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THIS WEEK

- Clarendon needs to work on re-building its Chamber of Commerce.
- The District Court sends several bad guys to the state slammer.
- The Broncos win the Area Championship over Nazareth.
- And a Confederate war hero will be honored here this month.

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

TxDOT project will improve Hwy. 287

The Texas Department of Transportation hosted a pre-construction meeting on Friday, May 13, to discuss the upcoming project for an asphaltic concrete pavement overlay on US 287 beginning at the east city limits of Clarendon to the west city limits of Hedley, a distance of 12 miles.

The \$2.2 million contract was awarded to J. Lee Milligan, Inc. of Amarillo. Construction efforts began on May 16, and completion of this project is anticipated, weather permitting, to be August 2011 or three months.

According to Chris Reed, Childress Area Engineer, "The contractors will begin milling on Monday starting at Lelia Lake to Hedley. The 16' passing lane will be milled first and then paved. Traffic will not be allowed on this section during this operation and will be diverted to the driving lane. The driving lane and shoulder will be milled and paved next with the same scenario as the first phase. The operation will then move to begin at Hedley to Clarendon."

For more information contact Barbara Seal, TxDOT Public Information Officer (940) 937-7288.

Hedley Spring Fling to be this Saturday

The community of Hedley will hold a Spring Fling this Saturday, May 21, at 6 p.m. at the Hedley Senior Citizens Center.

Organizers are planning a BBQ brisket dinner and dance, and tickets are on sale now at City Hall and Uncle Bob's. The cost is \$7 per plate, and the ticket will also be used for a door prize.

The door prize is an oil painting donated by Kenneth Wyatt.

Christian breakfast is this Thursday

The Christian Ministries Breakfast will meet Thursday, May 19 at 7:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Clarendon First United Methodist Church.

A delicious breakfast will be served followed by an informative program given by Clarendon City Mayor Larry Hicks and Clarendon City Administrator Lambert Little. Everyone is invited.

Friendship Club to meet Friday night

The Howardwick Friendship Club will meet May 20 at 6:30 p.m. at Howardwick City Hall. Everyone is welcome to come enjoy visiting and live music. Bring a friend and a covered dish.

City Aldermen cut funds to Chamber

By Roger Estlack, Clarendon Enterprise

The Clarendon Chamber of Commerce lost its major funding and its executive director last week, but chamber officials say they are still prepared to help host this summer's July Fourth activities.

During their regular meeting last Tuesday, the Clarendon Board of Aldermen voted unanimously to terminate the city's tourism services contract with the chamber. That contract provided the chamber with quarterly payments of \$5,000 each – a total of \$20,000 a year – from the city's Motel Bed Tax Fund to promote tourism.

City officials said they had expressed concerns to Chamber Executive Director Judy Burlin about how the organization accounts for the money it receives from the city, and in February the Board of Aldermen gave the chamber 90 days' notice to change the way it did business or risk losing funding. The city also asked for financial records for the last four years.

Burlin took a leave of absence about that same time and then submitted a letter of resignation to the chamber dated May 9, 2011, and

sighting her mother's health and other circumstances as her reasons for leaving.

Chamber President Charlie Smith and chamber board members Britton Hall and Carol Braddock attended Tuesday's city meeting, where aldermen were presented with four plastic tubs containing receipts and bank statements for the last four years.

Smith said city funds were deposited into a separate account but then moved into the chamber's general account, which city officials said was improper.

Looking through the receipts, City Secretary Machiel Covey told Braddock, "This is a phenomenal amount of work, but it doesn't show me clearly where the money went."

Mayor Larry Hicks also expressed his displeasure with the chamber.

"We've had happen just what we asked not to happen," Hicks said of the boxes of financial records. "We asked that it not be brought to us at the last minute like this. I would like to ask that we discontinue funds until such time that we can sort through this or have it brought to us

in a manner it can be understood."

But Hicks also voiced his support for the chamber and said he thinks the city can come to a new agreement with the organization.

"The City of Clarendon wants to promote tourism, and I believe that the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce is the best vehicle for providing those services," Hicks said in a statement to the press. "Our hope is that the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce will assess their situation and will return to us with a new proposal to provide promotion of tourism

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Clarendon's Johnny Gaines competes in the Class 1A long jump Friday at the state track and field meet in Austin. Gaines finished second in the long jump with a best attempt of 22 feet, 3/4 inches.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / TRAVIS HARSCH

Gaines brings home silver medals

By Sandy Anderberg

Johnny Gaines is no ordinary person and certainly no ordinary athlete.

Gaines qualified for the State Track Meet in Austin last weekend in three events, and even though Gaines missed out on the gold, by a combined two and three-fourths inches in the two events, his performance in the meet was stellar.

Gaines jumped to two silver medals and ran for a seventh-place finish in the 300-meter hurdles.

Gaines jumped a distance of 22'2 3/4" in the long jump for second place, which was only three-fourths of an inch behind the gold medalist.

He then put together a fantastic leap in the triple jump at 45'4" to tie the longest distance at the meet in class 1A. Because of the tie, the winner was determined on the young men's second longest mark and Gaines fell short again, and this time it was two inches.

"Forty-five feet four inches was his personal

best," coach Johnny Nino said. "And achieved that jump on his last jump in the finals. He tied for first, but his next jump of 45'1" was less than the other jumper."

Gaines ran a time of 40:33 in the 300-meter hurdles for a seventh-place finish. The winner of that race ran the distance in a time of 38:37.

"This was Johnny's third trip to Austin, which is quite an accomplishment," Nino said. "This year he received his first two medals. I was proud of the way he competed. Johnny has always represented himself and Clarendon very well. This year was no different. I was very happy for him to finally get a medal at the state meet and I will surely miss his competitive spirit and leadership."

The Lady Bronco 800-meter relay also competed in the state meet and finished the race in a time of 1:48.85, which was good enough for 8th place. The 1A team from Snook won the gold at a time of 1:43.28. Members of the relay

are Amber Keelin, Sarah Luttrell, Marqueta Gaines, and Glory Bryley. Coach Alton Gaines was pleased with the ladies' performance at the state level.

"The state meet was a real reward on the year for coaches and girls," Gaines said. "They really worked hard this year to get to that point in the season. I am so honored to be their coach. They put another clip on my highlight reel. Ladies, thank you."

Gaines knows the girls that ran at state are young and the experience they gained in Austin was huge.

"The meet was pretty intimidating," Gaines said. "They were able to see what it is going to take to get back to the state meet next year and the hard work they are going to have to invest in, in order to run with that type of competition. They ran really well and we got the experience we needed to repeat next year. Again, thanks for a heck of a year ladies."

CEDC awards bids for restoration of Mulkey marquee

Signs of progress are beginning to be seen at the Mulkey Theatre after the Clarendon Economic Development Corporation accepted two bids to begin working on the theatre's marquee.

In called meeting last Thursday, the CEDC Board accepted a bid from Wellborn Sign Company in Amarillo to repair the porcelain enamel on the marquee and restore the neon lights on the front and letters of the marquee for a total of \$12,940.

The board also accepted a bid from J.B. Covey of Hedley to repair the framing and decking of the marquee overhang over the old barbershop for \$445.

The marquee work approved by the CEDC board will be paid for by money donated to the Mulkey Advi-

sory Committee's "Bring Back the Mulkey Campaign."

The CEDC also authorized the hiring of an electrician to run six new circuits to the marquee and discussed different options for repairing, updating, or replacing the marquee faces – the white glass areas where movable letters announce the current attractions. The board agreed to try to preserve the faces as close as possible to their original condition.

The CEDC also requested the city move forward with an agreement to provide power to the theatre as a step toward creating a visitors' center in the old barbershop.

Next up on the repair agenda will be repairing the roof of the marquee overhang and clearing drains from that area as necessary steps

before restoring neon underneath the marquee.

Donations are still being accepted to help Bring Back the Mulkey. Donors who give \$50 or more will be recognized inside the theatre, and donations can be made to Donley County Historical Commission, PO Box 905, Clarendon, TX 79226 and note "Mulkey" in the memo of your check.

Clarendon's downtown merchants are also supporting the effort by selling paper light bulbs which can be purchased for \$1 and are displayed in stores downtown.

For more information about how you can help "Bring Back the Mulkey," visit www.ClarendonEDC.org or check out www.facebook.com/mulkeytheatre.



J.B. Covey cleans debris from part of the Mulkey marquee overhang Saturday.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

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TRASH TO TREASURES

ANNUAL GARAGE SALE EVENT

District court hands down convictions after pleas

Four defendants were convicted after entering pleas when the 100th Judicial District Court met in Clarendon on May 6.

Luke Inman, the District Attorney for the 100th Judicial District, assisted by Greg Buckley, prosecuted the cases for the State of Texas with the Honorable Judge Dan Mike Bird presiding by assignment.

A total of \$3,000 in fines was assessed as a result of the pleas that took place on May 6. In addition to the fines, the defendants were required to pay a total of \$2,113.50 in court costs.

Daniel Ford of Lawton, Okla., was sentenced to 20 years in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Ford, age 26, pleaded not true to allegations listed in the State's Motion to Adjudicate Guilt of Defendant and a contested hearing was held, which involved a competency hearing.

On October 6, 2008, Ford originally pleaded guilty to the second degree felony offense of burglary of a habitation that occurred on April 20, 2007 in Donley County.

The State filed the motion to adjudicate on December 10, 2008, alleging one violation of community supervision.

"This defendant was on probation for approximately two weeks before committing another felony in another jurisdiction," said Inman. "He obviously did not benefit from the opportunity this district provided him, and he received the maximum sentence from the court."

Ford pleaded not true to the violation contained in the State's motion and Bird sentenced Ford to 20 years in the TDCJ. Ford is also required to pay \$270 in court costs to Donley County.

Gabriel Callis pleaded true to allegations listed in the State's Motion to Revoke Community Supervision of Defendant and was convicted and sentenced to three (3) years in the Institutional Jail Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

On May 3, 2007, Callis originally pleaded not guilty to the second degree felony offense of indecency with a child that occurred on January 1, 2006 in Donley County. A jury trial ensued and he was sentenced to five years in the Institutional Division of the TDCJ. However, the jury probated his sentence for eight years.

The State filed the motion to revoke on December 17, 2010, alleging five violations of community supervision.

Callis pleaded true to violations contained in the State's motion and was sentenced to three years in the TDCJ. Callis is also required to pay \$521 in court costs to Donley County.

Jacob Israel Brashears pleaded true to allegations listed in the State's Motion to Adjudicate Guilt of Defendant and was convicted and sentenced to ten years in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, but the sentence was probated for a period of five years.

On November 16, 2010, Brashears originally pleaded guilty to the third degree felony offense of injury to a child that occurred on October 31, 2009, in Donley County.

Dustin Dean Dann was convicted and sentenced to 18.5 years in TDCJ for enhanced family assault violence. Dann was also sentenced to 10 years in the TDCJ pursuant to a revocation proceeding.

