tell your friends and older people who are at home during the day to beware. Call and report any suspicious persons to the Sheriff's Office at 874-3533.

Other articles this week: Tax ID Theft, and That's not your neighbor calling. Bob

"Possible scam with a group selling magazines," by Cpl. Jeb Hill, APD.

The Amarillo Police Department has been made aware of a possible scam in town involving magazine sales. We have been told that a group is going door to door selling magazines to raise money for the Downtown Women's Center in Amarillo. They are telling people that they stay in the shelter and are required to sale the magazines to keep their residency. We have been in contact with the DTWC and they advised that this group is not a part of their organization.

They have never and will never solicit for money and do not require any of their residents to sale anything to stay in their facilities.

"Beware of Tax ID Theft," Kristin Kecklesin, AARP.

As we enter tax-filing season, it pays to be aware of the signs that point to possible tax identity theft. How It Works: Tax identity theft

When someone steals your Social Security number to file a fraudulent tax refund or to get a job. What You Should Know: If the IRS receives a duplicate tax return filing using your Social Security number, you will receive a written notice through the mail. Likewise, the IRS will send a notice if you have unreported income or that you and someone else are claiming the same dependents. The IRS will not initiate contact with you by e-mail, text or social media.

To Reduce Your Risk of Being Victimized by Tax Identity Theft: Submit your tax return as early in the tax season as possible. Be careful what you share, don't give out your personal information unless you know who is asking and why, and don't be shy about refusing. Dispose of sensitive information safely, shared it with a micro-cut shredder. Know your tax preparer. Check the status of your refund after filing at www.irs.gov/refunds. If you think someone filed a fraudulent refund with your information, call the IRS Identity Theft line at 800-908-4490. To learn more, visit www.ftc.gov/taxidtheft.

When it comes to fraud, vigilance is our number one weapon. You have the power to protect yourself and your loved ones from scams. Please share this alert with friends and family.

"That's not your neighbor calling," by Emma Fletcher, FTC.



**bob's whittlin'**  
by bob watson

When your phone rings and it looks like a local call, you may be more likely to answer. Scammers count on this and can easily fake caller ID numbers. They even can match the first six digits of your own number, which is called "neighbor spoofing." The urge to answer can be tough to resist, since you might worry it's a neighbor who needs help, or the school nurse.

If you see a number like this on your caller ID, remember that it could be faked. Letting it go to voicemail is one option. If you do pick up and don't recognize the caller, hang up. But what else can you do? Call blocking services that block or flag unwanted calls can help. These services include mobile apps, features built into your mobile phone, cloud-based services, call-blocking devices, or services provided by your phone service carrier. Some are free and others cost money.

You also can register your number with the Do Not Call Registry. The Do Not Call Registry is designed to stop sales calls from legitimate companies, so it won't stop calls from scammers. But it could make it easier for you to spot scam calls. If a company is ignoring the Registry, there's a good chance it's a scam. You also can help by reporting unwanted calls. We take the phone numbers you report and release them to the public each business day. This helps phone carriers and other partners that are working on call blocking solutions. Your reports also help law enforcement identify the people behind illegal calls.

Stay safe out there (it ain't easy).



**the lion's tale**  
by scarlet estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting February 13, 2018, with Boss Lion Robert Riza wielding the gavel.

We had 13 members, visiting Lion George Hubbard, one guest this week - Drew Powell, guest of Lion Roger Estlack, who delivered our program.

The Boss Lion read a "thank you" note from the Donley County Senior Citizens for the donation the club made last week.

Lion Mike Norrell reported on the public school and said the boys are in the playoffs for basketball and the girls finished their season last Friday. UIL competitions are underway, and NHS induction is next week. Lion Ashlee Estlack said softball is playing this week at the college and a college student, T.M. Smith, won the Bronc riding event at San Antonio.

Mr. Powell discussed his latest job as a reporter at ABC 7 in Amarillo. He is now a pilot of a drone, following a week of training in Virginia. He discussed the rules and capabilities associated with the drone and its use to cover the news.

