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- 5 And local quilters present an Valor quilt to a veteran.

All this and much more as *The Enterprise* reports in this high beta-carotene edition!

## HISD changes its school calendar

Hedley ISD has changed its school calendar this week, affecting the beginning and ending dates of the school year, according to Interim Superintendent Terry Stevens.

August 21 was supposed to be the day students returned to classes in Hedley, but that has now been pushed to August 24. Similarly, school was going to get out on May 18, but that now won't happen until May 23 with graduation on May 26.

Stevens said the school discovered a state mandated test is scheduled for May 17, which necessitated the shift in the calendar. All other days off and holiday schedules remain unaffected.

Stevens tenure as interim superintendent has also changed. He says he will be staying in that role through next May at the request of the school board.

## School supplies to be distributed

Three local groups have teamed up to ensure no kid goes without the tools they need to succeed this school year.

The Lila Kate & Kylie Monroe Memorial Fund, the First United Methodist Church, and Christ's Kids Outreach Ministries will offer free basic school supplies Friday, August 11, at the Christ's Kids Ministry Center 416 S. Kearney, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Donations to support this effort can be mailed to PO Box 45, Clarendon, TX 79226.

## Local musician's CD now available

"First Light," the latest music album from The Rev Black Flowers is now available for download and on compact disc.

The Clarendon singer/songwriter wrote and performed the 12 songs on the album which available from CD Baby online or at Grumpy's Pizza and the Whistle-Stop. The music is an acoustic Texas outlaw sound.

Learn more at therevblackflowers.rocks or catch him in person during this weekend's Whistle-Stop Trade Days.

## Shot clinic to be held here Aug. 10

The Texas Department of State Health Services will hold an immunization clinic in Clarendon on Thursday, August 10, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Burton Memorial Library.

Clinic hours are subject to change or cancellation in case of extenuating circumstances.

## Social Security says beware of new scam

The Social Security Administration and its Office of the Inspector General (OIG) have recently alerted citizens to an OIG employee impersonation scheme. The caller attempts to acquire personally identifiable information from victims to change their direct deposit, address, and telephone information with SSA.

# A Tradition of Service

A new generation will celebrate the new direction it has given to one of Clarendon's oldest businesses when Saye's holds its open house this Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Katie and Josh Fetsch and Savannah Askew, with their kids in tow, are the latest members to operate the family store started by T.M. Little in 1910. The business, now branded as Saye's Tack Store, carries all types of merchandise that a cowboy needs – ropes, grooming supplies, horse shoeing tools, cinches, blankets, pads, leather goods, and more.

"It's pretty special," said Katie, who represents the fifth generation to run the business. "I feel like our family is really close, and it's nice to continue something that has been in the family and give it new life."

What began as Little Mercantile Co. has changed its offerings to adapt to changing times and the needs of each era. Mr. Little's daughter Emma May introduced a beauty salon – possibly the first in Clarendon – to the business early in its history. She married Carl Saye; and during the Depression, the store moved from its original home, where the Cowboy Church is today, to its present location at 219 S. Kearney between the Burton Memorial Library and Henson's. At that time, the name was changed to Saye's Clothing Store, and the business became so varied and carried such a stock, that it operated in its current location as well as occupying the two buildings that make up the city library today.

Another generational change came when Emma and Carl's son, Tommie Saye, added a photogra-



The Askew family carrying on a tradition of service to Clarendon.

COURTESY PHOTO / JODY GREEN

phy studio to the business.

Katie's father, Danny Askew, says the store made an impression on him the first time he came in as a college student in 1974.

"I remember well Tom and his momma following me around like a pair of hunting dogs," Danny said. "It occupied all three buildings, and you weren't leaving without buying something."

After the death of his parents in the early 1970s, Tommie and his wife, Lucy, continued to operate the business but downsized by the end of that decade, selling the north two buildings to the city. The couple eventually shifted the merchandise more towards Western wear, a trend that was continued by their daughter Terry Askew, who took over the business in 1994.

"Each generation changed

a little to fit their time," Lucy says.

Terry kept the store open regularly through 2010 before going to work full time at the Best Western Red River Inn. It was still opened though for holidays and special occasions.

"If you consider that T.M.'s mother was with him when he started the store, then we've had seven generations walking those floors," Terry said. "I just love it. I couldn't be happier that this generation is making it their own."

Lucy also said that it's amazing to have this many generations keeping a business going, and she loves how Katie, Josh, and Savannah have repurposed Mr. Little's original fixtures.

"It's really great even though it's completely different," Lucy said. "The hangers that used to

hold dresses now have belts and lariats. And it's just part of the family history that your children grow up in that store."

The tack idea for the business really came about last fall, Katie said. Now Flying A Tack is the family wholesale business that travels to Texas, New Mexico, and Oklahoma to service retailers and trade shows. Saye's is the local storefront for that service.

"There are a lot of people who need these items," Katie said. "Our local cowboys are awesome, and we love the cowboy community."

The family invites everyone to Saye's open house. Activities will include a roping dummy completion, and St. Mary's Catholic Church will be providing concessions. For information, see their ad in this week's issue.

## Tax valuations down in Donley County

Property values in Donley County have dropped for most taxing entities, which may cause some concerns for local boards that are busy working on new budgets for fiscal year 2018.

Paula Lowrie, Chief Appraiser of the Donley Appraisal District, said Tuesday that the City of Hedley and the east side of the county were reappraised this year and that area was largely where appraised values fell.

Public notices have begun appearing in the Enterprise this week as local entities begin the process of establishing tax rates for the new year.

The most significant difference this year was the appraised values for the Panhandle Groundwater District, which saw an increase of \$147 million for a total appraisal of \$372,279,516. The difference is in the wind farm, which received tax agreements from other taxing entities to make payments in lieu of taxes for certain periods of time.

The City of Clarendon saw its values go up slightly this year. The city has total property taxable values of \$59,513,477 this year, reflecting a gain of more than

\$187,050.

Donley County's values for ad valorem taxes are down more than \$2 million at \$236,503,813. The county's total taxable value is higher than other countywide entities because it is able to tax certain rolling railroad stock that other local governments cannot.

The Clarendon College District has countywide taxable values of \$221,999,746, an decrease of more than \$2.5 million. The college also benefits from maintenance taxes in Childress and Gray counties.

The Donley County Hospital District's values this year have decreased about \$2.1 million for a total tax base of \$206,658,376. The hospital district, which provides emergency medical services and indigent care, has lower taxable values than other countywide entities because it does not tax personal property, such as cars, trucks, and boats.

