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

City, ISD open talks on ballfields' ownership

The City of Clarendon began talks last week about transferring its ownership in two local ballparks to the public school.

The topic was first discussed publicly at the July 12 meeting of the Clarendon ISD Board of Trustees and was also discussed at the city council meeting last Thursday, July 14.

Currently, McClellan Field is used by the varsity Broncos but is owned by the city. Meanwhile, the Lady Broncos softball field is on property that is owned half by the school and half by the city. Hart-Moore Field, which is used by local little league teams, is owned by the

school.

City Administrator David Dockery and CISD Superintendent Mike Norrell say water is the driving issue that has opened the discussions between the two entities.

As part of the conditions of the USDA funding the city is receiving for its upcoming \$4 million water system improvements, all water usage in the city must be metered and paid for. City Hall, Prospect Park, and other city facilities will have to have metered watered services for the first time, and those services will have to be paid for.

As city facilities currently, the water use on the ball fields is not

metered.

Neither the city aldermen nor the school trustees took any action last week pending more information being gathered about that subject.

In other city business, Sara SoRelle addressed the council in public comments regarding fireworks being set off in the city during the Fourth of July. She said she called the sheriff's office but that no deputy showed up. She also said that animals and some people are agitated by loud fireworks. She asked the council to increase the fine for setting off fireworks in the city limits to \$2,000.

The council discussed a request

from Meals on Wheels for funding from the Community Programs line item and approved \$1,000 for that program.

In his administrator's report, Dockery said the water looping project has been tied in at Carhart Street and about 1,000 feet of lines remain to be installed. Preliminary designs have been received for the USDA-funded water project and will now be finalized. Also, the city has some concrete work to do at the low-water crossing on Front Street to finalize its in-kind contribution for the 2001 TxDOT bridge replacement grant, and proposals will be taken soon on that work.

The board approved accepting the parks master plan and approved a resolution adopting open space master plan.

Aldermen also approved a resolution authorizing the city to apply for a Community Development Block Grant for \$250,000 in sewer system improvements with a \$41,250 match.

City officials feel there is little chance the grant will be awarded because the city has not raised sewer rates and has not raised taxes over the effective rate recently, both of which will negatively impact the Clarendon's score on the grant application.

Firemen respond to house fire Monday

The Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department responded to a house fire at Fourth and Montgomery Monday evening and were able to quickly extinguish the blaze.

Fire Chief Jeremy Powell said four trucks and 15 firemen answered the call and arrived to find a blaze that had started on the kitchen stove.

Powell said the home suffered only light fire damage and some smoke damage.

Farmers market will open Wednesday

The Whistle-Stop Trade Days has announced that the 2016 farmers market will open this Wednesday, July 20, at 5 p.m.

Come visit every Wednesday at 5 p.m. to get fresh produce and other goodies in the Whistle-Stop parking lot on east US 287.

The next scheduled Trade Days at the Whistle-Stop will be Friday-Sunday, August 5-7.

Memphis, TxDOT to open new overpass

The City of Memphis and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will hold a ribbon cutting on Monday, July 25, 2016, at 10 a.m., at the west end of the newly constructed FM 1547 overpass in Memphis.

The public is invited to attend.

The overpass will provide citizens and emergency vehicles access across the BNSF Railroad and US 287 to both the east and west sides of the city.

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Wind wreaks havoc

Strong gusts took a toll on parts of Donley County last Friday night, July 15. John Morrow's well truck was overturned on the Don Robinson farm just north of Clarendon (top photo). And in Hedley, roofs were damaged and trees like this one behind the public school (bottom photo) lost large limbs.

PHOTOS / JOHN MORROW AND KARI LINDSEY

Abbott: Make targeted cop killing a hate crime

Gov. Greg Abbott wants the targeted killing of a police officer to be deemed a hate crime in Texas and urged lawmakers to send him such a bill to sign during next year's legislative session.

Abbott announced Monday his plan to lobby for adding his Police Protection Act to Texas law. Along with extending hate crime protections to law enforcement, the measure would increase criminal penalties for any crimes in which the victim is a law enforcement officer and "create a culture of respect for law enforcement by organizing a

campaign to educate young Texans on the value law enforcement officers bring to their communities," according to a statement from Abbott's office.

Abbott's proposal follows weeks of targeted killings of police officers and growing tension over disproportionate encounters between black Americans and law enforcement. In the most recent event, Gavin Long, 29, of Missouri fatally shot three police officers in Baton Rouge on Sunday, according to Louisiana officials.

On July 7, Micah Xavier John-

son, 25, opened fire on officers in downtown Dallas, where protestors had assembled to protest the recent deaths of two black men by officers in Louisiana and Minnesota.

"At a time when law enforcement officers increasingly come under assault simply because of the job they hold, Texas must send a resolute message that the State will stand by the men and women who serve and protect our communities," Abbott said Monday in a statement.

Abbott's proposal comes after US Sen. John Cornyn (R-Texas) introduced legislation on Wednes-

day that would make killing a police officer a federal crime.

Under that federal proposal, someone who killed or conspired or attempted to kill a public safety officer, a federally funded law enforcement officer or a federal judge would be eligible for the death penalty as well as a mandatory minimum 30-year-sentence for murder and 10 years for attempted murder, according to Cornyn's office. Cornyn's bill also would create additional federal crimes for fleeing a state to avoid prosecution for such offenses or for assaulting an officer.