The Boss Lion reminded everyone about the Republican candidates' forum this Thursday at 7 p.m. at the college, and he also said the annual Change Mark Jones Roar n Run 5K will be April 14.

There being no further business, we were dismissed to spread Lionism and good cheer throughout our fair county.

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## February holidays feature presidents, Mardis Gras

Today is February 12, and what a week this will be! We have Abraham Lincoln's birthday, Shrove Tuesday or Mardi Gras followed by Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent for the ones who practice this. Next week is George Washington's birthday.

Abe Lincoln, our country's 16th President, was born in a log cabin on Feb. 12, 1809, near Hodgenville, Kentucky, not in Illinois as I thought. He was a farmer and lawyer, was elected president in 1861, and served until he was assassinated on April 15, 1865.

He led the country through the Civil War and issued the Emancipation Proclamation that freed the slaves in the southern states, which is one of the defining documents in our heritage. His death was tragic for the country.

Happy birthday, Abe! We still remember you.

Shrove Tuesday or Mardi Gras

is the day before Lent begins in the Catholic church, a time to give up or abstain from a list you particularly enjoy. In the days before refrigeration all food had to be cooked and eaten, or it would become uneatable and thrown out which was a sin, hence the name Fat Tuesday.

After the big party, with sins confessed a cross was drawn on the forehead by the priest's finger dipped in ash. Then began six weeks of abstaining that leads to Good Friday, March 30, and Easter Sunday, April 1. It is amazing how things link together.

Continue to pray for rain, for our community, and for a pastor for Howardwick Baptist Church.



**wick picks**  
by peggy cockerham  
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## Chamber banquet features chance to visit with Greens

Last Thursday, I went to the Chamber of Commerce Banquet at the college. I helped set up stuff the day before, and I helped set stuff on the tables. The Chamber of Commerce helps promote the city and organize special events.

The theme this year was Denim and Diamonds. The guests this year were Dusty and Nikki Green. They live in Howardwick, and they have a TV show called "Two for the Road." The show is about their travels, and they go all over the world. During the awards and dinner, I sat at the same table with them and got to talk with them. They are really nice people.



**the cub reporter**  
by benjamin estlack

"gem stones" scattered everywhere, and our silverware was placed in pockets from blue jeans.

I'm really looking forward to next year's Chamber banquet, and I hope that I can help out again.

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**Obituaries**

**Estes**

Louvetta Cowan Estes of Clarendon was born in Estelline on November 8, 1925, to Randy and Myrtle Wallace Cowan. She passed into the arms of her Heavenly Father on February 8, 2018, at the age of 92.



Estes

Celebration of Life Services were held on Sunday, February 11, 2018 in Robertson Funeral Directors Saints' Roost Chapel in Clarendon with Rev. Lance Wood, officiating. Burial will follow in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon.

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

Louvetta graduated from Clarendon High School in 1943.

Louvetta married Bailey Estes on May 8, 1952, in Clarendon and they had two children, Stephen Bailey Estes and Melissa Estes Butts. They lived in Clarendon until 2007 when they moved to Lubbock but never considered any place 'home' except Clarendon.

After Bailey passed away in 2010, Louvetta moved to San Antonio. Louvetta worked as a Telephone Operator until 1952 when she and Bailey married at which time she stayed home to become a housewife and mother. She was a longtime member of the First Baptist Church of Clarendon.

She loved children and served as den mother for cub scouts in the 1950's. She enjoyed playing dominoes with Bailey and her family. She was an avid reader and enjoyed watching game shows. When she was unable to attend church, she watched live broadcasts on Sunday morning. She enjoyed entertaining and amazing family and friends with her ability to recite many poems, stories, and songs from memory.

Louvetta was preceded in death by her husband of 58 years; her parents; two brothers, J.R. Cowan and H.R. Cowan; three sisters, Bessie Thompson, Marzelle Russell and Nelta Mann.

