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news & info At A Glance

Livestock Show set for Saturday

By Leon J. Church, County Agent
Seventy-two young people from Donley County FFA Chapters and 4-H Clubs will be exhibiting their livestock at the Junior Livestock Show this Saturday.

The youth will be showing 102 head of livestock in the Clarendon Community Center. This year's shows promises to be a very good one with some excellent livestock being exhibited. The young people have worked since summer feeding and caring for their animals in preparation for this event.

The show begins at 9 a.m. with the animals being placed by the official judge. The Premium Sale starts at 7 p.m. During the sale, the young people receive a premium from area businesses and individuals for the effort they made this year.

Plan to support the young people of Donley County.

Panther seen in north Clarendon

Word has it there is big game afoot in Clarendon - a black panther.

Bryan Leeper spotted the panther Friday morning while checking on his property east of the Medical Center. It was the first time Leeper had seen the panther, and he says he captured it on video.

Game Warden Gary Hunt doesn't know much about the animal but says this was not the first time the panther has been spotted in the area.

City employees have also reported seeing it.

City Superintendent Jim Roberts says he saw the panther early one morning about three months ago near the sewer plant.

"That's the biggest cat I have ever seen," Roberts said. He describes the creature as a big black cat with a long tail.

Little Dribblers coaches to meet

The Clarendon Little Dribblers coaches will meet Monday, January 10, 2000, at 7:00 p.m. in the Church of Christ Family Life Center.

All those interested in being a coach or helping the Little Dribblers in any way are invited to attend this meeting.

If you have any questions, please call Randy White at 874-3371 or Renee Betts at 874-3913.

Praise service to be held Saturday

A citywide youth praise service will be held at the First United Methodist Church this Saturday at 7 p.m.

All the youth are invited and encouraged to attend.

Inside:

- Will soy replace the beef in America's school lunches? 'On The Mark' looks at this issue.
- The Hedley Owls traveled to Clarendon for a tournament.
- A former local man has been inducted into a state Hall of Fame.
- A 500 gallon water tank was stolen near Lelia Lake.

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

Foundation awards \$75k locally

The Amarillo Area Foundation and The Don and Sybil Harrington Foundation last week announced awards of \$277,592 in charitable grants for the benefit of citizens in the Texas Panhandle.

The Donley County Hospital District will receive \$75,000 to support the construction of a community services facility.

The planned facility will house the rural health clinic, the Texas Department of Health, the Associated Ambulance Authority, and Baptist

Community Rehabilitation Services Physical and Occupational Therapy Clinic and will be constructed adjacent to the Medical Center Nursing Home.

Administrator Alan Graham said the hospital district is pleased with this grant and that they hope to use it as a springboard to raise other funds.

"We're still actively seeking other grant money," Graham said. "With this under our belt, it will give us more credibility when we apply for other grants."

Graham says the hospital district is still looking for about \$350,000 for the project.

The boards of the Amarillo Area Foundation and the Harrington Foundation reviewed more than \$1.4 million in requests from 15 nonprofit organizations before approving eight grants to complete the 1999 discretionary grantmaking for the Foundations.

"This last series of grants will make an impact in many of the areas in which we focus," said foundation

president and executive director Jim Allison.

"Through these grants, our board of directors and our community foundation's charitable dollars will support the arts, programming for youth, health care, education, and human services."

The Amarillo Area Foundation, a community foundation, is a public charity, which accepts funds from individuals, families, businesses, and other groups interested in helping Panhandle communities. Additionally, the

Foundation provides funds through grants to charitable organizations for the enrichment of the quality of life of the people residing in the 26 northernmost counties of the Panhandle.

Other grant recipients this cycle included the Amarillo chapter of the American Red Cross, Catholic Family Services, the Cornerstone Outreach Center of Amarillo, the Lone Star Ballet, the Miami Volunteer EMS, West Texas A&M, and a teen pregnancy and STD program in Gray County.

Happy New Year!

Residents and staff of Medical Center Nursing Home released more than 40 balloons last Friday afternoon in celebration of New Year's Eve.

Each balloon contained a card with the address of the nursing home and the name of one of the residents on it. It is hoped that whoever finds the balloons will write back and say how far they traveled.

Enterprise Digital Photo.



District gets \$25,000 to help doctor

The Donley County Hospital District has received a \$25,000 grant to help establish Dr. John C. Howard's practice in Clarendon.

The award comes from the Medically Underserved Community-State Matching Incentive Program administered by the Center for Rural Health Initiatives, the Texas State Office of Rural Health.

The Medically Underserved Community Program is a statewide program designed to assist rural communities in improving the health care needs of rural Texans living in medically underserved areas. The program accomplishes this goal by financially partnering with rural communities to establish physician practices. The funds must be used to establish a medical office and ancillary facilities for diagnosing and treating patients.

"This is an important grant for the citizens of Clarendon," said Robert J. "Sam" Tessen, director of the center. "Your community leaders have worked hard to get this grant to secure your health care future. We're proud to be a part of this valuable effort."

Effective December 31, 1999, Baptist-St. Anthony's closed the Donley County Rural Health Clinic. Dr. Howard purchased the clinic and is operating it under the new name of Clarendon Family Medical Center.

"I'm grateful the Center for Rural Health Initiatives has chosen to recognize our community as being worthy of their support," said Dr. Howard, "and I'm pleased to be working with Alan Graham and the Donley County Hospital Board to meet the needs of the people of Donley County."