Dann, 39-year-old resident of Childress, was sentenced for the third felony offense of assault against family member, enhanced to a second degree felony due to a previous felony conviction.

"Sergeant Justin Hunter with the Childress Police Department did an excellent job investigating this assault," said Inman. "Assaults on family members are taken very serious by law enforcement and this office. We will do everything in our power to stop the violence once we are made aware of it."

Dann was arrested for the offense that took place on November 21, 2008 in Childress County. Dann was indicted by a Childress County Grand Jury on March 26, 2009.

Dann also pleaded true to allegations listed in the State's Motion to Revoke Community Supervision of Defendant and was convicted and sentenced to ten (10) years in the Institutional Jail Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

On September 10, 2007, Dann originally pleaded guilty to the first degree felony offense of engaging in organized criminal activity that occurred on December 28, 2006 in Childress County.

The State filed the amended motion to revoke on March 7, 2011, alleging ten violations of community supervision.

Dann pleaded true to violations contained in the State's motion and was sentenced to ten years in the TDCJ. Dann is also required to pay \$347.50 in court costs to Childress County.

The State filed the motion to adjudicate on February 17, 2011, alleging two violations of community supervision.

Brashears pleaded true to the violations contained in the State's motion and Brashears was sentenced to ten years in the TDCJ, probated for five years. Brashears is also required to pay \$599 in court costs to Donley County and a \$3,000 fine.

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activities."

Smith later told the ENTERPRISE that the chamber has money available to get it through July Fourth.

"Do not worry," he said. "We will have the parade and the Old Settlers Reunion and everything."

Smith also said the chamber will be reassessing how it conducts its business and that it was not ready to take applications to replace Burlin.

In other city business last week, Aldermen approved \$3,500 from the Motel Bed Tax Fund to support the Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment Association's efforts to promote the annual Saints' Roost Celebration; approved using grant funds to purchase a used trash truck from the City of Canyon for the recycling department; and approved an agreement with City Secretary Machiel Covey agreeing to pay for certification classes and setting salary increases with each new level of certification.

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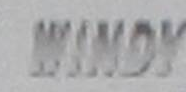
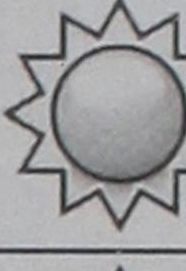
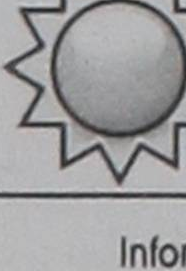
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weather report

| Day | Date | High | Low | Prec. |
|------|------|------|-----|-------|
| Mon | 9 | 101° | 67° | - |
| Tues | 10 | 100° | 66° | - |
| Wed | 11 | 93° | 59° | .05 |
| Thur | 12 | 83° | 50° | - |
| Fri | 13 | 80° | 49° | - |
| Sat | 14 | 74° | 43° | - |
| Sun | 15 | 75° | 43° | - |

Total precipitation this month: .05
Total precipitation for the year: .73

weekend forecast

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|  | Fri., May 20 Windy 83°/52° |
|  | Sat., May 21 Sunny 87°/56° |
|  | Sun., May 22 Sunny 89°/58° |

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Clarendon Church of Christ VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 6th-June 8th, Clarendon Church of Christ will conduct its VBS. It will begin at 9 a.m. and go until about 1 p.m. We want to invite children from ages 3 years of age up to 6th graders for this event. Please come a little early so the kids can be registered. We will have Bible lessons, songs, crafts, and a meal.

Monday we will serve hot dogs, Tuesday we will serve hamburgers, and Wednesday we will have pizza. We will of course have a short break with cookies and snacks around mid-morning.

Australia is called the "Land Down Under", and that is our theme. Our lives can be "upside down", and Jesus can change our lives around. That is the thrust of the three lessons that we will have, how Jesus can turn a life around or upside down.

Even if your child can't attend all three days, bring them for the day(s) they can. They will enjoy the activities, and I guarantee they will be taught from the scriptures. We must all admit a lot of problems in this world would be made better if more spirituality was sought. You can do nothing better for your children than to give them more exposure to God's Holy Word.

We ask that you bring your children to the Family Life Center for registration, and then we will take them over to the church building for songs and classes. Later they will be taken back to the FLC for crafts and food. You will pick your children up at the FLC. The phone number to the FLC is: 806-822-0100. The phone number to the church building is 806-874-2495. If you have any questions, please give us a call.

We hope to see your children there. We will take good care of them, and they will have a good time. See you there.

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Community Calendar

- May 27**
CHS Graduation • 8 p.m.
- May 30**
Memorial Day
- June 2**
HHS Kindergarten and Eighth Grade Graduation • 6 p.m.
- June 3**
HHS Graduation • 6:30 p.m.
- June 14**
Flag Day
- June 19**
Father's Day
- June 21**
First Day of Summer

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Menus

May 23 - 27
Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Chicken strips, gravy, green beans, potato salad, cookies, biscuits
Tue: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes & gravy, black-eye peas, tossed salad, fruit cobbler, cornbread
Wed: Roast, brown gravy, cheesy potatoes, sliced peaches, sliced pound cake, rolls
Thu: Grilled chicken wrap, lettuce & tomatoes, sweet potato fries, green peas, fruit salad
Fri: Bar-b-que sandwiches, green beans, tossed salad, onion rings, peanut butter cookies, chips

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes & gravy, English peas, Waldorf salad, brownie, biscuit
Tue: Meatloaf, macaroni & cheese, fried squash, cucumber & onion salad, apricot halves, roll
Wed: Steak & gravy, mashed potatoes, turnips & greens, pear & cottage cheese, lemon pie, roll
Thu: Bar-b-que chicken, corn on the cob, beans, potato salad, stewed apricots, roll
Fri: Stuffed bell peppers, corn nuggets, buttered squash, pineapple & cottage cheese, pudding, roll

Clarendon ISD
Breakfast
Mon: Cereal, toast, fruit, milk.
Tue: Sausage, biscuit, gravy, fruit, milk.
Wed: Pancakes, juice, milk.
Thu: Egg, toast, fruit, milk.
Fri: Cinnamon roll, juice, milk.
Lunch
Mon: Soft beef taco, pinto beans, salad, fruit, milk
Tue: Corn dog, black-eye peas, salad, fruit, milk
Wed: Baked ham, potatoes, green beans, fruit, roll, milk
Thu: Sandwich, chips, cookie, fruit, milk
Fri: Sandwich, chips, cookie, fruit, milk

Hedley ISD
Mon: Spaghetti, green beans, salad, fruit, fruit juice
Tue: Ground beef patty, potatoes & gravy, tossed salad, fruit, milk
Wed: Nachos with beef, cheese, rice, beans, salsa, chips, lettuce & tomato, fruit, milk
Thu: Beef & bean burrito, corn dog, chili & cheese, salad, fruit, milk
Fri: Cheese burger, oven fries, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onions, fruit, milk

Senior Citizens seek volunteers

It takes a large number of volunteers to operate the Clarendon Senior Citizens Center and deliver the meals to homes every day. Some of our volunteers have been helping out for over 15 years. The center salutes them for their faithful service.

Volunteering with your children is a good way to let them experience the value of helping others.

It only takes a couple of hours a week to make a big difference.

Ask any of those who help at the center and they will invariably tell you that they love what you do. If you would like more information, please call Mary Shields at 874-1226.



Making history

CHS students who competed in Austin at the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum in National History Day. Pictured are, front row: Dominique Brady and Savannah Thackeray, back row: Miranda Miller, Kelsey Mullins, Chelsea Covey, Maritta Brady, Kae Hewett, Maegan Hysinger, Samantha Sanderson, and Jerami Johnson.

CHS participates in National History Day

On May 26th, the Clarendon High School Texas History Day competitors presented each of their projects in Austin at the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum for the possibility to compete in National History Day.

Samantha Sanderson and Kae Hewett participated in the Senior Group Performance category. Their project was titled "Blanton vs. Wells, The Struggle for Women's

Rights." The girls placed 6th and also won the "Jane McCallum Women's History Award." They were also chosen to perform at the VIP Luncheon.

In the Senior Group Exhibit category, Dominique and Maritta Brady placed 7th with their exhibit "Ping Pong Diplomacy." Miranda Miller competed in the Senior Individual Documentary category where she placed 7th with her project "Wet

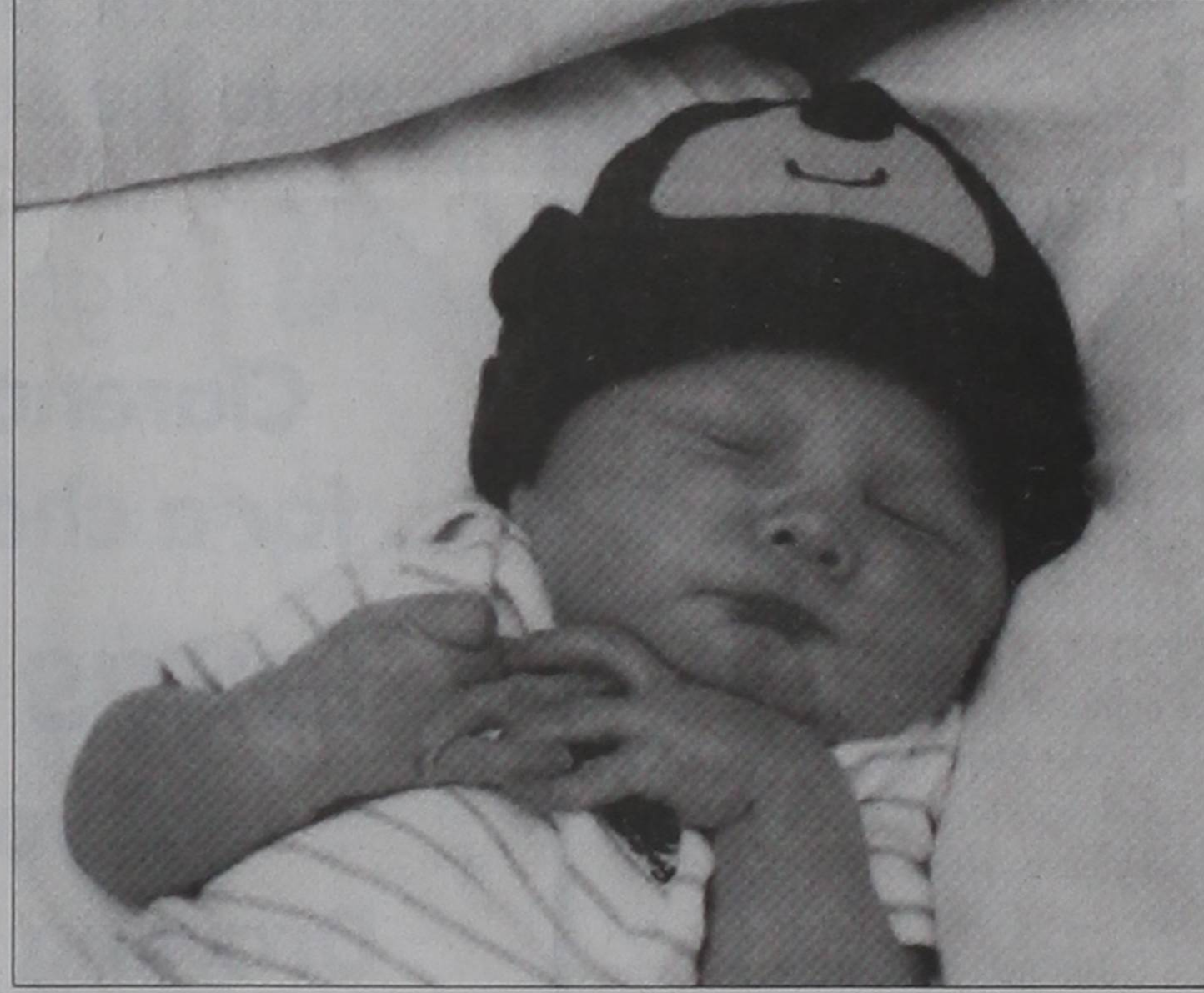
Howardwick okays tax hike

Fifty-six concerned Howardwick citizens took the time to decide the fate of the roads in our community with 55 voting in favor and one opposed to a tax increase that will set aside money for road maintenance. I suppose the other citizens are satisfied with the roads, but they don't use the ones I use. You know what they say: if you didn't vote, you don't have the right to complain. Yeah, right.