Survivors include a son, Stephen Bailey Estes of Clarendon; daughters, Melissa Butts and husband John of San Antonio and Toza Jones and husband Cecil of Lubbock; grandchildren, Bryant Jones and wife Janie, Lafonda Miller and husband Jeremy, Stephanie Estes-Davidson and husband Josh, Eric Butts and Kyle Butts; step grandchild, Jerod Moore and wife Terri; seven great grandchildren, Bradley Jones, Tabatha Jones, Chase Jones, Baylee Jones, Cassius Miller, Angelina Chavez, Evan Bailey Estes; and a host of extended relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Mulkey Theatre Project c/o Clarendon EDC or a church of choice.

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**Les Beaux Art Club names officers**

The Les Beaux Art Club held its February meeting at the Methodist Church. The meeting was called to order by President Diane Skelton. The hostesses were Ruth Hancock, Theresa Shelton, Chelton Shelton, Darlene Spier, and Darlene Gray.

The Valentine theme was used by the hostesses. Ham, potato casserole, green beans and wonderful strawberry short cake was served.

The nominating committee presented the following names for the Officers for 2018-2019: The Officers are: President, Diane Skelton; Vice President, Louella Slater; Secretary, Carol Allen; Treasurer, Darlene Spier; Reporter, Mary White.

Several items of business were taken care of, and some were tabled until next month.

Next meeting will be March 2, 2018, at Community Fellowship Church.

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However, I will not be supporting King in this election and I urge you to consider the following. In recent years, the huge gas pipeline companies, using their monopoly power, took tremendous, unjustified increases in their share of every Texas gas well's production. They did this on a "take it or leave it" basis. This unreasonable action has already resulted in productive wells being abandoned prematurely, large losses in ad valorem tax revenue for producing counties, and lower economic activity, particularly in the producing counties. In case you think, as a resident of a non-producing county, or as someone not directly employed in the energy industry, this issue does not affect you, these actions also resulted in losses in severance tax revenue that is paid directly to the State. These actions by the pipelines caused the loss of income, jobs, tax-base value, and tax revenue that had a negative effect on every citizen in the state.

We operate a small family-owned natural gas production company. Our business is actually similar to many ag producers in the problems we deal with every day. Like Farmers and Ranchers, we produce a vital commodity, then sell it to huge corporations that process and deliver that commodity to consumers. Imagine the effect it would have on your business if the huge corporations that buy your beef, wheat, and cotton suddenly and arbitrarily lowered your prices by 20 to 50 percent while making it more difficult for you to deliver to them AND maintaining their retail prices. I thought that Mr. King would be a natural to lead the fight against this unconscionable and illegal action by the pipelines. We thought Kenny would take the reins and be our leader, just as we expected when we voted for him. We did our research and showed Kenny where the pipelines were

legally, we showed him the damage being done to all citizens, and we showed him where the legislature had given the RRC a mandate to solve this problem. We didn't ask for new legislation, we asked that King help us persuade the RRC to do the job they are mandated to do. A few phone calls and a public statement of support for our position might well have carried the day. We didn't know if we would prevail, but we were sure our voices would be heard. We felt confident that our representative would make an effort in behalf of every tax payer in the district and the state.

We were wrong. Ken went on the radio and said nobody was guaranteed the right to a good living (as though that was what we were asking for). He called us whiners. He even told us that the problem did not affect Hemphill County (his home county) after he had showed him how it hurts every well in the state and every citizen, even including those not directly involved in the industry. His only positive reaction was to offer to try to set up meetings with pipeline management that we were already meeting with. Ken simply could not grasp the issue and did not try. This is not the only case. When public officials in Littlefield asked for help with a vital economic issue, he turned them down flat. When the chips were down, Ken King did not answer the call. Regardless of your personal business, job, or background, I know you want a representative who will listen, learn, and take a stand for YOUR interests when issues that are important to you and your family arise. I am supporting Richard Beyea, of Perryton for state representative for District 88. Richard came from very modest beginnings and has made a success from the ground up. He knows what it means when we in this area are threatened by large outside interests and he has fought and will fight for OUR interests throughout THIS District. He has the Character, Intelligence, and Energy to be an outstanding representative for all of US. He needs your contributions, your support, and your vote in the Republican primary. Please give for all our sakes.