Administrator Alan Graham said the hospital district will contribute \$25,000 to match the grant.

The Center for Rural Health Initiatives, located in Austin, provides leadership in encouraging innovative responses to rural health care needs.

The center advocates and administers a number of programs and services designed to help rural health providers and communities proactively address the health care needs of rural Texans.

Chamber plans annual banquet, takes nominations

"The Stars Shine Bright in Clarendon" will be the theme of the annual chamber of commerce banquet for 2000.

The event will be held January 29 in the Bairfield Activity Center.

Oklahoma cowboy poet Kent Rollins is scheduled to provide the evening's entertainment, and music will be provided by Dan Hall of Clarendon.

Chamber president Alan Graham says the Silent Auction will start at 6 p.m., and the meal will be served at 7 p.m. with the program and awards to follow.

Nominations for this year's chamber awards should be made prior to January 14. The categories are Saints' Roost Award, Man of the Year, Woman of the Year, Young Man of the Year, and Young Woman of the Year.

To nominate someone, write down their name, address, phone number, group affiliations, background, and your reason why they deserve the award and send it to the Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 730, Clarendon, TX 79226. Be sure to include your name and the category for which you are making the nomination.

Banquet sponsorships are still available for

businesses and individuals who want to support the chamber banquet, Graham said. For more information, contact the chamber office at 874-2421.

In other chamber news, tickets are still being sold for a new pickup. The cost is \$20 each, and the drawing will be held during the July 4th celebrations.

Also, a few positions will be opening up on the chamber board this month. If you are interested in serving on the board of directors, contact Darlene Spier at 874-3571.

Lady Broncos beat Hedley girls in tournament opener, 64-52

The Clarendon Lady Broncos returned from Christmas vacation to host the Greenbelt Varsity Tournament on Thursday through Saturday. The tournament was a big success with a lot of great basketball games and big crowds each day of the tournament.

The Lady Broncos played their much-anticipated game against the Hedley Lady Owls in their first game on Thursday morning.

Both teams shot well in the first quarter as the two teams seemed to feel each other out. Hedley led 12-14 at the end of the first eight minutes. Clarendon fired up from behind the three-point line in the second quarter, hitting three big shots. The Lady Broncos were also perfect from the charity stripe to go into halftime with a 32-26 lead.

The Lady Owls came out strong in the second half, matching Clarendon to 14 points in the third. The Lady Broncos continued to shoot well in the final quarter while Hedley missed several free throws. Clarendon won their opening game 64-52.

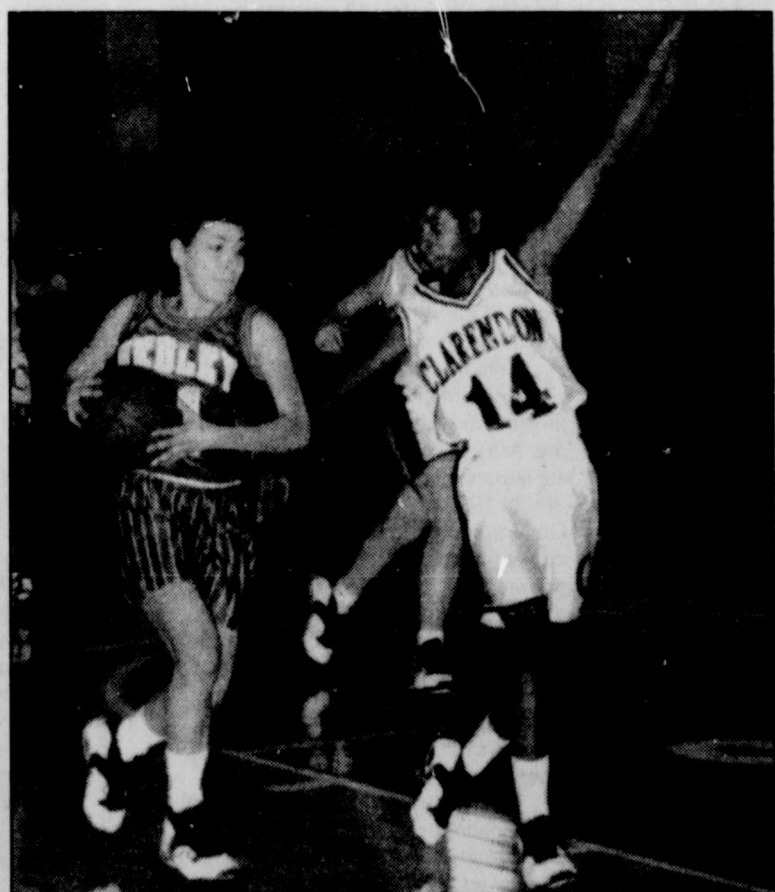
Scoring for the Lady Broncos were Kelley Lemley, 23; Geri Butler, 19; Cat Chamberlain, 7; Shannon Cooper, 6; Lindsey Shelton, 5; America Santos, 2; and Janey Aduddell, 2.

"We knew Hedley had a good team, and they really got after us early on. Free throw shooting made a big difference. We shot 14 of 16 to Hedley's 10 of 22. It was a good game to start the tournament," said Head Girls Coach Steve Schmidt.

Clarendon's win slated them against the Tulia Lady Hornets, a team who had beaten them on December 7. The Lady Broncos showed from the beginning of the game that they were ready for revenge and played one of their most complete games this season.

CHS had a two point lead at the end of the first quarter. The Lady Broncos turned up the heat in the second quarter, scoring 21 to Tulia's 9 points for a 35-21 halftime lead.