The Clarendon Consolidated Independent School District has taxable values of nearly \$135,966,170 on properties within its boundaries in Donley County. That's up more than \$4.2 mil-

lion from last year's value. But it's still significantly below the figure from three years ago, which was \$147,805,132. The big loss came when Texas voters in 2015 approved an increase in the homestead exemption from \$15,000 to \$25,000.

The Hedley school district has seen its tax base in Donley County decrease just over \$1 million with total values of \$48,714,413.

Taxable values for the City of Howard are almost even at \$15,005,650; and the City of Hedley has seen its values decrease about \$150,000 for a total tax base of \$6,686,672.

Once an entity has its taxable value, it can generally figure its tax levy by dividing the number by \$100 and multiplying the result by a tax rate (\$1.17 in the case of Clarendon ISD, for example).

However, those numbers get complicated for Clarendon and Hedley schools, the cities of Clarendon and Hedley, Donley County, and the Clarendon College District where people over the age of 65 and those who are disabled have their taxes frozen at differing levels, requiring additional calculations.



## The Doctor Is In

The likeness Dr. Jerome D. Stocking, Sr., will be present when Virginia and Brit Patten open Stocking's Ice Cream Parlor in his historic building this week. The bronze bust by the late James Ivey Edwards is on loan from Joe Lovell.

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## CC proposes tax rate for 2018

The Clarendon College Board of Regents voted to propose raising ad valorem taxes by 7.99 percent during a called meeting on Monday, July 31.

The rate of \$0.251149 per \$100 valuation would generate an estimated \$529,672.63 from local taxpayers or about \$43,000 more than the current tax rate of \$0.230677.

The board considered the rate in light of efforts in the Texas Legislature's current session, where some state leaders are seeking to limit local governments' ability to raise property taxes to only four percent.

CC President Robert

Riza recommended adopting the 7.99 percent increase.

"With a 3.99 percent cap, we'll almost have to do that every year because if you got behind, you'd never catch up," Dr. Riza said.

If the board approves the rate later this month, the average homeowner in Donley County would see their taxes increase about \$6, college officials said. The taxes on a \$100,000 home would go up less than \$20.

Regents were also mindful that large landowners and businesses with lots of equipment would see larger increases. The board also considered that other taxing entities may not increase their

rates this year.

Board members discussed the need to keep close watch on the college budget to make sure every tax dollar is well spent.

The board also discussed the college's role as one of the county's largest employers and the economic impact the college has on the county and the region.

Clarendon College currently operates with a \$9.3 million budget, most of which is paid for with state appropriations and revenue from its students.

Public hearings on the tax rate will be held on August 10 and 17 at 8 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. respectively.



## What's up doc?

Boxes and boxes of carrots were free for the taking in Hedley Sunday morning after an eastbound produce truck rolled over on US 287. No one was seriously injured in the accident, according to wrecker serviceman Neil Koetting, but several people did enjoy the bountiful blessing of boxed carrots.

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Can someone give me an amen?

Can I Get an Amen?...

With so much surveillance going on in this country, it won't be long before we're able to spell the word, even if it is contrary to the old rule of "i" before "e" except after "c."

Videos of protestors and other "assorted angsts" dominate the news these days, so one might reasonably ask if there is any good news.

Though acts of kindness don't usually make the news cycles, a few simple recent "giveaways" at the State Capitol in Austin are evidence that at least one Texan adheres to the signage that "kindness matters." On July 19, Johnson County's Jim Hogan loaded several family-size watermelons into his pickup truck.

Seeking a capitol grounds parking space, Hogan spotted Sid Miller, the man who defeated him a couple of years ago for State Agriculture Commissioner. "Hey, Sid," he yelled. "Do you like watermelons?"

Miller answered in the affirmative, so Jim lugged a big red-meat up the steps to the lobby elevator for an 11-floor ride to the Ag office.

Hogan put feet to the signs claiming "kindness matters." Where is the surveillance showing there still are some folks out there being kind to other folks out there?...

As he left the capitol, a receptionist told Hogan she likes homegrown melons, too. He had one left in his truck, so she got one, too.

You may wonder who Hogan is. He's a longtime dairy farmer who ran for State Agriculture Commissioner back in 2014, promising he would run for ONE TERM, print no promotional material, buy no ads and accept no donations.

Clearly his approach was "old school."...

Further, he planned to make good use of the Internet, email and telephone. He granted interviews in person to folks (mass media and otherwise) who'd meet him at his farm or for a burger in Cleburne. (He didn't "go to them.")

You may recall he got 36.8% of the popular vote in the Democratic Primary, and took out veteran candidate Kinky Friedman, 105,887 to 91,282 in the runoff.

Republicans swept the general election, but even then, Hogan got 1,697,083 votes to Miller's 2,698,694. His showing in his one-and-only political race cost him \$.0023 per vote, and most of that was the \$3,750 filing fee....

He's as transparent as a window pane, as happy in his skin as anyone I know and determined to spread good cheer wherever he goes. Most days, his destination is Cleburne, a mere 10-minutes from his farm.

Several times a month, he visits the



the idle american by don newbury

Johnson County Library. The 66-year-old widower checks his email there every few days, reads in air-conditioned comfort and "chews the fat" with the library staff.

Yep, they've reaped benefits, too, salivating at the thought of watermelons and bodacious tomatoes....

He feels like he's "on vacation," having spent more than three decades in dairy farming. Hogan got out of the dairy business in 2006.

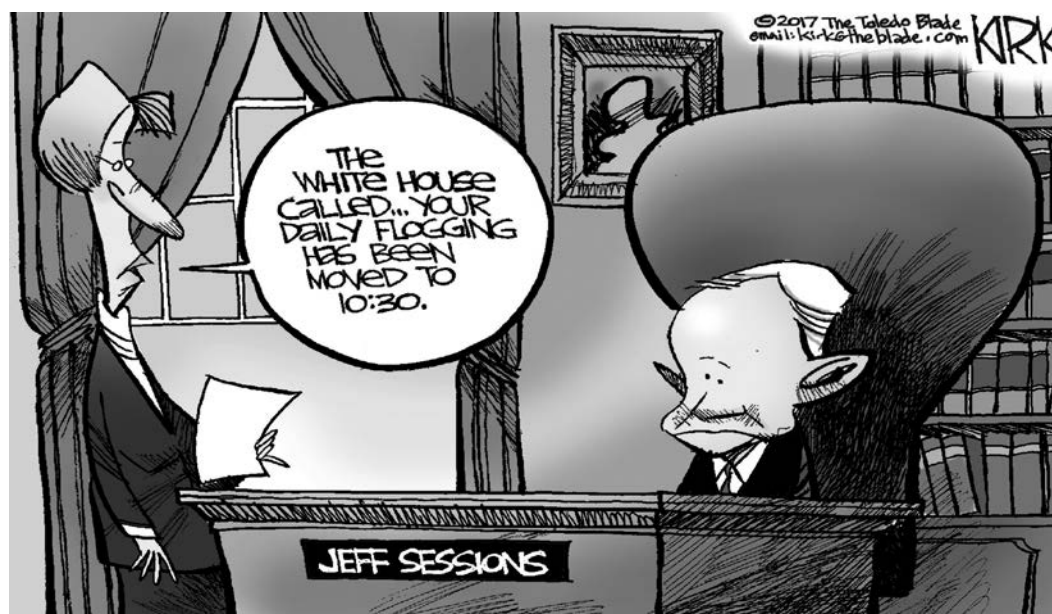
Just two years later, his wife began a three-year battle with cancer. He was by her side all the way; she died at age 49 in 2010. His daughters, 22 and 24, live in East Texas and California. Now, he has time to be mostly about giving away smiles daily and produce seasonally.

