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

Babcock asks court to review decision

An attorney for convicted child killer Robert Babcock is asking an appeals court to take a second look at the case.

The Donley County Clerk's office says Babcock's attorney filed a motion for discretionary review on July 12 with the Seventh Court of Appeals in Amarillo. The motion came less than one month after the court upheld the decision of a Hall County jury that found Babcock guilty of killing his four-year-old son, Chance Mark Jones, and sentencing him to life in prison.

District Attorney Luke Inman says the defense's next course will likely be to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, but the DA remains confident that the trial court's decision will hold.

"We prepare all of our trials to minimize the number of issues that can be raised on appeal," Inman said. "The Babcock trial was no different and at least one appellate court has agreed with the trial court's rulings and judgment in affirming the case.

"I am confident that this case will not get overturned, and Chance's justice will stay in place which resulted in the life sentence of his killer."

Local groups giving free school supplies

The First United Methodist Church, the Lila Kate Memorial Fund, and Christ's Kids Outreach Ministries will be giving out basic school supplies for Pre-K through Junior High on Friday, August 16, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Christ's Kids Ministries Center, 416 South Kearney.

Filing continues for vacant city seats

Filing for three vacant positions on the Clarendon Board of Aldermen continues through August 26, and only one candidate had signed up at press time.

Larry Jeffers filed to run for one of the two positions that expire in May 2014. Another vacant seat expires in May 2015.

Aldermen are elected at-large, but candidates must specify whether they wish to run for the vacant term which expires in May 2015 or one that expires in 2014.

Local veteran to be honored in Pampa

A Clarendon man is among six individuals who will be inducted into the Panhandle Hall of Honor at the Freedom Museum USA in Pampa next week.

George W. Howard of Clarendon will be joined by Bill Owens of Wellington, Edgar Lee Hawkins of Lamesa, William M. Sims of Pampa, Dempsey Malaney of Perryton, and Homer Thomas of Canadian.

The induction will be August 17 and will be held at the Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1657 in Pampa at 6 p.m. and will be preceded with a barbeque dinner. Tickets will be \$15 for individuals and \$25 for couples.

Proposed wind farm seeks tax abatement

By Roger Estlack, Clarendon Enterprise
Cielo Wind Services and Donley County officials this week moved closer to tax abatement agreement 161-megawatt wind farm that is proposed for the northwestern part of the county.

During the regular session of the commissioners' court, the county approved a letter of engagement with the Underwood Law Firm and met with attorney James Wester, who presented local officials with updated tax abatement guidelines and criteria. Commissioners voted to accept those guidelines and adopted

a resolution continuing the county's interest in participating in tax abatements.

Cielo representative Robert Peña presented county officials with a tax abatement application and said the project will be constructed in 2014 and operational in 2015.

The proposed wind farm will be split between Gray County and Donley County, and Peña said his company intends to put 161-megawatts of turbine capacity in Donley County using 2.0 to 2.2 megawatt turbines.

According to Cielo's applica-

tion, the project will bring approximately 150 to 200 construction jobs and seven full-time permanent jobs to Donley County. The market value of the project would be about \$95 million, and the project expects to generate about \$1 million in direct sales taxes.

The company proposes a 100 percent tax abatement for ten years, but Peña said that direct payments in lieu of taxes were not spelled out in the application and needed to be discussed in a closed session of the court.

Commissioners agreed to hold

a public hearing on September 9 to create a reinvestment zone for Cielo and consider the terms of the tax abatement.

The proposed project area does not fall in the Clarendon Independent School District, Peña said. The project would be within the Clarendon College District and the Donley County Hospital District, but Peña said Cielo does not ask college or medical districts for tax abatements.

In other county business, commissioners worked late Monday to work on their proposed budget for fiscal year 2014. That budget is now

on file with the clerk's office, and budget hearings will be held September 13 and 19.

Commissioners also approved several agenda items, including the purchase of a computer system for the county attorney; collection of optional fees as provided by the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles Transportation Code; attendance by the county attorney at a conference in Galveston; attendance by the county clerk at a conference in Horseshoe Bay; and acceptance of a bid on tax delinquent property in Howardwick.



Emergency personnel respond to a two-vehicle accident east of Clarendon Monday where a Childress man lost his life.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

Accident claims life of Childress man

A Childress man lost his life Monday afternoon in a two-vehicle accident east of Clarendon.

Department of Public Safety Trooper Daniel Hawthorn said Johnnie Lee Lott was driving a 2012 Cadillac SRX in the outside lane of eastbound US 287 at 3:25 p.m. There was heavy rain and

low visibility, and Lott stopped his vehicle in the outside lane and was struck from behind by a 2004 Ford F250 pickup driven by Teddy Joe Atwood, Jr., of Pampa.

Both vehicles ended up in the median with the pickup running into a pine tree.

Lott, age 77, was pronounced

dead at the scene at 3:56 by Justice of the Peace Denise Bertrand.

Lott's wife, 77-year-old June Hall Lott, was in the passenger seat and was hurt critically with internal injuries. She was transported to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. Mr. and Mrs. Lott were both wearing seatbelts at the time of

the accident.

Responding to the accident were personnel with the Department of Public Safety, Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department, Associated Ambulance Authority, Donley County Sheriff's Office, and the Texas Department of Transportation.



Light show

Lightning streaks across the Clarendon skyline August 8 in this image capture by a Samsung Galaxy S3 smart phone from Clarendon College looking toward the east as the storm left the city.

COURTESY PHOTO / BRITTON HALL / NWS CERTIFIED SKYWARM SPOTTER/KEPH RADIO

USDA extends CRP emergency grazing deadline

Donley County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Vance Killian has announced that the original Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) emergency grazing deadline has been extended to September 30, 2013.