Clarendon continued to put good pressure on the ball during the rest of



Hedley's Amber Solis tries to get the ball by April Bryley during last week's Greenbelt Tournament in Clarendon.

Enterprise Photo by Bill Holden.

College to resume classes January 18

General registration for spring classes at Clarendon College is January 17-18 with classes beginning on January 18.

The best day for enrollment on the Clarendon campus is January 17 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The best day for enrollment at the Clarendon College Pampa Center is January 17 beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Enrollment for Wellington classes begins at 5:45 p.m., January 18, in the Wellington Junior High Annex. Registration for Childress classes begins at 5 p.m. on January 18 in the Childress High School Library.

To enroll in classes at Clarendon College, individuals must provide a copy of their official high school transcript or GED certificate, ACT/SAT scores, TASP scores, official transcripts from other colleges attended, and admission forms for C.

Current high school students are required to bring proof of approval from their principal or counselor. Payment is due upon registration.

For more information contact CC at 1-800-687-9737 or (806) 874-3571.

editor's
Commentary

WARNING: The following column is an editorial (i.e., an opinion, a point of view) and may contain ideas or positions with which some readers may freely disagree. It could be harmful to anybody who honestly got really, really excited about Y2K. Read at your own risk.

NPT This column has been Rated NPT by the Enterprise Institute For Reader Frustration. A range of humor is advised. *Tues. (at 11:00)



At long, long last, new year arrives

Finally. The New Year has come, and we can get on with our lives.

It seemed to take forever for 2000 to get here. (Yes, yes, I know it took two thousand years, you ninnyes.) I'm referring to the incessant hype surrounding the simple achievement of turning the calendar.

Lists were compiled the top people, places, things, events, of the century... Nay! The millennium! And of course some of those lists lasted the whole blooming year, like *Headline News*' counting down the stories of the century every single morning, day after day after day.

Then there was the Celebrate 2000 promotion of the *Amarillo* newspaper. That one was so overblown that even the staff of the *Globe-News* was tired of it in January of last year. And those annoying little geometrical people dancing all over the *Amarillo* paper nearly drove me insane.

After an eternity, we finally got down to December 31, 1999. "Oh, thank heavens," I thought that morning. "It's almost over."

I make my way to the kitchen for breakfast, turn on *Headline News*, and there's the familiar anchorette with the morning's news. Boris Yeltsin has quit, she announced. But it was her next "top story" that made me want to go back to bed.

"Experts are saying the millennium won't really start until January 1, 2001. It seems there was no year zero," she explained, "so the first year was A.D. 1, and the first millennium ended in 1000. Likewise the second will end 2000."

"That's just ducky," I thought. "Now we have to do 1999 all over again. They should have listened to me. I could have told them it didn't start until 2001."

Fortunately, not many people were watching that news report, and all the celebrations went on as planned. I hope the world has gotten this out of its system.

As for me, I had a fine party. I was sick in bed with the flu. I hadn't had that much fun since New Year's Eve 1993. That year I had my wisdom teeth taken out.

At least I had painkillers to welcome 1994. There was no cure for Y2K burnout.

Flash! This just in...

The press releases that come in to this office never cease to amaze me.

Imagine the junk mail that you get every week, multiply it by a factor of ten, and you'll get an idea of the volume I'm talking about.

Press releases come in all formats - by letter, by fax, or by e-mail, and they can cover any topic from the Arbor Day Foundation to UFOs. About eighty percent of the stuff we get every week doesn't pertain at all to Donley County or to the readership of this paper.

Certainly it's no different for other newspapers. We all have our names, addresses, and fax numbers published in huge media guides that are available nationally. Public relations folks use those guides extensively and inundate us with messages we don't really care about.

Some press releases hawk the latest theme park attractions, some promote ways to "save money," and some solicit poetry for cash. A few press releases even warn about the coming end of the world. But mostly, the average press release just makes a local editor sit back and wonder if the person who sent it really knew where it was sent.

Case in point: Last week, singer/actress Jennifer Lopez and her boyfriend, Sean "Puffy" Combs, were detained and questioned by the New York City Police following a shooting at a dance club. According to FoxNews.com, the couple's vehicle was stopped after it sped away from the club and "eluded police... through at least 11 red lights."

Lopez, for those who aren't up on the current celebrities, starred in the movie, *Selena*, and is leading a pretty successful singing career. According to news reports, she recently insured her body for about \$1 billion. No kidding.

Puffy... Well, I'm not really sure what Puffy has done. But I'm sure it's noteworthy.

Back to our story. The police questioned these two lovebirds. Lopez was released, and Puffy was arraigned on criminal possession of a weapon and released on bail.

This all happened Monday morning, December 27. By late Monday night, Lopez' attorney apparently released a prepared statement to the media.

All the big entertainment outlets probably received a copy - *People*, *Entertainment Weekly*, *E!*, *Entertainment Tonight*, *CNN*, etc. And since the people of Donley County are undoubtedly interested in Ms. Lopez and seeing as how THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE is an award-winning newspaper, we have our own copy of the press release, too.

Attorney Lawrence Ruggiero said his client has been exonerated by the NYPD.

"Ms. Lopez was detained and questioned and fully cooperated with authorities," said Ruggiero. "Jennifer Lopez does not own a firearm nor does she condone the use of firearms."

So there you have it, readers. She's innocent. If she ever comes through our fair town, let's all be nice to her. I think we can safely assume, however, that we're not a stop on her concert tour.