Hedley eyes fees on old accounts

The City of Hedley will be adopting new fees for delinquent accounts following the Board of Aldermen's regular meeting on Thursday, July 7.

As part of a new contract for collection services with Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, the city approved a motion to create an ordinance adding 30 percent on all debts and accounts receivable that are more than 60 days past due.

The collection fee would apply to fines, fees, court costs, restitution, and other debts that are owed to the city.

Hedley aldermen will consider adopting Ordinance 139 at their August 4 meeting.

In other business, the board denied a request by Bella Vista Ranch to have a city Dumpster because aldermen were concerned that the sandy roads may be hard on the sanitation truck.

The board also voted to approve the hourly pay of Danny Mullins and authorized paying for one meal for him at the senior citizens center on the days he works.

TxDOT project will improve Highway 287

CHILDRESS – The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is set to begin a project to improve US 287 in Hall and Donley counties.

J. Lee Milligan Inc. of Amarillo, Texas, contractor for the \$5.8 million project, plans to set barricades on July 25 with work to begin on July 27.

The project will consist of removing two inches of the existing surface, recycling the material and replacing it back on the roadway. The limits of the project are both the northbound driving and passing lanes from Estelline to Memphis and both the southbound driving and passing lanes from Hedley to Memphis. After the recycled material is in place, the roadway will receive an asphaltic concrete overlay across the entire width of the 11.9-mile project.

Weather permitting, this project should be complete in five months.

Motorists are urged to obey all traffic control devices, reduce speed and watch for contractor and TxDOT personnel in the work zone.

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Hillary now is morphing into Bernie

By Michael D. Tanner
Cato Institute

Let's hear it for the all-but-official Democratic nominee for president – Hillary Sanders.

With Bernie Sanders's decision yesterday to formally endorse Hillary, the last potential threat to her nomination has been eliminated. In any normal election year, a candidate in that position, especially one running against an opponent as divisive and unqualified as Donald Trump, would begin to pivot to the political center. Instead, Hillary continues to move further and further left. Having apparently decided she can't run as herself – the slogan "Hey, at least I wasn't indicted" is less than inspirational – she is doing her best to morph into the Democratic candidate that some people actually liked.

Last weekend, for instance, she moved closer to adopting Bernie's health-care plan. She hasn't gone all the way – Berniecare's \$38 trillion price tag is still a bit high for her – but she will push for a so-called "public option" for Obamacare. This would essentially establish a government-run single-payer system to compete with private insurance in every state. Because the government system is subsidized by taxpayers, it can artificially hold down prices until it drives private insurance out of business. Hillary is also calling for reducing the age for Medicare eligibility to 55. So far she has been too busy playing Santa Claus to put a price tag on this proposal. But it's hard to imagine that adding more people to Medicare will help that program's expected \$55.6 trillion shortfall. What these proposals do mean in the aggregate, however, is the slow, painful death of private health insurance in this country.

Instead of pivoting to the center, Clinton keeps shuffling left.

Just a few days earlier, Hillary had bought into another of Bernie's truly bad ideas: free college tuition. Under her plan, public colleges would be free for all families earning less than \$85,000 per year as of now, an income threshold that would rise to \$125,000 in 2021. That would eventually make roughly 83 percent of U.S. college students eligible for "free" college at a cost to taxpayers of some \$450 billion over ten years. And just to sweeten the deal, she also plans to offer every student, regardless of family income, a three-month moratorium on student-loan payments.

This, despite the fact that nearly everyone agrees that such subsidies simply inflate the cost of a college education. Moreover, her plan would encourage students to spend more time studying subjects that are not going to help them find employment once they get out of college. This would move us further down the road toward the sort of institutions filled with perpetual students that we see in some European countries, which in turn would have serious consequences both for the students themselves and for the economy at large.

And, while Clinton herself hasn't announced it yet, her delegates joined with Sanders's to insert support for a \$15 per hour minimum wage into the party platform. This would be on top of all the other regulations and mandates she wants to impose on business, ranging from paid family leave to more stringent overtime rules and scheduling restrictions. Even economists who support an increase in the minimum wage, like Alan Krueger, understand that \$15 an hour would be a job-killer. In fact, there's a particular irony about Hillary's embracing a \$15 an hour wage at this time, given the concerns about the problems faced by young black men. Black teen unemployment exceeds 31 percent. Eliminating low-wage, entry-level jobs is unlikely to improve that.

Clinton has also largely embraced Sanders-like positions on issues ranging from expanding Social Security and increasing taxes on high-earners to further tightening gun control. The one area where Sanders appears not to have won outright is on trade, where the platform committee declined to formally condemn the Trans-Pacific Partnership. But even here, Clinton has largely abandoned her support for free trade, joining Sanders (and Trump) in wanting to sock American consumers with huge new taxes if they dare to buy foreign products.

Of course it is difficult to determine exactly what all this means for a candidate who has displayed an almost Trump-like lack of interest in principle or consistency. Tomorrow Clinton might have a completely different set of policies. But for now, she is running to the left of any Democratic candidate in modern history – including Barack Obama. And that is just one more problem for voters trying to choose between Clinton and Trump.

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On matters of reflection and prayer...

May artists of the world be tender – brushes poised to capture on canvas their impressions of a troubled world.