The CRP emergency haying authorization was not extended and will expire on August 31, 2013. However, under this current authorization, producers are permitted to sell hay that is

harvested prior to August 31 as long as the hay was not sold from the same land under contract anytime during 2011 or 2012.

Producers who take advantage of the emergency grazing extension will not incur an additional CRP rental payment reduction, and through a recent FSA National Office initiative, the 25 percent CRP payment reduction is reduced to 10 percent for 2013 emergency grazing and haying authorizations.

If a producer chooses to

lease eligible CRP acres, the producer cannot profit on the lease agreement. The amount charged for lease of CRP emergency grazing acres cannot exceed the value of the rental payment reduction.

Texas CRP participants who were previously approved for managed grazing may elect to switch to emergency use by contacting the Donley County FSA office to request approval. The restrictive emergency use criteria must be met for each site to qualify

for the new emergency designation approval.

Based on a revised policy decision made by the Texas FSA State Committee, CRP acres grazed during fiscal year 2011 or 2012 will be considered eligible for emergency grazing if NRCS verifies, on a case-by-case basis, that the conservation cover will sustain grazing. CRP acres grazed in the fall/winter of fiscal year 2013 will not be eligible for spring/summer grazing. FSA's

See 'CRP' on page 10.

County orders elections for alcohol sales, city aldermen

Donley County Commissioners acted on two petitions Monday calling for county election on alcohol sales and a special election to fill vacancies on the Clarendon Board of Aldermen.

The Commissioners' Court first considered a petition with 547 verified signatures and voted 3-0-1 to order a Local Option Election to legalize the sale of all alcoholic beverages in the county, including mixed drinks. Judge Jack Hall and Commissioners Dan Sawyer and Andy Wheatly voted to accept the petition and order the election. Commissioner Donnie Hall abstained, and Commissioner Mark White was absent.

The court then considered the petition of 35 legal voters in the City of Clarendon asking the county to adopt a resolution ordering a special election, and the court voted 4-0 to accept that petition and order the election.

Both elections will be held Tuesday, November 5, 2013. Voters must be registered by October 5 to be eligible to vote.

Sales tax revenues up again

Donley County cities continued to enjoy higher sales tax revenues when Texas Comptroller Susan Combs made her August allocation last week.

The large increase in local sales has been attributed to a petroleum by-product pipeline crew that has been making its temporary home in the area.

After seeing growth of more than 40 percent each of the last two months, Clarendon's sales tax revenue for this month was up 23.62 percent compared to the same period in 2012. The city received \$44,009.31 compared to \$35,600.20 last August and is now running 26.04 percent ahead for the calendar year-to-date at \$276,214.96.

Hedley's revenue this month was up 46.57 percent at \$896.16 and is 44 percent higher for the year at \$4,964.40.

Howardwick has also seen some growth with revenue this month up 9.22 percent and an allocation of \$1,791.32. That city is up 3.7 percent for the year.

"Texas sales tax revenue has increased for 40 consecutive months," Combs said.

Combs said that statewide sales tax revenue in July was \$2.2 billion, up 7.3 percent compared to July 2012.

The sales tax figures represent monthly sales made in June as well as April, May and June sales by businesses that report tax quarterly.

PPHM drawing experience

CANYON - To mark any surface with some kind of tool - be it burnt stick, pencil, ink, crayon - is to draw. Join the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum as they explore what it means to draw at the PPHM Drawing Experience on August 24 from 9:00 a.m. until noon.

Join Curator Michael Grauer in the PPHM Foran Art Gallery for a discussion of the history of academic drawing and the Drawings from the Permanent Collection exhibition. Drawings from the Permanent Collection will provide a platform showing the depth and breadth of the PPHM drawing collection. Media

will include pencil, graphite, Conte crayon, ink, and dry brush. Artists in the exhibition include: Charlie Dye, Frank Reaugh, Nicolai Fechin, H.D. Bugbee, Albert Schmidt, Isabel Robinson, Edward G. Eisenlohr, and many others. Guests are invited after the lecture to pick up a drawing board and pencil for a drawing experience with instructor Megan Easley.

The PPHM Drawing Experience is open to the public with regular museum admission and an additional \$5 materials fee. For more information please visit panhandleplains.org/calendar or call 806-651-2244.

New law aims to reduce crashes

AUSTIN - September not only brings the start of fall, but also the start of a new requirement for Texas drivers. The state's Move Over/Slow Down law, which traditionally has required drivers to yield to police, fire and emergency vehicles, has now been expanded to provide that same protection for Texas Department of Transportation workers.

Effective Sept. 1, drivers must move over or slow down when approaching TxDOT workers and vehicles that are stopped with overhead flashing blue or amber lights.

"We are very pleased the Legislature recognizes the dangers our employees face each day while working to maintain and build the state's vast highway network," said Phil Wilson, TxDOT's executive director, noting that more than 100

TxDOT employees working in construction areas have been struck and killed by motorists since 1938.

"We are hopeful that this new protection for our crews will lead to fewer preventable deaths and injuries."

The new addition to the Move Over law requires motorists to move out of the lane closest to the TxDOT vehicle when possible or reduce their speed to 20 miles per hour below the posted limit. If the road does not offer multiple lanes, the driver must slow down. On roadways with posted speed limits of 25 miles per hour or less, drivers must reduce their speed to 5 miles per hour. Violators can be fined up to \$2,000.

For media inquiries, contact TxDOT Media Relations at MediaRelations@txdot.gov or (512) 463-8700.



the lion's tale

by roger estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting August 13, 2013, with Boss Lion Ashlee Estlack in charge.