Thank you Del Essary for running for mayor and Gene Rogers for alderman. Good luck in the coming year.

We were blessed with 0.10 of an inch of rain last week and possibly another shower this week. At least the heat has gone away but not the wind.

Ole Jim planted a small garden with tomatoes and peppers, so far the deer have left it alone. As we sat on the patio drinking coffee this



New arrival

Roger and Rachel Wade are proud to announce the birth of their son, Rustin Ryan Wade, on April 13, 2011, weighing 7 pounds 12 ounces, and 19 1/2 inches in length. He is welcomed by his big brothers, Riley and Reagan, his maternal grandparents, Travis and Tonja Ruthardt of Hedley, and paternal grandparents, Mark and Shelia White of Clarendon and Larry Wade of Abernathy.

the lion's tale
by ashlee estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting May 17, 2011, with Boss Lion Roger Estlack in charge.

We had 18 members, three Sweethearts, and one guest - Scarlett Estlack, guest of Lion Russell Estlack.

Lion Ashlee Estlack gave a report on college activities, and Lion Monty Hysinger updated us on end-of-the-year happenings at the public school. Lion Lambert Little also reported on city activities.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

Hedley school to hold Field Day on May 26

Hedley ISD will be hosting Field Day on Friday May 26. There will be a Title I and a campus needs assessment meeting in the library at 9:30. Field day will begin after the meeting on or around 10:00. We encourage all parents to come to the meeting and then join us on the football field for a day of fun-filled activities.

Retired teachers to meet next Monday

The Donley County Retired School Personnel Association will meet next Monday, May 23, at 6:00 p.m. in the Church of Christ Family Life Center.

The newly elected unit officers for the 2011-2012 year will be installed, and a report of the State Convention will be presented by those who attended. Please remember to pay your 2011-2012 dues of \$36 at this time. All members are urged to attend and bring a retired or soon-to- retire school personnel to this meeting.

D. Shelton named to President's List

A total of 920 students were named to honor rolls at Southwestern Oklahoma State University for academic work during the 2011 spring semester on the Weatherford campus.

There were 414 students named to the President's Honor Roll. An undergraduate students who earns all A's in 12 or more hours during a semester qualifies for the President's Honor Roll.

Among those on the President's List was Lloyd Derrick Shelton of Clarendon.

Lemley graduates from Southwestern

Regan Lemley of Clarendon graduated in May from Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas.

Lemley graduated with a degree in Biology.

Southwestern University is a selective, nationally recognized undergraduate liberal arts college with an enrollment of 1,300 students. It is the oldest institution of higher learning in Texas. For more information on Southwestern, visit www.southwestern.edu.

Hedley ISD to hold Kindergarten Day

Hedley ISD will be having Kindergarten day on Friday May 20, from 8:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Lunch will be provided for the students. If you are interested in enrolling your child at that time please bring your child's original state birth certificate, social security card, and shot record.



'wick picks
by peggy cokerham
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morning, we enjoyed the birds and wondered why anyone would think of leaving to go "birding" someplace else. We have a pair of Kites that have taken up residence around here, a mourning dove along with a number of large white winged dove, the cardinal pair, a road runner, hummingbirds, so many robins, mocking birds, sparrows, those little red-headed birds that look like sparrows, red-headed woodpecker, our quail, and many, many others. They are a joy to watch.

Friendship Club is Friday night so bring a covered dish and meet your neighbor at City Hall at 6:30 for some good food and visiting.

Hedley Spring Fling to be this Saturday night

Please keep LaQuitta Cox and Floy Barrow in your prayers as they are very sick. Also, LaQuitta's family Joe and Lucy Poole, Jannette and Jerry Wagner, and other family members.

Everyone is invited to our Spring Fling this Saturday, May 21, at 6 p.m. There will be a BBQ Briskett Dinner and Dance, and tickets are on sale now at City Hall and Uncle Bob's. The cost is \$7 per plate, and the ticket will also be used for a door prize.

Dinner will be in the Hedley Senior Citizens building with door prize given away at 8 p.m. You must be present to win! The door prize is

a beautiful oil painting from Kenneth Wyatt. He was very gracious to donate this painting. It is a canyon scene with a horse and rider who is carrying the Texas Flag. There will be some games for the children. All proceeds go toward the Hedley Cotton Festival.

The City of Hedley and the Rowe Cemetery Board would like to remind you that donations are needed for the maintenance and upkeep of the cemetery. Please either call the City Hall (806-856-5241) or mail a donation to PO Box 185, Hedley, Texas 79237 to support the Rowe Cemetery.

Recipe: BBQ-Glazed Salmon:

- 1 large onion, thinly sliced,
 - 1 cup dry white wine or vegetable broth,
 - 1 cup tomato juice,
 - 1/2 cup ketchup,
 - 1/4 cup honey,
 - 1 Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce,
 - 1/2 tsp. finely chopped garlic,
 - 1/2 tsp. chili powder,
 - Salt and pepper to taste
- Combine onion and wine in medium saucepan; bring to a boil



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by kathy spier
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over medium-high heat. Add tomato juice, ketchup, honey, Worcestershire sauce, garlic, chili powder and salt and pepper to taste; stir well. Reduce heat to low and simmer 1 hour. Remove from heat and puree in blender or food processor; set aside.

Place salmon steaks in lightly oiled baking pan and baste with sauce.

Bake in preheated 425-degree oven about 6 minutes; turn and baste. Bake until fish just flakes when tested with fork.

(The salmon steaks should cook about 10 minutes per inch of thickness, measured at the thickest part.) Makes 4 servings.

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Broncos defeat Nazareth for Area Championship

By Sandy Anderberg
The Clarendon Bronco baseball team stifled Nazareth 8-2 in the Area round of the playoffs and earned the right to advance in post-season play. They were solid in their win and are looking to a trip to the state baseball game in June.

The Broncos began the game on a good note and scored all their runs in the first four innings. Nazareth's pitcher came alive in the last half of the game to shut down the Broncos' offense.

"I was thinking we would break it open at any time, but we were not able to do that," coach Brad Elam said.

"Naz's pitcher kept us off balance and we were not able to score the runs we have the past couple of games."

Elam is proud for the wins but knows the last few games have been good for the Broncos' hitting. "These last three games have been good because we have seen quality pitching and that will get us better," Elam said.

In the first inning of play, Brayden Phillips doubled, Johnny Gaines tripled Phillips in and Troy

Chambless drove in Gaines. In the next inning, Diego Santos scored when Justin Shillings hit a triple and Phillips drove in Shillings.

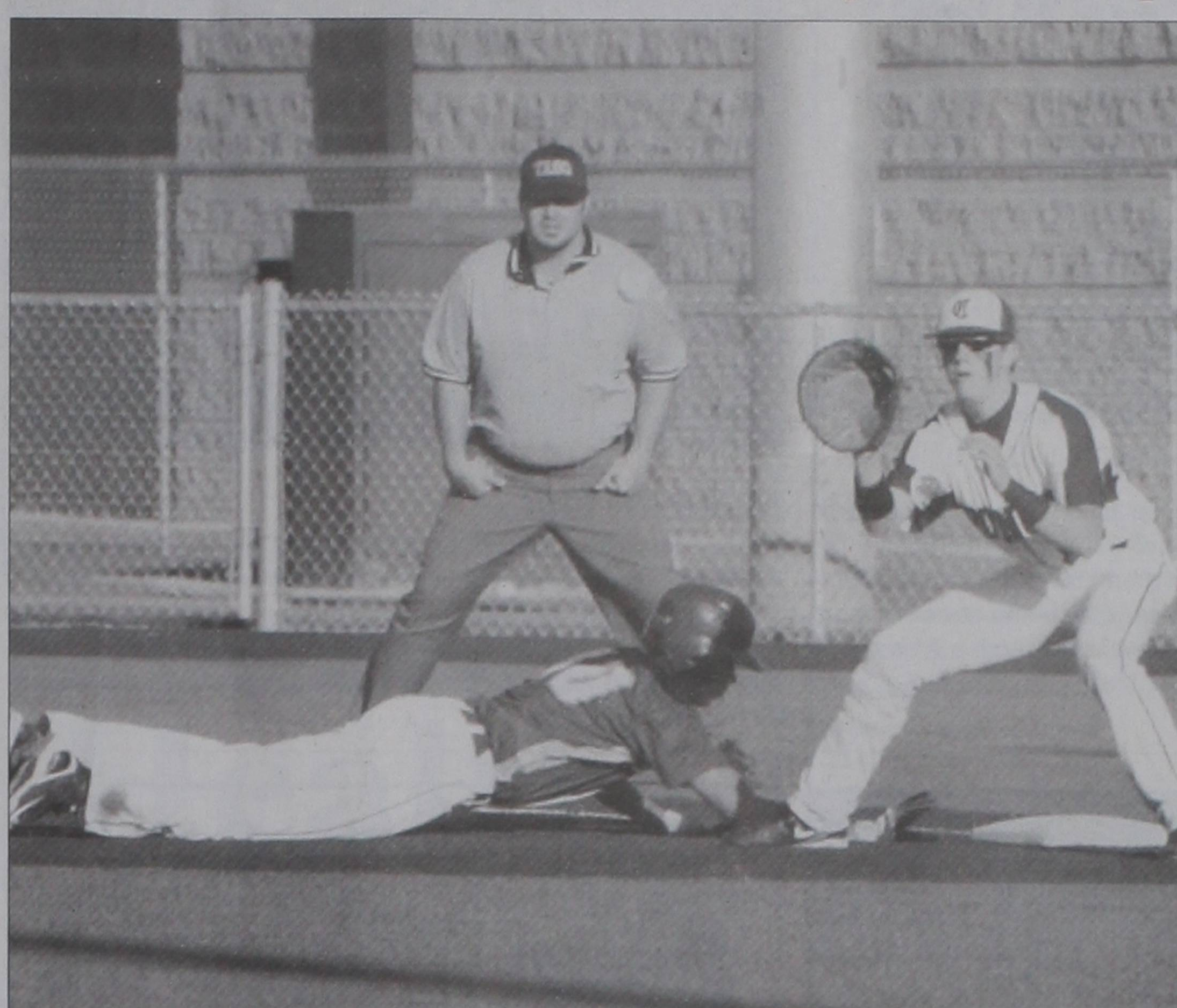
The other four runs came from Gaines, Chambless, Trevor Cobb, and Dusty Rice. Phillips finished three for four with two runs scored and an RBI.