For the rest of us, though, perhaps the closest we can come to artistry is to spin life's color wheel, praying its arrow will land on blue, remaining there for a while.

People of goodwill are of like mind: With all that is being sorted out – in Dallas and throughout the land – law enforcement personnel are on the front line. They forge ever forward, working extra hours when many of us would prefer going back to bed, pulling the covers over our heads, wishing the world to go away....

When ugliness and hate boil over, men and women of blue are there. Sometimes ultimate sacrifices – like those made by the five officers in Dallas – cause us to reflect deeply on their worth.

That defenders of peace are able to remain calm in the chaos erupting without warning seems miraculous enough. That they keep coming back for more in a profession whose parameters of danger balloon ever larger seems even more unbelievable. It is what "blue do."

Much is made about what matters. Yard signs of opposition to bullying first appeared a year or so back. "Kindness Matters," they proclaimed. Kindness does matter. Surely it is an admonition we all can claim, in attitudes of reflection and prayer. ...

With assumed agreement that life matters – as does death – may we then commit to reflection and prayer. Someone said, "Yesterday is history, and tomorrow is hope. Today is getting from one to the other as best we can." May our attitude about the living of this day – and all future days – abide in the

belief that the same God who has intervened in the affairs of humankind throughout history remains in charge....

When first learning of the Dallas mayhem, I thought of a challenging song from the 1950s – Let There Be Peace on Earth. The words "and let it begin with me" are included in all five stanzas. (Please consider reviewing the lyrics, reflecting on the message of the song's entirety.)

Unless we embrace a renewal of our faith in the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, we're all subject to drowning in a growing ocean of tears. The opportunity to renew such a bedrock belief lies within each of us....

Ironies abound. A few days "before Dallas," a "jail break" occurred in the holding area in the Parker County District Courts Building's basement jail in Weatherford, TX. Eight prisoners saw the lone guard slump forward. Likeminded to help, they stormed the locked door, simultaneously yelling to authorities upstairs, fully cognizant their commotion might invite lawmen with guns drawn.

Moments later, authorities arrived, firearms drawn. Guns were quickly holstered and prisoners soon were back behind bars as the jailer – without a pulse – was resuscitated. Authorities said the prisoners' quick action saved the man's life.

The inmates – none seeking recognition or praise – simply thought it the



the idle american
by don newbury

"right thing to do." This statement was made by one awaiting trial on charges of assaulting a public servant. Such irony....

Community "reach-out" activities are born regularly. They occur when folks assemble, communicate and commit to working cooperatively to make life better for others.

In our town, Burleson, TX, the library has a new program for home-bound folks. They can request titles for mail delivery. There's no cost to participants; even for return envelopes already adorned with postage.

Our "Meals on Wheels" volunteers go extra miles. They also periodically deliver food for participants' pets, calling them "animeals."

What's happening in your town? Are there programs of encouragement? Are you helping? For many years, I handed out diplomas to graduates completing degree requirements. Imprinted thereon were the words "rights and responsibilities." If "weighed" on scales, they should be evenly balanced. Too often, the "rights" side is heavier.

Balancing the scales could strengthen our hope not only for the "sweet by and by," but also for the living of the "bitter here and now."

Here's hoping you'll manage a happy tune this day. How about Let There Be Peace on Earth? And if you cross paths with members of the blue, extend deepest thanks....

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Familiar faces found in US Capitol

Aiming to get away this summer? If you land in the nation's capital, you may see more familiar faces than you would expect. And while I'm willing to bet you'll recognize two Texas icons, I won't make the same bet that they will recognize you.

That's because those familiar faces, Sam Houston and Stephen F. Austin, are chiseled from marble and placed in the halls of the United States Capitol.

These two statues were sent by the Texas State Legislature to represent us as a reminder of the storied history and distinct culture of the Lone Star State.

Sam Houston and Stephen F. Austin have watched over lawmakers and visitors in the halls of the U.S. Capitol since 1905, presiding over every congressional debate and law passed through both chambers.

The two men were invited to the Capitol by a law signed almost exactly 122 years ago on July 2, 1894. Its author, Representative Justin S. Morrill of Vermont, announced his idea with the question: "To what end more useful or grand, and at the same time simple and inexpensive, can we devote it [the Chamber] than to ordain that it shall be set apart for the reception of such statuary as each State shall elect to be deserving of in this lasting commemoration?"

Walking frequently past the statues

sent to Washington from each of the fifty states, I have to say I agree with him.

You'll find Sam Houston, most famous for securing Texas' independence from Mexico and serving as the first and last President of the Republic of Texas, standing proudly in Statuary Hall of the U.S. Capitol. When Texas joined the United States in 1845, he served as the state's first U.S. Senator – the same seat I'm proud to hold today.

One floor below him in the Capitol's Hall of Columns stands Stephen F. Austin. Remembered fondly as the "Father of Texas," Austin famously led "the old 300" into Texas to start the first large settlement of Anglo-American families in the Mexican territory. He presided over the Texas Convention that eventually led to the Texas Revolution, and he led the Texas army to victory at the Siege of Bexar. When Austin lost the election for President of the Republic of Texas in 1836 to Sam Houston, the latter appointed him as Secretary of State. Unfortunately, he died two months later

and never lived to see Texas become the 28th state to join our nation.