We had 16 members and one guest this week. Our guest was District Gov. Ryan Hodge.

Lion Monty Hysinger updated the club on registration and other activities at the public school, and Lion Phil Shirley said registration is underway at the college and said the Amarillo cosmetology center is coming along.

Lion Chandra Eggemeyer said the Clarendon EDC is reviewing its printed materials - maps and brochures - and getting ready to order new items, and Lion Bobbie Thornberry said 14 wagons are registered for the chuckwagon cookoff at the museum.

DG Ryan Hodge updated the club on district news and said the 2014 district convention will be held in Clarendon next April, and club leaders pledged their willingness to help.

A secret ballot was held on the candidates for Sweetheart, and the position went to Minnie Buckhaults. Congratulations, Minnie!

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

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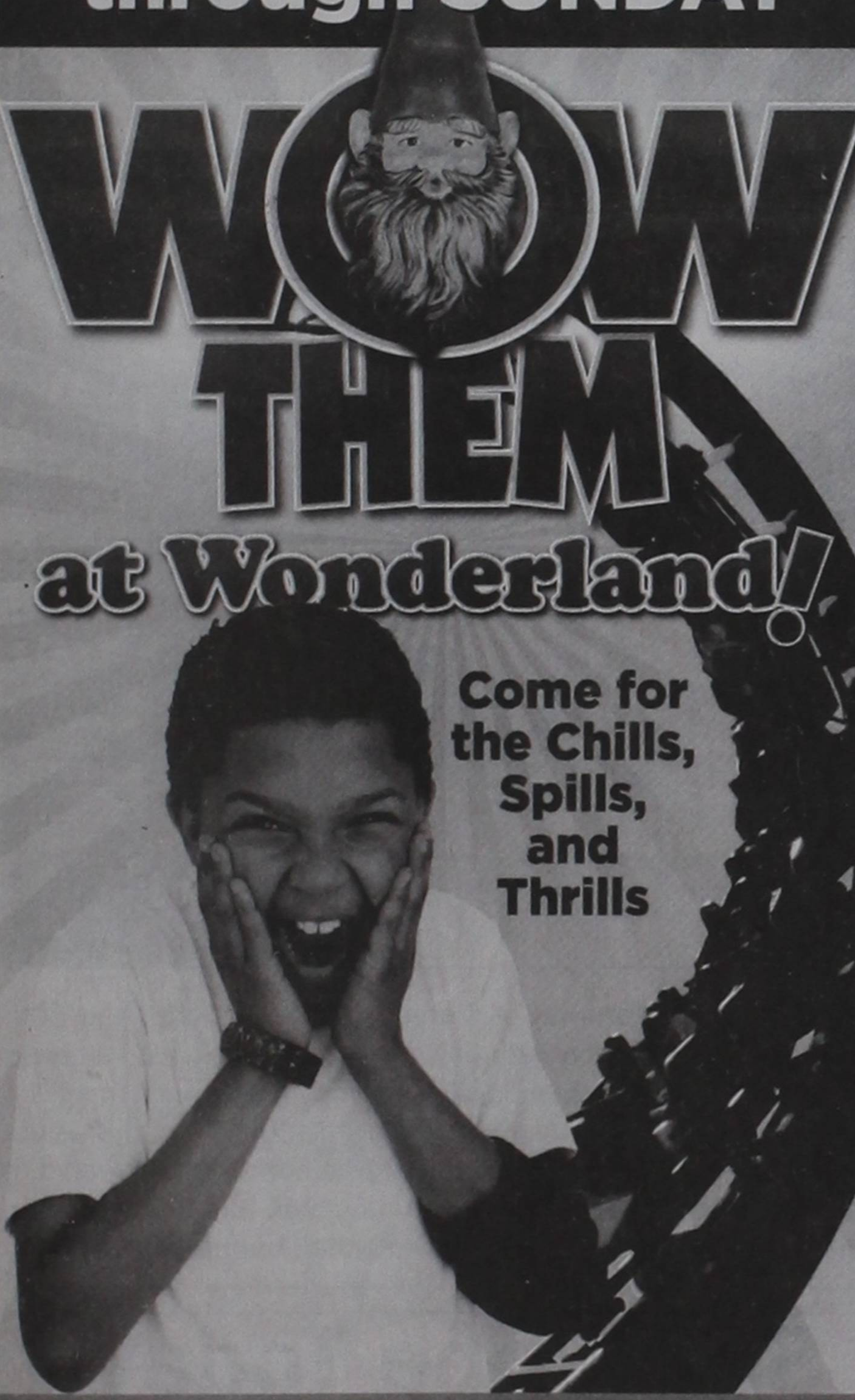


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Wed	7	93°	65°	T
Thur	8	92°	59°	.50
Fri	9	78°	61°	-
Sat	10	85°	64°	-
Sun	11	91°	67°	.04

Total precipitation this month: 0.54"
Total precipitation to date: 13.74"

weekend forecast

Fri., August 16
Scattered T-Storms
87° / 63°

Sat., August 17
Partly Cloudy
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Rangers present cross at Goodnight

The Former Texas Rangers Association/Foundation held a cross ceremony at the Goodnight Cemetery on Saturday honoring Col. Charles Goodnight.

Goodnight was a Texas Ranger, and the cross, made by Kevin Johnson of Clarendon, is on permanent display at his gravesite in Goodnight.

Some of the honored guests included Ruth Robinson, who is a relative of Charles Goodnight; Benny Tahmahkera who is the great, great, great-grandson of Quanah Parker; and many former Texas Rangers from around the state.

The cross includes symbols to honor Goodnight as both a Texas Ranger and a Mason. Is it identical to another cross made by Johnson which was placed on the tomb of Stephen F. Austin earlier this year.