"Defensively, we did make some mistakes that we are going to have to clean up as we advance," Elam said.

"Pitching, Johnny Gaines did an outstanding job limiting them to four hits, while striking out 16," Elam said.

The Broncos will take on Stamford in the Regional Quarterfinals Friday and Saturday, May 20-21, in Lubbock, Texas at Westerner Field. The Friday game will begin at 6:00 pm and the Saturday game will be played at 1:00 p.m. If a game three is needed it will begin thirty minutes after the end of the second game.

They are looking for revenge, as Stamford was the team that knocked them out of the play offs last year. The Bronco team is also very appreciative of the great fan support and packed stands at all of their games.



Brad Watson catches for the Broncos looks to make the catch for the Broncos during last week's area championship.

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Lady Broncos named to All-District Team

By Sandy Anderberg
Two seniors and one junior have been named to the 2011 District 6-A All-District Softball Team, according to head coach Gary Jack.

Fellow seniors Danielle Ford and Emily Clark were the lone seniors named to the team from the five schools involved. Junior Trevela Dronzek was listed as a first teamer as well.

Other members to the team are: Ana Guerrero and Kelsi Lile, Booker; Jasie Sargent and Miranda McMordie, McLean; and Abbey Rios and Devin DeLapp, West Texas High. Pitcher Ashely Byron from McLean was named the Most Valuable Player in the District.

Jentry Shadle and Jency Burton were named to the Second Team All-District.

Joining them were: Kelsi McDonald and Janet Guerrero, Booker; Hayley Burnett and Tori Bybee, McLean; Ashley Fouquet and Rylee Bagell, Claude; and Danielle Hoater and Sarah Kelly, West Texas High.

Receiving an honorable mention from Clarendon was Miranda Miller, Erin Moore, Audrey Shelton, and Maci White.

Tucker, Allen win century tourney

By Sandy Anderberg
The Clarendon Country Club held a two-person Century Tournament last weekend on Saturday and Sunday with 68 players participating.

The flights were divided according to combined age and had to at least add up to 100 years of age. The winner of the 100-109 flight was the team of Gerald Tucker and Scoot Allen who shot a 127 for the 36-hole event. The team of Rick Dabney and Allen Altman tied with Chip Martin and Don Keener for second and third with a 131.

F.G. Crofford and Jason Floyd won the 110-119 flight with a 133 and second place went to Shawn Fraley and Roy Chick with a 134. The teams of Anderson and Smith and Darcy and Kade Matthews tied for third and fourth with a score of 138.

In the 120-129 flight, the team of Don Bridges and Bill Wilkes shot a 130 for first, and Byrd Adkins and Ken Burnett shot a 134 for second. John Goodwin and Jerry Baker won the 130-139 flight with a 131 and second place went to Tom Stauder and Terry Esch with a 138.

Robert Mills and Don Pomykal and Joe Jackson and Clay Barbee tied in the 140-149 flight with a 138 and third place was won by Kenny Maddox and Troy Boykin with a 143.

Alvin Danner and Casper Smith won the 150+ flight with a 143, and the team of Charlie Davis and Steve Jarnagin was second with a 147.

Blaine Bolton won closest to the pin on number 15, and Steve Paschall won closest to the pin on number eight. The longest putt winner on number nine was Byrd Adkins.

Gene Rogers won the weekly men's game with a net score of 67. Forrest Newton was second with a net score of 69, and Charlie Davis was third with a net score of 70. Gail Leathers was low gross with an 80 on Thursday, and Gayle Rogers won low net with a 64.

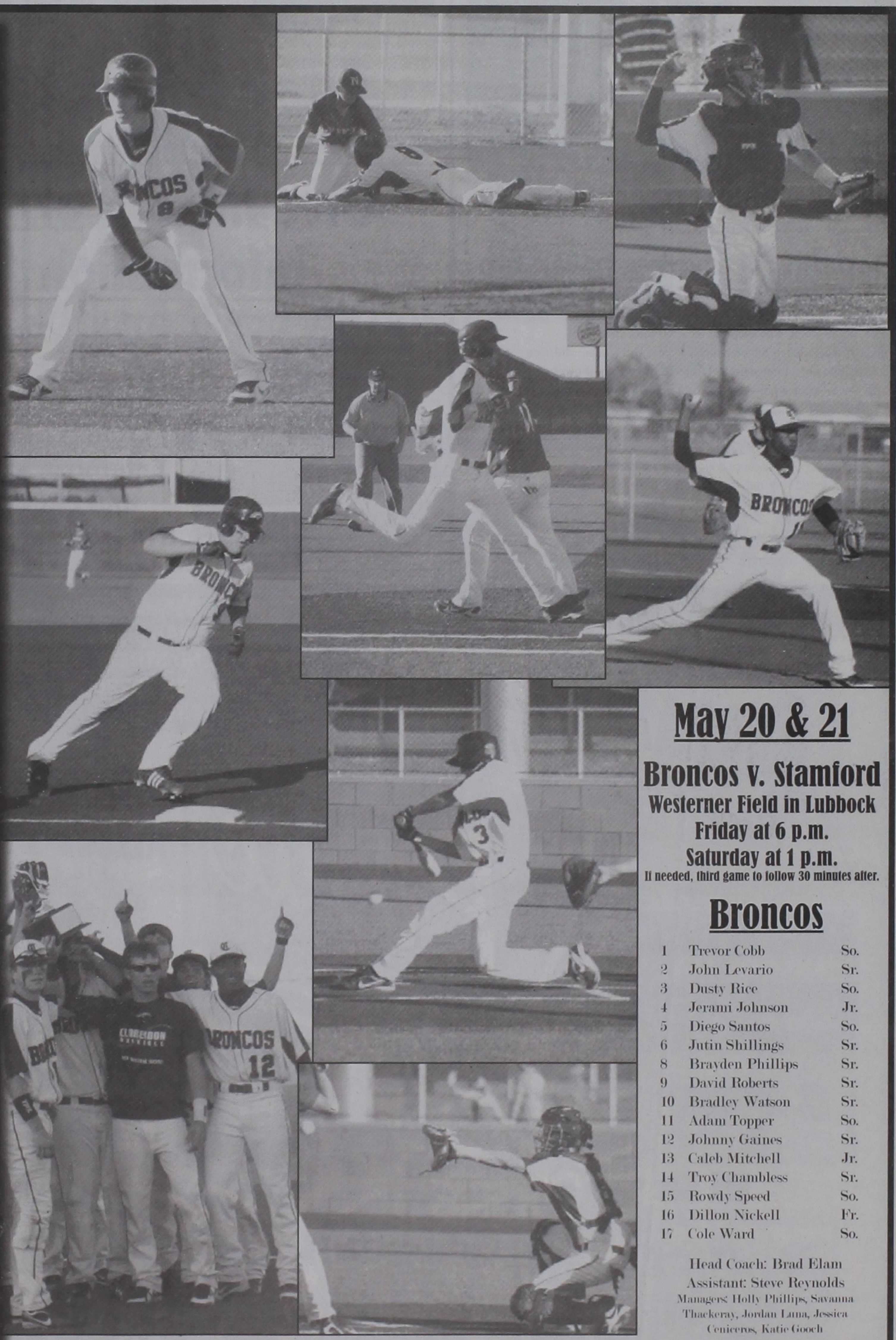
Three teams participated in the Friday night nine-hole scramble and two teams tied at four under par. After a putt-off, the team of Gene Rogers, Mark Morris, Jana Lemons, and Raymond Lichtie won.

The other team participating came in at three under par. The nine-hole scrambles begin at 6:00 p.m. each Friday night, and you are encouraged to call in to enter no later than 5:00 p.m. that evening. There will be an 18-hole scramble on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30, beginning at 2:00 p.m.

There will also be a three-person June 4-5 and a night scramble June 10.

You may call the Pro Shop for more information on the happenings at the CCC.

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| 2 | John Levario | Sr. |
| 3 | Dusty Rice | So. |
| 4 | Jerami Johnson | Jr. |
| 5 | Diego Santos | So. |
| 6 | Justin Shillings | Sr. |
| 8 | Brayden Phillips | Sr. |
| 9 | David Roberts | Sr. |
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| 11 | Adam Topper | So. |
| 12 | Johnny Gaines | Sr. |
| 13 | Caleb Mitchell | Jr. |
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Museum tour

Fredie Moreman, a director for the Saints' Roost Museum gave an excellent tour to Ms. Duncan's fourth grade. They have been studying a unit on Texas History from the Texas Performance Standard. The museum reinforced the unit and gave them first hand information about what they had been researching and how to display their artifacts.

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Reid Copelin pictured here with Brent McClure, General Manager of NewsChannel 10.

Copelin receives scholarship

Hedley High School senior Reid Dwayne Copelin, son of Tangela and Ernie Copelin, was awarded the Power of Knowledge Scholarship, a scholarship fund administered by the Amarillo Area Foundation.

The scholarship was created in 2008 by KFDA-TV/DT NewsChannel 10 in an effort to promote the importance of higher education and to help bring much needed resources, such as scholarships, to the Panhandle region.


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This year, thirteen students were awarded Power of Knowledge Scholarships as a result of contributions given by McDonald's of Amarillo and Canyon, the Panhandle Restaurant Association, and United Supermarkets.

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Drugs in the News

Meningitis Vaccine Approved for Infants

The FDA recently approved the first vaccine for the prevention of meningitis in infants as young as 9 months of age. The vaccine, called Menactra (Meningococcal Vaccine), had previously been approved for children 24 months of age and older. Since infants and toddlers are susceptible to this condition, as well as older children, most health officials felt that lowering the age for vaccination of infants as young as 9 months would go a long way in reducing the overall incidence of meningitis in this country. The vaccine is given in a two dose series. The most common side effect reported is injection site tenderness and redness. Some children may develop a mild fever.