Aside from their obvious role in shaping our state as it is today, these two men have a lot in common. Both Texans were actually born in Virginia – Mr. Houston in Timber Ridge, and Mr. Austin in a southwestern town that was later named Austinville. Both took a turn serving as commander-in-chief during the Texas Revolution. And of course both have a legacy as the namesake of two landmark Texas cities.

Today, both represent Texas' fiery spirit and strong culture of independence in the United States Capitol.

Beyond their biographies, the statues themselves share some key characteristics. Both icons are chiseled from marble. Both statues were commissioned in 1892 for the Chicago World's Fair the following year. And both were crafted from start to finish by Elisabet Ney, an Austin icon and German artist who created sculptures for European royalty before settling in Texas in 1863.

If you have plans to visit Washington, D.C. this summer and are interested in visiting the Capitol, please give my office a call. I'd love for you to see Sam Houston and Stephen F. Austin memorialized in all their marble glory.



texas times
by sen. john cornyn

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The High Plains All Star West team, coached by Justin Brannon, Andy Conrad and James Blanford, competed in the Southwest Regional Tournament. Members of the team were (not pictured in order) Jayden Blanford from Claude, Blaine Brannon from Claude, Braygon Conrad from Claude, Dawson Ensey from Claude, Tyler Harper from Clarendon, Luke Knox from Claude, Broxton Robinson from Panhandle, Rush Waltersheid from Panhandle, Alex Warren from Claude, Brodie Weathers from White Deer, Aiden Whitaker from Claude, and Kyler Young from Panhandle.

Harper pitches at Southwest Regional Tournament

Turning a page in the history books, Tyler Harper, from Clarendon pitched to Alabama during the Southwest Regional Tournament held in Pampa last weekend.

Tyler, a member of the High Plains West Minor League All-Stars, and his teammates are the only High Plains team to ever get to go to the Southwest Regional tournament.

High Plains All Star teams are made up of members from Clarendon, Claude, White Deer, and Panhandle. The minor leaguers have had a successful season, winning first place in the Perryton Tournament June 18 and 19, winning District Championship at Gruver on June 23-26, and receiving third place in the State Championship Tournament June 30-July 3.

The High Plains All Star West team, coached by Justin Brannon, Andy Conrad and James Blanford, were invited to compete in the Southwest Regional Tournament, and were the only team from Texas to win a game during the Regional tournament.

Teams competing in the tournament were from Texas, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Georgia, Arkansas, and Oklahoma. The winner of the Southwest Regional



Clarendon's Tyler Harper pitching to Alabama during the Southwest Regional Tournament held in Pampa. COURTESY PHOTO

Tournament will go to the Cal Ripken/Babe Ruth League World Series on August 4-12 in Palm Beach Garden, Florida. The team ended their season with a 13-4 record.

High Plains West were successful over Plainview in game one, and lost to Alexander City, Ala., in game two, and also lost to East Central, Miss., in game three.

Members of the team are Jayden

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Bulldog Days • Clarendon College
- August 8**
Friendship Day
- August 8**
Whistle-Stop Trade Days
- August 9**
Whistle-Stop Trade Days
- August 10**
Whistle-Stop Trade Days
- August 22**
Back to School • Clarendon ISD & Hedley ISD
- August 23**
Fall classes start • Clarendon College
- September 24**
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Menus
July 25 - 29

- Donley County Senior Citizens**
Mon: Tomato soup, ham sandwich, tomato & lettuce, carrot & raisin salad, cookies, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Chicken tried rice, buttered squash, garden salad, apple cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Beef pot roast, potatoes, carrots, peppers, green beans, wheat roll, peach cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Chicken tenders, ranch style beans, broccoli, wheat roll, vanilla pudding, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Enchilada casserole, pinto beans, sliced peaches, brownies, iced tea/2% milk.
- Hedley Senior Citizens**
Mon: Chicken fajitas, fajita vegetables, chuckwagon corn, Spanish rice, four tortillas, fruit cocktail, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, fried okra, corn, pumpkin square, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Herb roasted chicken, margarine, peas & carrots, strawberries w/ whip topping, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Homestyle lasagna, garlic bread, Brussel sprouts, pears, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Cheeseburgers, potatoes wedges, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, bun, brownies, iced tea/2% milk.

the lion's tale
by roger estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting July 19, 2016, with Boss Lion Jacob Fangman in charge.

We had twelve members and one guest this week – Cassidy Riza, guest of Lion Ashlee Estlack.

Lion John Howard reported that nothing was happening at the county.

The date for the pancake supper was set for Friday, November 4, at the school cafeteria.

Past President Chuck Robertson installed the following officers for 2016-2017: Boss Lion Tex Buckhaults, First Vice President Robert Riza, Second Vice President John Howard, Third Vice President Scarlet Estlack, Secretary/Treasurer Roger Estlack, Lion Tamer Bobbie Thornberry, and Tail Twister Jerry Woodard.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

Retired school personnel met

The Donley County Retires School Personnel Association will be meeting in Monday, July 25, 2016, at 9:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center of the Church of Christ.

The Program will be about Memories, so members are asked to bring some memorabilia, weather an object or other items of your choice, to share your favorite story.

Members are also asked to bring ice cream, other desserts, or snacks, which can then be shared by all attendees.