"I may be the only farmer around who gives away watermelons, and delivers 'em fully guaranteed." (Some years, he harvests as many as 600 melons; this year, the figure was nearer to 200.)...

Hogan reminds me of Will Rogers, offering such gems as "just because we can doesn't mean we ought to," and, "I'm not sure if the Lord is mad at us, or scratching His head, wondering what He ought to do next."

You get the picture. He's dead certain he won't run again for any political office. If he did, I'd campaign for him, even without a watermelon....

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Americans seeing less media bias

By Gene Policinski, Inside the First Amendment

Attention you so-called "enemies of the people" and alleged purveyors of biased reporting: There's reason to think fewer people than last year might see you that way, despite the ongoing, politicized attacks from multiple quarters on the news media's credibility.

President Donald Trump hurled that "enemies" epithet at journalists some time ago, and continues to complain about biased news coverage nearly every time there are news accounts regarding contacts with Russian officials by his administration.

But such criticism comes with varying levels of vitriol from a variety of quarters, and started long before Trump took office. Often, the harshest criticism of the media comes just as much from those who consume news as from those who make it.

This year, however, there are signs that the public's disdain for the media has somewhat abated. The 2017 "State of the First Amendment" survey, released over the July 4 holiday by the First Amendment Center of the Newseum Institute in partnership with the Fors Marsh Group, found that:

A solid majority of the public — about 68 percent — still believes in the importance of news media as a watchdog on democracy.

Less than half (43.2 percent) said they believe the news media tries to report the news without bias; but this figure is a marked improvement from 2015 (23 percent) and 2016 (24 percent).

There are some likely reasons for this shift: A significant amount of TV, online and print journalism has shifted from the softer "horse race" focus of the 2016 election to this year's focus on hard news and complex issues. And — with more than a bit of irony — as more Americans are inclined only to consume news from sources that line up with their individual perspectives, there's a likely parallel increase in the "trust factor" in those sources, even if they resemble echo chambers more than truth-tellers.

So, no celebratory back flips in the nation's newsrooms, please, especially since the uptick only puts the "bias" figure roughly back to levels seen in 2013 and 2014 (46 percent and 41 percent, respectively).

Those inclined to support the work of today's journalists hope that the drop in those who perceive media bias generally stems from that combination of dramatically increased visibility of news operations and their reporting on serious news, such as health care reform and investigations of Russian influence in the 2016 election. For my own part, I believe more people saw reporting of real news, not fluffy "click-bait" features and dramatic but mostly meaningless polling reports, and it earned back some of their lost approval and trust.

Here's an idea for journalists nationwide: Keep trying hard news, accountability reporting on issues that — while not necessarily "sexy" — matter the most to people and their communities, such as jobs, health care, education, and local and state government.

For years, news industry moguls and newsroom leaders have sought ways to reverse their dwindling income, which has led to fewer newsrooms resources and less real journalism, and which in turn has prompted additional loss of consumers. Clearly, mushy stories about the travails of celebrities, feel-good stories, and valuing tweets over investigative reporting are not working out that well.

Acting on this realization will mean putting an emphasis on innovation and finding new ways to report on subjects that, in themselves, don't necessarily draw in a new generation of readers. But therein is the opportunity for those who will be the news media success stories of the 21st century. This year's survey results show that the opportunity is there, that news consumers are hungry for imaginative reporting on issues that directly impact their lives.

But we can still take comfort in the 20 percent drop in those who presume journalists are incapable of reporting without bias: Attitudes can change, and trust can be regained.

Editor's Note: A version of this column appeared earlier on the Newseum Institute website as part of the 2017 State of the First Amendment report.

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Texan surprises London pub folks

If you haven't seen Don Warren of Weatherford use his hypnotic powers, you're missing something. Although he is two years away from retiring from his pipeline job with Conoro-Phillips he is getting known around the country as the Cowboy Hypnotist. A few years ago he saw a hypnotist in Las Vegas and decided he wanted to do some of that.

Don is the epitome of a cowboy. He wears the traditional cowboy outfit: a cowboy hat and boots, starched white shirt and jeans. When he's performing at major events, he wears glittery jackets. He's making good money hypnotizing people at corporate events, resorts, festivals and even high school graduation parties. He is a popular attraction at the July 4th activities in Fort Davis.

He is good at what he does. He can take people who think hypnotism is a fake and have them under his power within two minutes. When he's hypnotizing people on stage, some people in the audience become hypnotized, too.

Last November, Don attended a

hypnotism seminar in London. The place where the seminar took place was about a mile or so from his hotel. He walked it the first couple of days, then found which bus would get him there and take him back to his hotel. One night when he was returning to his hotel, about two dozen people in their twenties and thirties got on his bus. They were on a pub crawl, going to 26 pubs and getting a half pint of beer at each one.

"When they got on," says Don, "they had been to 13 pubs, so they were halfway through their pub crawl and were pretty well lit. And there I was wearing my cowboy hat and boots and they immediately started talking to me. When I told them I was from Texas and was in London for a seminar on hypnotism they immediately wanted me to hypnotize one of their group. So, as the



stories of texas by tumbleweed smith

city bus was going down a busy London street. I hypnotized a guy. He was just tipsy, not completely drunk. It's impossible to hypnotize someone who's drunk because they can't concentrate.

"I was afraid this guy might fall down from the movement of the bus, so I made him think his right hand was glued to the pole he was standing by. I don't know whether I should mention this or not, but I made him think he had a severe case of jock itch. And the more he scratched, the more it itched. Well, people on the bus were watching this and laughing so hard when the bus got to their stop, they didn't get off. They stayed on watching this guy with his hand glued to the pole and scratching his crotch. More people came on the bus and didn't know what was happening but soon got involved. We rode for a while and finally got to their stop where the next pub was. Before they got off, I took the glue away and got rid of his jock itch."