Those attending the dedication of the Goodnight Texas Ranger / Masonic Cross were Jim Gillespie, Captain Carl Weathers, Brantley Foster, Jamie Downs, Phil Ryann, Alvin Schmidt, Jack Morton, Senior Captain Lefty Block, Benny Tahmahkera, Dick Johnson, Marla Nauni, Captain James Wright, Joe Davis, Kevin Johnson, Captain Jerry Bryne, and Ralph Wadesworth.

COURTESY PHOTO / CHERYL JOHNSON

Regents approve request for WTAMU center for learning disabilities

The College of Education and Social Sciences at West Texas A&M University in Canyon is now home to the WTAMU Center for Learning Disabilities (CLD) following approval for its establishment by The Texas A&M University System Board of Regents at its regular meeting Aug. 8-9 in College Station.

The University established the WTAMU Community Partnership for Learning Disabilities (PLD) in 2011 to provide a resource for parents of children with learning disabilities. A website was created along with educational, research and community outreach initiatives, and WTAMU officials wanted to capitalize on the success of those initiatives with the creation of the West Texas A&M University Center for Learning Disabilities. The Center will be funded through external sources and housed at WTAMU's Amarillo

Center in Amarillo.

"The creation of the WTAMU Center for Learning Disabilities provides a means for WT to expand on a sustained basis its specialized offerings for the Panhandle community," Dr. J. Patrick O'Brien, University president, said. "Through increased services and research, it will provide a learning environment for our students, a resource for parents and an opportunity to educate the public. I expect the Center will make a significant impact in the lives of those with learning disabilities."

The CLD is a collaborative effort designed to promote evidence-based teaching and research to help those with learning disabilities find success. Parents will continue to discover a network of support through the CLD while educators and administrators can count on professional development designed to help in the

identification of students with learning disabilities along with a curriculum to ensure improved student learning.

Students in multiple disciplines at WTAMU will gain hands-on learning in a proposed state-of-the-art laboratory. The facility will serve as a classroom for undergraduate and graduate students learning to assess and teach children with disabilities. It also will provide students, teachers, educators and families opportunities to experience the latest in technology and adaptive equipment. Traditional assessment instruments and technology-based and assisted assessments will be used to focus on the early identification of exceptional learners.

Many of the services provided through the PLD—community outreach, student scholarships, research, grants and the Distinguished Lecture

Series in Learning Disabilities—will continue through the Center while others will be introduced to fulfill its mission. The Center will work with the WTAMU Department of Education to establish certificate programs focused on dyslexia for both undergraduate and graduate students along with plans to endow a chair in learning disabilities to provide leadership for the Center.

"What a gift WTAMU has given to the Texas Panhandle by providing support and programs to the families who have been affected by learning disabilities," Puff Niegos, chair of the CLD advisory council, said. "This effort has the potential to change lives."

For more information about the WTAMU Center for Learning Disabilities, visit the website at wtamu.edu/academics/learning-disabilities-about-us.aspx.

AgriLife Extension canning, freezing class

AMARILLO – Preserving the Harvest Food Preservation Class 2013 will be held Aug. 30 at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service offices for Potter County, 3301 E. 10th Ave. in Amarillo.

The class will begin at 9 a.m. and cover the basics of water-bath canning, freezing and dehydrating foods and home food preservation safety, said Amy Wagner, AgriLife Extension family and consumer sciences agent for Potter County.

The workshop cost is \$35 and each participant will take home a training notebook, the University of Georgia's "So Easy to Preserve" publication, snacks and products preserved during the class.

"We will be canning salsa, jams and jellies and putting up beans," Wagner said. The class will be limited to 15 participants. Those planning to attend should RSVP by Aug. 22 by contacting Wagner at 806-373-0713 or aewagner@ag.tamu.edu.

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(time, date, year)
 in the Clarendon CISD Administration and Technology Building located at 416 South Allen Street,
(name of room, building, physical location)
Clarendon, Texas 79226.
(city, state)

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	0	% increase	or	5	% (decrease)
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Total expenditures	0	% increase	or	5	% (decrease)

Clarendon Church of Christ

OCTOBER 19TH, MARK IT DOWN ON YOUR CALENDAR!

Why? On October 19th from 9 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., a seminar will be conducted on our college campus at the auditorium. Dr. Dave Miller will be conducting the seminar called: "THE SILENCING OF GOD (The Dismantling of America's Christian Heritage).

The seminar is not a religious event per se. There will be no "come to Jesus" moment and there will be no collections taken. His seminar is to help combat the "rewriting" of history by liberals and progressives over the last 50 years. For years, Christianity and the fact that our country was founded upon Biblical values have been systematically attacked. A new narrative has been formed that basically says that our country is to be neutral to religion, that our founding fathers were atheists or neutral to God. Their "new" history makes the constitution not understandable because our Founding Fathers weren't "clear" and left a lot of "fill in the blanks" concerning gay rights, abortion, etc.

Come see for yourselves as Dr. Miller will show you in the Founding Fathers' own writings what was meant when the Declaration and the Constitution were written. For example, did you know that in the 18th century, homosexuality between men was called sodomy and was punished by death in 3 colonies? Thomas Jefferson serving as the governor of Virginia, once proposed a law for punishment of sodomy to be dismemberment! The punishment ended up being prison with hard labor. Now, do you really think the Founders had no opinion on homosexuality? The media will not tell you these things nor will the far left groups whom attack those of us who dare to speak out.