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Three reasons not to use fingerprint locks on phones

Hi, gang! I saw this article and though it would be great for all that have iPhones. I still have a flip phone and know nothing about the iPhones. I sure would like to know how to use one. Looks like Animal Control is working I don't see as many loose cats. That is good; we don't need any rabies cases. Have a cat or dog problem call the city office at 874-3438.

"Three reasons to never use fingerprint locks on phones," by Mark Yates, Security Awareness Advocate, AVG

Fingerprint locks Touch ID on iPhones may be easy to use, but they are far from perfect. After reviewing the risks, you may want to return to using PINs and passwords. We officially have a password problem. The average user in 2015 had at least 90 online accounts, says Dashlane, maker of a popular password manager. In the UK, the number was 118. In the US, a whopping 130. Even more troubling, we store far too many login details on our phones and tablets (I am certainly guilty of this), meaning anyone with access to our phones can also access our accounts.

Fingerprint locks – Touch ID for iPhone users – promised to be our salvation. They are easy to use and depend on characteristics unique

to each of us. We are also always attached to our digits, so they cannot be stolen or forgotten. And dactylogram complexity supposedly makes our prints nearly impossible to crack. The reality, however, is rather different. Of the various reasons to not use fingerprint locks, for me, three stand out: #1 People can hack your fingerprints (and scanners)

We leave fingerprints behind everywhere we go: on doorknobs, on railings, on cups and glasses, on keypads, on screens, in photos – you name it. So there are lots of places hackers can harvest this supposedly uncrackable password.

The Chaos Computer Club demonstrated this as far back as 2008. To protest a German politician's proposal to implement biometrics, the club used a photograph to recreate his fingerprint. In 2013, it used latex to create a fake finger to open a lock. More recently, the approach has been repeated with playdough and Elmer's glue, highlighting just how easy it is becoming to recreate physical prints.

Worse yet, fingerprints can also be hacked virtually. At the 2015 Black Hat convention in Las Vegas, a couple of security experts demonstrated a number of hacks for fingerprint locks. They built an app

that mimicked a phone's unlock screen; when used by the victim, it could approve a financial transaction. They pre-loaded fingerprints onto the phone, enabling access. They showed it was relatively easy to rebuild a fingerprint from the file used to store it. And they hacked the scanner itself, allowing them to grab fingerprint images whenever used.

#2 You can change your password. This is so basic it is often overlooked. When my email account was hacked several years ago, I changed the password and the problem went away. But if someone were to hack my fingerprint, they would always have it. Think about what that means. Fingerprints are forever. Once the bad guys have them, they can keep using or selling them to other bad guys. This is particularly disturbing when you consider how many government organizations collect fingerprints and the increasing number of private firms using it for authentications.

#3 Police don't need your per-



bob's whittlin'
by bob watson

mission to unlock a phone with biometrics. It is also important to remember that we are not always in control of our own hands. All someone has to do to get you to unlock your phone is press your fingers against the screen. This has been allowed in the US, where a judge granted a search order to police officers in Glendale, California. The position is that a fingerprint is "physical evidence," akin to a physical key, which can be gathered as evidence or demanded by court order. Moreover, fingerprints are readily available because they are routinely collected as part of basic police and legal procedures. And because fingerprints are physical and not "testimony," they are not protected by the Fifth Amendment's clause on self-incrimination.

Not so passwords and PIN codes. Forcing a person to show you something "in their mind" is testimonial, and thus coercion is prohibited. Large tech companies (including AVG) make a similar argument about corporate information. Fighting the FBI to a largely unresolved standstill over access to the phone used by the San Bernardino terrorist, Apple made the legal argument that the FBI was attempting to force Apple to speak – and speak against its own

interests, something that should not be allowed. The FBI dropped the case after paying a third party to hack the phone. While rent-a-hacker proved effective, it also proved rather expensive; and for the time being, most cases are unlikely to warrant such an investment. Still, it is within the realm of possibility that law enforcement agencies could force or coerce manufacturers to include back doors to devices for harvesting prints through fingerprint locks.

Final note on fingerprints and security. Of course I don't expect people to give up using fingerprint locks. They are just too convenient. Right or wrong, however, the power of government to collect and store information on our digital selves is soaring. The FBI's Integrated Automated Fingerprint Identification System includes tens of millions of prints not related to criminal activity, collected from military personnel, government workers, and other innocents. And more generally, government files are not always secure. The 2015 data breach at the US Office of Personnel Management included 5.6 million fingerprints, suggesting fingerprints have become one more thing that can be hacked and used to violate our privacy, in this case, for a very long time.

Remember the election year of 1968

My heart is heavy as the Republican National Convention begins this week, and I wonder what craziness is awaiting. Does anyone remember the election year of 1968? Let me refresh your memory.

The Vietnam War was raging and splitting our country. Lyndon Johnson had decided not to run as president, and Robert Kennedy, Eugene McCarthy, and George McGovern were running in the primaries. On April 4, 1968, Martin Luther King was assassinated followed the next day by King's killer being assassinated himself. In June, Robert Kennedy won the California primary over Eugene McCarthy which gave Kennedy a boost toward becoming the Democratic candidate for president. Kennedy made his acceptance speech and, as he walked through the kitchen of the Ambassador Hotel, he reached to shake hands with a 17-year-old bus boy

Sirhan Sirhan, a 24-year-old, Palestinian shot Bobby Kennedy who later died on June 5, 1968.