Meningitis is a central nervous system disorder in which the protective barrier of the brain and spinal cord (called the meninges) becomes inflamed. In infants, this condition is most often caused by a bacteria called Neisseria meningitides. While meningitis does not occur often, when it does, it can cause serious damage to the brain and nervous system and possibly death. Early signs include a stiff neck, headache, irritability, and lethargy.



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Brinson, Henson wed April 19

Lindsey Lee Brinson of Hedley and Chance Hadley Henson of Blanchard, Oklahoma, were married Tuesday, April 19, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The bride is the daughter of Tammy and Mark Brinson of Hedley. Grandparents of the bride are Dorothy Brinson and the late

Kenneth Brinson, the late Fredia Pittman and Floyd Pittman. The groom is the son of Lisa and Kyle Henson of Blanchard, Oklahoma. Grandparents of the groom are Christen Anglin and the late Eugene Landers, and Bill and Barbara Jones.

The couple will reside in Tuttle, Oklahoma.

I would like to express my thanks to everyone who voted for me in the May 14 city election. Your confidence and support are appreciated, and I look forward to continuing to serve our community.

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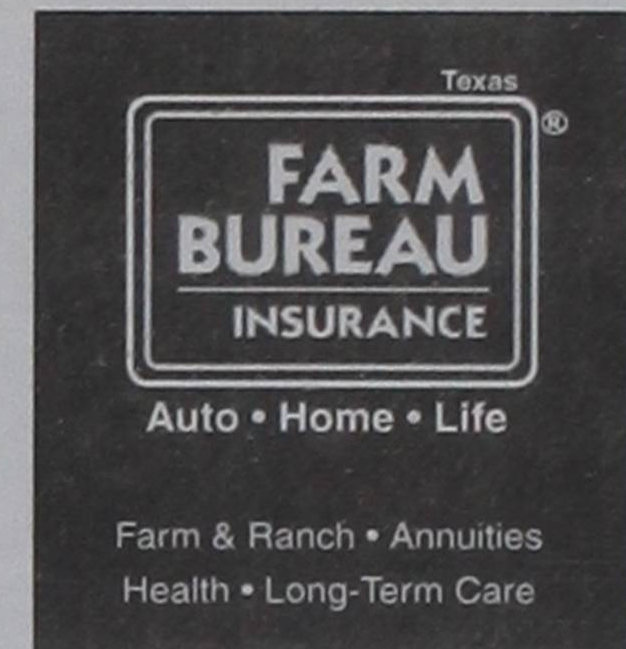
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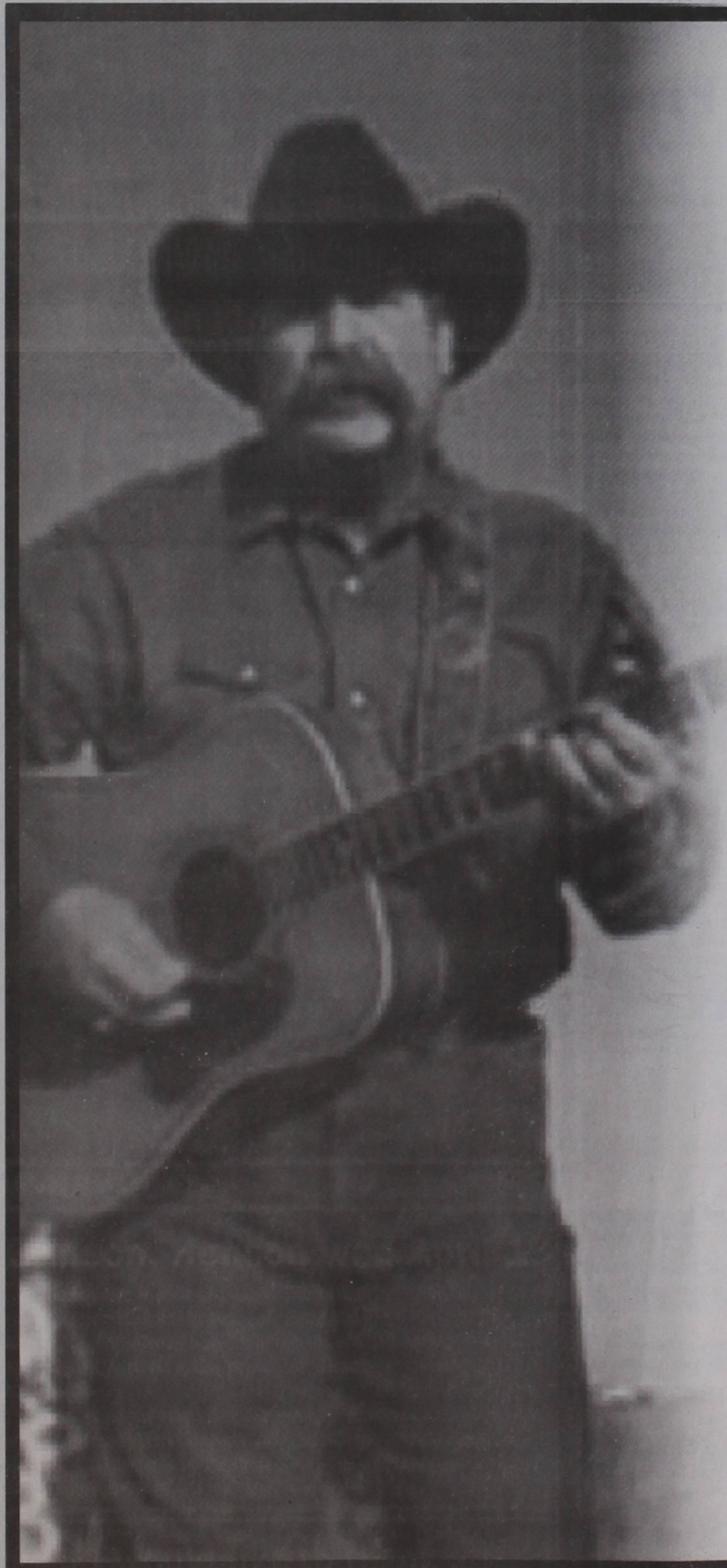
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Seven CHS students receive achievement award

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These students are on target to meet or exceed ACT's College Readiness Benchmarks by graduation. ACT's College Readiness Benchmarks are empirically-based and identify the level of achievement necessary in English, mathematics, reading and science to have a successful college freshman experience.

The students receiving this recognition from the Texas ACT Council are: Maritta Brady, Anna

Ceniceros, Lydia Howard, Adam Topper, Iesha Trevino, Cole Ward, and Cameron Wright.

The Texas ACT Council is made up of secondary and postsecondary educators who advise ACT, Inc. on the utilization of ACT programs and services in Texas schools and colleges.

ACT, Inc. is the not-for-profit organization that provides assessment, research, information and program management services in the broad areas of education and workforce development and the publish of the ACT Assessment. The ACT assessment is the college admissions test that is accepted by all colleges

and nationwide.

According to Karen Pennell, ACT Assistant Vice President and Southwest Regional Manager, "The Texas ACT Council recognizes those students who are making significant strides to prepare themselves for college by taking rigorous courses and meeting the student PLAN (Pre-ACT) College Readiness Benchmarks."

"We also want to recognize that student PLAN (pre-ACT) achievement is the result of a strong commitment by Clarendon High School teachers, staff, administrators and parents to increase college readiness for all students."

Sheriff's Report

May 9, 2011
7:14 a.m. – See complaint, 800 blk E. 2nd.
9:52 a.m. – EMS assist, Clarendon Medical Center.
8:27 p.m. – See complaint, 900 blk W. 8th.
May 10, 2011
11:05 a.m. – EMS assist, 700 blk E. 3rd.
7:51 p.m. – EMS assist, location not logged.
9:48 p.m. – Check alarm, 400 blk W. 2nd.
May 11, 2011
8:33 a.m. – Loose livestock, E. of Ashtola.
9:40 a.m. – Loose livestock, S. of Lelia Lake.
11:13 a.m. – EMS assist, EMS sta-

tion.
11:34 a.m. – Fire Department and EMS assist; grass fire, Co. Rd. I.
11:46 a.m. – Fire Department changing locations to Co. Rd. C.
2:36 p.m. – Fire Department and EMS assist, numerous fires on I-40.
May 12, 2011
12:52 a.m. – EMS assist, 800 blk S. Johns.
11:30 a.m. – EMS assist, 700 blk S. Carhart.
7:17 p.m. – Loose livestock, E. of Lelia Lake.
8:51 p.m. – EMS assist, 3rd & Kearney.
9:38 p.m. – See complaint, 300 blk S. Kearney.
10:53 p.m. – Reporting fight at park.
10:55 p.m. – To jail, one in custody.
11:00 p.m. – EMS assist at jail.

May 13, 2011
12:31 a.m. – Caller reporting fight, 8th & Ellerbee.
1:10 a.m. – Caller reporting vehicle circling house, 400 blk E. Burkhead.
2:51 p.m. – Large chunk of road pulled up, 287 & 203.
7:59 p.m. – EMS assist, 200 blk S. McClellan.
8:25 p.m. – Hwy 203 now clear.
9:17 p.m. – Loud music at tennis courts.
May 14, 2011
4:05 a.m. – EMS assist, 2900 blk Hwy 287.
2:37 p.m. – EMS assist, Maple Drive.
3:25 p.m. – EMS assist, 200 blk W. Martindale.
May 15, 2011
5:01 a.m. – Welfare check; 500 blk Clint St., Howardwick.

Obituaries

Robinson

Lonnie Robinson, age 76, died Monday, May 16, 2011, in Amarillo.

Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. today, May 19, 2011, in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon with Rev. Darrell Burton, officiating. Interment will be in Citizens Cemetery with US Navy Honors. Arrangements will be by Robertson Funeral



Robinson

Directors of Clarendon.

Lonnie was born September 9, 1934, in Franklin Furnace, Ohio, to Homer and Sophronia Daniel Robinson.

