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

CISD voters casting ballots on tax issue

Early voting is underway in the Clarendon ISD election to ratify a new \$1.17 property tax rate. School officials said Tuesday afternoon that 101 citizens had already cast early ballots since polling began last Wednesday.

The school's current ad valorem rate is \$1.04 per \$100 valuation. The proposed 13-cent increase would raise taxes on a \$100,000 home by \$130 per year.

CISD officials say they need the higher tax to help bridge a projected \$434,960 budget deficit for 2013-2014. The school has been hit with declining revenues due to state budget cuts and declining enrollment.

Early balloting continues at the CISD Administration Building through next Tuesday, May 28, during business hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Election Day will be Saturday, June 1.

Trash To Treasures sign-up ends May 24

This Friday is the deadline for those interested in participating in the eighth annual Trash To Treasures garage sale event to be held Saturday, June 1, 2013.

Sign-ups are underway at THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE, and registration is \$20 and comes with local and area advertising, a place on the official map, and the exclusive Trash To Treasures Garage Sale Kit.

Hearing to focus on revitalization grant

The City of Clarendon will a public hearing next Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. to discuss a possible downtown revitalization grant application.

The Clarendon Economic Development Corporation is considering applying for funds through the Texas Department of Agriculture's Texas Capital Fund. CEDC and city officials are looking at the grant as a possibly way to install historic lighting along Kearney Street and to fund sidewalk and accessibility improvements.

Tuesday's hearing will be held at City Hall and all citizens, particularly downtown property owners, are invited and encouraged to attend.

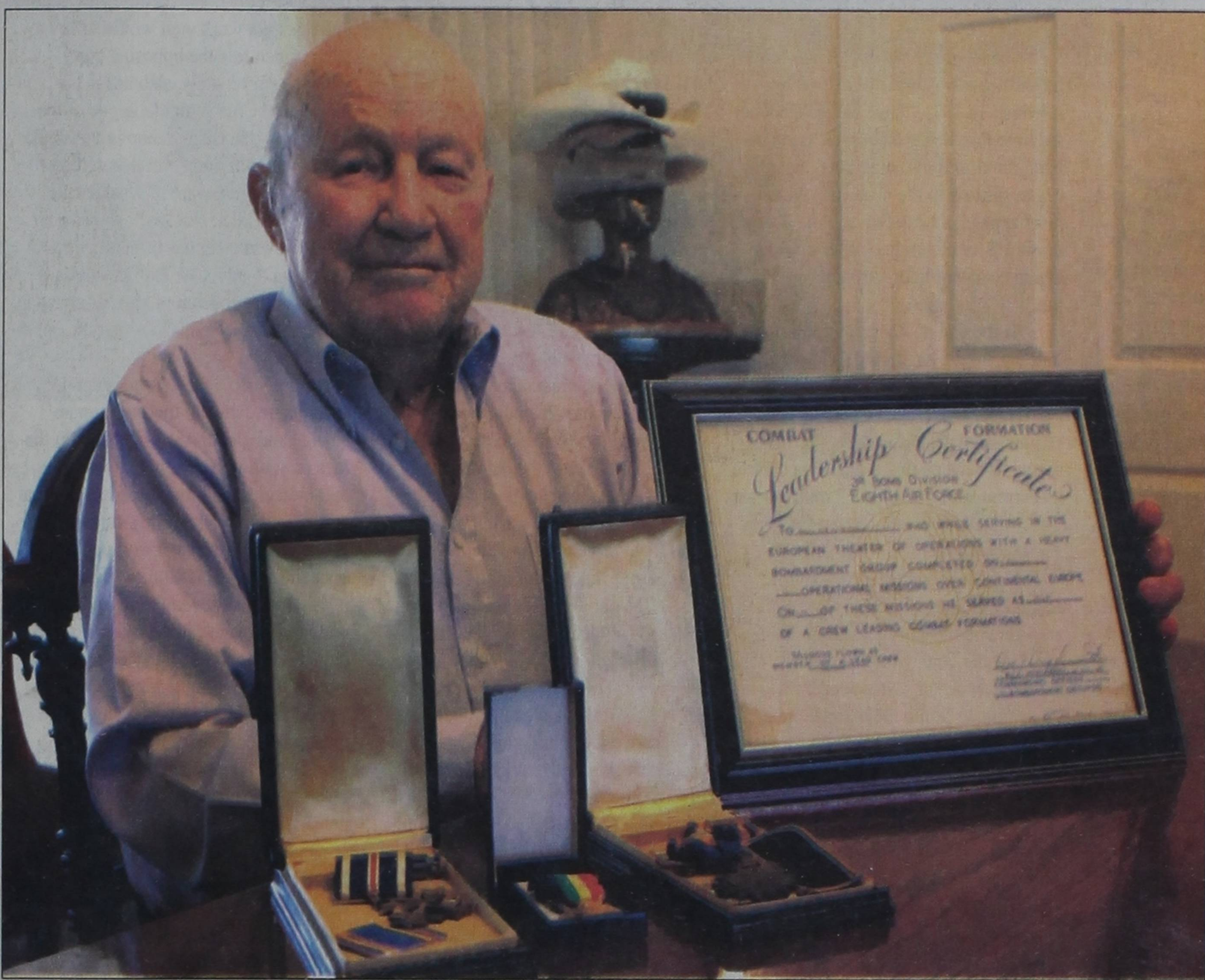
Baccalaureate to be held this Sunday

Baccalaureate service for the Clarendon High School Class of 2013 will be held at the First Baptist Church this Sunday, May 26, at 7 p.m. The service is hosted by the Donley County Ministerial Alliance.

Early deadline set for next Enterprise

THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE will be closed Monday for Memorial Day, and an early deadline has been set for next week's issue. All news, ads, and photos need to be turned into the office by this Friday, May 24, at noon to be included in the next edition.

Freedom isn't free...



World War II veteran Joe Robinson of Clarendon with his medals for service to his country.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ASHLYN TUBBS

Someone had to pay

Local veteran remembers service in WW II

By Ashlyn Tubbs, Clarendon Enterprise

Joe Robinson is a man rarely seen without wearing his cowboy hat and a smile on his face. Leasing land from the JA Ranch for more than 40 years, he is known largely for his ranch work and accomplishments within the Donley County community, winning the Pioneer Man of the Year for 2009.

These are not considered his biggest achievements, though.

During one point in Robinson's life, he was not sure if he would ever return to the United States, when he left his family in the Texas Panhandle during World War II to serve his country 20,000 feet off the ground.

"Nothing is pleasant when something like that happens," he said. "It's something you have to do, it's not necessarily something you want to do. I'm proud of my service, and I'm proud of my country, so I didn't flinch because I had to go."

Born in Hereford and raised in Denton County, Robinson graduated from Texas A&M in 1942, which he said reveals he is not a spring chicken. He became commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Army and was sent to Ft. Knox, instead of Ft. Riley where he initially wanted to attend. Although he was disappointed at first, Robinson said he now views this as a blessing.

"They actually did me a favor," he said. "Those who went to Ft. Riley trained with horses; and when they went overseas, they didn't know they weren't going to have their horses shipped to them."

During his time at Ft. Knox, he trained with tanks for about six months until he discovered an opportunity he could not pass up.

"They were losing a lot of pilots and had started daylight bombing in Europe, and they needed pilots," he said, "so I volunteered."

Robinson began his pilot training in Florida and picked up a brand new airplane in Savannah, Ga. He flew with a 10-man crew to Nuts Corner, Ireland, at age 21.

"If you don't think that won't get your attention out there over the ocean for about ten hours with nothing in sight," he said, "you're wrong."

