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- 6 And the Lady Broncos win two in Canadian.

All this and much more in The Enterprise reports in this week's New Year's edition!

Stock show will be held this Saturday

Ninety-eight animals are registered for the Donley County Junior Livestock Show which will be held Saturday, January 7, at the Donley County Activity Center north of Clarendon.

The show will start at 8 a.m. with the meal at 6 p.m., and the sale will start at 7 p.m.

Participating in the show will be local youth who are members of the Donley County 4-H, Clarendon FFA, and Hedley FFA.

State plans two shot clinics here

The Texas Department of State Health Services will hold two immunization clinics in Clarendon during the month of January.

Clinics will be held January 5 and 19 at the TDSHS office at Five Medical Drive from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. The first ten clients at each time will be seen.

All clinic times subject to change or cancellation due to weather conditions or unforeseen scheduling conflicts.

Please bring immunization records for children to receive vaccines.

Peanut producers to hold elections

LUBBOCK - The Texas Peanut Producers Board will be holding an election for four expiring directors' seats beginning Jan. 9 and ending Jan. 23, 2012.

There are two seats open in Voting Region 2, which consists of the following 40 counties: Archer, Armstrong, Baylor, Borden, Briscoe, Carson, Childress, Collingsworth, Cottle, Crosby, Dickens, Donley, Fisher, Floyd, Foard, Garza, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hardeman, Haskell, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Jones, Kent, King, Knox, Lipscomb, Motley, Ochiltree, Roberts, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Throckmorton, Wheeler, Wichita, Wilbarger and Young.

A person is eligible to vote in this board election if he or she is currently a producer of peanuts, or for at least one production period during the three years preceding the date of this election, has been a producer of peanuts or has caused peanuts to be produced for commercial purposes.

Ballots will be available from Extension Service offices and peanut buying locations in each of the counties where elections are being conducted.

Services honor longtime civic leader Deyhle

A standing-room only crowd filled Clarendon's First United Methodist Church last Saturday at 1 p.m. to honor the life of Dr. Charles E. Deyhle, Sr.

Deyhle, a longtime veterinarian and civic leader for more than half a century, passed away Thursday, December 29, at the age of 87 and was remembered as a man who gave quiet encouragement to others to be their best.

Rev. Lloyd Stice, pastor, and Dr. Burt Palmer, minister of Polk Street United Methodist Church in Amarillo, officiated during the service. A private burial was held earlier in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon with arrangements by Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

"How do you summarize a life so well lived with just a few short

remarks?" Palmer asked before delivering a eulogy that captured Dr. Deyhle's humor and wisdom as well as highlighting his friendliness and care for his community.

Dr. Deyhle was born November 26, 1924, in Honey Grove, Texas, to Fred and Sadie Prickett Deyhle. He was a veteran of WW II serving in the US Navy. He was a graduate of Texas A&M, receiving his Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine degree in 1951. Moving then to Clarendon, he was a private practitioner and a feed yard consultant.

During his 48-year career, he received many awards and accolades. He organized the Academy of Veterinary Consultants and was the 1989 Consultant of the Year. He held several local, state, and national offices in various veterinary organi-

zations and was a charter member of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association. He was known as an innovator in his field and pioneered many of the concepts and procedures used in veterinary medicine today.

Dr. Deyhle served on both the Greenbelt Water Authority Board and the Clarendon College Board of Regents and for many years and was the chairman of the CC board at the time of his death. He also served on the Herring Bank Board, was a former member of the Clarendon Board of Aldermen, and had served on the city's airport board.

He was an avid private pilot and greatly enjoyed fly fishing.

Dr. Deyhle was a long standing member of the First United Methodist Church in Clarendon, where he had served on many boards and

committees. The Clarendon Chamber of Commerce named him the Pioneer Man of the Year in 2011, and last month the City of Clarendon issued a proclamation expressing its gratitude for his service to the community.

Dr. Deyhle is survived by his wife, Frances Deyhle, of Clarendon; his son, Dr. Charlie Deyhle and wife Jamie, of Canyon; three daughters, Sandy Hill and husband Jim, of Fort Collins, Becky McKinley and husband Dr. John, of Amarillo, and Jenny Rapp and husband Jodie, of Austin; his sister, Betty Jo Hennard, of Wheeler; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents.

The family requests memorials be to the First United Methodist Church Building & Grounds



Dr. Charles E. Deyhle, Sr.

Fund, PO Box 157, Clarendon, Texas 79226 or to Clarendon College Charles E. Deyhle, Sr., Scholarship Fund, PO Box 968, Clarendon, Texas 79226.

TV sparks late night house fire

A television set is being blamed for a late night fire that damaged a Clarendon woman's home last Thursday, December 29.

Brenda McConnell said she and her two granddaughters had been to the high school basketball tournament in Canadian when they came home to her residence at 602 E. Barcus and could smell something burning.

"We opened the door, and the smoke just boiled out on us," McConnell said. "We got to it right in time though. We called the fire department, and they were there in about five minutes."

Clarendon Fire Marshal Jeremy Powell said the call came in at 11:49 p.m., and the Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department had the blaze extinguished in about ten minutes. Clarendon firefighters rescued four dogs from the home while battling the fire.

Also dispatched were the Asso-



The charred remains of furniture and a television set rests in the lawn at the Brenda McConnell residence following a late night house fire last week.

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ciated Ambulance Authority and the Donley County Sheriff's Office.

Powell said the fire started in the television set, and fire damage was contained to one room. The remainder of the home had light to moderate heat and smoke damage.

McConnell said the fire burned the floor and burned into the wall

where the TV was plugged in.

"We were told that within ten minutes the fire would have burned into the attic and gotten air to spread," McConnell said.

Everything in the house smells of smoke, McConnell said.

There was no insurance on the home. McConnell said she is cur-

rently living with Jeremy and Gigi Martinez until she can find a place to stay. Friends are helping McConnell get her life back together, and the Red Cross is helping also.

A fund for McConnell is being set up, but that was not completed at press time. Visit www.ClarendonLive.com for more details.

New property tax exemption now available

AUSTIN - Texas continues to do its part to keep helping military veterans and their families. A full homestead property tax exemption that began in 2009 to help totally disabled military veterans will extend to their surviving spouses after January 1.

"This new provision will help families who have been a part of the tremendous sacrifice that veterans have given our country," said Texas Comptroller Susan Combs.

"Texas voters overwhelmingly passed a constitutional amendment that will allow surviving spouses of totally disabled veterans to continue to claim a full homestead exemption and not pay property taxes on their home."