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The Democratic National Convention was held in Chicago in August 1968 amid a split convention, anti-war, pro-war. The Chicago mayor Daley promised there would be no trouble in Chicago but he was unable to keep that promise as 10,000 protestors gathered at Grant Park across from the Convention Center. The protestors included End Vietnam War, Students for a Democratic Society, Youth International Party (Yippies), the Young Lords and Black Panthers. Daley sent in 23,000 National Guard and police but it became very ugly

very quickly. Names still remembered from that riot are Tom Hayden, Abbie Hoffman, Bobby Seale, and Fred Hampton. Even though he did not run in the primaries, Hubert Humphrey was nominated for president with Edmund Muskie as vice president and were both defeated by Richard Nixon for President of the United States.

We have had strife, folks; and we have survived, but with each survival we have had change in our country, feeling a little less safe. As we watch the stories unfolding in Baton Rouge, Dallas, and other places we feel less safe.

What can we, as individuals, do? In my opinion the only thing to get us out of the evil that threatens the existence of our way of life is sincere prayer because God alone can save our country. Please join others in praying for the madness to stop and we all again feel safe.

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His grandfather, who died in 1914, was the first adult buried in the Catholic cemetery in Groom. "They didn't know much about Catholics in Jericho," Hunk says of the time his family settled there. "My family either managed to go somewhere to church or have the priest come to them."

Hunk spent his working life taking care of farms and ranches and helping neighbors, and he has fond memories of neighbors like Charlie McMurtry and John Blocker.

In 2005, Hunk retired and moved to Clarendon, and he says he could have moved anywhere, but "this is the kind of people I like."

The Whistle-Stop and the community salute Hunk Hermesmeier for his spirit of friendship, his pioneer heritage, and his love of Donley County. Thank you, Hunk!



Ella and Ben Estlack by the star of Winnie the Pooh on Hollywood's Walk of Fame.

Vacation 2016 continues in California

While me and my family were in California, we went to Disneyland, and we also went to California Adventure Park, which is part of the Disneyland Park. My sister saw a "Frozen" play that had snow machines that made it snow inside the theatre. We also got to go to the "Bugs Life Land" in the Park, and there were these giant balloon things that spun around, and it was so much fun! Then we went to "Cars Land" in the park. Me and my dad got to

go on this Cars ride where you are racing on a rollercoaster. Our car won first place, and we turned completely on our side on one of the turns! We also got to see Captain America and Spiderman.



the cub reporter
by benjamin estlack

The next day we took a bus tour

of L.A. and Hollywood, and we saw Beverly Hills. Later that night, we drove to Las Vegas and saw all the lights, and we got to sleep in a fancy hotel. The next day we went to The Hoover Dam and it was a giant dam over 700 feet tall and over 200 feet wide.

Then we went back to Kingman, Arizona, and stayed in another old timey Route 66 motel.

Tune in next week for the trip home!

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Drugs in the News

Study Findings: A Vaccine for Lung Infections

The results of a phase I clinical trial for a new vaccine against pneumococcal lung infections was presented at the recent International Symposium on Pneumococci and Pneumococcal Diseases (ISPPD). A new vaccine called, PnuBioVax, was compared with placebo at different dosages in thirty six adult volunteers. The results of the study showed that there were no serious adverse effects, an immune response is triggered, the best dose was identified, and researchers determined protection may be provided for the treatment of different types of pneumococcal bacteria. This vaccine is still in the beginning of the early part of the clinical trial development. Lung infections are caused by many different types of bacteria. Streptococcus pneumonia is a type of bacteria that infects the lung and can spread to infect other areas such as the ear, blood, sinus, and lining of the brain and spinal cord.

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Country Club's Two-Lady Partnership nets 13 teams

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon Country Club was the site of a Two-Lady Partnership last Saturday with 26 golfers participating. The 18-hole contest finished in three flights. The winner of the first flight was Leigh Ann Ward and Kenna Hatch with a 63. There was a tie at 66 for second place and the team of Sherol Johnston and Judy Bland won the playoff on the card.

Cheri Mann and Cindy Spanel

won the second flight with a 72 and the team of Jana Lemons and Sandy Anderberg won second with a total of 73.

Debra Kincade and Ina Crawford won the third flight with a 78 and Sandy Grillet and Susan Sims finished second with a 79. Jimmie Thompson won the longest putt on number nine and Haley Shelton won closest to the pin on number 15.

The team of Norm Hagood, Skyler Greer, Sandy Anderberg, and

Jennifer Wood won the Friday night nine-hole scramble at seven under. The other three teams came in at six and five under par.

Sandy Anderberg won low gross on Thursday with an 80 in a field of seven golfers. Gail Leathers and Carolyn Butler won low net with a handicapped score of 69. George Leathers won first low net in the weekly men's game with a 69 and Tom Stauder and Don Hinton tied for second low net with a 70.



Goal Giveaway

Clarendon Bronco basketball team congratulates Jodie Waters for winning the basketball goal giveaway during the Saints' Roost Celebration and appreciates all those who bought a ticket for the raffle. Shown here is Colt Wood, Marshal Johnson, and Bryce Grahn.

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Clarendon CISD board okays budget changes

The Clarendon CISD Board of Trustees met in regular session July 12.

Among the several items on the board's agenda, trustees approved amending the current budget to reflect an increase in Security & Monitoring of \$35,000 for federal money that is paying for security cameras and other security expenses and an increase in Facilities & Acquisition of \$173,000 for the new stadium lights.