Robinson depended on a navigator, who was a graduate from Ohio State, to direct him to their proper destination.

"If you were two degrees off, you would miss the British Isles, if you got careless, and fly over France and get shot down before you ever got in combat," he said. "The Germans didn't care where you were from, they just wanted to shoot you down."

His crewmembers consisted of three other officers and six gunners from states including Kentucky, Ohio, New Jersey, California, Arkansas and Indiana. Promoted to lead pilot, the lives of these men became in Robinson's hands.

"It was a lot of responsibility to be in charge of everyone, and I didn't take it lightly because a lot of things depend on what you decide," he said. "Your judgment has to be better than it should be."

Once landing in Nuts Corner, the crew members and Robinson took a train unto Belfast and the British furnished their breakfast, which consisted of hot tea and rock-hard navy beans.

"So we didn't eat very much," he said. "It was different when you stay in a foreign country for the first time with the different houses, vehicles, and everything. It was an experience."

He vividly remembers his first night spent overseas.

"They put these huts in the fields and they scattered them so they would be hard to hit, and the first night I was there, the German's plane got in there and bombed our barracks," he

said. "Luckily, the dropped bombs missed the barracks and just threw dirt and rocks all over them."

"That kind of got our attention. We didn't sleep very good that night. I went to the bomb shelter because I didn't know whether there was going to be more or not. I didn't know what was going on"

This would be only one of his many encounters with bombs. While in London during a three day pass, Robinson said 169 buzz bombs hit that night.

"It was the worst night of the war," he said. "That evening, the train stopped going into London and I knew we weren't at the station yet. Turns out, he stopped for a buzz bomb to go past. Those British people had to put up with a lot."

Robinson's first mission was to deliver supplies to the marquis for the French underground.

"We went down a valley and they said there would be smoke signals there," he said, "so we dropped our supplies and we flew back over the mountain and people were just waving at us."

He said that was a beautiful day, without a cloud in the sky. He got to view the Eiffel Tower as they flew over Paris and remembers the pretty scenery with a twinkle in his eye.

"I wasn't mad at anybody," he said. "I was like, 'Boy, this looks pretty peaceful!'"

However, right about then, his plane got hit with flack from another plane. That was all it took to change Robinson's initial mindset.

"Four little ol' holes came into the wing not far from me," he said, "If it would have been over about three feet, it would've been right under me."

Robinson flew a B17 plane complete with thirteen 50-caliber guns in formation with 36 other planes, sometimes his wing fitting almost inside another plane's wing while turning.

"You had to pay attention," he said. "You

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Hedley names top grads for Class of 2013

Hedley High School has named Austin Adams and Coltin Kingston as their top graduates for the Class of 2013.

Austin Adams, with a grade point average of 97.75, is this year's valedictorian. He is the son of Lon and Nicki Adams and has been very active in FFA and is a member of the state qualifying livestock judging team. He has been Hedley FFA Chapter president and also has served as the Greenbelt District secretary his junior year.

Adams has been president of his

class all 4 years and has been NHS president his junior and senior years. Adams played football for four years and received all-district honors. He also played tennis all four years, qualifying for regionals his junior and senior years.

Adams will attend Clarendon College, where he has received a Livestock Judging Scholarship and



Adams



Kingston

major in Animal Science.

Coltin G. Kingston is this year's salutatorian with a grade point average

of 97.3065. He is the son of Jim and Tashell Kingston and played football for four years, receiving multiple all-district honors all four years, all-region honors his junior year, and all-state honors his senior year.

He also played basketball for four years; receiving all-district honors his sophomore and senior years.

Kingston ran track one year. He also participated in one-act play for two years, receiving all-star cast in zone and district his sophomore and senior years.

He also participated in FFA all four years and served as the class of 2013 treasurer.

Kingston plans to play football for Wayland Baptist this fall while seeking a degree in Fitness Management Composite.

Mulkey to be lit at party Saturday

The formal lighting of the Mulkey Theatre will be held Saturday evening, May 25, as the culmination of the first Mulkey Block Party.

Vendors and family activities will be on hand when the party starts in front of the theatre at 5 p.m.

Howardwick musicians and singers Steve Hall and Jesse Lincycumb will open for "Insufficient Funds" at 5 p.m. and to start a great evening of family entertainment, and folks will be encouraged to bring their lawn chairs to sit and enjoy the music and the celebration.

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"Insufficient Funds" of Amarillo will set the mood for the evening, playing music from 6 to 9 p.m. The group was named the Best Band in Amarillo for 2012 by readers of the AMARILLO GLOBE-NEWS. Whether you're a fan of country or classic rock, there's a good chance you'll hear your favorite tune when "Insufficient Funds," led by Chuck Alexander with Mary Lyn Hailey, Vic Richardson and Dean Yates, hits the stage.

Non-profit food booths will be set up, and a classic car show is being sponsored by Herring Bank and will feature vehicles from the 1940s to the 1980s, the years the Mulkey was in operation.

Commemorative T-shirts will be available for sale, and officials plan to have the theatre itself open during the Block Party for tours so folks can have a look inside the building and learn about plans for renovating the interior.

For more information about the Block Party, call Chandra Eggemeyer at the Clarendon Visitor Center at 806-874-2421.

Aldermen talk about jobless claims on city

The Clarendon Board of Aldermen delved into a discussion about unemployment compensation claims during last week's regular meeting on Tuesday, May 14.

In reviewing the city bills, Alderman Abby Patten raised concerns about \$8,169 in unemployment claims that had been paid to former employees. At least one of those, she said the city administrator at the time had assured the board there would be no claim on because the employee had quit.

City Secretary Machiel Covey said her records show that employee was dismissed, and Patten and Alderman Debbie Roberts said the city should appeal the issue with the Texas Workforce Commission. Covey said she had done that already, and the commission had ruled against the city.

"We're being blamed by the citizens and the paper for wasting \$30,000 to fire Lambert [Little], but here is \$8,169 that we didn't even know about," Patten said, addressing Mayor Larry Hicks and Covey.

Alderman Will Thompson said the issue was over since Covey had already appealed the claims.

"Once it's been through arbitration, you're done," Thompson said.

The board later took up the city's employee overtime policy again, and Roberts' desire to see employees

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guest commentary

Let's leave student loans to the banks

By Dr. Shawn Ritenour

As millions of students and their parents are preparing for life after commencement, they're also preparing to deal with massive student loans. Increasingly, people are concerned about the student debt situation brewing on college campuses. The present state of student debt is not a pretty picture.

According to a report published by the New York Federal Reserve Bank, college students are borrowing more than ever and debt delinquency is on the rise. Student debt almost tripled between 2004 and 2012 and is now just over \$1 trillion. In fact, student debt is the only kind of household debt to rise during the Great Recession and is now second only to mortgage debt in magnitude. At the same time, for all age groups the share of borrowers who are more than 90 days delinquent on their student loan repayment has almost doubled.

Some, like Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke, claim that student debt is not inflating a higher education bubble that will cause a financial crisis, because the vast majority of student loans are backed by the U.S. government. The taxpayers are on the hook and not the banks, so banks will not be in financial distress if students default.

Bernanke's claim is revealing. It's clear that he thinks that the financial system is the economy. It seems that if the financial system is afloat, everything is okay. Such reasoning ignores that what helps people achieve their ends is not money per se but the actual producer and consumer goods that are produced throughout the social economy.