Don missed his stop but didn't really care. He caught another bus back to his hotel and didn't hypnotize anyone on that one.





**Clarendon TxDOT employees receive award**

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) recently presented a service award to employees of the Donley County Maintenance Section. Derek Shields, Sign Technician and Bob Spillers, Maintenance Technician both received an award for five years of outstanding service to the department. The award was presented by Marty Smith, Childress District Engineer.



The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting August 1, 2017, with Boss Lion Robert Riza wielding the gavel.

We had 17 members and three guests this week - Drew Powell, guest of Lion Ashlee Estlack; Ken Carlile, guest of Lion Robert Taylor; and Bob Weiss, who delivered our program, guest of Lion Jerry Woodard.

Lion Mike Norrell reported that football practice begins next Monday at the public school, and Lion John Howard reported all is well at the county. Lion Ashlee Estlack reported that the college volleyball players return this week and that the college is promoting its new CDL course taught by Mr. Carlile.

It was decided to set the date for the annual Pancake Supper as Friday, November 3, to coincide with the Broncos hosting the Memphis Cyclones.

Mr. Weiss is the manager of the Chamber of Commerce and updated the club on recent developments. The Chamber's new e-newsletter is going out to members this week. New businesses open this week are Big Texas Hair and Stocking's Ice Cream Parlor, and Saye's will have an open house on Saturday. The Whistle-Stop is also open this weekend and has a new restaurant that is open during regular hours.

The Chamber is also working to organize a clay pigeon shoot in the future, and Mr. Weiss reported on attending the Texas Travel Fair and the Business Connection in Amarillo.

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

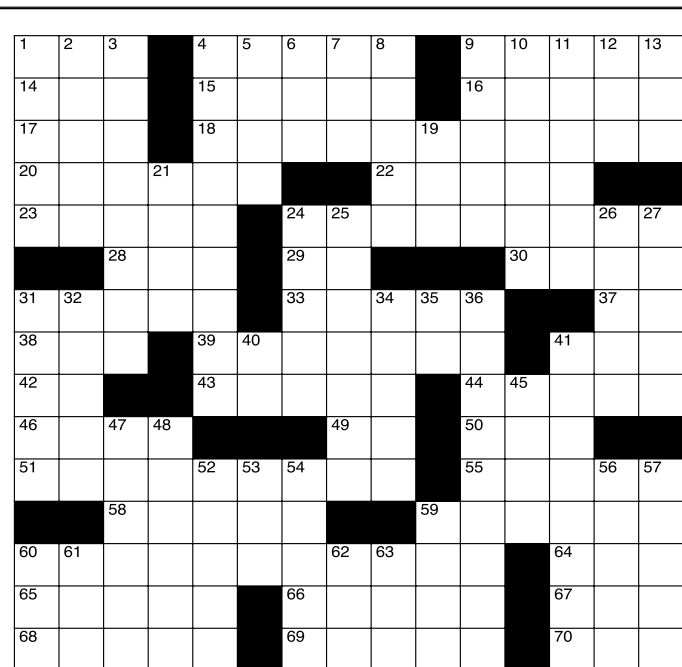
**Ball tournament to benefit Ritchie**

A Co-ed softball tournament benefitting Chandace Ritchie will be held August 12, in Clarendon.

Ritchie's friends have organized this event as a way to help Chandace as she battles cancer.

The team entry fee is \$125. For more information, please call 806-205-1905 or 806-277-0391.

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**CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Defunct phone company
- 4. Rural area in Guinea
- 9. Hairstyles
- 14. Makes a good meal
- 15. Nats' CFer Adam
- 16. El \_\_, painter
- 17. Midway between south and southeast
- 18. Baseball's "The Big Hurt"
- 20. A serialized set of programs
- 22. A woody climbing plant
- 23. Japanese metropolis
- 24. Whirlpool
- 28. Toddler
- 29. Integrated circuit
- 30. WWII British fighter Blackburn \_\_
- 31. Ancient Briton tribe
- 33. Injurious weeds (Bib.)
- 37. Nonredundant
- 38. Turf
- 39. Canned fish
- 41. Team's best pitcher
- 42. Touchdown
- 43. Woody perennial plants
- 44. Rattling breaths
- 46. Smaller quantity
- 49. Of I
- 50. When you'll get there
- 51. Adventures
- 55. Type of chip
- 58. Having wings
- 59. Mutilated
- 60. Considered
- 64. Wrath
- 65 A citizen of Iran
- 66. American state
- 67. Explosive
- 68. One who challenges
- 69. \_\_ senilis
- 70. Affirmative

**CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Move rapidly in music
- 2. Brief are one type
- 3. Repeated
- 4. Quitter
- 5. Paddles
- 6. Broadway actress Hagen
- 7. Politician Paul
- 8. Joint
- 9. Ottoman military men
- 10. Covers for illegal operations
- 11. Comment
- 12. Office of Consumer Affairs
- 13. Distress signal
- 19. \_\_ death do us part
- 21. S. Korean boy band
- 24. Bishop's hat
- 25. Learning environment
- 26. Measurement
- 27. Equines
- 31. Hard plant fiber
- 32. Protocols
- 34. Stands up
- 35. Linear unit
- 36. Songs
- 40. One of the six noble gases
- 41. Cheerful readiness
- 45. Zoroastrian concept of holy fire
- 47. Having only magnitude
- 48. Containing salt
- 52. Chadic language
- 53. Fed
- 54. Beef or chicken intestine
- 56. Hill in Australia and London
- 57. "Waiting for Lefty" playwright
- 59. A list of available dishes
- 60. Have already done
- 61. Geological time
- 62. Swiss river
- 63. Twitch

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- August 5**  
Whistle-Stop Trade Days
- August 6**  
Whistle-Stop Trade Days
- August 17**  
Clarendon • Back to School
- August 18**  
Broncos v Bovina • scrimmage • 5:00 p.m. • Away
- Owls v Chillicothe • TBA • Away
- August 21**  
Hedley • Back to School
- August 24**  
Owls v Miami • TBA • Away
- August 25**  
Broncos v Electra
- September 1**  
Broncos v Shamrock • 7:30 p.m. • Home
- Owls v McLean • 7:30 p.m. • Home
- September 4**  
Labor Day
- September 8**  
Broncos v S-Earth • 7:30 p.m. • Away
- Owls v Lefors • 7:30 p.m. • Home
- September 10**  
Grandparents' Day
- September 11**  
Patriot Day
- September 15**  
Broncos v Wheeler • 7:30 p.m. • Away
- Owls v Harrold • 7:30 p.m. • Away
- September 22**  
Broncos v Gruver • Homecoming • 7:30 p.m. • Home
- Owls v Higgins • 7:30 p.m. • Away
- September 23**  
Col. Charles Goodnight Chuckwagon Cookoff • Saints' Roost Museum
- September 29**  
Broncos v Booker • 7:30 p.m. • Away
- Owls v Lazbuddie • Homecoming • 7:30 p.m. • Home
- October 6**  
Owls v Miami • 7:30 p.m. • Home
- October 9**  
Columbus Day
- October 13**  
Broncos v Lockney • 7 p.m. • Home
- Owls v Wichita Christian • 7:30 p.m. • Home
- October 20**  
Broncos v Crosbyton • 7 p.m. • Away
- October 27**  
Owls v Groom • 7:30 p.m. • Home
- November 7**  
Election Day
- November 11**  
Veterans' Day