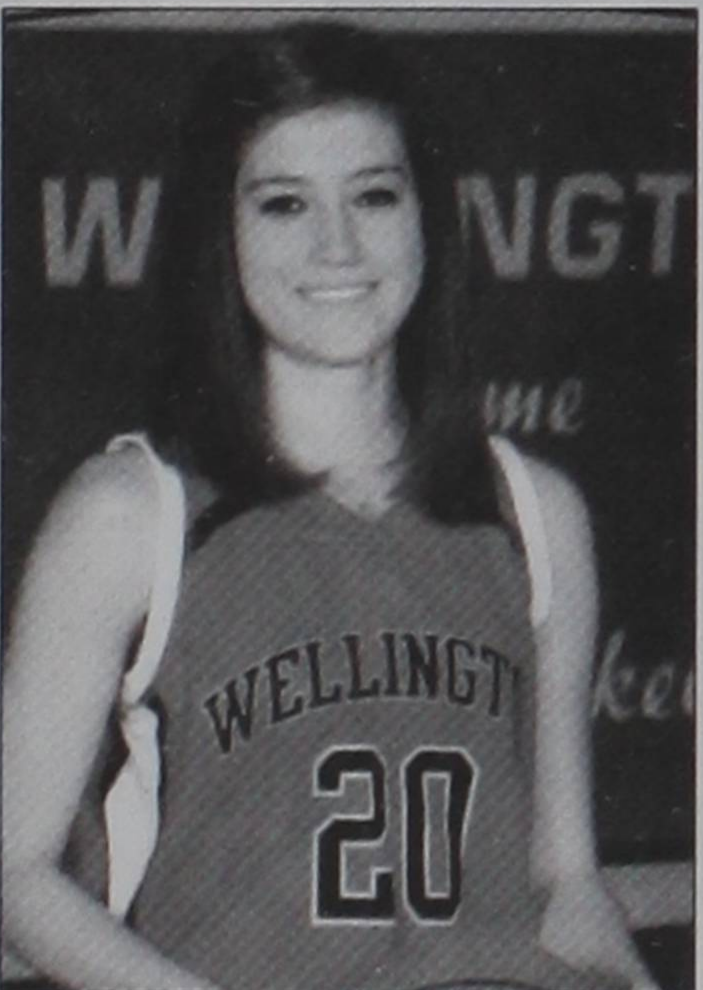
He married Elva Mitchell on October 24, 1959, in Amarillo. He was a US Navy veteran for four years where he was a firefighter. He had been a resident of Amarillo where he worked with the Amarillo Fire Department for seven years and with Owens Corning for several years prior to his retirement.

He had been a resident of Clarendon since 1990. He enjoyed fishing, bowling, watching basketball, loved to ride horses, tell stories and make people laugh. He attended the Martin Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Larry Robinson and Leroy Robinson; and a grandson, Bryan McFarland.

Survivors include his wife, Elva Robinson of Clarendon; two sons, Lonnie Robinson and Dawn of Helena, Montana, and David Robinson of Houston; two daughters, Deana Allen and husband Foy of Raceland, Kentucky and Chandra Larance and husband Ron of Amarillo; two sisters, Janet Brammer and Gladys Lewis; 12 grandchildren; four great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

The family will be at 718 South Goodnight in Clarendon, and they request that memorials be sent to American Cancer Society.



Ashlen Thornberry



Amber Thornberry

Thornberry girls named All State

Texas Girls Coaches Association has named Amber Thornberry All State Basketball and Academic All State Basketball.

Ashlen Thornberry was named Academic All State Basketball. The girls are seniors at Wellington High School.

Amber and Ashlen are the granddaughters of Don and Tookie Thornberry of Clarendon.

CHS physicals set for May 25

Wednesday, May 25 is the date for the mandatory athletic physicals to be given to Clarendon Junior High and High School athletes.

Students going into grades seven, nine, and eleven must receive an athletic physical on Wednesday to prepare for sports next year. Also, those who have suffered a severe injury must receive a physical as well. The physicals will be held at the Clarendon Family Medical Center beginning at 3:00 p.m. The high school athletes will go first and the junior high athletes will follow as soon as school is out.

According to athletic director Gary Jack, the paper work for the physicals will be handed out at school and must be completed in full before arriving at the clinic. The fee will be \$10 payable to the Clarendon Family Medical Center and will be donated back to the athletic fund. You may call the high school or Medical Center for more information.

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- The inclusion of your property on the appraisal roll
- Any exemptions that may apply to you
- The qualification for an agricultural or timber appraisal
- The taxable status of your property
- The local governments which should be taxing your property
- The ownership of property
- The change of use of land receiving special appraisal
- Any action taken by the chief appraiser, appraisal district or appraisal review board that applies to and adversely affected you.

Informal Review
For information about informal review and obtaining property tax records, call your appraisal district at the number listed on the Notice of Appraised Value.

Review by the Appraisal Review Board
If you cannot resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board (ARB).

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB meeting (called a Notice of Protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You will receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening, Saturday or Sunday. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the CAD plans to introduce at the hearing to establish any matter at issue. The CAD might ask you for a copy of the evidence you plan to present. The law provides that before a hearing on a protest or immediately after the hearing begins, you or your agent and the CAD shall each provide the other with a copy of any written material intended to be offered or submitted to the ARB at the hearing. To the greatest extent practicable, the hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send notarized evidence for the ARB to review at your hearing.

The CAD representative will present evidence about your case. You may cross-examine the CAD representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. In most cases, the CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented. In certain protests where the owner has submitted an independent appraisal before the hearing, the chief appraiser has the burden of proving the property's value by clear and convincing evidence. A protest form has been included and can be found on the backside of this form.

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

Review by the District Court or an Arbitrator or SOAH
After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 60 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. In certain cases, as an alternative to filing an appeal in district court, you may file, not later than the 45th day after you receive notice of the ARB order, a request for binding arbitration with the county appraisal district. In certain cases originating in certain counties, as an alternative to filing an appeal in district court, you may appeal to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH). An appeal to SOAH is initiated by, not later than the 30th day after you receive notice of the ARB's order, filing with the chief appraiser of the county appraisal district a notice of appeal with the applicable filing fee.

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

More Information
You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at the address and telephone number shown on the Notice of Appraised Value. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division at P.O. Box 13528, Austin, Texas 78711-3528.

Deadline for Filing Protests With the ARB*

Usual Deadline
On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a Notice of Appraised Value was mailed to you, whichever was later).

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Late protests are due the day before the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

Special Deadlines
For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is not later than the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

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

Confederate Veteran was one of the 'Immortal Six Hundred'

By Jean Stavenhagen

A hero is hard to define and hard to find. Not much thought is given to the word today, as it is not used very often. What is a hero? Is it someone who is admired for his brave deeds? Is it someone who possesses great courage and risks his life for a noble purpose? Are there heroes in an unpopular war?

This year's Memorial Day in Clarendon will be celebrated by honoring Peru Hardy (P.H.) Benson, an exceptional man who very well may be considered a hero. Benson is a long-forgotten Confederate veteran who is buried in Citizens Cemetery south of Clarendon.

P.H. Benson's name was discovered on a list of Confederate soldiers by a Civil War researcher, but with the added distinction of also being listed as a member of the Union prisoners of war who became known as the "Immortal Six Hundred."

The Donley County Historical Commission was contacted for help in finding information concerning the Civil War soldier. C.L. Benson, who lives in Clarendon and celebrated his 100th birthday last year,

was interviewed and explained that Peru Hardy Benson was his grandfather. C.L. helped locate a Benson family history in which P.H. tells, in his own words, the fascinating story of how he was captured by the Union Army and spent two years as a prisoner of war. He marched with other Confederate soldiers from one battlefield to another to be used as a human shield against their own troops.

The prisoners were told they would be given extreme punishment to avenge the atrocities of the Andersonville prison in the South. The men became known as the "Immortal Six Hundred" because of the number who survived deliberate starvation, exposure to freezing weather, lack of sanitation, lack of medical care, physical abuse by the guards, and imprisonment in the line of fire according to survivors' testimonies.

Against incredible odds, Peru Hardy Benson survived and was able to rejoin his family when the war ended.

His remarkable life had its early beginnings on Elkton, Giles County, Tennessee where he was born on

September 23, 1829 the eighth of nine children. P.H. married Nancy Delina McCracken in 1852 and moved to Clay County, Arkansas in 1861. He answered the call for volunteers in 1862 and even though he had a family he joined Company I, 23rd Regiment of the Arkansas Infantry and was put in command of the Company in 1863.

He was wounded in a two-day fight in October of that year at Iuka, Mississippi, and was away from his Company for about four months, according to the journal entry he later wrote. He rejoined his command at



P.H. Benson

Port Hudson, Louisiana and was attacked by General Banks' forces that greatly outnumbered the Confederates. On July 8, 1863 Benson and his men were forced to surrender. The non-commissioned officers were paroled. The commissioned officers were taken prisoners and sent to Johnson Island on

Lake Erie. The prisoners of war were moved to seven different prisons and placed in strategic positions on the battlefields between the Union forces and the advancing Confederate forces. Many died of cannon fire from their own forces as well as starvation and disease. After they took the oath of allegiance, the prisoners were released on June 12, 1865, from Fort Delaware and P.H. started the long walk home.

He returned to Clay County, Arkansas where reconstruction was very slow. In 1877, P.H., with his wife and family, left his war-ravaged state and moved to Texas to get a new start. They settled in the Alvarado District of Johnson County. P.H. became a farmer and his son, Arthur, became a carpenter. When Hall County was organized in 1890, the Benson family moved and filed on the newly opened land. Arthur and his younger brother Custis Lee were settled in Mulberry Flats in Hall County by 1892. A school was established in one of the homes, and a post office was awarded after the young settlement was named Brice. Custis Lee also bought land in the Brice area and moved his family to Clarendon so his children could get a better education.

The Benson families still own some of the land around Brice that was filed on by P.H. Benson and his sons.

P.H. wrote about his war experiences for his family when he was in his sixties. He prefaced his memoir, "Hardships of War" with an explanation, "This narrative of adventure is written not in a spirit of hatred, nor to arouse animosities concerning acts done during the War, but simply to show the suffering which I endured and yet survived. I have learned to recall my prison experiences, at least with calmness."

Peru Hardy Benson died in Hall County, Texas, on October 14, 1906. Those men who were imprisoned wore deep scars, as nothing would erase the nightmarish years in Yankee prisons. No awards or medals were given to the survivors but their names were held in honor by other Confederate veterans. The "Immortal Six Hundred" were considered heroes of an unpopular war.

The Plemons-Shelby Camp 464 of The Sons of the Confederate Veterans, dressed in authentic uniforms and arms, will present a memorial ceremony honoring P.H. Benson on Memorial Day, May 30 at the Benson gravesite in Citizens' Cemetery, Clarendon at 12 p.m. The public is invited to attend. Please bring your own chairs.

HJH participates in science fair

The Hedley 8th and 9th grade classes participated in the Hedley ISD Science Fair recently. The students performed a number of projects and showed a wonderful grasp of the scientific methods.