Alas, investment made possible by subsidized loans of newly created money contributes to an unproductive use of resources. Thus the economic problem with government-guaranteed student loans. Consider:

In the first place, it is not at all clear that the educational payoff matches the expense. According to data from the Collegiate Learning Assessment, 45 percent of students demonstrated no significant learning in their first two years of college and 36 percent demonstrated no learning in four years. According to the National Assessment of Adult Literacy, from 1992 to 2003, literacy among college graduates declined at about the same rate that enrollment grew; all the while government grants and guaranteed student loans significantly increased.

This dismal educational payoff is largely because much of increased subsidized tuition payments have been absorbed by increases in personnel. For example, in 2007, colleges utilized 13.1 percent more employees to educate the same number of students than they did in 1993. The vast majority of growth has been in administrative staff. From 1976 to 2005, the number of administrative staff per student more than doubled; from 3 per 100 students to more than 6 per 100 students. The financial effect of administrative bloat is magnified by the fact that the average mid-level and senior-level administrative salaries are noticeably higher than the average faculty salary. Between 1993 and 2007, while expenditures per student for instruction increased 39.3 percent, expenditures per student for administration increased by 61.2 percent.

Making the college experience available requires using many resources—land, labor, buildings, desks, computers, energy, and all sorts of amenities. These are all resources that have alternative uses. If they are being allocated to provide education merely due to government subsidies, it is likely they would be more valued in other uses.

That student debt is fueling malinvestment is indicated by the rising debt delinquencies. Like the old gray mare, the college wage premium ain't what she used to be. Increasing default rates prove this. What matters is not only the level of a post-college salary, but the level of that salary relative to the cost of college. As higher salaries fail to keep pace with college tuition, an increasing number of students are put at risk of not paying off their loans.

Additionally, many students who have borrowed money for college do not complete college. Six-year college completion rates at public four-year institutions have remained just below 55 percent for a decade. At the same time, the four-year rate has been stuck around 30 percent.

Colleges, universities, and their students are caught in a costly game of leap frog. The perceived need for financial aid and loans results in more government subsidies. More debt results in more demand for college schooling and consequently higher tuition. Higher tuition increases the perceived need for more debt. More student debt increases the demand for college which increases tuition price. On it goes.

The only solution is to get government out of the business of subsidizing student debt. Then, at least decisions of students to borrow and banks to lend—and colleges to set tuition—will be based on economic reality rather than the shifting sand of monetary inflation.

— Dr. Shawn Ritenour is a professor of economics at Grove City College, contributor to The Center for Vision & Values, and author of "Foundations of Economics: A Christian View."

North Pole moving, Tea Party to blame

Bad news, folks! The magnetic north pole is galloping to the north-eastward at close to 40 miles a year. Historically, it's been creeping along at less than 10 miles a year for the past few centuries. Magnetic north, which is the place where compass needles actually point, is near the geographic North Pole, which is currently located near Ellesmere Island, just off the Canadian mainland.

The magnetic north pole has moved little since it was first discovered by scientists in 1831. Then in 1904, about the time that Teddy Roosevelt's administration kicked into high gear, the pole began shifting to the northeast, which just happens to be to the right on a map of the US, at about nine miles a year—which is almost light speed in geological time.

At the end of Reagan's administration, and the beginning of Daddy Bush's term, it sped up again. Then in 2007, close to the end of Dubya's two "compassionate conservative" terms, scientists verified that it again sped up to its current speed of 34 to 37 miles a year. That folks, is faster than warp speed in geological time.

Now, in the interest of scientific accuracy, it must be noted that the scientist blame the shift on changes in the earth's inner core, which is composed of a solid iron center surrounded by a rapidly spinning liquid metal, and climate change.

Well, we can't do too much about the earth's core, but we can address climate change, and the causes of said climate change—more particularly global warming. Republicans, and most of the tea party Republicans, have long denied global warming and its causes. Naturally, most tea party types remain true to their early Neanderthal roots and continue to deny man made global warming.

The movement of the geographical North Pole works something like this:

the Earth is a spinning sphere that is irregularly shaped, thus causing it to wobble. The wobble is called the Chandler Wobble, and results in a southeasterly movement of the North Pole by about six centimeters every 433 days. The Chandler Wobble is thought to be the result of changes in pressure at the bottom of the oceans caused by fluctuations in salinity, temperature, and ocean circulation—all are also negatively affected by global warming.

So, as you can see, the right wing of the Republican Party, better known as the tea partiers, must take some of the blame for the movement of both north poles, since they refuse to do anything useful in mitigating the deleterious effects of the aforementioned climate change, a.k.a., global warming.

Even more daunting are the recent suggestions that our junior non-Texan, Texas Senator Ted Cruz may be lining up a run for the presidency in 2016. Yikes! As you may or may not know, non-Texan Texas Senator Cruz is absolutely aghast that anyone still believes in climate change and global warming, especially after his previous pontifications on the subject. According to his thinking, climate change is a left-wing conspiracy designed to separate folks from their guns and their God. After all, according to Senator Cruz, all non-right wing ideologies are defacto left-wing conspiracies designed to separate folks (mostly God-fearing Texans) from their guns and their God.

Personally, I think we ought to take every opportunity we can to disparage

our non-Texan Texas Senator Ted Cruz. The man, is after all, a Yankee dressed in sheep's clothing. Granted, he was Dubya's attack dog, and was mighty good at it. I will admit that I just do not like the man. He's rude, full of himself, and does not represent what I think are good Texas attributes.

I also think he is dangerous. He most assuredly is not a consensus builder and does not work well within his own party, much less the opposing party—which, unfortunately, also has many flaws. Ted Cruz is an ideologue of the worst sort. He is smart enough to think that he is omniscient, yet deeply flawed enough to be unaware of what it takes to be a good leader. After all, he has never had to govern. He has basically been a hired gun to advocate Dubya's policies and positions in front of various courts throughout the land, and to gut the opposition in the process.

Of course, almost all of the tea party types deny the truth of climate change and global warming, even in the face of continuing scientific evidence that indicates that global warming is real and is getting worse. Unfortunately, it probably doesn't matter as much as it once did. Scientific studies indicate that it will now take several thousand years to undo the damage caused by man-made climate change. I'm fairly certain that neither I nor my immediately following descendants will live to see any improvement whatsoever.

So, as both poles move eastward towards Greenland, we may witness unusual and miraculous natural phenomena as we go boldly into the future. Who knows, maybe the Rocky Mountains will follow along behind, pulled along by the rapidly moving magnetic field? Wouldn't that be something?

Even more frightening, non-Texan, and tea party darling, Texas' Junior Senator Cruz might actually win the presidency.



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Is this the United States or China

By US Sen. John Cornyn

The events that have unfolded over the past week are showing big government at its worst. First we learned more details about the Obama administration's coordinated attempt to misrepresent the September 2012 terrorist attack in Benghazi, which claimed four American lives. Then a senior IRS official acknowledged that her agency had deliberately targeted conservative groups for harassment. Meanwhile, the administration was forced to admit that its top health regulator has been soliciting industry funds to help implement Obamacare. Finally, we discovered that the Justice Department has cast an extraordinarily wide net to capture the phone records of several journalists who work for the Associated Press.

All of these events highlight the Obama administration's massive credibility gap. As someone who has

spent a career in public service, I want government to work. As a conservative, I want government to be as small and efficient as possible. As an American, I cannot tolerate a government that actively deceives the people it is meant to serve, whether through negligence, incompetence, or malfeasance.

In 2011, my office began receiving complaints of unfair treatment by the IRS from various conservative groups in Texas. They cited excessive, unreasonable, and improper inquiries from the IRS and feared that they were being targeted for their political beliefs. I sent multiple letters to then-IRS commissioner Douglas Shulman expressing my concerns and asking for an investigation. He categorically denied that the IRS was targeting specific groups.