I'm not sure how many Jennifer Lopez fans are in Donley County (There aren't any in this office.), but the people who represent her apparently thought you'd all like to know her position on this gun thing.

I know you don't care, but I thought I'd let you know anyway.

USDA may allow more soy in school meat

School lunches have always gotten a bad rap, and if the US Department of Agriculture gets its way, lunchroom cuisine will truly be inedible.

According to the Associated Press, the USDA has proposed dropping its restrictions on the use of soy in school meals. Hello tofu and other soy substitutes, goodbye meat.

The idea of replacing meat with soy originated in the 1980s when President Reagan's staff wanted to save money by trimming the budget on the multi-million US school lunch program.

Reagan's plan was quickly defeated, but now the USDA has re-worked the proposal and is now touting the change as a healthy alternative for the nation's obese children. Actually, this one alteration will save big bucks and affect the already lousy lunches of 26 million US school kids.

Currently, soy products can only be used as a food additive and in amounts less than 30 percent, according to AP.

If the USDA approves the soy substitute will beef, pork, and poultry



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producers have something else to worry about? You bet, as if the depressed market prices and terrible weather patterns aren't enough.

The government agency which is supposed to assist all agricultural producers is failing terribly. Livestock producers have long been the redheaded stepchild while farmers continue to receive more federal handouts and bigger subsidies. And soybean producers stand to win big if this school lunch plan passes.

Will the soy-substitute proposal start out as a healthful modification and then shift to a permanent replacement for beef? The USDA says no, but dietitians say kids can't taste the difference between tofu burgers and actual hamburgers. I'm afraid the old saying "If a little is good, then a lot must be even better" may become the

motto of this soy substitute proposal.

A decision on the subject is expected in mid-February, according to USDA officials. Livestock industry lobbyists will be busy trying to defeat this ridiculous recommendation.

But by chance the industry loses the battle to the vegetarians and radical animal rights activists, dust off your kiddoes' lunchbox. Junior could pay his own way to college by hustling cuts of cold roast beef, fried chicken, and leftover chicken fried steak during his school lunch break.

And for the record, I have tried tofu, in the form of a burger. A close friend thought it would be funny to order me a "vegieburger" instead of a double-meat bacon cheeseburger.

One bite into the pseudo-meat proved the burger to be a fraud. The soy meat was thin, dry, and completely tasteless.

In other words, a bucket of oats and a bale of hay would have tasted better.

There's just no substitute for beef, and my once friend surprisingly turned up missing a few weeks later. Ha!



Senator takes stock of past year in Congress

Looking back on the 1999 legislative year in Washington reminds me of a story that underscores the tax burden many Americans feel today. A Texas restaurant cook offered a standing \$1,000 bet that he was the strongest American alive.

The cook would squeeze all the juice from a lemon and anyone who could squeeze out one more drop would win the money. All who tried failed. One day a small man entered the restaurant and said in a tiny voice "I can do it."

The cook crushed the lemon dry and gave it to the little man who then squeezed 28 more drops from the used lemon rind. The astonished cook paid the \$1,000 and asked, "What do you do for a living?" Counting his money, the little man replied, "I'm an IRS agent."

Well, I think around tax day on April 15, a lot of us feel like that lemon.

That is why Congress worked so hard to pass a tax refund plan this year. It would have returned to taxpayers a small amount of the projected budget surpluses without touching the surplus from the Social Security Trust Fund. Tax rates would have been reduced. The plan included my proposal to relieve the marriage tax penalty and phase out the death tax, too.

Unfortunately, the President vetoed the plan. We couldn't override his veto.

While more tax-cutting work lies ahead, Congress scored big this year by balancing the federal budget. We're also



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paying down the national debt \$130 billion this year and more next year.

Congress also focused on important priorities such as the border, education, and Medicare.

• **Border Security** - For the fourth year in a row, Congress approved my push for funding 1,000 extra Border Patrol agents. The hiring has gone slowly, but I'm going to keep the heat on. Fellow border state senator and I also secured additional funds to help the Customs Service hire 250 more agents to strengthen border inspections.

• **Education** - Congress provided \$220 million in extra educational funding for Texas this year, above what the President requested. We're sending money to the states so education needs can be determined at the local level, not Washington. My amendment boosted Hispanic-Serving Institution Programs by over 50 percent. This will permit a near doubling of eligible programs in Texas.

• **Health** - We won a major health care and states' rights fight this year by blocking the federal government's claim on 45 percent of the state tobacco settlement money. I proudly helped to move

that measure through Congress against stiff resistance. Texas would have lost \$1.7 billion in the next two years for health care, education, and other priorities. Congress also restored some \$1 billion in Medicare reimbursement funds to Texas' rural and teaching hospitals and homecare agencies that had been denied by health care regulators.

• **Strong Military** - Congress also began to rebuild our military strength by increasing the defense budget. We gave troops a needed 4.8 percent pay raise. And I added legislation to improve TRICARE, the military's health care system. To ensure our military can meet large threats and not be distracted by non-critical missions, I wrote the law that requires the President to prioritize deployments and decide which commitments can be reduced. More work remains, but we made a good start.

Congress was able to do all of this because it balanced the budget while also restraining government spending. While I know more work remains to lift the heavy tax burden on all Americans - a real lemon of a policy - we protected the Social Security Trust Fund while still making good investments.

Making sure that Washington does right by Texans is an endless task. We made good progress in 1999. I am ready for 2000.