The Donley County Appraisal District reported that as of Tuesday no one had applied for the exemption locally, but a representative did say that district had some inquiries about the exemption late last year.

In 2009, veterans began receiving an exemption for the total appraised value of their residential homesteads if they have received 100 percent disability rating or are considered unemployable by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Based on information provided by appraisal districts, about 35,300 veterans currently receive that exemption.

The homestead exemption for surviving spouses of veterans who received the exemption begins January 1. Senate Bill 516 allows the total homestead exemption if a surviving spouse does not remarry after a disabled veteran passes away and the property remains the homestead of the surviving spouse.

Surviving spouses would have to apply for the tax exemption through their county appraisal district.

The application form containing property tax exemptions has been updated for residents and appraisal districts to use. It can be found at <http://www.window.state.tx.us/tax-info/taxforms/50-114.pdf>.

The paperwork is also available at the Donley County Appraisal District office located at 307 S. Sully Street in Clarendon.

More information can be obtained by calling the appraisal district at 806-874-2744.



New Year's Donation

Clarendon Merchants present a \$2,500 check to Mary Shields (fifth from the left) of the Donley County Senior Citizens Center Tuesday morning from sales at their stores on Friday, December 16. Shown here are Paul Bivens of Clarendon Outpost, Buddy James of Lowe's Family Center, Roger Estlack of The Clarendon Enterprise, Elmonette Bivens of Clarendon Outpost, Mary Shields, Terri Floyd of Every Nook & Cranny, Terry Askew of Saye's, Courtney Newhouse of Country Bloomers, and Bill Stavenhagen of Stavenhagen Video. Other merchants contributing to the fundraiser were Mike's Pharmacy and J&W Lumber.

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Merchants support town year-round

The Clarendon Merchants Association this week presented a ceremonial check for \$2,500 to the Donley County Senior Citizens, the funds from a promotion on December 16.

The senior citizens centers in Clarendon and Hedley are in dire need of donations right now. Even though the centers are constantly facing funding challenges, in recent months the federal government has added more burdens with new food preparation guidelines and a requirement that every home delivered meal includes milk – whether the recipient wants milk or not. The Donley County Senior Citizens Center says the new food preparation rules mean it needs about \$5,000 worth of new equipment, and the milk requirement will cost it about \$1,000 per month.

So several Clarendon merchants stepped up in the holiday spirit, put a promotion together within a few days, and quickly raised quite a bit of money. For the photo this week, the merchants had an oversized ceremonial check, but what the center actually received was an envelope full of checks from each of the participating businesses. And that envelope is the real story.

Each of those nine businesses give numerous checks to different organizations throughout the year. And just because a local merchant wasn't involved in this particular promotion, don't think that they don't support the senior citizens or other worthwhile groups in our community. The livestock show, the FFA, the Boy and Girl Scouts, the museum, the child welfare board, and local churches are just some of the beneficiaries of our local businesses. If we collectively added together how much our local merchants give back to our community every year, the total would surely be in the tens of thousands of dollars and probably more.

If you shop at home, that's your money at work for your community. You support them, and the local merchants support everything from our kids' baseball programs to our seniors' Meals On Wheels program. And then they also pay the taxes to support our schools, our city, our county, our ambulance service, and our college. You might get a great deal from a merchant somewhere else, but that big city merchant or online store probably won't pony up when Clarendon High School yearbook asks for an advertisement.

Hundreds of checks supporting dozens of causes, activities, fundraisers, and organizations – that's what shopping at home means. More money spent at our local merchants means the city will have more money to fix your street, the church will have more money to reach those in need, and the scouts will be able to send more kids to camp.

Shopping at home helps our local merchants, but it also improves the quality of life of our community. Let's all keep that in mind as we make our purchases in 2012.

Meanwhile...

Clarendon lost one of its finest citizens last week. Dr. Charles E. Deyhle, Sr., was a dedicated member of the community and a lifelong supporter of many worthy causes.

If there was ever someone who did not like Dr. Deyhle, I never met them. He was one of those rare people who was considered as a friend by everyone. And, as was mentioned at his funeral, he was known for encouraging people to always do their best.

I have known Dr. Deyhle all my life. I can't remember what he called me prior to 1995; but since I acquired the newspaper, he always greeted me and called me "Friendly Editor." He often praised our efforts at the paper, noting that while he didn't always agree with every position I took, he agreed with most of them. And more than once he would recall these words of wisdom – "Don't sit on the fence. You'll get shot from both sides."

And true enough we didn't always see eye to eye on everything. A couple of years ago, I was discussing an issue of college business with him, and it was clear that the Friendly Editor and the Sage Board Member had different feelings on the matter. But we never raised our voices. He listened to and understood my point of view, I understood his, and we both laughed before our discussion ended.

He always had a way of bringing humor and wisdom to any situation. I was covering a Clarendon Board of Aldermen meeting in 2000 where our city leaders were trying to jack up the rent on hangers at the airport. Dr. Deyhle – along with the late Dr. Richard Gilkey and others – attended the meeting and successfully reminded the city about the importance of the airport. Dr. Deyhle said: "An airport is a necessary part of a viable community. A city without an airport is like a house without a toilet."

A firm handshake, a kind word, a hand on your shoulder, and a bit of humor – those were the hallmarks of seeing Chuck Deyhle wherever you met him. You couldn't help not only like the man but also respect him. He has left shoes that simply cannot be filled, but perhaps we can all try to learn something from his life. Our community and his memory would be well served if we all tried to be a little more like Chuck Deyhle.



editor's commentary by roger estlack

Counting the blessings from 2011

By Dr. Gary Scott Smith

Have you heard any good news lately? Bad news abounds. It's been another tough year. Economic woes continue. Greece and Italy are on the verge of bankruptcy. Unemployment is still high in the United States (around 8.6 percent), and the stock market has taken a beating. With approximately \$108 billion in insured catastrophic losses, 2011 is the second costliest year in history for the worldwide insurance industry. Hundreds of thousands have joined the Occupy Movement in cities around the world to call attention to economic ills. Their activities, combined with those of the Tea Party movement and the massive demonstrations in Arab nations, prompted "Time" magazine to name the protester as its "Person of the Year."

Other problems also plague our world. More people, an estimated 27 million worldwide, are enslaved today than at any time in history. In March, a massive earthquake and tsunami killed almost 16,000 people in Japan. More than 150 tornadoes, leaving 550 people dead, ripped through the United States this year, most notably in Joplin, Missouri and Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Scandals rocked Penn State and Syracuse universities. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention reported this month that one in five American women say that she has been sexually assaulted at some time. Such headlines top newspapers, television news programs, and Internet news sites every day.