Two years later, we learned that he was wrong and the conservative groups were right: The IRS was systematically

targeting people of a certain ideology—one that happens to be at odds with the current administration. Furthermore, we have learned that senior IRS officials were aware of these accusations as early as June 2011. That is outrageous, but sadly not surprising from an administration that has chosen time and again to deceive the American people.

To review: Four American patriots are dead; U.S. citizens are being deliberately targeted and harassed by their government; journalists are understandably concerned about an intrusive Justice Department investigation; and a cabinet secretary is strong-arming the health industry to "voluntarily" fund a partisan, highly unpopular policy. Is this America or China? Any one of these issues is a "scandal." Together they reflect an administration that is deeply flawed and has lost the faith of the public it is sworn to protect.

Board members can get training

I grew up in Donley County and still love to come back. I support the county and have best wishes for the people here.

We have been caught up in the controversy arising in the Hedley School Board of Trustees and the Clarendon City Aldermen.

In discussions about these subjects with friends, I thought back to when, while sitting on the school board in Hedley, we only wanted to produce the best opportunity for our children. No agenda, just hard work distributing money where it did the most good.

The first thing that confronted me was my lack of knowledge. There is training for any board you want to be on. Super intellect from the past is available. Attending this training and seminars, I grew into the job. Training will help members with proper decision making that helps the community and in the end limits discourse.

With the community behind these well trained board members doing their civic duty, who knows where we can go.

Jerry Hicks,
Quail

A small thing can make a big difference

I would just like to make a suggestion in light of the devastating tornadoes hitting Oklahoma. I would recommend that everyone who plays the lottery to take the money they would spend on one day of lottery tickets and donate that money to the tornado victims. It would be a small thing for everyone, but it could make a big difference.

Bill Jeffery,
Clarendon

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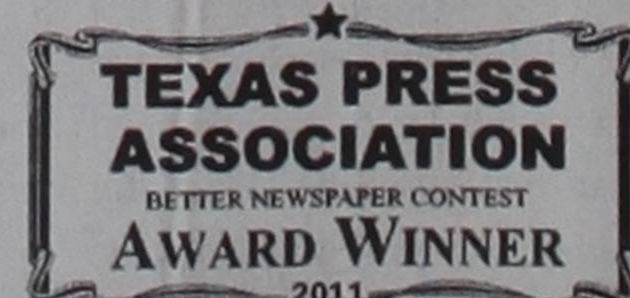
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Junior Historian officers

The Clarendon High School Junior Historians Chapter 807 was named first runner-up as Outstanding Texas Chapter for the 2013 school year. The award is given by the Texas State Historical Association in recognition of a chapter's efforts to preserve local history, promote civic involvement, and conduct research. Pictured are the newly elected 2014 officers left to right: President Minnie Buckhaults, Vice president Emberli Holland, Secretary Emily Martinez, Treasurer Lee Buckhaults, Reporter Darbe Woodard, and Historian Rhonda Olivas.

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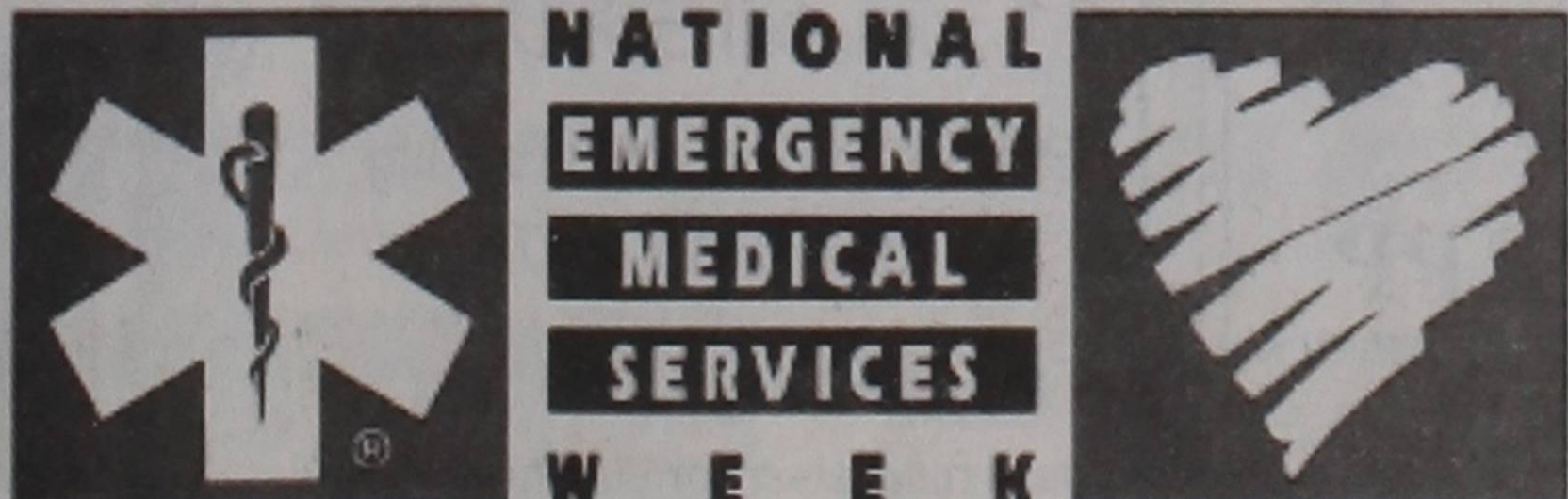
What it means to be on this team...

It means dedication, loyalty, respect, suffering, pride, and enjoyment. We have dedicated our lives to this profession. We are loyal to our patients and the communities we serve. We respect each other and our patients. We suffer as much in the loss of a patient as their family does. We take pride in a job well done. And most of all we enjoy what we have decided to do.

Facts about our EMS department

Coverage area: All Donley County
Average calls per year: 750
Donley County residences treated or seen by our department last year: 554
Number of ambulances available 24/7: 3 Basic Live Support with Mobile Intensive Care capabilities
Governing entity of our department: Donley County Hospital District

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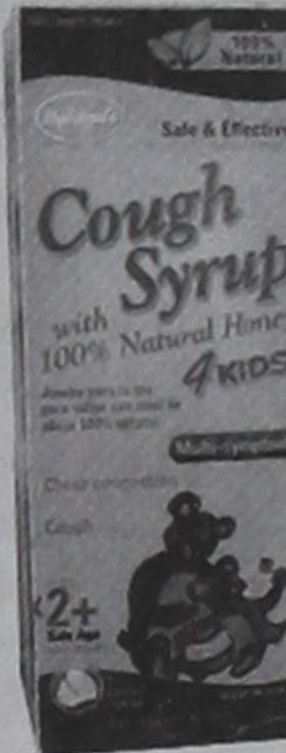


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Kindergarten-Pre K visitation was a huge success at Hedley Elementary. Lillie McCleskey takes time out to pose for the camera during her visit.

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Wood, Leather weekly champs

By Sandy Anderberg
Kevin Wood turned in a score of 76 to take first place in the weekly men's game last Wednesday at the Clarendon Country Club. Redell Johnston, Todd Curry, and Ellis Knight tied for second low gross with a round of 82. Kaleb Wood was the low net winner at 65 and Gene Rogers won second low net with a 70.

Gail Leathers topped the field on the ladies side with an 88 and Mary Ann Sawyer won low net with a 68.

The nine-hole scrambles are held each Friday night at 6:00 pm and there will be a Memorial Day 18-hole scramble on Monday, May 27 beginning at 1:00 pm. You may call the Pro Shop to enter. Also, the pool will be opening Memorial Weekend.