## ★ Menus

- August 7 - August 11**
- Donley County Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Cheeseburger, lettuce/tomato/pickle, potato wedges, pork n beans, iced tea/2% milk.  
Tue: Salisbury steak, green salad, green beans, wheat roll, apple cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.  
Wed: Sloppy Joe on bun, baker potatoes, corn, melon medley, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thu: Barbecue chicken, potato wedges, whole wheat roll, broccoli salad, peanut butter cookie, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: Beer batter Cod, black-eyed peas, coleslaw, cornbread, fruit salad, iced tea/2% milk.

- Hedley Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, country gravy, stewed okra, seasoned corn, pumpkin square, iced tea/2% milk.  
Tue: Baked chicken breast, baked potato/sour cream, peas, pineapple tidbits, chocolate pudding, iced tea/2% milk.  
Wed: Beef tips & noodles, meadow blend vegetables, corn, wheat roll, chocolate cake & strawberries, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thu: Turkey pot pie, whole wheat roll, margarine, seasoned corn, tossed salad w/dressing, ambrosia, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: Sloppy Joe on bun, country potato salad, carrots & zucchini, creamy fruit square, iced tea/2% milk.

## Stop credit card offers, imposter scams

Hi, gang! I apologize for missing the last three issues. I was enjoying being 83, and that ended last Thursday when I turned 84. Now I am old, gray-headed, and grumpy. We have two good articles this week – one from the area BBB that I found interesting and the FTC is bringing us up to date on Imposter scams. Good reading and enjoy the cooler weather and the rain if you were lucky enough to receive a shower.

“Questions Answered On How to Stop Credit Card Offers”

Callers to the BBB often ask: “How can I stop getting all those credit card offers?”, “How do they get my personal information?” and “Should I really be shredding mail with personal information on it before putting it in the trash?” Protect yourself from Identity Theft by taking measures to secure personal information.

How to Stop Credit Card Offers: You can stop credit card offers by opting out of receiving them. They are pre-approved which means no application is necessary. In the wrong hands, they can be signed and returned and a card sent to you. The card is then taken from your mailbox all without your knowledge. This can harm your credit. To opt out of receiving pre-screened credit card offers. Call 1-888-5OPTOUT. You will have to provide your SSN:

How Do They Get Your Social Security Number? Dishonest people sell or steal your SSN from information they get from data breaches. The best thing you can do after a data breach is not to ignore these

warnings. Take action to put an alert on your credit report and change account numbers. Make sure to follow other notifications after a breach. Another way they got your number is from you. Many consumers readily give their SSN without thinking about it, by using unsecure online transactions over the telephone, when you wallet with the number in it is stolen, by not shredding personal documents.

Should You Shred? Yes! If you do not want to stop pre-approved credit card offers, make sure you shred them. Shred old checks and deposit slips, expired insurance forms and anything with personal information.

“At work on India-based imposter scams” by Betsy Broder Counsel for International Consumer Protection, FTC

Imposter scams like phony tech support scams and IRS impersonator calls continue to hit computers and phones across the country. And the scammers behind them continue to make it tough to track them down by masking their caller ID information and sending money through obscure and tangled routes. What we do know is that many of these scammers are based in India.

That’s why, at a recent FTC-led roundtable in Washington, DC, law enforcers, technologists, consumer

advocates, and representatives from the Indian government and industry met to look at what more we can do to fight imposter scams. This event was the latest in a series of events in the U.S. and India.

Some key questions we posed: What tools or practices can make it more difficult and less profitable for scammers to run these rip-offs? How can companies and law enforcement gather and share information more effectively in the real-time race to stop these scams? And how can we help people recognize these frauds? The group heard about technologies that block calls from known scammers, recent law enforcement raids and guilty pleas, and the impact of targeted consumer education.

The roundtable partnership is just one way the FTC is taking on imposter scams. For example, as part of Operation Tech Trap, the FTC and its partners recently announced 16 court actions to stop tech support scams that tricked people into paying millions of dollars to rid their computers of non-existent viruses. The FTC also is continuing to promote technological solutions and warn people about these frauds. But there’s more to do and you can help. If you’re targeted by an imposter scam, report it to the FTC at [ftc.gov/complaint](http://ftc.gov/complaint). You report IRS imposters to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration at [tigta.gov](http://tigta.gov). Find out more about these and other common imposter scams at [ftc.gov/imposters](http://ftc.gov/imposters). Then share what you know with your friends and family. Stay safe out there!



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

## Watch for the Perseid Meteor shower

Thank you, Lord, for our beautiful rain we received and the forecast for more this coming week along with the cooler weather. Ole Jim promises he is drinking Gatorade and water before he becomes thirsty. The work can wait until tomorrow.

August is here again with a reminder of the Perseid Meteor shower that is going on now with the peak days of August 12-13. The moon will be about three quarters full on those days and will rise about 11 p.m. which will impede viewing.

Set up a comfortable chair outside with a good view of the sky with a supply of snacks and some bug spray and prepare to sit in the dark with your eyes on the sky as those meteor flash by at a rate of about 80-100 an hour. The best viewing time is



**'wick picks**  
by peggy cockerham  
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predawn hours, have fun. It is hard to believe but school starts August 17 in Clarendon, just in time to watch the total eclipse of the sun August 21. As I study the map shown, it appears Clarendon will see a partial eclipse as the moon blocks all or part of the sun up to three hours. I remember helping the children build a viewer with a box and watching as the shadow slowly covered the sun. It is a memorable event; just don't look at the sun directly. August will be a busy month.

## Estlack boys perform in play

Last Saturday my cousins Nathan and Daniel were in the play “Charlotte’s Web” in Claude at the Gem Theatre.



**the cub reporter**  
by benjamin estlack

The play was really fun, and it was a very good play. Me and my family really enjoyed getting to watch it.