Unfortunately, good news is harder to find. Search the Internet, however, and you will find sites such as CNN "Heroes," "Happy News," "Real News," which includes "Compelling Stories, Always Positive;" the "Good News Network" which features "News to Entuse;" "Only Positive News;" "Daily Inspire News," which presents

"the brighter side of news;" and "Positive News." Such sites feature stories of ordinary people who saved the lives of others, good Samaritans who returned money and jewelry they found, individuals who paid other people's water or heating bills, and people who are working to create a healthy, more fulfilling world.

Consider other good news. Stories of individual determination and resilience are plentiful. A British centenarian of Indian ancestry, Fauja Singh, finished the Toronto Marathon in October. Hedda Bolgar, a 102-year-old therapist based in Los Angeles, still counsels clients four days a week and trains other psychologists.

Despite the global economic slump, some economic progress is occurring. A recent United Nations study reports that poverty in Latin America has decreased by 38 percent in the past 20 years. During this same period, microloans have helped create thousands of new businesses, and jobs and have lifted millions out of poverty in the world's developing nations. These loans, which are repaid on time in more than 90 percent of cases, enable money to recirculate throughout poor communities.

Several entrepreneurs are partnering with survivors of the devastating January 2010 earthquake in Haiti to move beyond simply providing food and shelter, as important as this goal remains. They are establishing a culinary school, a music conservatory, and a center to provide loans to socially-conscious businesses. Muhammad Yunus, who led the way in creating microloans for the poor, is helping to fund a vocational and computer-training school in Port-au-Prince.

In the United States, hundreds of community-based organizations and thousands of churches sponsor programs to assist the indigent. For example, since

2008, Gina Keatley's nonprofit, Nourishing NYC, has supplied fresh food and nutrition information gratis to almost 100,000 residents of Harlem and the Bronx. Meanwhile, Arizona Cardinals running back Jason Wright retired from the NFL and gave up a multi-million dollar contract so that he could attend the University of Chicago's Booth School of Business to pursue his goal of helping inner-city children. Tom and Ann Rose, a Lehigh Valley, PA couple, recently took in their 72nd foster child.

Google announced this month that it will donate \$11.5 million to several coalitions fighting to end contemporary slavery. This is thought to be the largest-ever corporate grant devoted to advocating for and rescuing exploited individuals who are being forced to labor against their will. International Justice Mission will partner with Polaris Project, Slavery Footprint, and several smaller organizations to increase awareness in the United States, improve resources for anti-slavery enforcement agencies overseas, rescue victims, and help nations devise and pass anti-slavery legislation.

Such actions, often motivated by religious convictions, are heart-warming and inspiring. The Christmas season, however, reminds us of even greater good news. Christianity asserts that God loved people so much that He sent His Son Jesus to be born as a human baby, to teach and show us how to live, and to die on the cross to atone for our sins. Christians believe that accepting Jesus as our Savior and Lord enables individuals to experience the "abundant life" He promised on earth, empowers us to serve others, and ensures us of spending eternity with Him and our loved ones in Heaven.

— Dr. Gary Scott Smith chairs the history department at Grove City College and is a fellow for faith and the presidency with The Center for Vision & Values.



A remarkable Texas football season

There is a great tradition and folklore surrounding Texas and the game of football. The sport has spurred movies, books, and tales told throughout generations. This year's college football campaign provided recognition for a remarkable young man, a hometown Texan who provides inspiration to us all: Robert Griffin III, the quarterback for the Baylor University Bears.

Earlier this month, Mr. Griffin – or RG3, as he is known to Baylor fans -- was named the 2011 Heisman Trophy winner. This was Baylor's first-ever Heisman winner. In large part because of RG3's unparalleled accomplishments on the football field, Baylor finished this football season ranked Number 15 nationally with a 9-3 record, including impressive victories over nationally ranked TCU, Oklahoma, and Texas.

While Baylor and Big 12 fans have witnessed Griffin's football prowess, many more American sports fans will have the opportunity to watch him lead the ranked Bears in the Valero Alamo Bowl on December 29, 2011.

But it is not only his football talent that makes Robert such a remarkable young man; he is the model student-athlete.

An honor-roll student at Baylor, he graduated with a degree in Political Science in only three years—with a 3.67 GPA! While he was leading the Bears on the gridiron this year, he was also studying for his Master's degree in Communications. And he has indicated that he would like to attend law school, as well.

Robert's career at Baylor balances

academics and athletics, and should serve as a role model for other aspiring young athletes.

The discipline to succeed was instilled in him at a very early age by his parents, Robert Jr. and Jacqueline Griffin, both Army Non-Commissioned Officers, who laid the groundwork for his strong work ethic and sense of duty. A graduate of Coperas Cove High School just outside Ft. Hood, Robert was a top student and a three-sport star athlete -- he still owns the Texas High School records for the 110-meter and 300-meter hurdles.

During his Baylor football career, Robert set 52 school records in pass-

ing, rushing, and total offense. He has thrown for an incredible 10,070 yards and 77 touchdowns, while rushing for 2,220 yards and 32 touchdowns. During his extraordinary 2011 Heisman season, Robert passed for almost 4,000 yards and 36 touchdowns, while rushing for 655 yards and seven touchdowns. It's no surprise that he also earned the 2011 Davey O'Brien Award, presented annually to the best NCAA quarterback.

On Saturday, December 10, 2011, Robert Griffin III was overwhelmingly recognized as the best college football player of the year. His Heisman acceptance speech in New York was as gracious as it was eloquent.

Congratulations to Robert Griffin III for an incredible season that enters the history books; to his family, who provided the foundation for his abilities and accomplishments; to his teammates; and to the entire Baylor Nation.

capitol comment

by sen. kay bailey hutchinson



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Clarendon ISD Board of Trustees hold monthly meeting, receive resignations

The Clarendon ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session December 13 at 7 p.m. with a full agenda.

Dale Swan and Glenda McCrary of Swan & McCrary, PC, presented the Financial Audit Report for year ending August 31, 2011. Mr. Hysinger reviewed the Management Discussion and Analysis Report that is a required part of the audit. The board approved the audit report as presented.

The board cast its 248 votes for Phil Barefield in the election to the Briscoe County Appraisal District

Board of Directors

Trustees approved the Eastern Panhandle Shared Services Arrangement "Operating Guidelines for Special Education Services.

A motion was approved to accept the Interlocal Agreement to participate in the 2012-2013 West Texas Food Service Cooperative as presented.