Dare to Dodge tourney benefit winning team

The charity Dare to Dodge dodgeball tournament that was held to benefit Kortney Burton on May 11 was well attended and attracted 13 participating teams.

The "Has Beens" coached by Steve Reynolds was the winning team, and members were Adam Topper, Diego Santos, Dillon Nickell, Charles Mason, Jonah Sell, and Trevor Cobb.

The local office of the Texas Department Safety, the Donley County Sheriff's Office, the Clarendon Fire Department, and the Donley County EMS all fielded teams and were pitted against other teams bearing the following names - The Short Bus Ballers, the Dodging Donkeys, Koetting Wrecker, the Silver Bullet Fitness Club, Skills That Kills, H&H, and Karma.

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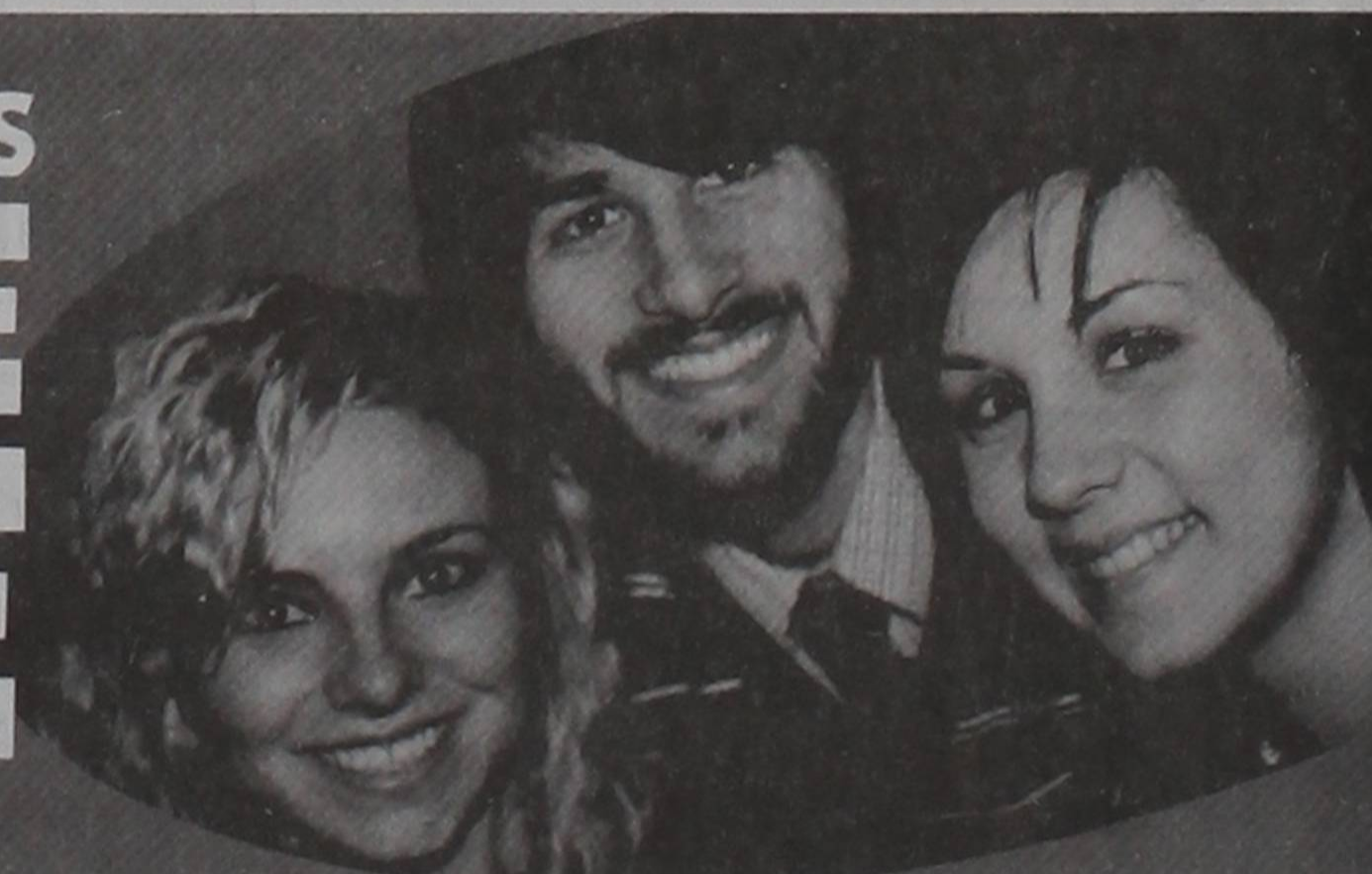
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Local veteran remembers service in World War II

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couldn't be joking off, because if they turn, they didn't always tell you and weather conditions also affected the formation. They won't let you fly that close now-a-days, unless you are in the service. The closer the formation, the better fire power you have."

Robinson and his crew flew formation during daytime, while the British flew at nighttime. He said the 24-hour bombing was relentless.

"I can see why those Germans would be mad at you if you got shot down," he said. "You would hope the army got to you before the civilians did, because you're tearing up their houses and killing their families."

Robinson said the United States' anger toward Germany was evident by how Munich had very little houses with roofs on them from the bombs.

"We just tore that city all to pieces," he said. "Munich is now built on top of the rubble from all the bombings."

Robinson and his crewmembers had plenty of close calls during their missions. He said they once got hit in the bomb bay and had 54 holes in the plane when he finally landed, but no one was hurt.

Another time, Robinson made a decision that saved their lives while making a raid on Munich. During the long flight, Robinson said the plane began to run out of gas. He immediately left the European coast and started letting down from 20,000 feet to a main landing place in England.

After calling in to receive permission to land, he was luckily right in front of the runway, but another plane flew into the other side of the landing, which had wounded aboard. Robinson decided to chance the landing and missed the opposite plane by about 20 seconds. He will never regret this decision.

"When I turned off the runway, I gave the outboard No. 4 engine

the gas and it quit on me because it was out of gas," he said. "And when I parked the plane, I gave the No.1 engine the gas to park it, and it was out of gas. So if I had tried to go around, I never would have made it. Things like that you remember."

Although Robinson was able to keep all of his crew members safe, he lost two men from his crew after they filled in for another crew's members: one was taken prisoner of war and survived, the other died in a plane crash.

"I got pretty attached to all of them," he said. "The rest of my crew and I were lucky we never had much firing activity."

Even though Robinson went on 30 missions, he said the only thing that became routine was making sure everyone set their watches by the second because two or three seconds could make a huge difference in their formation. He said his bravery largely came from being in his twenties.

"When you're young, you don't worry much," he said. "I thought I was bulletproof, and I guess I was because I never did get a Purple Heart."

Another close call Robinson experienced was during his last raid, one he said made him sweat. The raid was on Berlin, and German fighters hiding in the sunlight knocked down 13 of their 36 planes.

"I never did worry much until the last mission," he said, "and then I thought, 'I want to go home'."

Robinson did not have to wait much longer. After surpassing the required 100 points by seven from his missions ran and medals received, he was released to return home after serving three-and-a-half years.

"It was great to get back into the United States," he said. "I came back with a whole bunch of troops and I was greeted once I got to Amarillo. My folks were in Dalhart then."

Robinson's favorite part of the



Clarendon's Joe Robinson (top left) with his World War II flight crew.

COURTESY PHOTO

war by far was returning home, he said.

"Home is always the best place," he said. "There's always some place that may look a little greener on the other side, but I don't know whether it is or not once you get there."