Anyone who loves Christ and enjoys studying the history of our country would enjoy themselves and be educated during this program. Bring your kids and grandkids as they are the ones who have been indoctrinated with incorrect history books. Several generations have been lied to about the constitution and the men who wrote it. Truth should have no enemies! Let us all educate ourselves and try to stem this "avalanche" of misinformation. If you can stay for the whole program, you will be fed lunch. It is divided into several segments so you can come and go as you please.

I plead with you as a fellow American who believes that our country was founded upon Biblical principles, to come and bring as many friends as you can. I've heard the seminar once before and it is top notch. You will literally walk away with your "eyes opened." I hope to see you there. God bless you and our country.

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Green family holds annual August Christmas reunion

The family members of Horace A. and Naomi Morris Green got together over the weekend of August 11, 12, and 13 for a reunion and to commemorate their annual Christmas in August. Forty-six family members were present to help celebrate.

Family members began arriving at the Northwest Inn in Woodward, Okla., on Friday evening where they enjoyed the atrium with an indoor pool, shuffle board, ping pong and billiards as well as visiting. On Saturday some people toured the Alabaster Caverns at Freedom, Okla., while others hung out at the atrium and Terrace Room of the motel.

Besides swimming, the children played with toys and games

and dressed-up in dress-up attire for pictures. In the evening folks went to the city park in Woodward for a catered barbeque meal, access to the playground, activities at the Crystal Beach Water Park and then train rides around the recreational area. After Sunday morning breakfast relatives adjourned to the Fargo, Okla., country home of Ellen and Kevin Morehart where a lunch of cold cuts, fruits and vegetables was served before leaving for home.

Children present were Robin M. Green of Lubbock, Patricia and Willis Friesen of Frisco, Beth Stepp of Dallas, Ellen and Kevin Morehart of Fargo, Okla., and Katherine Williams of Clarendon.

Grandchildren and their families in attendance were: Robin

and Lisa Lynn Green of Aurora, Colo.; Elena and Joel Cruce of Garland; David Green, Jaythan and Madison of Clarendon; Clint and Emily Green of Amarillo; Lindsay and Brent Wilhelm, Pierce and Kennedy of Happy; Lori Parscal, Kristen, Hali, Kaylyn and Gavin of Amarillo, Lauren Rodriguez and Travis Mohr of Aubrey; Charolette and Troy Sandel, Braden and Brian Watts of Dallas; Tiffany and Jerry Newell, Jacoby, Kaitlin and Dillon of Woodward, Okla.; Stephanie Adcock and Tyson Broadfoot, Cody, Aviana, Sam and Ella Marie of Broken Arrow, Okla.; and Micah Morehart and friend Tyler Foale of Fargo, Okla. Also there were Jerome and Bobette Doerrie of Booker, Texas.



Hunters return

Three Donley County residents recently returned from a safari in South Africa with All American Outfitters hunting with Ingwe Safaris. Shown here at the hunting lodge near Douglas, South Africa, in the Northern Cape Province are Roseann Mayer, Debbie Kennedy and Ken Mayer.

COURTESY PHOTO BY KIRK DWIGHT

Clarendon CISD fills two teaching jobs

The Clarendon Consolidated Independent School District Board of Trustees met August 8, 2013, in regular session and filled two teachers' positions among considering other agenda items.

Following a 22-minute closed session, the board approved offering employment contracts to Amber Williams, first grade, and Karissa Huffman, high school Spanish/math.

Trustees also approved West Texas Gas as the school's provider for transportation fuel for 2013-2014, and heard several administrative reports. The superintendent presented a report on the 2013-2014 Budget Development. Trustees voted to set the Budget Hearing/Adoption meeting on Tuesday, August 27, 2013, at 7:00 p.m. in the Clarendon CISD Video Conference Room.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The _____ Hedley ISD _____ will hold a public meeting at _____ 6:30PM, August 29, 2013 _____ in _____ Hedley ISD Board Room, 301 Jones _____ Hedley, TX _____.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$ 1.04000 / \$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$ 0.06900 / \$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)
Approved by Local Voters	\$ _____ / \$100

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	0.97 % increase	or	0.00 % (decrease)
Debt service	0.00 % increase	or	3.95 % (decrease)
Total expenditures	0.66 % increase	or	0.00 % (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ 164,221,409	\$ 170,414,025
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ 140,454	\$ 0
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ 46,951,907	\$ 45,707,213
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ 140,454	\$ 0

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 335,000

* Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 1.00000	\$ 0.06700 *	\$ 1.06700	\$ 4,334	\$ 9,184
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.04286	\$ 0.06972 *	\$ 1.11258	\$ 4,819	\$ 10,007
Proposed Rate	\$ 1.04000	\$ 0.06900 *	\$ 1.10900	\$ 4,804	\$ 10,002

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 21,422	\$ 18,440
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 6,422	\$ 3,440
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.067	\$ 1.109
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 68.52	\$ 38.15
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ (30.37)

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.10982. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.10982.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 622,218
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 0

2013 Property Tax Rates in City of Clarendon

This notice concerns 2013 property tax rates for City of Clarendon. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

General Fund	
Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	220,850.64
Last year's debt taxes	147,233.76
Last year's total taxes	368,084.40
Last year's tax base	56,628,369
Last year's total tax rate	0.650000 / \$100
This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	305,816.34
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	46,622,410
= This year's effective tax rate	0.655942 / \$100
<i>(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)</i>	
This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	283,011
+ This year's adjusted tax base	46,622,410
= This year's effective rate	0.607027 / \$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.655589 / \$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.343550 / \$100
= This year's total rollback rate	0.999139 / \$100

A county that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines:

- Sales tax adjustment rate	0.211878 / \$100
= Rollback tax rate	0.787261 / \$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease
If _____ City of Clarendon _____ adopts a 2013 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$ 0.655942 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2012 taxes by \$ 623.00.