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## Lady Broncos fall out of post-season play in OT loss

By Sandy Aenderberg

The Lady Broncos had one shot at a playoff spot but fell short by two points in their game with Memphis last Friday. Despite playing hard and giving their all, the Lady Broncos' season ended with a 44-46 loss in overtime.

The Lady Broncos struggled against a good Claude team and could never get anything going in the game. The Lady Mustangs took control early in the game and the Lady Broncos struggled to make shots.

"We struggled to make layups or even many field goals in the first quarter as well as the second," coach Corey Conkin said. "Claude's pressure defense was too much for us to handle throughout the game so we struggled to score much at all.

### Lady Colts compete in District Tournament

The seventh and eighth grade Lady Colts participated in the District Tournament in Wheeler to mark the end of their 2018 season. Both teams finished fourth in their divisions.

The seventh grade went up against Wellington in the first round and defeated them 34-22. After playing a close first half, the Lady Colts took control and posted an 11-point lead while holding their opponent to only one point in the third quarter. The Lady Colts were able to cruise to the win over Wellington. Finley Cunningham was unstoppable from her inside position and finished with 18 points to lead the Lady Colts. Laney Gates put in six, Makenna Shadle and Aliyah Weatherton helped with four each, and Avery English put in two.

They played Claude in the second game and fell short at 13-44. The Lady Colts struggled from the beginning and could never get anything going in the game. Shadle and Aliyah Weatherton each had six, and Aliyah Weatherton put in one.

They went up against Wheeler in the final game and lost by one point at 16-17. The game was tied after the first half, but the third quarter was the deal breaker for the Lady Colts. They were able to only put

Defensively we did not have our best game either."

Emily Johnson was on fire and finished with 13 points. Carlee Johnson had eight, Sandra Smith and Mattee Johnson put in three each, and Shaelyn Owitz had two.

That loss put the ladies in a tie with Memphis for the last playoff spot. They played the Lady Cyclones last Friday in Hedley and fell short in overtime by two points.

Memphis grabbed the early advantage in the first quarter of play, but the Lady Broncos were able to come within one point at the break. The Lady Cyclones were making everything they put up, and the Lady Broncos struggled to make a shot.

Memphis fell by five after three, but the Lady Broncos bounced back

and made up ground in the final period of play. Tied at 40 all at the end of regulation, the teams battled it out in overtime. Memphis was able to convert four free throws in the overtime period and earned the win and the chance to continue to post-season play.

Owitz was a workhorse in the game and finished with 15 points. Hannah Hommel had eight, and Smith and E. Johnson each had six. C. Johnson had four, M. Johnson put in two, and Jade Benson had two.

"In the playoff game with Memphis for seeding, we had a pretty good game," Conkin said. "Our defense was struggling to contest their outside shooters and they knocked some big three-pointers down to take an early lead. The girls

fought back and took charge in the fourth quarter, but unfortunately a few calls did not go our way and we fell short.

"We had a great season, but it is always disappointing when you don't make the playoffs. We won a lot of games in the pre-season along with two tournaments. It is heartbreaking to know that our season is over. We will miss our three seniors who were great leaders. They were a good group of girls who I was blessed to get to coach these past two years. They make me proud. Now it's time to see who works hard in the off-season to get stronger and better so that the Lady Broncos won't be sitting at home when the playoffs begin next year."



Lady Bronco Shaelyn Owitz takes a free throw during last Friday's game against Memphis.

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Clarendon JV girls face Claude last week. COURTESY PHOTO / SHELLY HUNSAKER

### Lady Bronco JV slams Claude 34-17

The Lady Bronco junior varsity ended their season with a big win over Claude on the road last Tuesday night. They took the game at 34-17.