Happy New Year!

Tax credits are creating an investment in a better Texas

By Lieutenant Governor Rick Perry

A robust Texas economy and visionary leadership have cleared the way for a series of tax credits that take effect at the beginning of the New Year.

Two new tax credits recognize the challenges that many working families face in ensuring their young children are receiving adequate day care and appropriate supervision when school lets out.

In 1999, the Legislature passed, and Governor Bush signed, the after-school and day care tax credits for corporate and private citizens who contribute to after-school and day care programs.

Starting January 1, the benefit for corporations is that they can receive a tax credit on 30 percent of their contribution to an after-school program as long as it doesn't exceed 50 percent of their total franchise tax liability.

Private entities that make donations to after-school programs enable more children to receive the extra tutoring and mentoring they need. They also mean that parents can feel better about having to work at a job that requires them to stay at the office after school ends for the day.

But the benefits go far beyond friendly tax incentives. Corporations who contribute to after-school programs are ensuring a better learning environment for our children and an alternative to bad influences that seek to lead them into a life of crime, drugs and hopelessness. In essence, they are investing in brighter futures for their future employees.

State leaders also created a new day care tax credit enabling participating companies to claim 50 percent of their qualifying expenditure up to a maximum of \$50,000 or 90 percent of their franchise tax liability, whichever is less. This is an important investment for companies to consider making in their employees. They will have workers with peace of mind at the office who are more productive because they don't have to leave work or miss a day when their child is sick.

Three other new tax credits encourage continued investment in jobs based on technology and digital advances.

The research and development, job creation and investment tax credits were passed into law because state leaders recognize that a key component to

continued growth and job creation in Texas is the lowering of tax barriers. Companies that spend in excess of current levels on research and development will qualify for a four percent credit in the year 2000 on those excess expenditures, and a five percent credit in the years following, not to exceed 25 percent of their total franchise tax liability.

The other credits specifically target job creation and investment in areas of the state with high unemployment and below average per capita income. They can also be claimed in urban enterprise communities. The credits are available to companies that invest in fields such as data processing, research and development, and warehousing and manufacturing. Additionally, corporations engaged in agricultural processing in a county with less than 50,000 people are eligible to qualify for the job creation credit.

All three of these tax credits spell greater opportunities for Texans. It also means, Texas companies will be closer to medical and other leading breakthroughs that can enhance the quality of life for all of our citizens.

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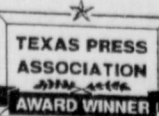
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Hedley Owls compete at Greenbelt Tournament

By Ashley Hill
The Hedley Owls and Lady Owls traveled to Clarendon to compete in the Greenbelt Invitational Tournament on December 30 through January 1, 2000.

On Thursday, December 30, the Lady Owls started out by playing the Clarendon Lady Broncos. The Lady Owls led after the first quarter, 14-12, but by halftime had gone down three points, the score being 26-29. In the third quarter, Hedley outscored Clarendon 14-10 to make the score 40-39. Clarendon went on a scoring streak in the fourth quarter to pull away with a lead against the Lady Owls. Hedley soon got to scoring and got within four with only a few minutes left to play in the game. The Lady Broncos soon pulled away to beat the Lady Owls by a final score of 52-64.

Scoring for the Owls were Ashley Hill, 15; Lauren Hill, 11; Amber Solis, 10; Rachel Howard, 8; Lana Wallendorff, 7; and Lora Llewellyn, 5.

In the boys' game, Clarendon got an early lead over the Owls, outscoring them 10-17 in the first

quarter and 24-36 at halftime. Hedley never could catch back up with the Broncos. The final score was 46-76.

Scoring for Hedley were Roger Wade, 15; Josh Collins, 12; Justin Alexander, 5; Dustin Knowles, 5; Dustin Monroe, 4; Rhett Holland, 3; and David Evans, 2.

On Friday, the Lady Owls played the Clarendon JV Lady Broncos. In the first quarter, Hedley took the lead with the score being 16-10 at the end of the first quarter and 33-18 at halftime. However, in the third quarter, Clarendon JV made a slight comeback outscoring the Lady Owls by two points. But Hedley was determined not to give up a win. Hedley went on to win the game with a final score of 71-49.

Scoring for Hedley were Howard, 33; L. Hill, 14; A. Hill, 10; Solis, 7; Llewellyn, 2; Sealey Stevens, 2; Lindsey Brinson, 2; and Wallendorff, 1.

The boys played their second game of the tournament against the Allison Antelopes. Hedley led after the first quarter, 25-12, and 43-20 at halftime. In the second half, Allison

outscored the Owls 12-27. But it was not enough for a win. Hedley went on to beat the Antelopes, 55-47.

Scoring for the Owls were Monroe, 15; Holland, 10; Creed Stevens, 8; Collins, 7; Alexander, 6; Knowles, 6; and Evans 5.

On Saturday the Hedley girls came back to play the Floydada Lady Whirlwinds for consolation. In the first quarter, the Lady Winds took an early lead and had the Lady Owls down 14-2. The Lady Owls came back and scored nine straight points, making the first quarter score 9-17. By halftime, the Lady Owls had scored enough to take a three point lead over Floydada, 30-27. In the third quarter, Hedley again outscored the Lady Winds by four points, but Floydada came back and outscored Hedley by four in the fourth. Hedley held on to a close win by beating Floydada, 52-49, for the consolation game in the tournament.