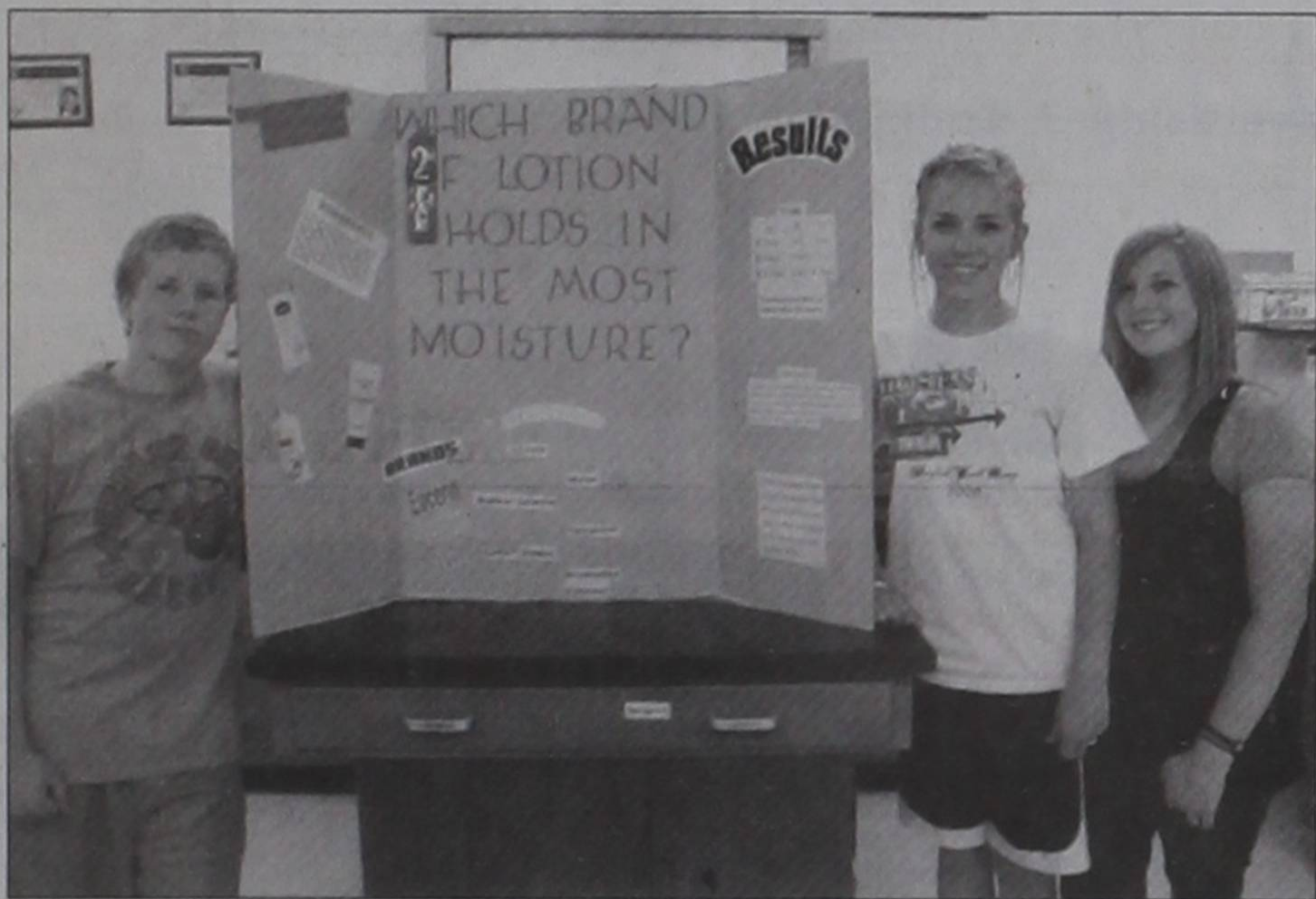
Kyle Lindsey and Oscar Felan placed first with their Glow Stick project testing whether heat affected Glow Stick brightness.

Kati Adams, Grayson Morris, and Maddie Verstuyft placed second with their project designed to test which lotion retained the most mois-

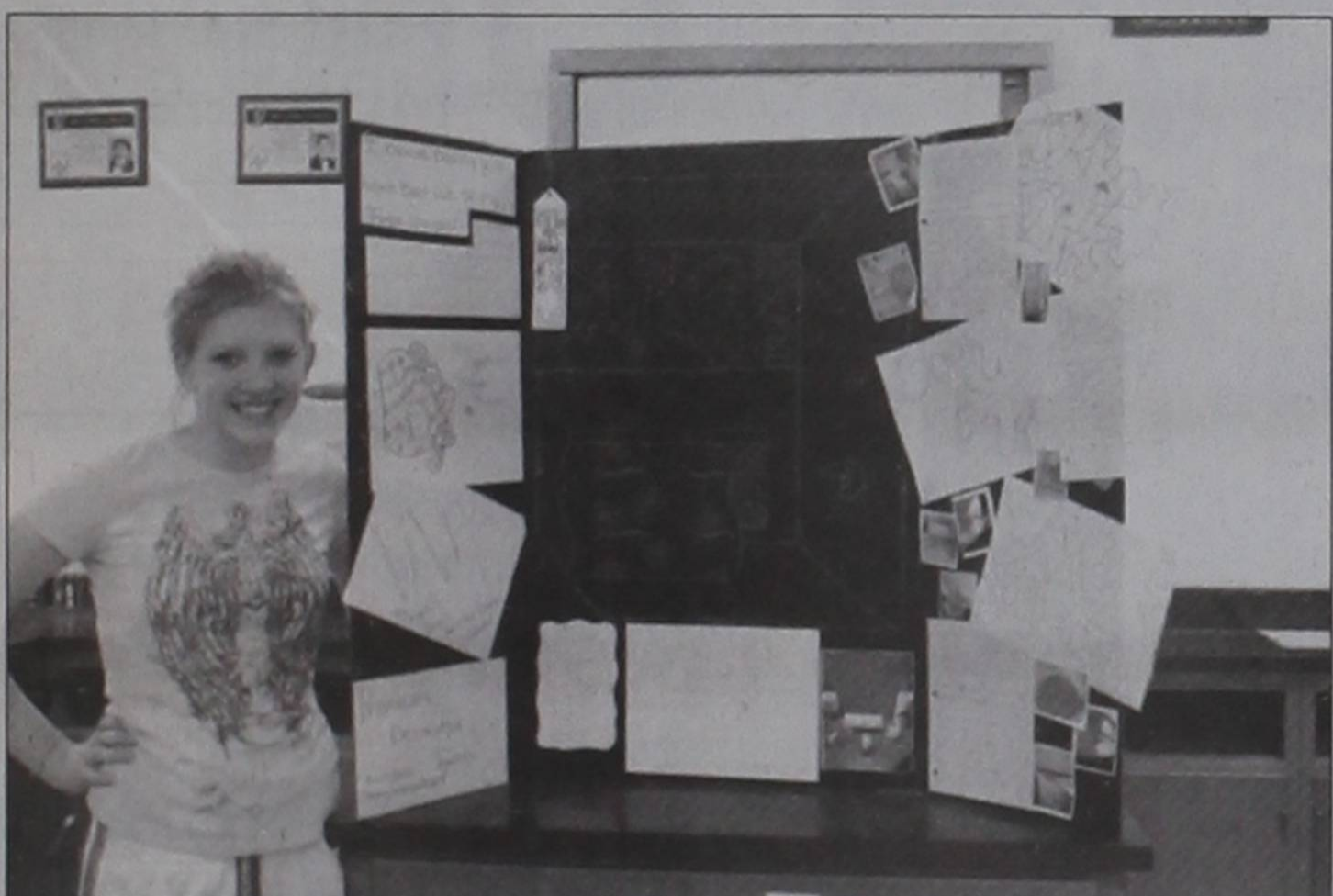
ture. Jordan Cox placed third with her project testing which brand of paper towels absorbed the most liquid.

Others participating in the Science Fair were Denver Chambless, Dwayne Thomas, Seth Ruthardt, David Bell, Kristen Liner, Kortney Burton, Liz Galvan, Ashlee Cox, Rebecca Butler, Trey Wright, Wyatt Wheatly, and Justin Riggs.

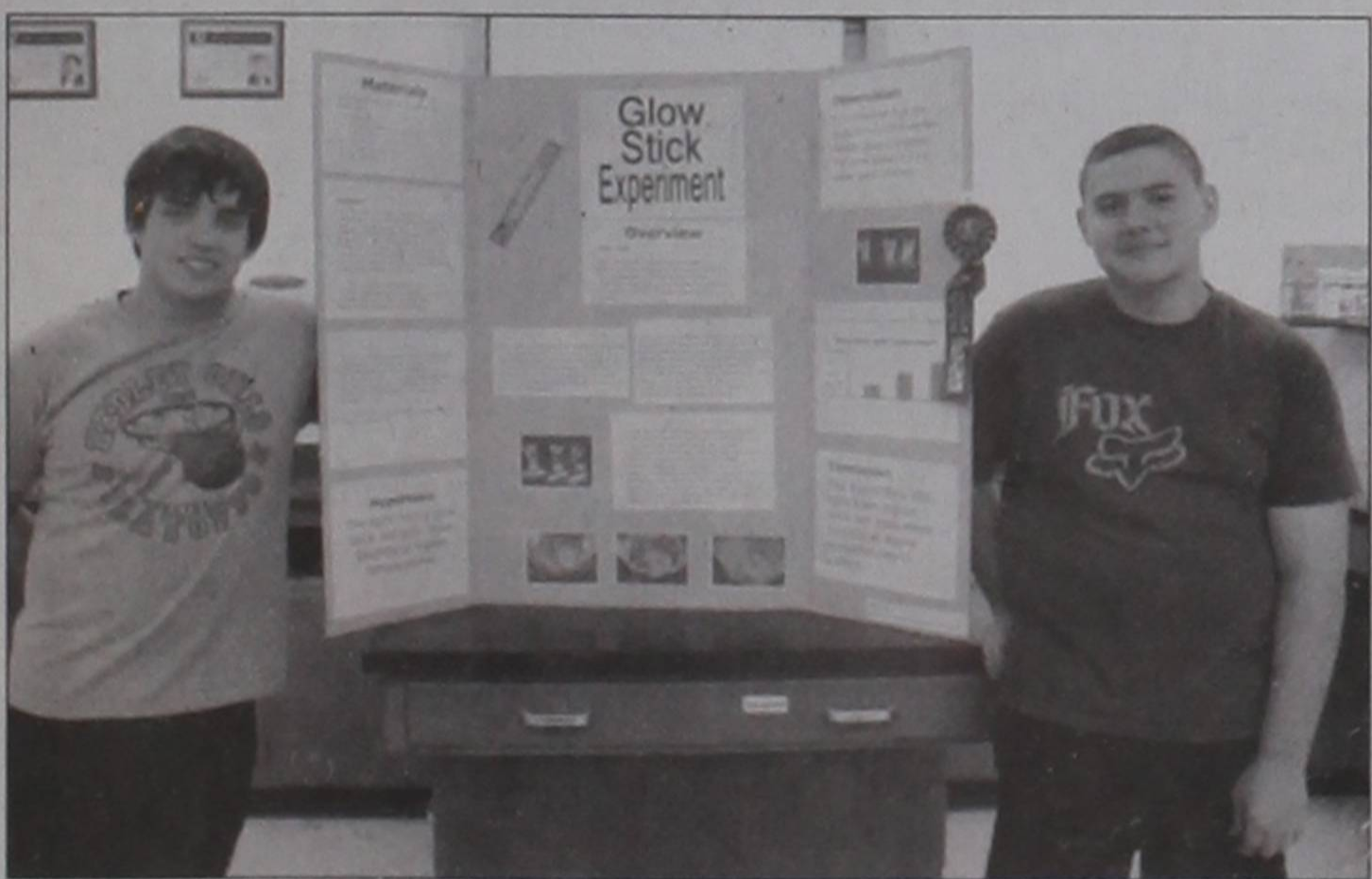
The students look forward to next year and making this an annual event.