Wayne Hardin presented the Board Member continuing Education Training Report as follows: Renee Betts, 5.0 hours;

Wayne Hardin, 15 hours; Wes Hatley, 5.0 hours; Weldon Sears,

12.25 hours; Jim Shelton, 16.25 hours; Richard Gribble, 20.25 hours; and Robin Ellis, 9.50 hours. Board members will have until May 31, 2011, to obtain their total hours.

Administrative reports were given by Larry Jeffers, Mike Word, John Taylor, Ken Baxter, Linde Shadle, and Monty Hysinger.

The board acknowledged the resignation of Sonya Dziedzic and Kim King.

The board also met in closed session for five minutes. No action was taken following the closed session.

Leathers scores 3rd hole-in-one at CCC

By Sandy Anderberg

Gail Leathers decided twice was not enough and added yet another hole-in-one to her career as a golfer to post an accumulation of three aces. Her latest hole-in-one came on the eighth hole at the Clarendon Country Club last week.

Leathers used a five-wood on the 142-yard hole to accomplish the

feat. Leathers also won the weekly women's game on Thursday posting a gross 84 over a field of seven golfers. Tanis McMorries and Gayle Rogers tied for low net with a 68.

Ellis Knight won the weekly men's game on Wednesday with a net 71. Jesse Lincycomb and Tom Stauder tied for second and third shooting a net 74.

The golf course remains open through the winter months and the 2012 tournaments will begin in the spring.

The dining room is open and under new management and will be offering a variety of services for the club.

For more information, you may call the Pro Shop.

Celebrate new year with ten free trees

Residents of Texas can ring in the New Year by receiving 10 free flowering trees by joining the Arbor Day Foundation any time during January 2012.

By becoming a member of the nonprofit Arbor Day Foundation, you will receive two white flowering dogwoods, two flowering crabapples, two Washington hawthorns, two American redbuds and two gold-entrants.

"These beautiful trees will give your home in Texas lovely flowers with pink, yellow and white colors," said John Rosenow, chief executive and founder of the Arbor Day Foundation. "These trees are perfect for large and small spaces, and they will provide food and habitat for songbirds."

The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign.

The trees will be shipped post-paid at the right time for planting, between Feb. 1 and May 31, with enclosed planting instructions. The 6- to 12-inch tall trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Arbor Day Foundation members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's bimonthly publication, Arbor Day, and The Tree Book, which includes information about tree planting and care.

To become a member of the Foundation and to receive your free trees, send a \$10 contribution to Ten Free Flowering Trees, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by January 31, 2012. Texas residents can also join online at arborday.org/january.

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The Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department hosted their annual Family Night last Thursday at the Bar H Dude Ranch. We would like to say a huge thank you to all of the local merchants who donated door prizes for the event:
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January 14, 2012 - Located: Panhandle, Texas
Panhandle Area Farmers - Owners
Sale Time: 9:30 a.m. - Selling: Farm & Ranch Equipment
January 21, 2012 - Located: Clarendon, Texas
Curtis Schaefer - Owner
Sale Time: 9:30 a.m. - Selling: Farm, Ranch, & Peanut Equipment
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Broncos v. White Deer • JV at 6 p.m. • Varsity at 7:30 p.m. • Bronco Gym

Hedley Owls & Lady Owls v. Lefors • 6 p.m. • Hedley Gym

January 7
Donley County Junior Livestock Show • 8 a.m. • Donley County Activity Center • Buyers Dinner at 6 p.m. • Sale Immediately Following

January 10
Lady Broncos v. Quanah • JV at 5 p.m., Varsity at 6:30 p.m. • Bronco Gym

Broncos v. Arbor Academy • JV at 6 p.m., Varsity at 7:30 p.m. • in Amarillo

Hedley Owls & Lady Owls v. Groom • 6 p.m. • in Groom

January 12
Clarendon Family Medical Center Weight Loss Challenge Weigh-In • 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. • at the Clarendon Family Medical Center

January 13
Broncos v. Wheeler • JV at 5 p.m., Varsity at 8 p.m. • in Wheeler

Lady Broncos v. Wheeler • JV at 5 p.m., Varsity at 6:30 p.m. • in Wheeler

Hedley Owls & Lady Owls v. Amarillo Flames • 6 p.m. • in Amarillo

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Menus

January 9 - 13

Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Cheese Burger, potato wedges, tomato, wedge salad, melon medley, low fat milk/tea.
Tues: Swedish meatballs, parley noodles, mixed vegetables, whole wheat roll, angel food cake, strawberries, low fat milk/tea.
Wed: Turkey sandwich, tomato, lettuce, & pickle, broccoli raisin salad, pineapple delight, low fat milk/tea.
Thurs: Ham & beans, cornbread, spinach, seasoned corn, orange pineapple cup, low fat milk/tea.
Fri: Roast beef, baked potato w/ sour cream, buttered carrots, whole wheat roll, chocolate pudding, low fat milk/tea.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: BBQ chicken filet, baked potato/ sour cream, whole wheat roll, margarine, mixed vegetables, mandarin oranges, low fat milk.
Tues: Beef stroganoff, whole wheat roll, margarine, mix vegetables, winter fruit cup, low fat milk.
Wed: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, stewed okra, seasoned corn, pumpkin square, low fat milk.
Thurs: Ham & beans, cornbread, margarine, spinach, seasoned corn, orange pineapple cup, country apple crisp, low fat milk.
Fri: Vegetable beef stew, cornbread, margarine, tossed salad w/dressing, orange pineapple cup, diet pumpkin custard, low fat milk.

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: Chicken nuggets, blackeye-peas, salad, fruit, milk.
Tue: Beef nachos, pinto beans, salad, fruit, milk.
Wed: fajita chicken, loaded mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit, roll, milk.
Thu: Sausage wrap, corn, salad, fruit, milk.
Fri: Sloppy Joe, chips, pickles, cookie, fruit, milk.

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Local communities need to stick together

Happy New Year! May this New Year bring you happiness, prosperity and a closer walk with your God. We have had some ups and downs in the year of 2011, but we are still here so let's make 2012 the best ever.

Let's shake off all of the miseries of 2011 and say prayers for 2012 and help God along by being the best we can be.

Since the communities of Clarendon, Howardwick, Lelia Lake, Hedley and Memphis are in close proximity of each other, we all really need to be taking care of our

combined communities.

None of us are in competition with each other and with the economy like it is everyone needs a little help now and then.

The Donley County Senior Citizens, The Hedley Senior Citizens, and the Hall County Home Delivered Meals are programs that



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really serve our communities and make a difference by insuring the elderly and disabled receive at least one nutrition meal a day. We are not 100 percent funded. We are reimbursed less than half of the cost of a meal, so that's why we have to do fund raisers, etc.