Scoring were A. Hill, 17; Howard, 11; L. Hill, 9; Wallendorff, 7; Llewellyn, 5; Stevens, 2; and Solis, 1.

The Hedley boys played Spearman for the consolation in the boys' bracket. Spearman took an early lead with the score being 11-24 after the first quarter and 18-33 at halftime. Hedley started making a comeback in the third quarter by outscoring the Lynx 19-11. In the fourth, Hedley started out strong by finally coming back and tying the game at 44. The Owls defense slowed down and let Spearman score 17 points in the final minutes of the game. Spearman took the win by a final score of 50-63.

Scoring were Collins, 20; Holland, 17; Stephens, 7; Monroe, 3; and Knowles, 3.

The Owls and Lady Owls start district play on Friday, January 7, by hosting the Lefors Pirates and Lady Pirates.

Hedley teams suffer losses to Wheeler

By Ashley Hill
The Hedley Owls and Lady Owls traveled to Wheeler on Tuesday, December 28, for two varsity games.

In the girls' game, Hedley outscored the Lady Mustangs by six points in the first quarter and had a three point lead at halftime, 34-31. The Lady Owls got in foul trouble and could not play as aggressively as usual. The ladies fell behind at the end of the third quarter and could never regain their lead. They suffered their first loss of the season by losing to the Wheeler Lady Mustangs. The final score was 59-72.

Scoring were Ashley Hill, 23; Lana Wallendorff, 12; Rachel Howard, 8; Lauren Hill, 7; Lora Llewellyn, 7; and Amber Solis, 2.

In the varsity boys' game, Hedley fell down ten points behind Wheeler in the first quarter. In the second quarter, the Owls came back and outscored the Mustangs to make the score 27-36.

In the second half, the Hedley defense couldn't get going, allowing the Mustangs to score 17 points opposed to Hedley's 9, letting Wheeler take a 17 point lead. In the fourth quarter, the Owls came back and again outscored the Mustangs. It was not enough for a win. Hedley lost to Wheeler by a final score of 51-67.

Scoring were Josh Collins, 17; Roger Wade, 11; Rhett Holland, 7; Dustin Monroe, 6; Justin Alexander, 4; David Evans, 4; and Dustin Knowles, 3.

Immunization Clinic to be in Hedley Thursday

An Immunization Clinic offering vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases is scheduled in Hedley on Thursday, January 6, 2000, 8:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at Hedley School.

The Texas Department of Health

is charging money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size and the ability to pay.

Influenza vaccine and pneumococcal vaccine are now available.

11 candidates seek county offices in '00

With the deadline for filing now passed, eleven candidates are seeking elected positions in Donley County during the 2000 election year.

The candidates are: for **Constable Precinct 3 & 4** - William Brent Hall and Mike Wallendorff, for **Sheriff** - Charles "Butch" Blackburn and William Holden, for **Tax Assessor-Collector** - Wilma Lindley (inc.) and Wanda Smith, for **Commissioner Precinct 1** - Ernest Johnston and Randy White (inc.), and for **Commissioner Precinct 3** - Ronald Glover, Buster Shields, and Andy Wheatley (inc.).

The Lion's Tale

By Allen Estlack

Clarendon Lions Club held their first meeting of the year 2000 on January 4 with our new and improved Boss Lion Bobbie Thornberry conducting the meeting.

We had 15 members and three guests. Our guests were Russell Estlack, undercover reporter, guest of Lion Roger Estlack, Bubba Newhouse, guest of Lion Vic Jeter, and Roger Smith, guest of Lion Don Smith.

There was no business and no program so we were adjourned early.

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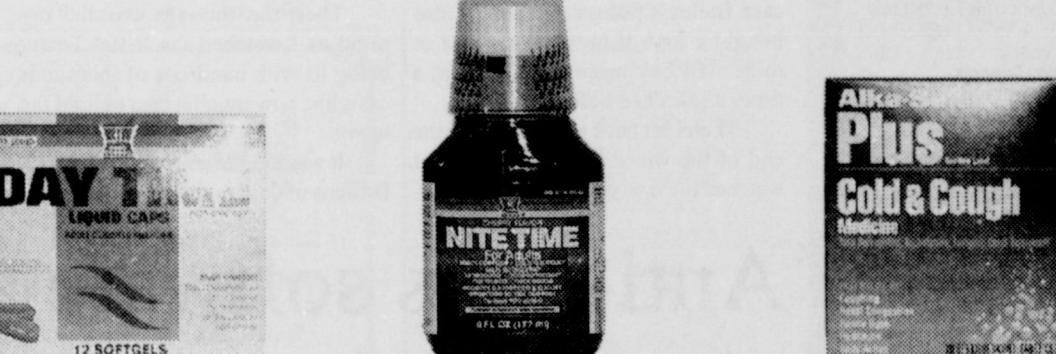
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January 6

TDH Immunization Clinic • Hedley School • 8:30 a.m.

January 7

CHS v White Deer • there • Girls 6:30, Boys 8 p.m.

HHS v Lefors • in Hedley.

January 8

VFW Breakfast • VFW Hall • 7 to 9 a.m.

Jr. Livestock Show • Community Center • Show - 9 a.m., Sale 7 p.m.

Saints' Roost Jamboree • Harned Sisters Auditorium • 7 p.m.

CC v Redlands College • Bulldog Gym • Women - 5:50 p.m., Men 8:00 p.m.

January 10

CC v N. Mexico Jr. College • Hobbs, NM • Women - 5:50 p.m., Men - 7:50 p.m. (times MST).