Nathan was Lurvy, the farm hand, who feeds the pig and helps take care of it. He was the one who discovered the web that Charlotte had put a word in. Daniel was a reporter and he also played a spider, one of Charlotte’s babies.

The funniest part of the play, I think, was when Lurvy won a blanket at the county fair and while someone else was talking, he was hugging his blanket and calling it a “gen-u-wine” Navajo blanket.

Another funny part was when the boy playing Wilbur forgot some of his lines, and the person playing Templeton the rat said to him, “Well, aren’t you going to say something?”

I really enjoyed the play and maybe next time there is a play we can all be in it together.



Daniel Estlack (second for the left) conducts a news interview during Charlotte’s Web.



Nathan Estlack (second for the left) clings to his new blanket at Lurvy in Charlotte’s Web.

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## Twelve compete in nine-hole scramble

**By Sandy Anderberg**  
The team of Redell Johnston, Sherol Johnston, Jennifer Wood, and Robert Brewster won the Friday night nine-hole scramble at the Clarendon Country Club with three under par.

There will be a Jack and Jill Scramble Saturday and Sunday, August 5-6. The tournament will consist of 18 holes each day with tee times on Saturday at 8:30 am and 1:30 pm.

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T.M. Little, his wife Emma Lou, and their seven children moved from New Mexico to Clarendon in 1910 and established a mercantile business. As time went on, the family changed its business model to suit the needs of the era, always staying in tune with the community, offering a beauty shop and a photography studio at different times. Little's daughter, Emma May married Carl Saye in 1926, and the couple changed the name of the business to Saye's Clothing Store. Their son, Tommie, and wife Lucy would follow in their footsteps. Terry Askew was the fourth generation to run the store, which by then became a Western wear retailer. Today, a fifth generation has taken over the operation of the store, transitioning it to a tack supply business. Throughout its history, the Little family has been a vital part of the Clarendon business community and a constant presence on Kearney Street. The Whistle-Stop and the community salute the family of T.M. Little – the Sayes, the Askews, and the Fettsches – for their ongoing of contributions and tradition of service to Donley County. Thank you, all!  
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## Estate planning webinar offered August 15

AMARILLO – “Estate Planning for Families with Special Needs” is the topic of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service’s Texas Military Program webinar on Aug. 15.

The one-hour webinar will begin at 10 a.m. and is free and open to anyone interested, but registration is required, said Andrew Crocker, AgriLife Extension program specialist in gerontology and health, Amarillo.

The presenter will be Dr. Martie Gillen, assistant professor and Extension specialist for the department of family, youth and community sciences in the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences at the University of Florida.

Planning for the future is something everyone should devote

substantial time and thought to, but especially families with special needs, said Rachel Brauner, program coordinator with the agency’s Texas Military Program in College Station.

“This session will explore the importance of this type of planning and decision-making,” Brauner said. “We will explore estate planning considerations across the life cycle for families with special needs. We will also discuss documents such as powers of attorney and trusts, including a revocable living trust and a special needs trust.

“Lastly, we will look at considerations for needs-based public benefits such as Supplemental Security Income or Medicaid,” she said.

This and other webinars are offered through AgriLife Extension’s Military Program to provide profes-

sional development and interactive resources for those unable to leave home for training, Crocker said.

The Military Families Learning Network Military Caregiving concentration will apply for continuing education credit from the University of Texas School of Social Work for credentialed and licensed professionals. Certificates of completion will also be available for participants interested in receiving training hours.

In addition, this webinar is approved for 1.5 general continuing education units for FinCert Certified Personal Finance Counselors. Accredited Financial Counselor-credentialed participants can earn 1.5 CEUs. To join the session or for more information go to: <https://learn.extension.org/events/3012>.



Members of the Golden Needles Quilters club presented the a Quilt of Valor to Doug Lowe for his years of military service.

## Quilt of valor presented to Lowe

Golden Needles Quilters met Thursday, July 27, at the Senior Citizens Center with Suzan Chassand-Baroz hosting.

Suzan’s quilt was heritage nine block quilt pieces in the 1930’s using fabric from flour sacks. She had put the blocks together with a yellow print with tiny flowers. The ladies enjoyed quilting on it and left it in the frame for some to return on Friday to quilt.

A special high-light of the day

was presenting one if the Quilts of Valor finished last month to Doug Lowe. The ladies visited him at his home where Mary Gene Lynn made a heartfelt speech of appreciation to Dough for his years of military services.

Others present were Louella slater, Mary Lynn Manning, Wilma Lindley, Gay Cole, Carlene Hollar and her granddaughter, Kenley Ivy, Dortha Reynolds, Wilma Callis, and Frances Smith.

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## Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Clarendon College District will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by **7.99%** percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax rate calculated under Tax Code Chapter 26). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on Thursday, August 10, 2017, at 8 a.m. at the Bairfield Activity Center VIP Room.

The second public hearing will be held on Thursday, August 17, 2017, at 12:30 p.m. at the Bairfield Activity Center VIP Room.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR: Ruth Robinson, Darlene Spier, Jack Moreman, Lon Adams, Doug Lowe, Jerry Woodard, and Edwin Campbell  
AGAINST: None.  
PRESENT and not voting: None.  
ABSENT: Dr. Bill Sansing, Susie Shields

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Donley County last year was **\$33,543**. Based on last year’s tax rate of **\$.230677** per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was **\$77.38**.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Donley County this year is **\$33,402**. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of **\$.232567** per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be **\$77.68**.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of **\$.251149** per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be **\$83.89**.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.



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WED. BIBLE STUDY: 7 P.M.

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WED.: 6:30 P.M.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:30 A.M. • WED.: 5 P.M.

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WED.: 7 P.M.