After a very slow first quarter, the Lady Broncos were able to pick up their game before half time. Their defense held the Lady Mustangs to only five points to give them a six-point lead going into the break.

Their game picked up in the

second half just where they had left off and capitalized on missed shots and turnovers by their opponent.

Ashlynn Newsome put in 13 to lead the ladies on the scoreboard, and Darcie Hunsaker helped with six. Jade Benson had five, and Raynee Newsome had three. Kaitlee Osburn, Sophie Bilbrey, and Amnesty Outman put in two each, and Kaylin Hicks had one.



Kallie Lindsey works the ball toward the goal during Hedley's last game, where they captured a win against Shamrock.

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### Hedley Lady Owls end season with win

The Hedley Lady Owls closed out their season with a win against Shamrock last Tuesday at home.

The hard fought game was almost evenly matched at the outset with Hedley having a one-point lead after the first quarter and Shamrock tying it up 25-25 at the half.

The Lady Owls edged their

opponents in the second half, outscoring them in both the third and fourth quarters to get the 46-41 win.

Jasmine Lockeby and Perla Carreon led the Lady Owls with 12 points each. Kallie Lindsey had 9, Jayden Lambert shot 7, Cara Lambert had 3, Maddie Gay had 2, and Emma Lambert shot had 1.

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## Broncos' playoff bound after win over Memphis

By Sandy Aderberg

The Clarendon Broncos earned two big wins last week and continued in the hunt for post-season play. They first easily defeated Claude 64-41 on Tuesday. After a slow shooting first quarter, the Broncos turned up the heat on the Mustangs and took a commanding lead. They were able to control the momentum and the boards in the final half of play and get the 23-point win.

Damarjae Cortez was the top scorer with 21 points, Bear Smith added 12, and Justin Christopher put in 10. Noah Elam crushed three three-pointers for nine, Colt Wood had five, and Caton Grahn had three. Preston Elam helped with two, and Daquawne Oliver and Isaac Dunham put in one each.

"It wasn't pretty at times, but any win this time of year is a good win," coach Blake Nichols said. "We were a little flat after the big win against Panhandle and probable looking ahead to the Memphis game a little bit. As a Coach, I try to guard against those things, but both are understandable. I was proud we did what we had to do to win the game."

On Friday, the Broncos pulled a big win out of the hat when they played Memphis at home. Memphis earned the win at the buzzer in the first round and the Broncos were able to get revenge for that loss. The Broncos scored 20 points in the final quarter to get the 63-60 win over the Cyclones.

The Broncos trailed by 13 points early in the game, and it was clear that the Cyclones held the momentum in the first half of play. By the break, the Broncos had worked their way back to only trail by 10 points. A great third quarter effort by the Broncos put them back in the game where they closed the gap on the Cyclones, only trailing by six.

That is where the Broncos dug down deep determined to get the win. They were able to take the lead with just a little bit of time on the clock and hold off Memphis for the win.

Cortez nailed four three-pointers, and Wood put in three of his own. N. Elam also hit two big shots to help get the Broncos back in the game, and P. Elam had one three-point. Three Broncos finished in double figures in the game. Wood posted 20 points, Cortez had 18, and Smith put in 14. N. Elam had six, P. Elam had three, and Christopher finished with two.

"This was a big win," Nichols said. "I was proud of how we continued to hang in there and fight even after we got down by 13. Once we settled down after their hot start, I thought we played fairly well. We still have a few things we can improve on, and I'm excited about using the last game of the regular season to do that."

The Broncos' first playoff game had not been determined as of press time.

## Bronco JV beat the Mustangs

The Bronco junior varsity had two big games last week and earned a win over Claude at 42-31 and a loss to Memphis at 33-41.

The Broncos jumped on the Mustangs early and built up a six-point lead at the break. They continued to dominate the court and were able to extend that lead in the second half of play. Donovan Thompson racked up 17 points to lead the Broncos, and Jamal Butler added 12. Dalton Benson had five, Gavin Word put in four, Cole Franks and Ivan Gonzalez each had two.