Administrative reports were given by Athletic Director Gary Jack, Elementary Principal Mike Word, CJH Principal John Taylor, CHS Principal Larry Jeffers, and Superintendent Mike Norrell.

Trustees also took a tour of

school facilities to view summer projects and learn about possible future developments.

The board acknowledged a report given by Mike Word on the Early Reading Assessment for Grades K-2 and acknowledged the campus handbooks as presented.

Trustees approved a renewal proposal from the Texas Association of Public Schools Property and Liability Fund for Auto, Liability, and Property Insurance Coverages for 2016-2017 and also approved the Region 16 ESC Contracts.

Teacher and paraprofessional salary schedules for 2016-2017 as well as special and the extra duty stipend schedule for 2016-2017 were approved as presented.

Norrell led a discussion with the board about the baseball and softball parks. The baseball field is owned by the city, and the softball field is owned jointly by the city and school. City Hall is currently in talks with the school about transferring ownership of those properties to the school. No action has been taken by either party. Norrell also gave the board an update on the budget process for the new school year.

Following a five-minute closed session, the board reconvened in open session and acknowledged the resignation of counselor Linde Shadle.

A motion was also approved to offer a professional teacher contract of employment to Meredith Lemons.

Use nature's air conditioners to keep cool

If you have ever escaped from blazing hot sun in a shady spot under a tree, you know how these natural air conditioners can make you feel more comfortable. A mature shade tree can block up to 90 percent of solar radiation, which could translate to a significant reduction in your home cooling cost. A Pennsylvania study found that air conditioning needs could be reduced by up to 75 percent by shading a house with trees!

Computer models devised by the US Department of Energy predict that the proper placement of as few as three shade trees will save an average household \$100 to \$250 in energy costs each year - and that study was done before energy costs soared!

On hot days, some large trees can pull hundreds of gallons of water through their leaves. This water evaporates, keeping the tree and its immediate surroundings cool. With the less-than-efficient use of fossil fuels for heating and cooling our buildings, it only makes good sense to take advantage of the following principles.

"Plant deciduous trees on the south and west sides of a building," advises Tchukki Andersen, BCMA, CTSP* staff arborist with the Tree Care Industry Association. "Those are the sides where the sun's rays are

most intense. Since deciduous trees lose their leaves in winter, they offer shade during summer but permit the winter sun to provide warmth," adds Andersen. "Where there isn't room for trees, shrubs and vines can provide similar benefits."

Deciduous trees with high, spreading crowns can be planted to the south of your home to provide maximum summertime roof shading. Trees with branches lower to the ground are more appropriate to the west, where shade is needed from lower afternoon sun angles. Trees should not be planted on the southern sides of homes in cold climates because the branches of these trees will block some winter sun.

"Although a slow-growing tree may require many years of growth before it shades your roof, it will generally live longer than a fast-growing tree," notes Andersen. Also, because slow-growing trees often have deeper roots and stronger branches, they are less prone to fail during windstorms or heavy snowstorms. Slow-growing trees can also be more drought resistant than fast-growing trees.

Trees, shrubs and groundcover plants can also shade the ground and pavement around the home. This reduces heat radiation and cools the air before it reaches your home's walls and windows. Use a large bush

or row of shrubs to shade a patio or driveway. Plant a hedge to shade a sidewalk. Build a trellis for climbing vines to shade a patio area.

Shrubs planted close to the house will fill in rapidly and begin shading walls and windows within a few years. However, avoid allowing dense foliage to grow immediately next to a home where wetness or continual humidity can be a problem.

Beyond energy savings and beauty, homeowners who take care of their trees find the value of their properties increase. A number of studies have shown that real estate agents and home buyers assign between 10 and 23 percent of the value of a residence to the trees on the property.

Many arborists have training in ecosystem services, including energy efficient landscapes, which is a growing branch of tree appraisal. A professional arborist can assess your landscape, provide information regarding the value potential of your trees and work with you to determine the best trees and shrubs to plant for your existing landscape.

An easy way to find a tree care service provider in your area is to use the "Locate Your Local TCIA Member Companies" program. You can use this service by calling 1-800-733-2622 or by doing a ZIP Code search on www.treecaretips.org.

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Obituaries

Mason

Wesley Glen Mason, 60, of Clarendon, formerly of Vega died Sunday, July 17, 2016.



Mason

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 20, 2016, in Robertson Funeral Directors Saints' Roost Chapel in Clarendon with Bunk Skelton, officiating. Graveside services followed at

2:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 20, 2016, in Memorial Park Cemetery in Vega with Bill & Roger Ministries, officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Wes was born October 1, 1955, in Dalhart to Melvin Samuel and Lorene Lenora Mason. He married Pamela Sue Johnston on March 20, 1976, in Clarendon. He had been a resident of Vega before moving to Clarendon in 2000. He was one of the best horseman, cowboy, and rancher. He was a 30-year member as a breeder of the American Quarter Horse Association. He participated in team roping and enjoyed perform-

ing in Ranch Rodeo. He was also a judge and worked the Ranch Rodeo in Clarendon for several years.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife, Pam Mason of Clarendon; a son, Keith Mason and wife Julia of Clarendon; 2 brothers, Sam Mason and wife Diane of Clayton, New Mexico and Jesse Mason and wife Margarite of Vega; a sister, Lenora Mason of Happy; 3 grandchildren, Brandon, Ashleigh, and Khloe.