January 11

CHS v Wellington • Bronco Gym • Girls 6:30 p.m., Boys 8:00 p.m.

January 13

CC v South Plains College • Levelland • Women - 5:50 p.m., Men - 7:50 p.m.

January 14

CHS v Highland Park • there • Girls 6:30 p.m., Boys 8:00 p.m.

January 18

TDH Immunization Clinic • Associated Ambulance Authority Office • 9 to 12, 1 to 4.

January 29

Chamber Banquet • Bairfield Activity Center • Silent Auction starts at 6 p.m.

Community Menus

January 10 - 14

Clarendon Schools

Breakfast
 Mon: Oats, toast, fruit, milk
 Tues: Pineapple kolash, milk
 Wed: Breakfast burrito, juice, milk
 Thur: Pancakes, fruit, milk
 Fri: Cinnamon rolls, fruit, milk
Lunch
 Mon: Hamburger and rice, peas, fruit, roll, milk
 Tues: Taco salad, beans, rice, fruit, milk
 Wed: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, roll, cake, milk
 Thur: Pizza with beef, salad, corn, cookie, milk
 Fri: Chiliburger, French fries, salad, fruit cobbler, milk

Hedley Schools

Breakfast
 Mon: Breakfast bar, toast, cereal, grape juice, milk
 Tues: Cheese toast, cereal apple juice, toast and jelly, milk
 Wed: Biscuit and gravy, sausage, cereal, orange juice, milk
 Thur: Blueberry pancake on a stick, cereal, grape juice, milk
 Fri: Cinnamon roll, cereal, apple juice, graham crackers, milk
Lunch
 Mon: Enchilada, rice, corn, salad, fruit, milk
 Tues: Chicken strips or chicken fried steak, potatoes and gravy, hot rolls, salad, fruit, milk
 Wed: Baked potato, diced ham and cheese, green beans, fruit, salad, rolls, salad, milk
 Thur: Lasagna, tossed salad, corn, garlic bread, fruit, milk
 Fri: Hamburger, baked beans, lettuce and tomatoes, fruit, chocolate muffin squares, milk

Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, carrots, pear halves, strawberry poke cake, bread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Tues: Barbecue beef, baked beans, onion rings, potato salad, peaches and cream, bread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Wed: Chicken rigatoni, green beans and potatoes, tossed salad, rosy applesauce, garlic roll, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Thur: Calfish, squash casserole, green peas, coleslaw, apricot cobbler, cornbread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Fri: Butterbeans with ham, fried okra, carrot copper pennies, tropical apple crunch, cornbread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Lasagna, fried okra, orange, brownies, garlic toast, milk, tea, coffee
Tues: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, English peas, cabbage and pineapple salad, peaches and bananas, roll, milk, tea, coffee
Wed: Baked ham, black-eyed peas, corn, pear and cottage cheese salad, butterscotch pudding, roll, milk, tea, coffee
Thur: Steak and gravy, baked potatoes, fried okra, tossed salad, cherry cobbler, roll, milk, tea, coffee
Fri: Spaghetti and meat sauce, broccoli casserole, tossed salad, apricot halves, garlic toast, milk, tea, or coffee

Former CHS coach named to state hall of fame

What with Christmas and New Year's and company coming, and packing up everyone, including the company, to go visit more relatives from even farther away, I'm sure (at least I hope) you'll understand that I just flat forgot about writing last week's column. I abjectly apologize, and I beg you, faithful readers, to forgive me.

Recently, Pearl Hermesmeyer brought me a clipping about a former coach at Clarendon High School who was named to the Texas High School Coaches Hall of Fame. O.C. "Stubby" Warden coached in Clarendon from 1939 to 1942, when he joined the U.S. Navy in World War II. After the war, he returned to his hometown of Ranger, Texas where he coached until his retirement, leading the Ranger

High School team to the Class A championship in 1953. Coach Warden received letters of recommendation for the nomination from young men he coached who now hold positions of responsibility all over Texas. He is remembered fondly by those in Clarendon who knew him.

Memories are important to all of us, especially this time of year. Christmas creates memories and traditions that are treasured and handed down in families. I remember Christmases sleeping on the floor of my aunt's furniture-less living room with a half-dozen cousins or so (there were eighteen of us eventually) whispering and laughing, waiting for Santa to come. One Christmas, my mother and her sisters gathered the clan in Colorado, where two of the sisters had a "mountain cabin." This cabin would sleep



around Town

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at least a dozen, which was important, since each of the four sisters had four children, except for the one who had six.

We piled two-deep on sleds and whizzed down the road through the gate, then climbed in the back of the ancient jeep and dragged the sleds back up the mountain to do it again. We built snowmen in our shirtsleeves, and played dominoes and worked puzzles and laughed till our stomachs hurt.

This past week, my siblings and I gathered with our parents on the same mountain to give our children similar

memories. The snow was a little sparse, but we found enough to sled and snowmobile on. Enough so one of the cousins rode her sled into a tree and scraped her face raw, and my sister fell on the snow and broke her ankle. We had a wonderful time laughing ourselves silly, despite the accidents.

When we look forward to a new millennium, memories like this are important in building strong families and communities. Whatever your resolutions for the New Year, I hope one of them includes laughing with your family and friends as often as possible.

I trust everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a fabulous New Year's celebration, and I look forward to hearing about what you have all been doing around town.