So, if you see us out and about trying to raise money to feed your family and friends please help us along just a little.

So far Donley and Hall Counties have really been supporting our food programs and Mary (Clarendon), Patsy (Hedley), and

Kathy (Memphis) really do appreciate you all. Now, let's get out there and make 2012 the best it can be.

Almond Cheddar Bacon Bites: 1 cup mayonnaise, 2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce; 1 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese, 1 medium onion, chopped, 3/4 cup slivered almonds; 6 slices bacon, cooked & crumbled, 1 loaf French bread (1#). In a medium bowl, combine all ingredients except bread. Cut bread into 1/2" slices and spread with cheese mixture. Cut slices in half and place on a greased baking sheet. Bake at 400 degrees for 10 minutes.



the lion's tale
by roger estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting January 3, 2012, with Boss Lion Steve Hall in charge.

We had 11 members present this week with several folks still out for the holidays.

Lion Ashlee Estlack reported that the college staff and administration were back at work and said the judging team was gearing up for its first trip of the new year.

Lion Lambert Little reported on activities at City Hall and discussed his new initiative to encourage employees to tackle problems facing the city. Lion Little also presented a short program on the life and times of President George Washington.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

Howardwick residents enjoy white Christmas, family time

Happy New Year everyone! January second, two-thousand twelve. I sincerely hope this year is kinder than 2011 was to the Panhandle. The hottest and driest year on record with Amarillo receiving seven inches of moisture this year.

Don't forget the wind that blew day and night for weeks at a time, lost crops, livestock sold or moved, home gardens that did not produce. The weather-guessers predict the same for this year, but you know what, they aren't God and His plan for us may be different. So, let us rejoice in our blessings as we wave goodbye to our last year, look through the seed catalogs that will soon arrive and plan that garden.

Happy 92nd birthday to Cora

Bland, my good neighbor with wishes for your blessings to continue to grow.

Well, the weather-guessers did it again. The week before Christmas was all this hype of a snow storm and winter blizzard and we got a dusting of snow. No one predicted snow for Christmas and there it was.

Our son woke everyone at 4 a.m. saying "It's snowing, it's snowing," and what a wonderful



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Christmas we had. It was a pleasure watching those 50+ kids throwing snowballs and making snow angels.

It is another Christmas to add to our memory book. We accused our Yankee daughter-in-law of wishing in her heart it would snow which she hotly denied but something got the Lord's attention and He gave us what we needed.

Our beautiful great-granddaughter Grace spent Christmas day with us and what a delight she is. At nine months and crawling she was the star in her pretty Christmas dress and silver shoes. She and Buffy the Wonder Dog were fascinated with each other but didn't get too close. She had a so many presents and is learning to open gifts like the little

princess she is, and this was only one side of her large, extended family. I wish every child could have gifts and love like that.

The Howardwick Baptist Church followed tradition by serving Christmas dinner to anyone that wanted to come. They served about 30 people which included guests from Clarendon and out of state and delivered 16 meals to Howardwick people who were unable to get out. Santa paid a visit to everyone; they played games and sang with help from Nelda Grider. The food was good and plentiful and all went home with a good Christmas spirit.

Thanks to everyone who helped make the day special for many people.

Emergency responders log numerous hours during 2011

If the Lord is willing, I plan to start whittling on new wood. New scams will be covered; however, I plan to provide you, as citizens of Donley County, an in-depth look at your emergency services.

We will look at the all-important 911 Dispatchers: The men and women who also serve as Dispatchers, and Jailers, for the Donley County Sheriff's Department.

First Responders: Deputy Sheriffs. How is Sheriff Blackburn able to provide 24/7 service? We will look at how this is possible in our rural county.

The Texas Highway Patrol: Working to keep our highways safe. Ambulance Service: The Associated Ambulance Authority rated

one of the top rural services in the Texas Panhandle. The service is staffed by paid paramedics and volunteer EMTs. You won't believe the number of runs and the miles driven in 2011. Total number of runs was 760. Watch for a complete report next week.

The Clarendon, Howardwick and Hedley Fire Departments: Men and women who not only provide fire protection and first responder service to accidents, they do it as volunteers. These men and women deserve our respect. We will look at the state required training, their equipment, and how we can help.

Most of the time, we as citizens tend to forget about these services and how important they are in providing us a service that keeps us safer in our cities and Donley County.

As most of you know I am the new Municipal Judge for Clarendon, my office hours are Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 1:00-5:00 p.m. Drop by and say, "Howdy," when you're in the City Hall.



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Award winners

Chuck Steed, Kelly Rothwell, Marty Navarette and Jacen Lemons display their design award for recognition in the design of State Highway 6 in Brazos County.

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Childress TxDOT design team wins AGC award

CHILDRESS - Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Childress District Design Team recently received an award for recognition of exemplary cooperation and performance in the design of State Highway (SH) 6 in Brazos County.

This award was presented to Chuck Steed, TxDOT Childress Director of Transportation Planning and Development at the annual Association of General Contractors (AGC) meeting in October in Austin.

The Childress Design Team consisting of Chuck Steed, Kelly

Rothwell, Marty Navarette and Jacen Lemons were responsible for all of the plans, specifications and estimates on the \$6.8 million, SH 6 project in Brazos County in the Bryan District.

According to Chuck, "this award may have been presented to me, but my design team deserves the credit. They all worked long, countless hours in order to meet the very condensed schedule that was given."

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

Windbreaks can save livestock in winter

Several years ago, a spring blizzard swept through killing nearly 60,000 calves and other winter stressed animals, according to according to an article released by the Donley County Soil and Water Conservation District. This tremendous loss could have been lessened had protection, such as outdoor living barns, been provided to reduce the wind chill.

An outdoor living barn is a specialized windbreak, typically composed of trees and shrubs, and strategically located to protect livestock during severe weather situations. Research indicates that merely providing adequate wind protection, the direct effects of cold can be cut by more than half. A properly designed livestock windbreak can reduce wind velocity as much as 70 percent, with resulting reductions in wind chill effects.

Cattle on winter range require around a 50 percent increase in feed energy for normal activities. An additional 20 percent increase in feed energy is needed to overcome the added effects of exposure to combine cold temperatures and wind. The purpose of an Outdoor living barn is to: 1) defuse and deflect cold winds or blowing soil away from livestock, moderating the wind chill; and 2) trap and hold blowing snow, preventing it from covering feed, water, and livestock. Outdoor living barns pay for themselves by reduced livestock stress, lowering feed costs,

reduced mortality, increased health, greater weight gains, increased profits, improved working environment. Studies in Montana found that a herd of cattle protected by windbreaks gained an added 35 pounds per head during a mild winter and lost at least 10 pounds less during a severe winter.