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**Sheriff's Report**

**July 24, 2017**  
 8:38 a.m. – See complainant @ Sheriff's Office  
 9:13 a.m. – See caller 600 block South Kearney  
 10:15 a.m. – See complainant @ Sheriff's Office  
 11:04 a.m. – Units paged vehicle accident near Co Rd 14  
 4:32 p.m. – Units paged to grassfire – JA Ranch

**July 25, 2017**  
 1:37 a.m. – Report of gas leak 200 block East 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
 7:31 a.m. – With complainant in Hedley  
 9:07 a.m. – See caller 300 block North Sully  
 2:15 p.m. – EMS assist I-40  
 8:32 p.m. – EMS assist EMS Station  
 11:10 p.m. – Report of vehicle v

animal accident 287 & 3257

**July 26, 2017**  
 3:30 a.m. – Enroute to Sherriff's Office with juveniles - awaiting parents  
 4:58 a.m. – Courtesy ride to Hedley  
 5:16 a.m. – Courtesy ride to Memphis  
 8:14 a.m. – Loose livestock Co Rd S & 13  
 8:21 a.m. – EMS assist 700 block South Koogle  
 10:03 a.m. – Report of fight – Church Street in Lelia Lake  
 10:27 a.m. – Courtesy ride to Clarendon  
 3:32 p.m. – See caller 300 block Rosenfield  
 4:40 p.m. – EMS assist 100 block East 5<sup>th</sup> Street

**July 27, 2017**  
 1:48 a.m. – Report of juvenile on tables 400 block West 2nd

1:52 a.m. – Taking juvenile to his residence  
 2:44 a.m. – EMS assist 500 block South McLean  
 7:51 a.m. – EMS assist HWY 70 South  
 5:03 p.m. – EMS assist 500 block south Bond  
 6:18 p.m. – EMS assist 900 block South Parks  
 11:13 p.m. – EMS assist 200 block Main Street in Hedley

**July 28, 2017**  
 6:51 a.m. – Units paged 2 vehicle accident West end of Hedley 287  
 1:55 p.m. – See complainant Main Street in Hedley  
 5:47 p.m. – EMS assist 900 block West 2nd  
 10:05 p.m. – EMS assist 300 block Browning

**July 29, 2017**

3:07 a.m. – Checking open car door 1000 block west 3rd  
 7:53 a.m. – Loose livestock HWY 70  
 12:48 p.m. – EMS assist EMS station  
 7:10 p.m. – Report of possible intoxicated subject – Ayers Street

**July 30, 2017**  
 2:02 a.m. – To jail with one in custody  
 9:14 a.m. – EMS assist 600 block West 2nd  
 10:59 a.m. – Units paged Semi Roll-over – 287 @ Hedley  
 11:30 a.m. – EMS assist northbound Rest Area 287  
 12:55 p.m. – See caller 900 block West 2nd  
 2:09 p.m. – EMS assist 100 block South McClelland  
 2:58 p.m. – Report of raccoons in dumpster 300 block Rosenfield  
 3:16 p.m. – EMS assist 300 block South Jefferson

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**Summer Field Day set for Aug. 30**

CHILLICOTHE – The Rolling Plains Summer Field Day, hosted by the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center in Vernon, will be August 30. The field day activities will focus on many of the cotton trials at the AgriLife Research Chillicothe Station, 1340 Farm-to-Market Road 392, south of Chillicothe.

"It is an important year for cotton production in Texas as new technologies came onto the market," said Dr. Emi Kimura, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service agronomist in Vernon. "Producers will benefit from side-by-side variety demonstrations for their variety decision making next year."

"The field day is also a good opportunity for interaction between AgriLife personnel from both Vernon and College Station, agribusiness personnel and producers in the Rolling Plains," Kimura said.

Registration is set for 7:45-8:30 a.m., followed by the field tour. There is no charge for the program and lunch will be provided.

Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education credits will be offered – two general and one integrated pest management.

Tour stops, topics and speakers will include:

- Cotton Trials: Replicated Agonomic Cotton Evaluation (RACE) Trials, and Management of Enlist and Extendflex Technologies, Kimura.

Advancements in Cotton Development: Phenotyping, and Breeding for Yield Potential, Drought Tolerance and Insect Resistance, Dr. Steve Hague, associate professor of cotton genetics and breeding in the Texas A&M AgriLife Research Cotton Improvement Lab in College Station, and Dr. Curtis Adams, AgriLife Research cropping systems agronomist in Vernon.

Conservation Systems: Conservation Tillage; Cover Crops; Irrigation Management; Soil Health and Producer Experiences, Dr. Paul DeLaune, AgriLife Research environmental soil scientist in Vernon, and area producers.

At 11 a.m., the event will move indoors for a presentation on herbicide regulations by Henry Krusekopf, Texas Department of Agriculture field inspector in Wichita Falls.

Also, Advances in Research and Technology will be discussed by AgriLife Research leaders Dr. Richard Vierling, Vernon center director; and Dr. Craig Nessler, director, and Dr. Bill McCutchen, executive associate director, both in College Station. Following the noon lunch and updates from sponsors, there will be a wrap-up with drawings for door prizes.

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12. playground
13. amusement park
14. farmers' market



## Texas consumers should know farmers market regulations

KERRVILLE – While the popularity of farmers markets has grown, there is still a lot of misunderstanding about what certain terms mean and what is allowed to be sold there, said a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service program specialist.

“A lot of the terms used to describe foods are subject to misinterpretation and definitions may vary,” said Rebecca Dittmar, AgriLife Extension program specialist for food protection management based in Kerrville.

“For example, a farmers market is a designated location used primarily for the distribution and sale of food directly to consumers by farmers and other producers. But a certified farmers market is one that has met the requirements set by the Texas Department of Agriculture and has applied to become certified.”

She said while the term “locally grown” is often a consumer draw, the definition adopted by the 2008 Farm Act considers a locally or regionally produced agricultural food product to be one sold less than 400 miles from its origin, or within the state in which it was produced.

“Then there’s the term ‘organic,’ which refers to meat, poultry, eggs and dairy products from animals that are given no antibiotics or growth hormones,” she said. “Organic food is produced without using most conventional pesticides, fertilizers made with synthetic ingredients or sewage sludge, bioengineering or ionizing radiation.”

She said before a product can be labeled organic, a government-approved certifier inspects the farm where the food is grown to make sure the farmer is following all the rules

necessary to meet U.S. Department of Agriculture organic standards.

On the other hand, a product labeled “natural” is one containing no artificial ingredients or added color and is only minimally processed, she explained.

“Minimal means that the product was processed in a manner that does not fundamentally alter the product,” Dittmar said. “And the product label must include a statement explaining the meaning of the term natural, like ‘contains no artificial ingredients’ or such.”

She said if a meat product is labeled certified it implies that both the USDA’s Food Safety and Inspection Service and the Agriculture Marketing Service have officially evaluated the product for class, grade or other quality characteristics.

“However, if a product is labeled as ‘certified naturally grown’ that means it is certified by a nonprofit organization tailored to small-scale farmers and beekeepers,” Dittmar said. “Certified Naturally Grown is an independent program not affiliated with the USDA-National Organic Program, or NOP. The CNG producers do not use any synthetic fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides, fungicides or GMO seeds, just like organic farmers, but their farms are certified by other CNG farmers instead of a government agency.”

Dittmar said some of the products allowed to be sold at farmers markets include whole, uncut produce; meat and meat products; canned items such as tomatoes, relishes, salsas and pickled squash; honey, eggs and some non-food items.