Schedule A — Unencumbered Fund Balances
The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund:	M & O	I & S
Balance:	\$ 89,003.00	\$ 65,745.00

Schedule B — 2013 Debt Service
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Interest & Sinking Debt	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 153,300.00
	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
<i>(expand as needed)</i>				
Total required for 2013 debt service			\$	153,300.00
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A			\$	0.00
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources			\$	0.00
- Excess collections last year			\$	0.00
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2013			\$	153,300.00
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95 % of its taxes in 2013			\$	7,665.00
= Total Debt Levy			\$	160,965.00

Schedule C — Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax
(For hospital districts, cities and counties with additional sales tax to reduce property taxes)
In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$ 99,521.00 in additional sales and use tax revenues. For County: The county has excluded any amount that is or will be distributed for economic development grants from this amount of expected sales tax revenue.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at the appraisal district office at 304 S Kearney St, Clarendon, Texas

Name of person preparing this notice Paula Lewis
Title Chief Appraiser
Date prepared 8/9/2013

Obituaries

Brace

Vontina Williams Brace passed away July 27, 2013.

She was born on December 18, 1973, to the late Edgar Lee Williams, Jr. and Mozell Davis Williams in Charleston, MS.



Brace

Vontina graduated from Clarendon College school of nursing and worked for various doctors, hospitals, nursing homes, and agencies though out the Panhandle area.

Vontina was baptized on October 26, 1991, as one of Jehovah's

Witnesses while living in Clarksdale, MS.

In 1992 she began serving in the full-time ministry and continued to do so until her death. She served in Clarksdale, Marks, and Charleston, MS as well as in Shamrock, Pampa, Childress, and Clarendon. She taught Bible studies in eight languages not including Spanish or English. She served many years with the Regional Building Committee of Jehovah's Witnesses.

On March 23, 2013, Vontina married Colburn Brace and moved to Wichita, Kan., and served in the full-time ministry with the Sign Language Wichita Congregation (ASL) until her sudden and unexpected death.

She is preceded in death by her father Edgar Lee Williams, Jr., grandfather Edgar Lee Williams, Sr., and grandmother Beulah Williams.

She leaves to cherish her memory her loving husband, Colburn

Brace; mother, Mozell Williams; grandmother, Hosie Davis; two siblings, Shondra Rhodes (Owen) and Ebony Williams (Kelvin); two step-daughters, Michelle Brace and Jessica Brown; two step-sons, Matthew Brace and James Brace; five nieces, Shauntel Morris, Catera Thompson, Dasha Tillis, Mozell Williams, and Jasmine Rhodes; one nephew, Vondrell Warren; one great niece, Shamyla Moore; two aunts, Tammy Davis and Dorothy Davis; two uncles, William Davis and Willie Williams; six cousins; and a host of other relatives along with many dear friends near and far.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 17, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. at Parkway Kingdom Hall, 1717 South Manhattan, in Amarillo. In lieu of flowers, there has been a memorial fund established at Wells Fargo Bank under the name Vontina Williams Brace Memorial Fund.

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leave compliance tools, wage and hour compliance tools, and human resources topics.

Shawn Twing, shareholder at Sprouse Shrader Smith P.C., will emcee the event. Mr. Twing is certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Labor and Employment Law. He received his law degree with honors in 1993 from the University of Arkansas. Mr. Twing has been a shareholder in the Sprouse Amarillo office since 2001.

Guest Speakers include Char-

lotte Bingham of Texas Tech University System, Michelle Bryson of Fuqua Bryson Benefits Group, Chip McCampbell of Bruckner Truck Sales, Laura Hale of Sprouse Shrader Smith P.C., Bryan Jepson of Sprouse Shrader Smith P.C., Hillary La Manna of Hunting Energy Services, and Susan Owens of the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor.

For more information on the event or to register, please contact: SprouseLaw.Events@sprouselaw.com OR 806.468.3300.