Windbreaks reduce wind speed, thus modifying the microclimate of the sheltered area. The reduction in wind speed varies with the density and height of the windbreak, the height at which the measurement is made, and the location relative to the windbreak.

In general, the protected area extends 10 to 12 times the height of the windbreak on the leeward side and 3 to 5 times the height of the windbreak on the windward side.

The same principle applies to snow. Livestock windbreaks reduce the wind velocity. This increases the effective temperature because of the insulating effect of the thicker layer of still air (the boundary layer) around the animals. Usually arranged in the form of a letter U with the open end to the leeward of prevailing winds, they provide protection from storms and blizzards from three directions.

For more information and to place an order for trees please contact the Donley County Soil and Water Conservation District located at 321 Sully in Clarendon or call 806-874-3561, extension 3.

Hedley ISD Board of Trustees hold regular monthly meeting

The Hedley ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session Monday, December 12, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

Among the items on the board's agenda, trustees approved a West Texas Food Service Cooperative Interlocal agreement as presented and approved the items on the consent agenda.

Board president Bonnie Brown announced an update on the board member training hours earned so far this year.

The board members still have until May 1, 2012 to complete any required training. Mrs. Brown also passed out Board Policy BBD that explains board member training.

Board member training hours totaling May 2011 - December 2011 were: Bonnie Brown, 8; Bobby

Lindsey, 5; James E. Potts, 0; Lana Ritchie, 2; Tonja Ruthardt, 0; Karen Watt, 0; and Ted Wright, 0.

The board voted to approve the Eastern Panhandle Shared Services Arrangement Operation Guidelines as presented, the board also adopted TASB Update 92 as presented.

A motion was approved to adopt the 2012 District Improvement Plan as presented. The 2012 Compensatory Education Plan was approved as presented.

Trustees adopted the Superintendent Evaluation instrument including the Student Performance Domains.

The board also met in closed session for five minutes. No action was taken following the closed session.

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(Philippians 3:12-14) "Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus." If you remember in Philippians 3, Paul shares his background. He warns them against people who would force them into compliance with some practices of the Old Law, especially circumcision. Paul reminds them if ties to the Jewish faith would make it better for them, he should be in great standing. Verses 5-6 he tells them he was circumcised, of the tribe of Benjamin (first king came from this tribe), Hebrew of Hebrews, and a Pharisee. In verse 7, he explains that he gave that up for Christ and in verse 8 counts the old Jewish practices as rubbish.

Now back to our text and the two reasons we forget the past. One reason we give up our past is because we may continue to glory in some accomplishments and it would deter us from our new lives with Christ. Just like sports teams, old trophies don't move us forward. Paul couldn't get by with his accomplishments in his former religion. We can't either.

Another reason we must forget the past is we can't continue to dwell on past failures. Paul, in 1 Timothy 1:15 still called himself the "chief of sinners." He, at times, relived his past and dwelt on his persecutions of Christians and how that hurt Jesus. We, if we aren't careful, can dwell on our past sins and mistakes. They are in our past and should remain there, after we've been forgiven of them.

Paul, in our text, tells us that he had to forget those things behind him and reach forward to the future. He pressed towards the goal for a prize that couldn't be taken away from him, as long as he remained faithful.

There is the key! We must look forward and upward. We move forward as we focus on Heavenly things. We forget past accomplishments and failures. Neither help us now except to learn from them as we can't go and relive them.

I pray that 2012 is better than the last year for you. I pray that you will focus on the now and future and leave the past in the past. Life is easier this way.

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Weight Loss Competition

A New Year is here and on top of the New Year resolution list for many, again, is weight loss, and we want to help! Last year our weight loss competition at the clinic ended with 474 lbs. of weight loss for 43 people, and we think we can exceed this in 2012.

Thus it begins, January 12, for the first weigh-in of the year. Weigh-ins will then occur at the clinic every Thursday morning from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. for 10 weeks. To participate, you will pay a one time fee of \$10, and you keep the rest of the money if you stay on track and don't gain any weight. For those who do gain, they will pay \$1 per pound. At the end of the 10 weeks the money collected will be divided among the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners for body weight percentage lost in a 50/30/20% fashion.

Encouragement will be offered and handouts will be created at participants' requests. Make it the best year and the best you yet by joining us on January 12, 2012, for our local weight loss competition!

your guide to area

CHURCHES

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<p>Agape Christian Church: 712 E. 2nd (Hwy. 287) Minister: David Lowrie Sun. School: 9:30 a.m. • Sun. Service: 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>Calvary Baptist Church: US 287 E. • 874-2156 Rev. Rob Seale • Sun. School: 10 a.m. • Sun. Service: 11 a.m. • Sun. Evening: 7 p.m. • Wed.: 7 p.m.</p> <p>Church of Christ: 300 S. Carhart • 874-2495 Minister: Chris Moore • Sun. Bible Class 9:30 a.m. Sun. Service: 10:30 a.m. • Sun. 6 p.m. • Wed.: 7 p.m.</p> <p>Church of Nazareth: 209 S. Hawley • 874-2321 Pastor: Bill Hodges • Sun. School: 9:30 a.m. • Sun. Service: 10:30 a.m. • Sun. Evening: 6 p.m. • Wed.: 7 p.m.</p> <p>Community Fellowship Church: 12148 FM 2162 874-4963 • Pastor: Larry Capranica Sun. School: 10 a.m. • Sun. Service: 11 a.m. Sun. Evening: 6 p.m.</p> <p>First Christian Church: 120 E. Third St. 874-3212 • Pastor: Darrell Burton Sunday Service: 11 a.m.</p> <p>First Assembly of God: 4th St. & Hwy. 70 South Pastor: Matthew Stidham • Sun. School: 9:45 a.m. Sun. Service: 10:40 a.m. • Sun. Evening: 6 p.m. Wed. Youth: 6:15 p.m. • Wed. Bible Study: 7 p.m.</p> <p>First Baptist Church: 300 Bugbee Ave. • 874-3833 Rev. Lance Wood • Sun. School: 9:45 a.m. Sun. Service: 10:55 a.m. • Sun. Evening: 6 p.m. • GA & Team Kid Ministry: Wed. 5:30 p.m. • Adult Bible Study: Wed. 6:30 p.m. • Youth Study: Wed. 7 p.m. College Ministry: Wed. 9 p.m.</p> <p>First Presbyterian Church: Fourth & Parks 874-9269 • Pastor: Rev. Robin Gantz Fellowship: 10:30 a.m. • Sun. Service: 11 a.m.</p>	<p>First Methodist Church: • 420 S. Jefferson 874-3667 • Pastor: Lloyd Stise Sun. School: 11 a.m. • Sun. Service: 9:45 a.m.</p> <p>Jesus Name Apostolic Church: 720 E. Montgomery • 874-2388 • Rev. Calvin Burrow Sun. Services: 3 p.m. • Wed.: 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>Body of Christ Ministries 511 E. 5th St. • Pastor: R.W. Ellerbrook Saturday Evening: 6 p.m. • Sunday Discipleship Class 10:30 a.m. • Sunday Service: 11:30 a.m. • Wednesday Services: 7 p.m.</p> <p>Christ's Kids Janet/Steve Carter • 874-2007 Sunday Breakfast 9:30 a.m. • Sunday Praise & Worship 10 a.m. • Sunday School 10:30 a.m. • Wednesday 3 p.m.</p> <p>Old Paths Primitive Baptist Church: 416 S. Kearney • 874-5374 • Pastor: Lyman Little Sun. Services: 10:30 a.m.</p> <p>St. John The Baptist Episcopal Church: Rev. Jim Aveni • 301 S. Parks St. • 874-2511 Sun. Service: 11 a.m.</p> <p>St. Mary's Catholic Church: Corner of Montgomery & McClelland Fr. Arokia Raj Samala • Sun. Mass 11 a.m.</p> <p>St. Stephens Baptist Church: 300 N. Jefferson St. Pastor: Roy Williams • Sun. School: 10 a.m. Sun. Service: 11:15 a.m. • Wed.: 7 p.m. (weather permitting)</p> <p>True Church of God in Christ: 301 N. Jefferson St. Pastor: Jeff Riles • Sun. School: 10 a.m. Sun. Service: 11:15 a.m. • Wed.: 7 p.m.</p>	