In honor of his service, Robinson has received three separate medals for his many missions completed and surviving the war.

"Now they're pretty tarnished," he said. "They wouldn't pass inspection."

He even received a medal from the French for helping raid the Germans.

"When the Frenchman awarded me with that medal, he kissed both my cheeks," he said. "I didn't know whether to break and run or hit him."

Robinson is the only remaining survivor of his crew. He said he kept in touch and even exchanged Christmas cards with most of them up until their deaths.

He believes in the importance

of veterans sharing their experiences with younger generations in order to prevent future mistakes and wars.

"I want them to find out what happened where they won't get in the same mess we were in, because it's no fun," he said. "It's a shame to kill so many young people and tear up so much. Killing people was worse than tearing up the town."

After hearing Robinson's war stories, his wife, Ruth Robinson, feels indebted to the young men like her husband and brothers who served in the war.

"I've really appreciated it and found out all that WWII was about," she said. "Back then, I did not know. I guess when you're that age in high school, you just didn't understand. I realize how much we owe these young kids who flew over there, taking off over that big, dark ocean. I had no idea back then about the sacrifices they made."

Without the service of crews such as Robinson's during WWII,

he said the US would be speaking German today.

"Freedom is not free," he said. "Someone had to pay for it."

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Hedley's Bufford Holland helped prepare the Rowe Cemetery for the Memorial Day Service.

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Memorial Day service to be held at Hedley's Rowe Cemetery Sat.

The Adamson-Lane, Post 287 of the American Legion, Hedley, Texas will hold its Annual Memorial Day Services at the Rowe Cemetery, Monday morning May 27, 2013, at 9:30.

The Post members will place American Flags on the graves of 231 Veterans buried in the Rowe Cemetery. The flags will remain there through Monday in honor of those departed comrades that have served this country.

The program will be conducted by members of the American Legion, the Memorial Day address will be entitled, "Preserving the Memory of the Fallen."

The program will include the ceremony honoring the missing in action and the prisoner of war, still unaccounted for.

The Post Adjutant will read the roll call of the 231 Veterans buried in the Rowe Cemetery.

The program will be concluded with the laying of the memorial wreath and the play of Taps.

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In 1 Timothy 2:9 Paul warns that women should wear modest apparel. He states that they shouldn't wear things that draw undue attention to themselves. Paul tells us that in Galatians 5:19 that lewdness is condemned by God. Lewdness and immodesty plague our society today, for men and women. As summer comes blazing in, people tend to wear less clothing. That's not a problem if properly covered.

Many use the heat or swimming as a reason to wear provocative or revealing clothing. The question one needs to ask: "Am I in a state of undress that would displease God?" "Am I causing others to stumble?"

I know that some say that everyone should not look or mind their own business, and that's true up to a point. We all should try not to stare at others or lust for others, but that doesn't negate everyone's duty to properly attire him or herself.

Some argue over who invented the mini-skirt of the 60's but there is no doubt that when that envelope was pushed, nothing else was too risky for some. One who claimed to help make it trendy was asked why the mini-skirt was invented in the first place. The answer was simple: SEX. It was said to invite men and the message was sex. Over the years people won't put it that way but that is basically what revealing clothing is for, to attract the attention of the opposite sex. Once the attention is grabbed, what then? The "advertising" was done for a reason!

If you look around, you have to say a part of the reason for the explosion of single mothers and fatherless kids is the lax morals that have been adopted over the last 50 years. Lax morals concerning clothing, sex, those not willing to work, government hand-outs, have eaten away the moral fabric of this country.

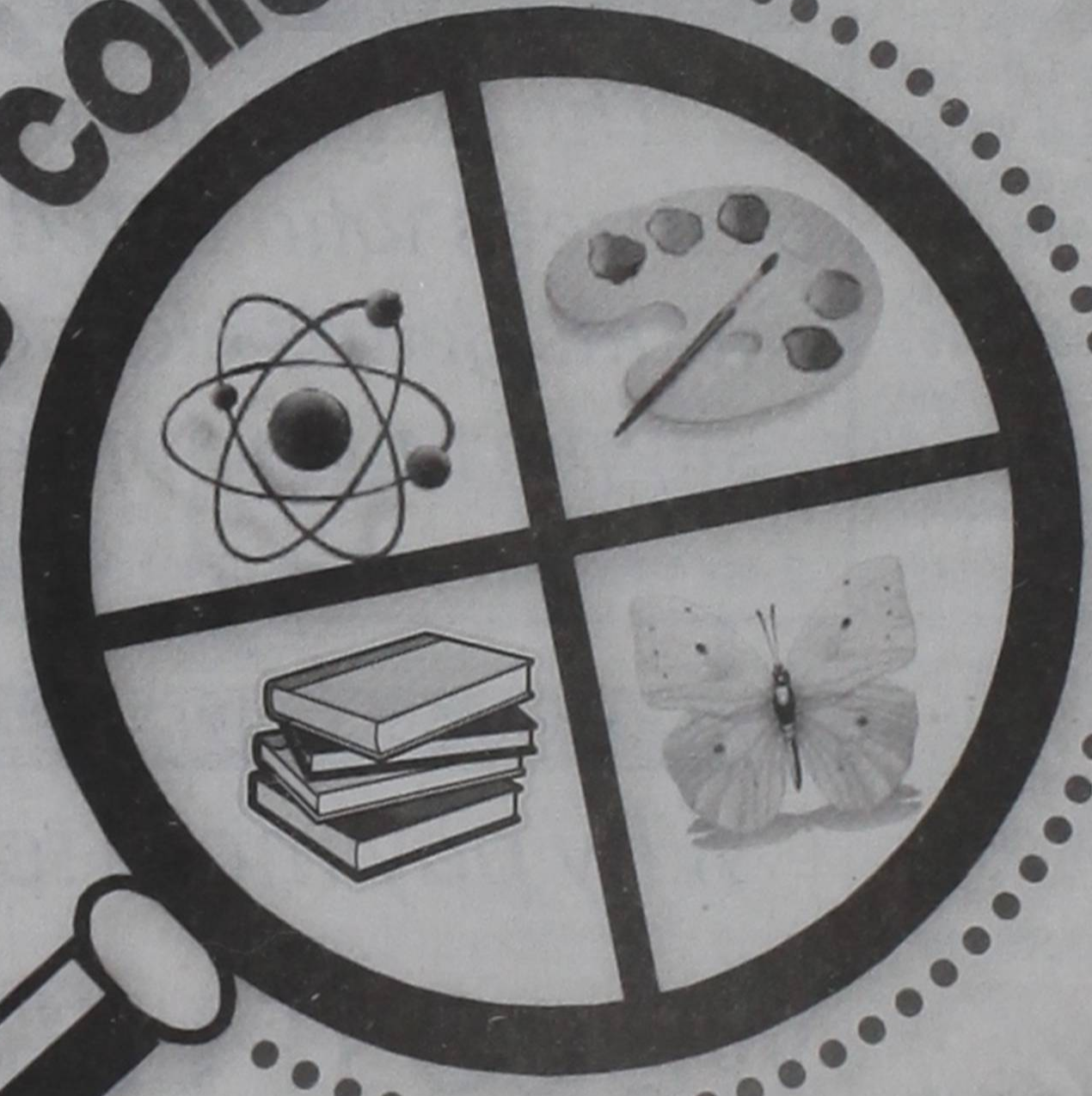
Men, you should help dress your daughters and wives. They don't see themselves as we see them. Ladies help others not stumble by wearing clothing that invites stares. There are also "little" eyes that are watching. They need an example of purity and modesty. Our society would be much better off if others' flesh was covered up. God bless you and keep you.