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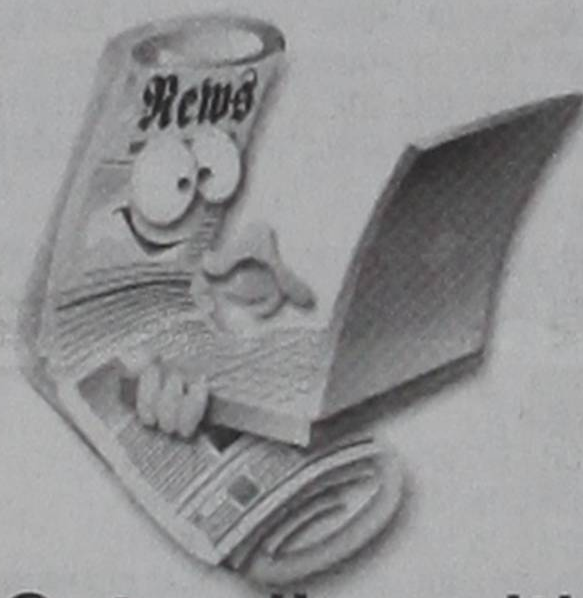
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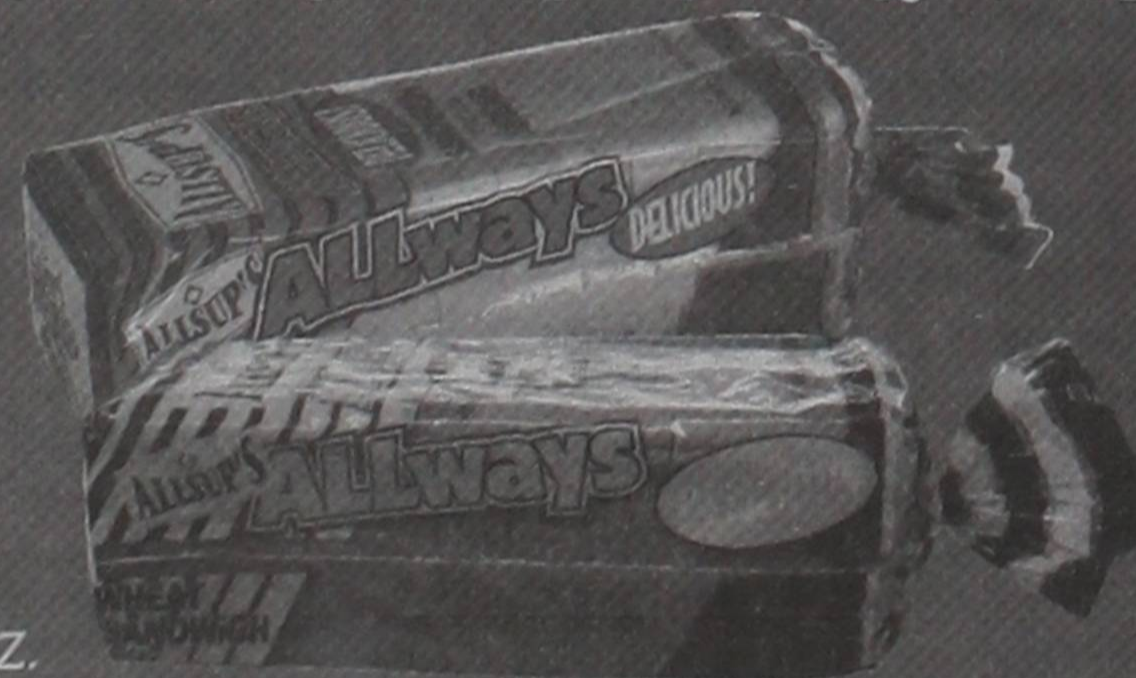
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Year Of Faith Celebration to be held

Preparations continue for the Diocesan Year of Faith Celebration, set for Saturday, Sept. 14 at the Amarillo Civic Center.

All Catholics in the Diocese of Amarillo are invited to take part in this celebration.

Activities will begin at 9:30am with Morning Prayer, followed with opening comments from Bishop Patrick J. Zurek and a multimedia presentation entitled "Who Are We?," featuring the people of the parishes in the Diocese of Amarillo.

There will be three keynote addresses given during the Year of Faith celebration. The first will be given at 11:00 by Bishop Zurek, with Father Gabriel Garcia, OFM, parochial administrator of Sts. Peter and Paul Church, Dumas, providing translation in Spanish, on the topic Faith in the Marketplace.

After lunch at noon, two additional keynote addresses will be presented. Cardinal Óscar Andrés Rodríguez Maradiaga, Archbishop of Tegucigalpa, Honduras, will give a talk on The New Evangelization

Through the Lens of Charity. Dr. Wendy M. Wright, Professor of Theology at Creighton University, who will talk about The Domestic Church, Faith Expressions and the Tools Needed.

Cardinal Rodriguez is a native of Tegucigalpa, Honduras. He was ordained to the priesthood for the Salesians of St. John Bosco on June 28, 1970 and appointed Auxiliary Bishop of Tegucigalpa on Oct. 28, 1978.

After being appointed Archbishop of Tegucigalpa on Jan. 8, 1993, he was created a Cardinal on Feb. 21, 2001. He was a participant in both the 2005 and 2013 Conclaves. Cardinal Rodriguez is in his second term as president of Caritas International and was president of the Latin American Episcopal Conference (CELAM) from 1995 to 1999.

This is Cardinal Rodriguez's third visit to the Diocese of Amarillo, having participated in the Eucharistic Congress on Aug. 23-24, 2002 and attending Bishop Zurek's

Installation Mass on Feb. 22, 2008.

The celebration will conclude at 4:00 with a Liturgical Procession, followed by Mass in the Civic Center Auditorium, with Cardinal Rodríguez delivering the homily. This will be the only Mass celebrated in the Diocese of Amarillo on Sept. 14, according to Bishop Zurek.

"There are to be no diocesan or parish activities scheduled on Sept. 14," he said. "There will be no Parish or Convent Masses to be celebrated that day. The ONLY Eucharist will be celebrated at the Amarillo Civic Center. We ask all Catholics to please make plans to participate in this diocesan celebration."

Those who are planning to attend should sign up at their parishes on the registration form in the parish office.

For additional information about the Diocesan Year of Faith Celebration, please call Sister Janet M. Abbacchi, SSND, Coordinator of Faith Formation for the Diocese of Amarillo at the Diocesan Pastoral Center at 383-2243, ext. 113.