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<p>Church of Christ 110 E. Second St. Minister: Bright Newhouse Sun. Bible Class: 10 a.m. Sun. Service: 11 a.m. Sun. Evening: 6 p.m. Wed.: 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>First Methodist Church 200 N. Main St. Pastor: Gary Boles Sun. Service: 9:30 a.m. Sun. School: 10:30 a.m.</p>	<p>First Baptist Church 210 N. Main St. 856-5980 Pastor: Bruce Howard Sun. School: 10 a.m. Sun.: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed.: 7 p.m.</p>
Howardwick		
<p>First Baptist Church 222 Sherwood Blvd. 874-3326 Reverend: Dave Stout Sun. School: 10 a.m. Sun. Service: 10:45 a.m. Sun. Evening: 6 p.m. Wed.: 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Martin Baptist Church US 287 W • 874-2025 Sun. School: 10 a.m. Sun. Service: 11 a.m. Sun. Evening: 6 p.m. Wed.: 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Brice</p> <p>Brice Deliverance Tabernacle 867-3029 or 867-2012 Pastor: Louis Bennett Sun. Service: 9:45 a.m. Sun. Evening: 6 p.m. Wed.: 6 p.m.</p>

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Drugs in the News

Cholesterol Lowering Drugs: Unexpected Benefit Discovered

According to a preliminary study reported recently in the Journal of Infectious Disease, persons who were admitted to the hospital were 40- 41% less likely to die if they had already been taking one of the cholesterol-lowering drugs that we refer to as a statin. The study involved 3,000 selected individuals who were hospitalized during 2007 and 2008. Those conducting the study indicate that one limitation to their finding is that they did not determine whether or not those persons evaluated were already healthier than those not taking a statin drug. According to one news release, this is the first published attempt to evaluate the effect of this class of cholesterol-lowering drugs on mortality. One study author indicated that persons who receive vaccines such as that for influenza, and antiviral drugs along with statins may have an even better outcome. More research in this area is certain to be conducted.

The statins are among the most widely prescribed of all medicines. They include atorvastatin (Lipitor), simvastatin (Zocor), lovastatin (Mevacor), pravastatin (Pravachol) and rosuvastatin (Crestor).

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Lady Broncos win two out of three in tourney

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos participated in the Canadian Basketball Tournament over the holidays and came home with two victories and one loss.

The ladies played Shamrock in the first round of the six-team tournament and defeated them 39-33. Clarendon controlled the momentum in the first half of play, but let the Lady Irish back into the game in the second half.

Despite Shamrock's comeback attempt, the Lady Broncos were able

to hold on and get the win.

Scoring: McKayla Cartwright 10, Jentry Shadle 9, Ryann Starnes 9, Trevela Dronzek 4, Deborah Howard 3, Marqueda Gaines 2, and Lydia Howard 2.

The ladies suffered a setback in the second game when they took on Canadian. They were defeated 32-47.

The Lady Wildcats dominated the game and took advantage of Clarendon's shooting slump.

Scoring: Anna Cenicerros 9, Shadle 8, Dronzek 4, Cartwright

4, L. Howard 3, D. Howard 2, and Starnes 2.

The Lady Broncos got back on track in the final game of the tournament when they destroyed Groom 61-39.

Their offense took control of the game and muscled the Lady Tigers in the win. Shadle was on fire from the three-point line as she made good on five threes. Shadle and Cartwright finished in double figures to lead their team to the lopsided win.

"The girls played hard," coach

Molly Weathered said. "But we have to get our legs back under us after the long break. I think some of the things we did was the result of not being in the gym for five days. We'll get back in the groove."

Scoring: Shadle 19, Cartwright 12, Starnes 9, L. Howard 7, Dronzek 6, Cenicerros 4, D. Howard 2, and Audrey Shelton 2.

The ladies will open district play Friday night, January 6, at Memphis beginning at 7:30 p.m. and the junior varsity will play at 6:00 p.m.

Broncos compete in Canadian Tournament

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos took part in the Canadian Tournament last week and walked away with a first round win over Shamrock at 73-57.

The Broncos led the entire game and really opened the game up in the second half of play as they easily pulled away from their opponent. Cody Wood had a huge game from the outside scoring 20 points and Adam Topper matched Wood's point total from his inside position. Wes Williams also finished in double figures at 10 to help with the win.

Scoring: Wood 20, Topper 20, Williams 10, Trajen Johnson 7, Cole Ward 6, Trevor Cobb 4, Chance McAnear 3, Jonah Sell 2, and Tyler Burch 1.

The Broncos took on Panhandle in the second round and were

defeated 38-69. Clarendon could never get anything rolling offensively in the game, which resulted in the loss.