“If they are selling whole,

intact, unprocessed fruits and vegetables, there is no permit required in Texas,” she said. “But if selling cut tomatoes, leafy greens or melons, the producer needs to have a permit and store foods at 41 degrees or lower.”

Consumers should always avoid buying bruised or damaged produce, she added. Dittmar said meats can be at farmers markets if they were slaughtered at a licensed facility and the vendor has proper permits. And jerky can be sold if from an approved source, so long as a licensed and inspected facility produced it.

“Fish can be sold if the vendor has a proper permit and the fisherman possesses a license from the Texas Park and Wildlife Department – or the fish was produced and raised in a facility that has an aquaculture license from the TDA.” She said consumers at farmers markets should make sure the packages containing meats or fish have no holes or tears and the product is being stored cold.

“In the shopping basket, keep raw meat, poultry and fish away from other foods. Place them in a plastic bag and keep it in the cart away from other foods, so the juices cannot drip on them.”

She said certain canned goods can be sold if the vendor has a manufacturer’s license for the products.

“Avoid buying canned goods that do not have labels or have a flawed appearance,” she advised.

Dittmar said honey can be sold by small- and large-scale producers, but large-scale producers should have a food manufacturer’s license and offer a properly packed and labeled product.

“The proper labeling information is on the Food and Drug Admin-

istration’s food labeling guide,” she said. “Consumers should avoid buying honey that does not have a label.”

Dittmar said eggs can be sold at farmer’s markets if the seller has a temporary food establishment license from the Texas Department of State Health Services or a local regulatory authority and if the eggs are kept at an ambient air temperature of 45 degrees or lower.

“The eggs should be labeled as ‘ungraded,’ have safe handling instructions and labeling should provide the producer’s name and address,” she said. “They should be refrigerated as soon as possible after cleaning and sorting to preserve internal quality and reduce the potential for bacterial growth. There are FDA, TDA and DSHS regulations for the sale of eggs.”

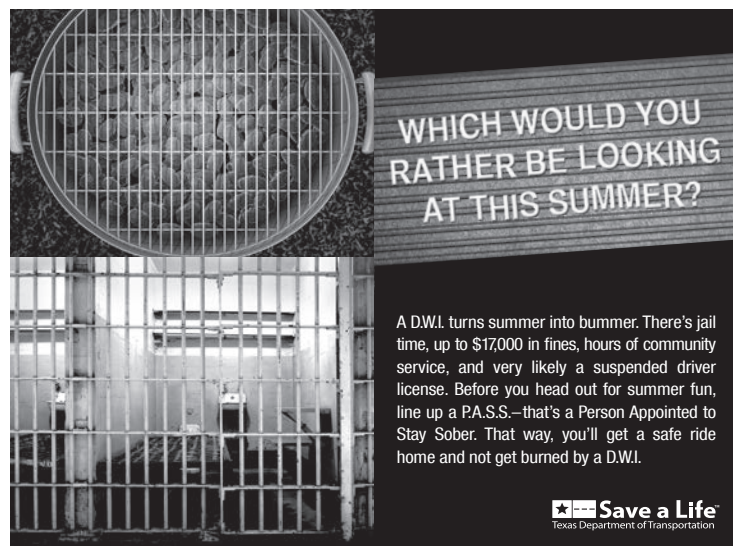
Dittmar said if a vendor is selling frozen food, the vendor would need the proper permit and to follow the rules for that product.

“Consumers at farmers markets should buy their frozen foods last and make sure items are frozen solid at the time of purchase and that the packages are not torn.”

She also noted often there are non-food items for sale at these markets and those items may be sold if the entity running or regulating the market allows such vendors.

“Items commonly seen include knitted items, crafts, lotions, candles, flowers and homemade jewelry,” she said.

Additional information on the regulation of farmers markets in Texas can be found at <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/foodestablishments/farmersmarkets/>.



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### DPS urges Texans to use caution in summer heat

AUSTIN – The Texas Department of Public Safety is warning Texas residents to be prepared for summertime temperatures, and to take precautions to stay safe as temperatures and heat indices hit 100 degrees and above in many parts of the state this time of year. Extreme temperatures increase the risk of heat-related injuries or deaths.

“Summertime heat is a fact of life in Texas, but the dangers from high temperatures are real and should not be taken lightly,” said DPS Director Steven McCraw. “Heat-related deaths and injuries are often preventable if residents take

the necessary steps to educate and protect themselves – and their loved ones.”

Warmer weather places children at greater risk of injury or death if left unattended in a vehicle. Every year children die from heat-related injuries after being left in a vehicle or by entering a vehicle unnoticed. A child should never be left unattended in a vehicle.

Temperatures inside a car can rise more than 20 degrees in only 10 minutes; and even with an outside temperature of 60 degrees, the temperature inside a car can reach 110 degrees, according to the National

Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Leaving windows partially rolled down does not help. Young children are particularly at risk since their bodies heat up faster than an adult.

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), extreme heat events or heat waves are one of the leading causes of extreme weather-related deaths in the United States.

Periods of severe heat and high humidity tax the body’s ability to cool itself and can lead to heat exhaustion and heat stroke, which can be fatal.

### AgriLife Extension offers Worksite Wellness program

AMARILLO – The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service is taking its wellness programs to work sites across the High Plains.

Dr. Angela Burkham, AgriLife Extension regional program leader for family and consumer sciences in Amarillo, said the agency has had a whole range of programs offered by agents to individuals or groups for many years.

Their newest effort will be to offer the health and wellness training in a program called “Worksite Wellness,” tailored to employers and their employees to meet the needs, time and space designated by the business, Burkham said.

“We’ve offered our signature educational programs for many years,” she said. “But they have

pretty much been up to the individual to join and seek the training.”

Burkham said employers can help their employees develop a greater knowledge and coping skills for various diseases or health issues through a variety of print materials and face-to-face and/or online programs.

In addition, the programming can help them make improvements in their physical activity, healthy food consumption, weight loss and blood pressure, all of which can help reduce absenteeism and lower health care costs for the business, she said.

For example, Lizbeth Gresham, AgriLife Extension family and consumer sciences agent for Potter County, will be presenting “Health Talk Express: Power to Pre-

vent Diabetes” at the King Ranch Farm in Amarillo. Gresham will provide the training both in Spanish and English.

The “buffet” of programs businesses can choose from include Dinner Tonight, Walk Across Texas, Step Up Scale Down, Do Well Be Well with Diabetes, Health Talk Express – Lunch N Learn Programs and Master Wellness Volunteers.

For more information or to arrange for an AgriLife Extension agent to discuss the Worksite Wellness program, contact the nearest office. County offices and contact numbers can be found at <https://counties.agrilife.org/>.

For more information about the program, go to <http://worksitewellness.tamu.edu/>.

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