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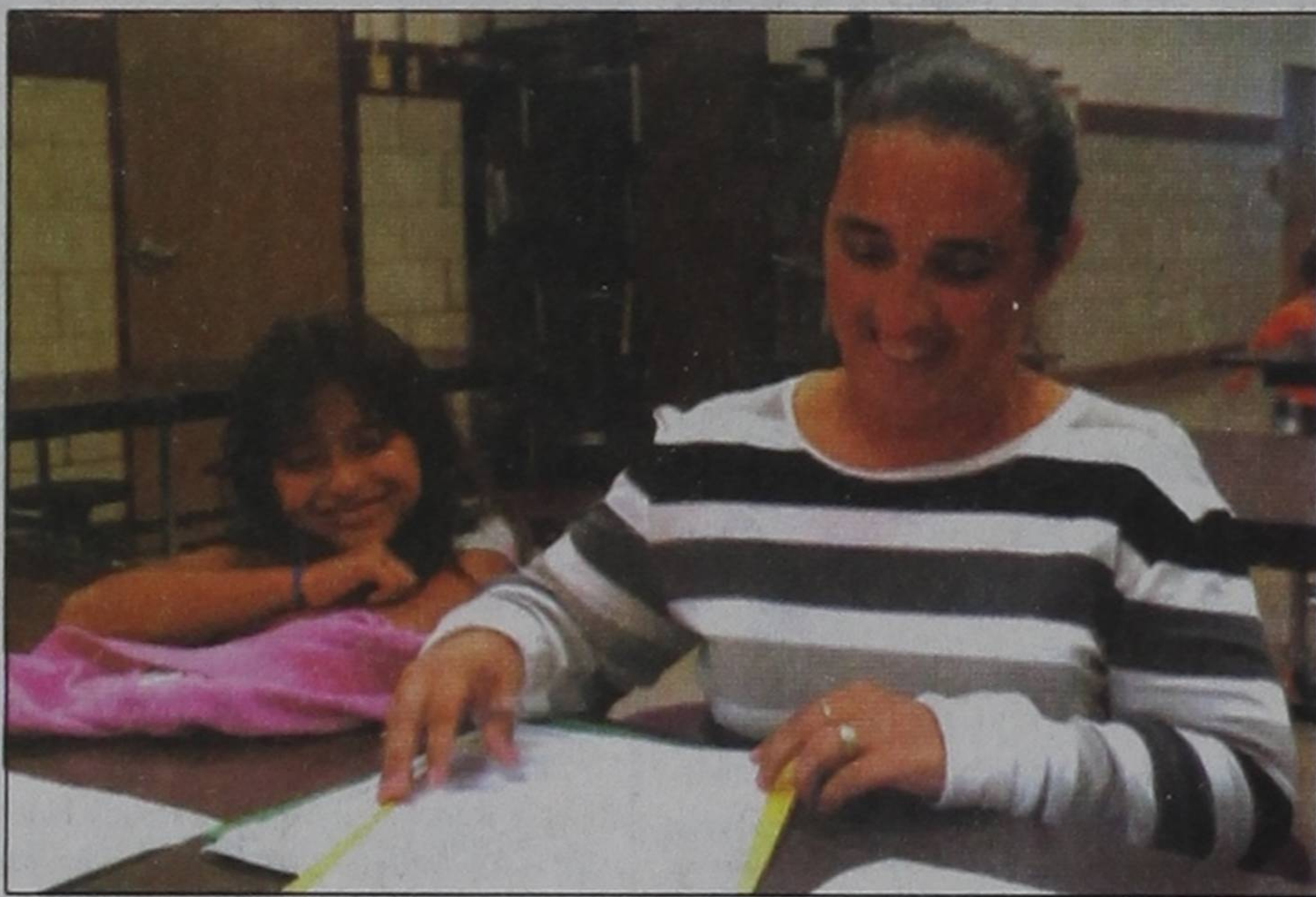
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fiscal year runs from October 1 to September 30.

"The grazing extension was approved by the Texas FSA State Committee in order to provide more resources for livestock producers facing forage and feed shortages as a result of drought," said Killian.

The eligible CRP acreage is limited to qualified acres located within the approved county. Eligible producers who are interested in grazing CRP under this emergency authorization and current CRP participants who choose to provide land for grazing to an eligible livestock producer, must first request approval from their local FSA office and obtain a modified conservation plan from the NRCS to include site specific grazing requirements.

For more information, contact the Donley County FSA office at 806-874-3561.



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In-coming fifth grader Aubrey Jaramillo smiles as her mother Mandy fills out the paperwork for her to register for classes at Clarendon ISD Monday evening.

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2013 Property Tax Rates in Donley County

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	General Fund	County Special
Last year's tax rate:		
Last year's operating taxes	885,416.70	198,726.83
Last year's debt taxes	153,068.58	0.00
Last year's total taxes	1,038,485.28	198,726.83
Last year's tax base	205,331,635	202,617,075
Last year's total tax rate	0.505760 /\$100	0.098080 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	793,603.97	179,054.41
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	182,425,228	183,150,728
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	0.435112 /\$100	0.097763 /\$100
Total effective tax rate	0.528075 /\$100	0.097763 /\$100

(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)

This year's rollback tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	793,604	179,054
+ This year's adjusted tax base	184,425,228	183,150,728
= This year's effective rate	0.430312 /\$100	0.097763 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.464736 /\$100	0.105584 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.075579 /\$100	0 /\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	0.540315 /\$100	0.105584 /\$100
This year's total rollback rate	0.645899 /\$100	0.105584 /\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Donley County adopts a 2013 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$ 0.528075 per \$100 of value, taxes would decrease compared to 2012 taxes by \$ 143,158.02.

Schedule A — Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund:	Ad Valorem	I & S
Balance:	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Schedule B — 2013 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Interest and Sinking Debt	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 135,469.52
	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
(expand as needed)				
Total required for 2013 debt service			\$	135,469.52
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A			\$	0.00
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources			\$	0.00
- Excess collections last year			\$	0.00
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2013			\$	135,469.52
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 97 % of its taxes in 2013			\$	4,064.00
= Total Debt Levy			\$	139,533.52

Schedule D — State Criminal Justice Mandate (For Counties)

The Donley County Auditor certifies that Donley County has spent \$ 84,168.00 in the previous 12 months beginning October 1, 2012, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at the Appraisal District office at 304 S Kearney St Clarendon Texas

Name of person preparing this notice **Paula Lowrie**
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