Scoring: Wood 8, Topper 8, Johnson 6, Ward 6, Williams 4, Cobb 3, Burch 2, and Sell 1.

The Broncos matched up against the Wellington SkyRockets in the final round and narrowly lost 58-63. The Broncos took the early advantage in the first quarter, but Wellington worked their way back into the game before the break and cut the Broncos' lead to one. Clarendon rebounded in the second half, but their effort fell short.

"We played really good at times," coach Brandt Lockhart said. "But we had too many turnovers and missed too many free throws in the

last game."

Scoring: Ward 21, Topper 14, Wood 10, Williams 5, Johnson 3, Burch 3, and Diego Santos 2.

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3	JENTRY SHADLE	JR.
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Obituaries

Deyhle

Dr. Charles E. Deyhle, Sr., DVM, age 87, died Thursday, December 29, 2011, in Amarillo.

Memorial services were held at 1 p.m. Saturday, December 31, 2011, in the First United Methodist Church in Clarendon with Dr. Burt Palmer, Minister of Polk Street United Methodist Church, and Rev. Lloyd Stice, pastor, officiating. Private family burial was held earlier at Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon. Services were under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Dr. Deyhle was born November 26, 1924, in Honey Grove, Texas to Fred and Sadie Prickett Deyhle. He was a veteran of WW II serving in the US Navy. He was a graduate of Texas A&M receiving his Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine degree in 1951. Moving then to Clarendon, he was a private practitioner and a feed yard consultant.

He held several local, state, and national offices in various Veterinary organizations, was a charter member of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, and served on both the Clarendon College Board of Regents and the Greenbelt Water Authority Board for many years.

He was an avid private pilot and greatly enjoyed fly fishing.

Dr. Deyhle was a long standing member of the First United Methodist Church in Clarendon.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife, Frances Deyhle, of Clarendon; his son, Dr. Charlie Deyhle and wife Jamie, of Canyon; three daughters, Sandy Hill and husband Jim, of Fort Collins, Becky McKinley and husband Dr. John, of Amarillo, and Jenny Rapp and husband Jodie, of Austin; his sister, Betty Jo Hennard, of Wheeler; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be sent to the First United Methodist Church Building & Grounds Fund, PO Box 157, Clarendon, Texas 79226 or Clarendon College Charles E. Deyhle Sr Scholarship Fund, PO Box 968, Clarendon, Texas 79226.

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Potts

Ella Oretha Potts, 78, died Saturday, December 31, 2011, in Clarendon.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, January 3, 2012, in the First United Methodist Church in Hedley with Rev. Ervin Emmert & Rev. Anthony Knowles officiating. Burial followed at Rowe Cemetery in Hedley. Services were under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Ella Oretha Potts was born March 5, 1933, in Amarillo to Sam and Flora Sanders. She married James Potts on May 29, 1954, in Hedley. Oretha attended Business College at Southwestern University in Oklahoma. She began her career at Security State Bank in Hedley.

After a time, she was employed by Deyhle Veterinary Clinic in Clarendon. The majority of her years of employment were spent with General Telephone, where she retired in 1992. Along with her husband, James and son, James Edward, she worked the remainder of her years on a successful farm and ranch operation. She had been a lifetime member of Hedley where she was a member of the United Methodist Church of Hedley. Oretha was a remarkable woman who will always be remembered by her family and friends for her intelligence, faith, and strength of character.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her son, Perry Joe Potts; and her husband, James Potts.

She is survived by her son, James Edward Potts and wife Timber Lee, of Hedley; grandson, James Lee Potts, of Temple; eight sisters, Lillian Fowler, Joyce Woodard, Helen Lindsey, Jean Rice and husband Pete, Betty McGuire, Tobytha Wiggins and husband Billy, Sammy Housden and husband Kenneth, and Delores Simpson and husband Terry; brother, Tracy Sanders and wife Sharon; and numerous other family members and friends.

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Baird

Peggy Lee Baird, 78, died Sunday, January 1, 2012, in Clarendon.

Memorial services were held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, January 3, 2012, in the First Baptist Church Chapel in Clarendon, with Rev. Lance Wood, Pastor, officiating. Services were under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Peggy was born March 12, 1933, in Kashetta, Louisiana. She is the daughter of Edward Lee and Thelma Marie Clements and Willie Mae and Arthur Gunter. She was a resident of Clarendon for about five months moving from Lampasas, Texas. Peggy was a homemaker and was Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Alton Bailey Baird, on Nov. 17, 1997; her son, Wylie Curtis Miller; three brothers, Butch Woods, Harvey Rush Clements, and John Douglas Clements; and her sister, Mary Ann Croxton.

She is survived by her son, David Miller and wife Theresa of Centre, AL; her daughter, P.J. O'Keefe and husband Shaun, of Clarendon; brother, Edward Lee Clements, Jr; two sisters, Linda Gay Futrell and Cora Sue Broyles; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The family suggests that memorials be to the Angel Tree.

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Gay

Thomas Mitchell Gay, 80, died Monday, January 2, 2012, in Hedley.

Services were held Wednesday, January 4, 2012, at 2 p.m. in the Hedley First Baptist Church with Rev. Bruce Howard, pastor, and Rev. Anthony Knowles, pastor of the Esteline Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was held at Rowe Cemetery in Hedley. Services were under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Thomas Gay was born May 15, 1931, in Houston, to Robert Martin and Violet Marie Oatman Gay. He married Jeneda Woodard on June 11, 1955, in Hedley. Thomas worked for himself as a furniture and piano refinisher. Mr. Gay was also licensed Baptist minister as well as a deacon. He was a veteran of the US Army, serving in the Korean Conflict. He had lived in Hedley and several other places since 1953. In 1993 he moved

from Ft. Worth and has been at Hedley since that time. Thomas was a member of the First Baptist Church in Hedley.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four sisters, Norma Howard, Ora Mae Tomanek, Maggie Marie Williams, and Johnny Ray Woodard.

He is survived by his wife, Jeneda Gay of Hedley; four daughters, Diann Evans, Debbie Hanes, Patty Dipprey and husband Mickey, all of Hedley, Becky Allen and husband Mark Kirk of Hobbs, NM; a brother V.R. Gay of Dennison; 13 grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren.

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Simple steps to be Red Cross Ready

- **Get a Kit:** Assemble disaster supplies like water, food, a flashlight, portable radio, and medication.
- **Make a Plan:** Pick a place where family members can gather in a disaster and figure out in advance how you'll get in touch if communication is disrupted.
- **Be Informed:** Find out what types of disasters your area is high risk for and how local authorities will contact you if a storm is headed your way.

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