On Friday, the Broncos took on Memphis at home. The Cyclones came out strong and stopped the Broncos cold in their tracks in the first quarter, but the Broncos were able to rally back and take a one-point lead at the break.

After a fairly even third quarter, Memphis was able to take control in the final quarter of the game by taking advantage of foul trouble and missed shots.

Thompson put in 25 points, which included going five for seven from the bonus line. Butler had five, and Benson put in two.



Clarendon Bronco Bear Smith fights for a rebound during last Friday's victory over Memphis.

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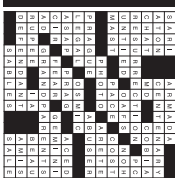
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## 4th Biennial Texas Panhandle Water Conservation Symposium

WHITE DEER – The Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District and City of Amarillo, along with their many sponsors, would like to invite the public to attend the 4th Biennial Texas Panhandle Water Conservation Symposium.

The Symposium is scheduled for Wednesday, February 28, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. at the Amarillo Civic Center.

In 2011, Texas began to experience the worst drought on record in our state's history. Fires ravaged much of the state while everyone waited for precipitation that never came. Crops were destroyed as temperatures reached all-time highs, setting records for the most consecutive 90-degree days, the most 100-degree days in a year and also for the highest temperature on record. To battle the toll of the heat, residential and agricultural water consumption increased dramatically.

Watching the trend of water use rising, the need and awareness for water conservation became apparent very quickly. Over the last few years, the Water Conservation Symposium has featured speakers covering topics from drought tolerant crops to rainwater harvesting to opportunities for water reuse. The goal in mind has

always been simple: use water more efficiently.

Recently, we have entered triple digits for the most consecutive days without moisture in our area since the 1950s. Researchers say 2018 is shaping up to turn out like 2011, unseasonably dry.

Whether we have a year with record rainfall or not, the reality is we live in a semi-arid climate, and ways to use water more efficiently is important to all of us. This year we have many speakers ready to talk about issues like, using drones in agriculture, future challenges of Texas' water and much more. New to

this Symposium will be more topics targeting the municipal sector, with potential for CEUs.

Register online at [www.water-conservationsymposium2018.eventbrite.com](http://www.water-conservationsymposium2018.eventbrite.com) or by calling 806-883-2501. Lunch will be provided by The Plaza in Amarillo. Attendees will also have a chance to visit with all of our event sponsors throughout the day. More information on the agenda, event sponsors and event topics can be found on PGCD's website at [www.pgcd.us](http://www.pgcd.us).

For any questions, call Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District at 806-883-2501.

## Sign-ups for the Conservation Stewardship Program underway

Agricultural producers wanting to enhance current conservation efforts are encouraged to apply for the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP).

Applications for CSP are accepted year round, however, applications for the current funding period must be received by March 2, 2018. Through CSP, USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) helps private landowners build their business while implementing conservation practices that help ensure the sustainability of their entire operation.

NRCS encourages all producers to visit their local NRCS office and submit applications for eligibility by March 2.

"CSP is an outstanding opportunity for agricultural producers, forest landowners and federally recognized Tribes to enhance the sustainability of their ongoing conservation efforts across the land," said NRCS Texas State Conservationist, Salvador Salinas. "This program and its suite of conservation practices is geared toward long-term benefits. Producers just need to sign up by the deadline to be eligible for

funding consideration. Conservation planning decisions in collaboration with NRCS staff can be done after that date."

NRCS recently made several updates to methods and program software that help producers better evaluate their conservation options, determine whether they are meeting stewardship thresholds, while also enabling producers to see potential conservation payment scenarios early in the process.

Through CSP, eligible participants earn payments for actively managing, maintaining, and expand-

ing conservation activities such as cover crops, ecologically-based pest management, buffer strips, and pollinator habitat – all while maintaining active agriculture production on their land.