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Obituaries

Giesler

Mary Giesler, 84, died Thursday, May 16, 2013, in Amarillo.

A prayer service and rosary were held on Saturday, May 18, 2013, at 7:30 PM. No Mass is scheduled at this time.



Giesler

Cremation & arrangements are under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Mary was born March 2, 1929, in Redwing, MN to William "Bill" and Leona Redding. She married Joe Giesler on June 7, 1986 in Amarillo and together they moved from Amarillo to Howardwick in 1994. She retired from Plastech working as a Quality Control Inspector.

She and Joe also managed mobile home parks in Amarillo for several years. Mary had numerous hobbies including sewing, crocheting, traveling, and trying new recipes. She was an avid reader and a wonderful cook. She was a member of the choir at both St. Mary's Catholic Church in Clarendon and Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Amarillo, where she also served as

President of the Alter Society.

She is preceded in death by her son, Alan Featherstone; her step son, James Giesler; and her grandson, Adam Sibet.

She is survived by her husband, Joe Giesler, of Howardwick; her son, Dean Featherstone and wife Diane, of Mora, MN; 3 step sons, John Giesler and wife Sharon, of Kansas City, Joe Giesler and wife Lisa, of Houston, and Jeff Giesler of Amarillo; her daughter, Susan Carson of Howardwick; 13 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren.

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Shaw

Joan Shaw, 88, died Saturday, May 18, 2013, in Amarillo, Texas.

A memorial service was held Sunday, May 19, 2013, at 2:00 PM in the First Baptist Church in Clarendon with Rev. Lance Wood, pastor, officiating.

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

Mrs. Shaw was born February 19, 1925 in Donley County on the family farm at the south end of Windy Valley and had been a lifetime resident. She married H.C. "Harvey" Shaw, JR on April 2, 1945 in Memphis. She worked with H.C. on their farm and also taught school at Hedley for some years. She particularly loved people who were

independent and self reliant and tried in a loving way to instill these traits in her family and students. She was a little lady but in a lot of ways, she was as tough and self assured as the toughest can be. She had great love for and was caring and compassionate with her family, friends, and others within her community. She loved to visit and tell stories about the fun she and her sisters and her brothers had on the farm in her childhood. She also loved the fact that she and H.C. raised many cattle and other farm animals and both were proud of taking care of them and living where they were all their married life.

She was preceded in death by her husband, H.C. Shaw; two daughters, Sherry Moore and Carolyn Jo Shaw; her parents, Mary London and Reg Hillman; two sisters, Mary Jane and Margaret Nell; and one brother, Beauty Hillman.

She is survived by one grandson, Shawn Moore and wife Dynell, and their children Conner and Madison, all of Fort Worth; one granddaughter, Jo Pierson and husband Wayne, and their children Meagan and Tobin, all of Muleshoe; son-in-law, Terry Moore, and many other caring friends and relatives.

Memorials can be sent to the Citizens Cemetery Association, PO Box 983, First Baptist Church, or Donley County Sr. Citizens, all in Clarendon, Texas 79226.

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O'Neal

Tommy Issac "Ike" O'Neal, 61, passed away Friday, May 17, 2013, in Clarendon, Texas.

A service was held Tuesday, May 21, 2013 at 2:00 PM in the First Baptist Church in Clarendon with Rev. Charley Floyd, officiating.

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

Ike was born May 8, 1952 in Memphis to Billy Milton "Boots" and Jo Ann O'Neal. He had been a lifetime resident of Clarendon and was an Eagle Scout. Ike worked as a cowboy for several ranches. He married Sonja Curry on June 5, 2005 in Clarendon.

He was preceded in death by his mother. He is survived by his father, Boots O'Neal of Guthrie; his wife, Sonja O'Neal of Clarendon; a son, Chris O'Neal and wife Kassie of Memphis; 3 step daughters, Kalli Sawyer of Clarendon, Jamie Jackson of Seminole, and Boston Curry of Clarendon; a brother, Mickey Grady of Clarendon; 2 sisters, Missy Kidd of Clarendon and Connie Pitts of Fort Worth; a step sister, Larie Colbert and husband Darrell of Vernon; 2 grandchildren, Cutter O'Neal and Chloe O'Neal; numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

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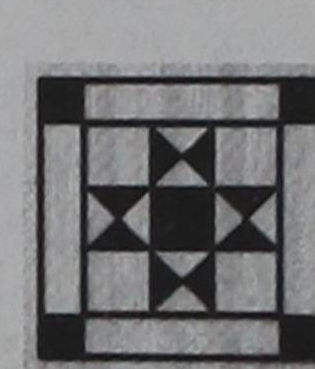
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May 13, 2013

1:09 a.m. - Courtesy ride to Clarendon from 1260
6:57 a.m. - EMS assist to 100 block Haskell
1:23 p.m. - See caller at Clarendon College
10:01 p.m. - Assist trooper at Lelia Lake

May 14, 2013

1:14 a.m. - Report of 2 vehicles driving recklessly on Kearney & 3rd
1:20 a.m. - To jail with one in custody
2:18 a.m. - To jail with one in custody
7:44 a.m. - Loose livestock on FM 1260 South
10:56 a.m. - See caller at 1100 block West 3rd
12:52 a.m. - EMS assist to 12300 block Co Rd S
1:44 p.m. - Out at High School
5:26 p.m. - Welfare check 4400 block 70 South

8:38 p.m. - Report of man passed out at Hitchin' Post

May 15, 2013

7:08 a.m. - EMS assist to 100 block South McClelland
9:42 a.m. - EMS assist to 200 block Fredrick
9:51 a.m. - EMS assist to East side of Lelia Lake
4:18 p.m. - Units paged to vehicle accident on 70 South
4:58 p.m. - EMS assist to Parks Street
6:58 p.m. - See complaint at 1100 block East 3rd
7:02 p.m. - To jail with one in custody

May 16, 2013

9:39 a.m. - EMS assist 900 block South Koogle
1:51 p.m. - EMS assist 11800 block FM 2362
9:20 p.m. - See caller at 1100 East 3rd

10:05 p.m. - See caller at 1100 East 3rd
10:13 p.m. - To jail with one custody

May 17, 2013

6:09 a.m. - EMS assist to 300 block Rosenfield
8:24 a.m. - EMS assist to 200 block East 5th
2:40 p.m. - Dispatched to 1000 block Barcus

May 18, 2013

3:11 a.m. - EMS assist to 300 block Rosenfield
8:24 p.m. - EMS assist to ambulance station
8:40 see caller at 1100 block East 2nd

May 19, 2013

3:12 a.m. - EMS assist to ambulance station
1:36 p.m. - EMS assist location not logged
9:40 p.m. - EMS assist to Co Rd 3
10:00 p.m. - EMS assist to 700 block 2nd
11:36 p.m. - See caller at 500 block West 4th

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receive overtime compensation for emergency calls after hours and on weekends regardless of whether they have already put in 40 hours that week. Covey said she had checked with other cities to see if anyone paid overtime prior to an employee putting in 40 hours. After some discussion, the board agreed to take the issue up at a future meeting to try to craft a definite policy that would cover emergency compensation.

Clarendon Economic Development Corporation Executive Director Chandra Eggemeyer gave the city a first quarter report on the city's Hotel Occupancy Tax and updated the board on CEDC activities, and Mayor Hicks reported on city projects and said the sanitation department had received a \$13,500 grant for a new baler.

Fund has been set up to assist O'Neal

A fund has been established for Sonja O'Neal at the Donley County State Bank to help with her expenses. Anyone wishing to contribute may do so by contacting the bank.