Grayson Morris, Kati Adams and Maddie Verstuyft with their second place project.



Jordan Cox with her third place project.



Kyle Lindsey and Oscar Felan with their first place project.



The Champions

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Workshop in Lubbock to address 'grape expectations'

By Paul Schattenberg
LUBBOCK – The Texas AgriLife Extension Service will conduct a Prospective Wine-Grape Grower Workshop from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. June 17 for people interested in commercial wine-grape production.

The workshop will be held at the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center in Lubbock, located at 1102 East Farm-to-Market 1294. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. with the program to immediately follow.

"This workshop will be useful to those considering planting a commercial vineyard or those thinking about expanding a smaller operation to a commercial scale," said Dusty Timmons, AgriLife Extension viticulture adviser for the High Plains and West Texas.

The workshop was developed to help small-scale producers determine if it was both economically feasible and individually suitable for them to commit to a commercial vineyard enterprise, Timmons said.

Program topics include necessary viticulture expertise, site selection, risk factors, labor requirements and economics.

He noted that AgriLife Extension presents prospective grower workshops in regions of Texas conducive to wine-grape production, and the workshop is a prerequisite for registration and acceptance into the Texas Viticulture Certificate Program.

"This is the last workshop before we start taking applications for the next viticulture certification program," Timmons said. "We hope people interested in getting their professional certification will take this opportunity to attend the workshop so they can meet that requirement prior to applying for that statewide program."

The application period for the next certification program will be from June 1-30. Notification of acceptance will occur by about July 15, with registration approximately July 15-Aug. 31. The program will

begin on or around Sept. 15.

For more information on the viticulture certification program, contact Dr. Ed Hellman, AgriLife Extension viticulture program director, at 806-746-6101 or ewhellman@ag.tamu.edu.

The AgriLife Extension viticulture team also offers advanced programs for learning more about the nuts and bolts of grape growing in Texas, Timmons added. More information on workshops can be found at <http://winegrapes.tamu.edu> under Educational Opportunities.

The cost for the prospective grower workshop is \$125 per person or \$200 per couple, including educational materials and lunch.

Online registration for the workshop can be completed by going to the AgriLife Conference Services website at <http://agrilifevents.tamu.edu> and entering "wine grower" in the keyword field.

For more program information, contact Timmons at 806-787-5110 or dtimmons@door.net.

Extension to offer ServSafe training

AMARILLO – The Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Potter and Armstrong counties is offering a professional ServSafe food manager certification training course June 7-8 at the Potter County office of AgriLife Extension, located at 3301 E. 10th on the Tri-State Fairgrounds, Amarillo.

A \$115 fee covers training, materials and the state food manager certification examination, according to Sue Church, AgriLife Extension family and consumer sciences agent for Potter County.

This training assists food establishments under the Texas Department of State Health Services jurisdiction to meet state regulations which requires one certified food manager on site, Church said. Food manager certificates will be valid for five years.

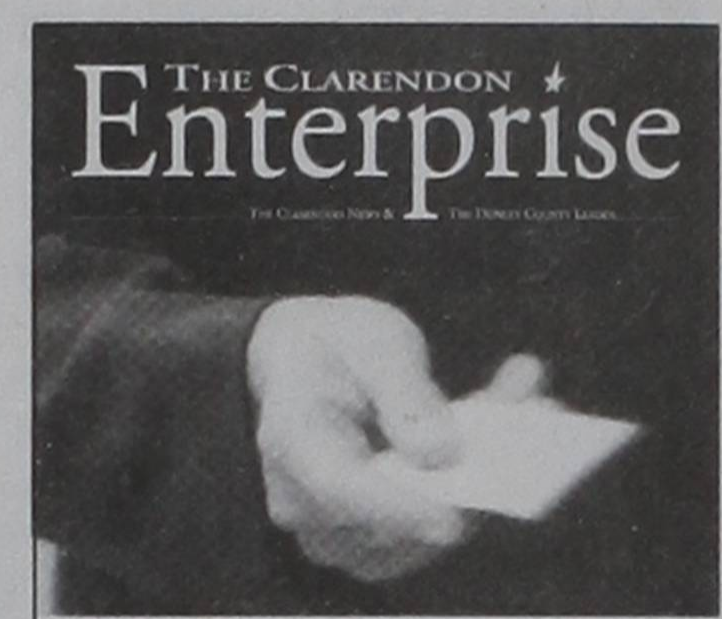
Statistics indicate foodborne illness continues to be a health issue in the U.S. Each year one in six Americans will become sick, 128,000 will

be hospitalized and 3,000 die due to foodborne illness.

While almost 50 cents of every dollar Americans spend on food is spent on meals prepared away from home, careful attention to food safety will help keep customers safe and satisfied. Foodborne illnesses are estimated to cost thousands of dollars in lost wages, insurance and medical bills, Church said.

By attending the course, Church said food-service managers will learn to: identify potentially hazardous foods and common errors in food handling; prevent contamination and cross-contamination of food; teach and encourage personal hygiene for employees; comply with government regulations; maintain clean utensils, equipment and surroundings; and control pests.

The registration deadline is May 25. For more information about the ServSafe Food Training course of AgriLife Extension call Church at 806-373-0713.



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Producers invited to training May 19

HEREFORD – Beef producers are invited to attend an interactive training session May 19 in Hereford. As part of the Beef Quality Assurance program, "Value-Added Market Cows" will focus on increasing the economic return, and the safety and quality of beef produced.

The program is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. with registration at the Texas AgriLife Extension Service office for Deaf Smith County, located at 903 14th Street in Hereford.

Attendees will hear from industry experts and learn about the economics behind marketing cull cows, said Rick Auckerman, AgriLife Extension agent in Deaf Smith County. The program also will discuss issues with market cows and give producers a better understanding of when, where and how to get the most out of their cows.

Following a free lunch, producers will have the chance to take a rare look inside a packing plant, Auckerman said. The group will tour Caviness Beef Packers and see first-hand a live cow and carcass demonstration. Producers will learn about beef and dairy market cow differences at the packing plant.

The program is free and open to all dairy and beef producers, but seating is limited to the first 40 registrants. Participants should register and RSVP for lunch by May 17 by calling the AgriLife Extension office in Hereford at 806-364-3573.

The program is a collaborative effort of AgriLife Extension and the Texas Beef Council.

For more information on this and other checkoff-funded programs, please visit www.texasbeef.org or call 800-846-4113.

Senior Citizens to hold party May 31

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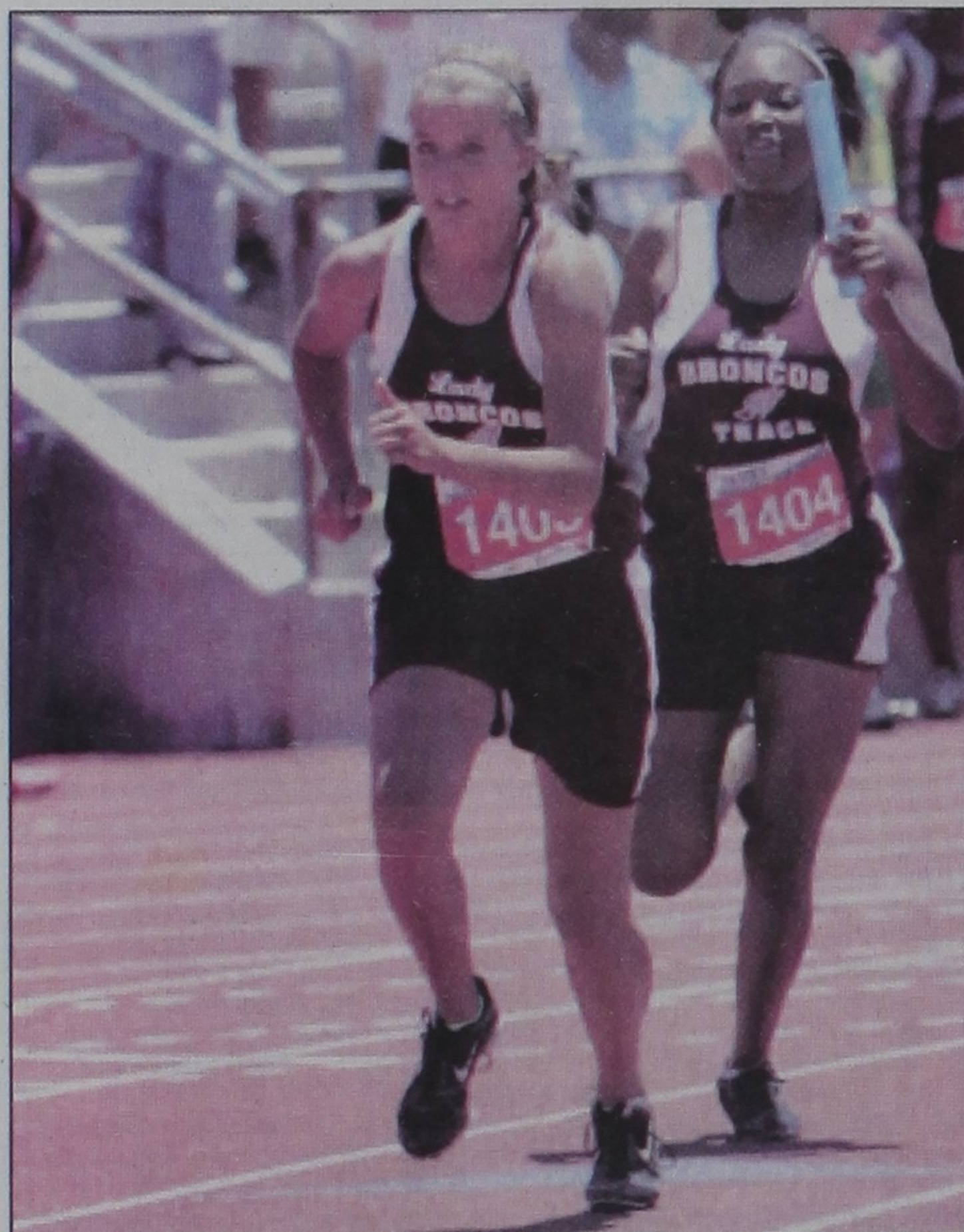
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Bronco pride

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Make a run for it

Clarendon's Amber Keelin takes the baton from Marqueda Gaines at the midway point of the 800 meter relay Saturday at the state track and field meet in Austin.

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