Some CSP benefits include: Improved cattle gains per acre; Increased crop yields; Decreased inputs; Wildlife population improvements; and Better resilience to weather extremes.

Producers interested in CSP can contact their local USDA service center or visit [www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov).

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## CC Bulldogs beat WTC, Midland

The Clarendon College defeated the visiting men from Western Texas College last Thursday, February 8, in the Bulldog Gym.

The Bulldogs controlled the game, leading their opponents 45-32 at the half and continuing to outscore WTC in the second half to win the game, 85-71.

Ellis Jefferson and David Carter led CC with 20 points each. Xavier

Trent was also in double digits with 13 points. Also scoring were Reece Brooks and Donovan White, Jr., with 7 each, Edwon Brady and Paul Corbin, Jr., with 5 each, and Jaquan Horn and Shavairre Murray with 4 each.

Earlier in the week, the Bulldogs beat Midland College on the road, 68-63. CC led the game at the half, 38-33, and kept scoring even in

the second half.

Jefferson was the top scorer for the Bulldogs with 19 and was followed in double digits by Brooks 15, Carter 12, and Trent 11. White put in 4, Brady and Murry had 3 each, and Horne added 2.

CC improved its record to 18-8 for the season and 8-4 in conference. Their next home game is February 26 against South Plains College.

## CC Lady Bulldogs defeat WTC 76-62

The Clarendon College Lady Bulldogs defeated Western Texas College at home last Thursday, 76-62.

After an evenly matched first quarter, CC outscored WTC in each remaining period to secure the win. The Lady Bulldogs are now 20-6 for the season and 4-6 in conference play.

Scoring for Clarendon were Ja'Vonda Daniels 15, Lizet Sota 10, Bailey Shelor 9, Chantel Acosta 8, Bailey Lightfoot 8, Dajjah Henry 7, Mia Castaneda 6, Lexi Escobal 6, Kaleigh Stolz 5, and Aleiya Brantley 2.

Last Monday, the Lady Bulldogs lost on the road to Midland College, 63-76. Scoring for Clarendon were Acosta 23, Daniels 14, Castaneda 10, Sosa 6, Keyahna Jones 6, and Henry and Brantley with 2 each.

The Lady Bulldogs will be back in action at home Monday, February 26 against South Plains College.

## Lady Bulldogs win four games, lose one last week

The Clarendon College Lady Bulldogs won four out of five softball games last week.

Dezire Garcia started Wednesday's game for CC throwing three complete innings, allowing zero hits, zero runs, and striking out five. Devyn Yanello relieved Garcia in the top of the fourth, throwing two complete innings and giving up zero hits and zero runs scored.

Both pitchers teamed up to throw a no hitter in the Lady Bulldogs' 17-0 victory against Western Oklahoma State College.

Clarendon combined for 20 hits of Wednesday's double header. In the second game, KaBria

Arnold and Cierra Suire shared time on the mound in an 18-1 victory. Arnold allowed two hits and one run scored while throwing three complete innings. Suire came in relief in the top of the fourth inning allowing no hits and zero runs scored.

The Lady Bulldogs offense came alive in the second inning with 15 runs scored.

Clarendon defeated Colorado Northwestern Community College in the Midland Classic on Friday, 16-0, while putting up 14 total hits overall. CC's pitching staff led by Arnold and Yanello threw a combined shutout. Clarendon College's defense did not commit a single error

in the game.

Also on Friday, Clarendon took its first loss of the season against Snow College. The Lady Bulldogs led the entire game going into the bottom of the seventh inning 7-5, but just could not hold on. Despite the loss, CC collected 12 hits overall. The Lady Bulldogs also did not allow a single error in this game.

CC later defeated NJC on Friday, 11-4. Suire got the start for the Lady Bulldogs throwing 3 complete innings while allowing two hits, 1 run, 1 walk, and striking out 3. Arnold, Holguin, and Garcia each saw time in the circle as well, helping their team to victory.

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