Appraisal district has new office location

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Review by the Appraisal Review Board: If you can't resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board. The appraisal review board (ARB) is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals and other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the appraisal district to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice a protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notification of the time, date, and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening or on a Saturday or Sunday. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the CAD will use to uphold their determination. The law provides that before a hearing on a protest or immediately after the hearing begins, you or your agent and the CAD shall each provide the other with a copy of any written material intended to be offered or submitted to the ARB at the hearing. To the greatest extent practicable, the hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send notarized evidence for the ARB to review at your hearing. The CAD representative will present evidence about your case. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. In most cases the CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office at 304 S Kearney or P O Box 1220, Clarendon 79226; phone 806-874-2744.

Note: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they haven't talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

Review by the District Court or an Arbitrator: After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. As an alternative and within the same time period, you may file a request for binding arbitration with the county appraisal district in certain cases.

Tax Payment: You must pay either the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute or the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken.

More information: You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at 304 S Kearney or P O Box 1220, Clarendon 79226; phone 806-874-2744. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Division at P O Box 13528, Austin, TX 78711-3528.

DEADLINE FOR FILING PROTESTS WITH THE ARB*

Usual Deadline: 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you. Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause. Late protests are due the day before the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

Special Deadlines: For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of determination was mailed to you.

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change didn't result from a protest you filed), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you. If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually Feb. 1) or no later than the 125th day after the date you claim you received a tax bill from one or more of the taxing units that tax your property. The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

*The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday.



On the trail A giant arrow sculpture was installed at the Saints' Roost Museum Friday to put Donley County on the Quannah Parker Trail of the 52-county Texas Plains Trail Region. A formal dedication will be held in September. Shown here are (back) Donley County Attorney Landon Lambert, sculptor Charles Smith, museum director Kevin Johnson, (middle) Donley County Historical Chair Jean Stavenhagen, Donley County Area Tourism Council Chair Judy Burlin, Texas Plains Trail Region Director Barbara Brannon, and (kneeling) Quannah Parker Trail Advisor Holle Humphries.

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Mon	20	91°	51°	-
Tues	14	N/A	N/A	-
Wed	15	N/A	N/A	-
Thur	16	85°	55°	-
Fri	17	88°	59°	T
Sat	18	98°	54°	-
Sun	19	98°	54°	-

Total precipitation this month: .17"
 Total precipitation to date: 4.3"

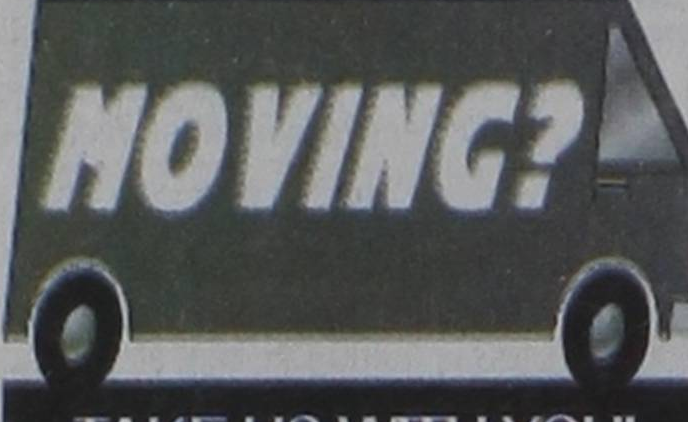
weekend forecast

Fri., May 24
 Isolated T-Storms
 83° / 62°

Sat., May 25
 Isolated T-Storms
 90° / 62°

Sun., May 26
 Mostly Sunny
 91° / 63°

Information provided by:
 Lori Howard
 National Weather Service



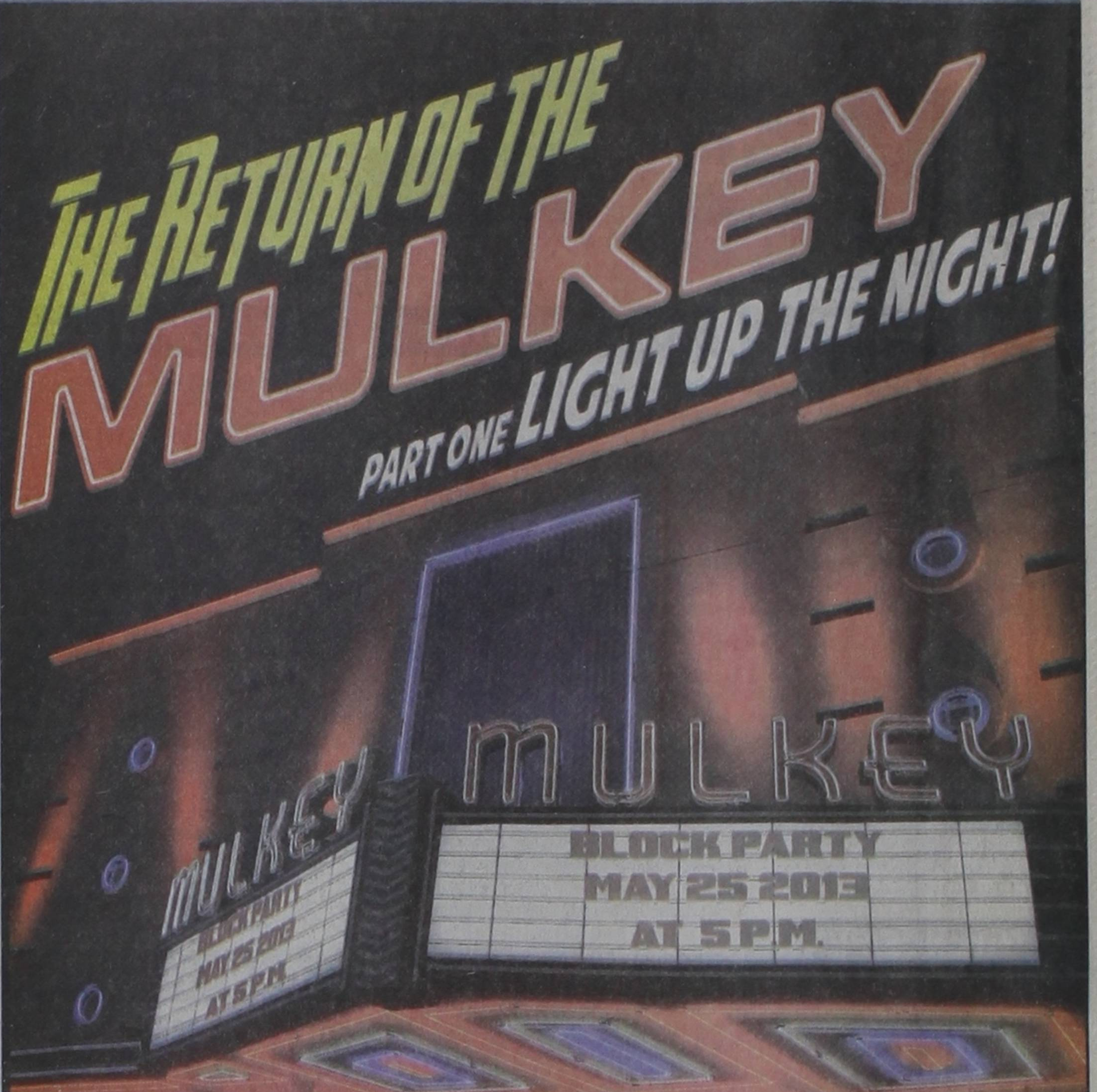
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