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Sheriff's Report

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2:52 a.m. – Commercial burglar alarm 400 block West 2nd
3:50 p.m. – EMS assist EMS Station
9:18 p.m. – EMS assist Clarendon Family Medical Center

July 12, 2016

12:58 a.m. – Commercial burglar alarm 400 block West 2nd
9:05 p.m. – Units paged to grassfire North 70
9:51 p.m. – Units enroute to North 70 & Co Ed I grass fire

July 13, 2016

10:20 a.m. – Meet with subject @

300 block South Sully
12:38 p.m. – EMS assist location not logged

2:45 p.m. – EMS assist 600 block Montgomery
4:25 p.m. – Loose livestock 2 miles West of Clarendon

4:37 p.m. – Residential alarm 11700 block FM 2362
4:55 p.m. – Courtesy ride to I-40 Rest Areas

9:51 p.m. – Courtesy ride to Clarendon

July 14, 2016

7:06 a.m. – See complainant 600 block West 2nd
9:56 p.m. – EMS assist 287 & North 1260

2:37 p.m. – To jail with 2 in custody

2:38 p.m. – To jail with one in custody

3:25 p.m. – EMS assist 300 block South Jefferson

8:47 p.m. – EMS assist 300 block South Jefferson

July 15, 2016

9:50 a.m. – Welfare check 900 block West 3rd

10:50 a.m. – EMS assist 1100 block East 3rd

12:23 p.m. – Courtesy ride to Armstrong county

12:49 p.m. – Requesting assistance 4th & Sully

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Few vaccination exemptions taken in Donley County

By Morgan Smith and Annie Daniel, The Texas Tribune

Most students in Donley County schools are vaccinated, according to state reported information. Only three students enrolled in Clarendon ISD last year were not vaccinated, and Hedley ISD reported that none of its students were non-vaccinated.

But in Travis County, where residents are among the best educated in Texas, efforts by national medical groups to debunk concerns about vaccines appear to be meeting some of the strongest resistance. Parents of school-aged children there are choosing to avoid vaccine requirements at among the highest rates in the state, according to state data.

The county is home to Austin Waldorf, the private school where nearly half of the roughly 380 students enrolled opted out of vaccines and has the highest exemption rate in the state. Austin ISD – the public school district with the highest rate among the state's 10 largest by enrollment – is also there. Neither Austin Waldorf nor Austin ISD returned calls requesting comment.

Two other school districts in Travis County – Eanes and Lake Travis, at 3.6 and 3.27 percent respectively – have exemption rates that are almost quadruple the statewide percentage.

While Travis County may have more parents worried about the impact of vaccines on their kids, state data suggests the phenomenon has reached every corner of the state. The number of Texas students with non-medical exemptions to school immunization laws has soared statewide in the last decade. Almost 45,000 – about 0.84 percent of the state's overall school-age population – had them in

the 2015-16 school year, according to Texas Department of State Health Services data released July 6. That figure, which includes students at both public and accredited private schools, has climbed from just under 3,000 – or 0.09 percent – in 2004.

State law requires that children at all public and private schools have 10 different immunizations, including for tetanus, measles and pertussis, the bacterial disease known as whooping cough. Generally, children must get those vaccines by the time they are in kindergarten, though they are required to receive others, such as for hepatitis B, in later grades.

If parents wish to opt out of school immunization requirements, they must file a "conscientious exemption" form with their child's school at the start of the year. Schools report the number of students with exemptions to the Department of State Health Services annually.

Overall, private schools and charter schools tend to have higher exemption rates than traditional public schools. Among public schools, the charter Austin Discovery, where nearly one of out three students had exemptions, reported the highest exemption rate. Efforts to reach Austin Discovery officials for comment were unsuccessful.

State-level data does not indicate whether students with vaccine exemptions received exemptions from all vaccines or whether their parents have chosen to opt them out of particular injections, though individual school districts do track that information.

In the past decade, a growing number of parents have adopted the belief that vaccines have caused harm to their children. The movement was launched by a now-retracted 1998 study linking autism

to the routine measles, mumps, and rubella vaccine. The study's author, Andrew Wakefield, lost his medical license in 2010 and now lives in Austin. He most recently directed the documentary "Vaxxed," which was pulled from the Tribeca Film Festival in March following outcry from the medical community.

Despite efforts by medical groups to debunk the "anti-vaxxers," some parents have continued to hold concerns about the long-term impact of vaccinations. Pediatricians have raised alarm over the number of children whose parents opt them out of vaccines – as well as the tendency of those who do not immunize to gather in the same communities. Lacking immunization rates bring a higher risk of otherwise-preventable deadly disease outbreaks and have led to an increased frequency of infectious diseases such as measles.

A small but robust group of activists has so far thwarted efforts to re-examine vaccine laws in the state, which, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures, is among 18 that waive immunization requirements for personal beliefs in addition to religious grounds.

During the last legislative session, state Rep. Jason Villalba attempted to close the provision in state law that allows parents to opt their children out of vaccine requirements. It struggled to gain traction, and during his re-election bid earlier this year, the Dallas Republican faced fierce opposition from a newly formed political action committee called "Texans For Vaccine Choice."

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