Family's holiday hullabaloo continues with sequel

Every good epic has a sequel. *Gone With The Wind* was followed by *Scarlett*, *Star Trek* gave birth to *The Next Generation*, and *Rocky* spawned *Rocky II, III, IV*, etc.; and so it is with the "Halls' Holiday Havoc Hullabaloo." Just when I thought I was safe from pernicious propane and smelly septic, another revolting development knocked me over on New Years!

You may recall I have mentioned a kidney stone problem in my immediate family. I won't name names, but I married the Kidney Stone King, and on New Year's Day the King reminded his loyal subjects of just how disruptive a kidney stone can be. We wound up in the emergency room about 2:30 in the afternoon along with at least half of the city of Amarillo. A trip to the emergency room on any day is not fun, but on a holiday weekend...well, let's just say that for the person accompanying the ailing one, it ranks right up there with having a vital organ removed - without anesthesia - on the kitchen table - with a soup spoon! But, back to my story.

I got "The King" signed in; and because he was in so much pain, they bumped him right up there to semi-urgent. We were taken to a room in short order, and he was promptly sent to LaLa Land via a mega dose of pain-killer. I, on the other hand, was gra-

ciously allowed to sit on a hard chair in a room cold enough to safely store raw meat and watch my beloved one sleep. I did entertain myself though by watching the doctors and nurses speed past our cubicle for three hours without giving us so much as a nod. Finally, we got to move to the next level of treatment - tests! I say "we," but actually only the King got to participate in this event. I got to maintain my position!

Two hours later the royal one was brought back to our room. He opened an eye and asked me what time it was.

"Five hours and twenty-three minutes since your entry into the Twilight Zone," I told him.

"That's good," he said and went right back to sleep.

"Maybe for you big boy, but you're going to owe me big time for this."

When the six-hour mark rolled around, a nurse showed up and injected a little more of the magic potion into His Royal Highness.

"Can I have some of that?" I smiled.

The nurse failed to see the humor - staring at me like I was a crazed druggie looking to score a cheap thrill. "Sorry, just making a little joke," I muttered.

Apparently a sense of humor is



rain or Shine

By Cynthia Hall
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not a prerequisite for working in the Emergency Room. In a serious voice she told us that the tests showed a "blockage."

"No...really? I bet you anything it's a kidney stone. I mean if it looks like a duck and quacks like a duck...you know?"

She didn't find humor in this either. In fact, she got pretty darn huffy and left the room.

"Well, excuse me for poking a little fun at the system," I told the King. "I mean it's laugh or go crazy, right? But, if it's crazy they want..."

His Imperial Stoeness wasn't listening. He was far too zonked in the wonderful world of morphine. Too bad, because if he had listened to me, he would have known what was coming.

At T-minus seven hours and counting, the nurse told us that our doctor had decided to "admit."

Admit what? Admit that the emergency room system was slower than grass growing? Admit that in the great, technological wonder that is

modern medicine, the emergency room experience was similar to carving the Gettysburg Address on a rock with a blunt toothpick?

No, it turned out they were going to admit the Stone King to a room "upstairs." Now, this was progress indeed. I gathered my press, the royal slippers, and moved to the edge of my chair. I shouldn't have been so hasty. What was I thinking? Jell-O thickens faster than the admitting process progresses.

At 11:30 p.m. a smiling nurse entered the room and asked, "Are you ready?"

I was certainly ready all right - but not in the way this nurse meant. I was ready to spontaneously combust, blow my top, flip my wig, pitch a fit, and have a cow! And I did.

For the remainder of our hospital stay, the Kidney Stone King was reduced to apologizing to every member of the hospital staff for the behavior of his Queen who had gone berserk in the ER.

"She's normally very sweet. I heard him repeat over and over. 'I don't know what happened to her. One minute she was fine, and the next...'"

Yes, I admit it all. I did it. I'm guilty of going nuts and losing my marbles after nine hours in the Emergency Room. So sue me!

4-H shooting club to be held next Thursday

By Sue Church, County FCS Agent

Area youth are encouraged to attend an upcoming informational meeting for a newly established 4-H shooting sports program in Donley County.

The meeting will be held Thursday, January 13, 7:00 p.m. at the Donley County Courtroom and all interested youth and parents are invited to attend.

Club managers Jim Roberts and Gary Thomas have successfully completed NRA certification to lead the county program and are enthusiastic about the potential the program will have for county youth. Young people will learn gun safety, marksmanship, leadership, and responsibility while developing their skills through the program. Organized district and state level competitions are available to those who wish to participate.

For more information about the upcoming meeting, contact Jim Roberts, Gary Thomas, or the Donley County Extension Service at 874-2141. This is a life-long skill your child won't want to miss.

Chamber names final lighting contest winners

The Clarendon Chamber of Commerce recently announced the winners of the final week of the Festival of Light contest.

In Clarendon, Judge Billie Christal and Kelly and Linda Hill both won the home division, Country Bloomers Flowers & Gifts won the business division.

In Howardwick, Marvin and Sharon Elam and Ken and Carol Carden both won the home division.

In Hedley, Harold and Ruthie White won the home division.

To whom it may concern, next year please do not spoil our Holiday Festival of Lights contest. The Chamber would greatly appreciate it if the signs that they place in each week's winners' yards or place of business would be left alone so the winners can proudly display them for a full week.

Ambulance Authority to sponsor EMT classes

The Associated Ambulance Authority in Clarendon will be sponsoring an EMT-Basic class beginning February 1, 2000.

Classes will be held every Tuesday and Thursday nights through May 30, 2000. Cost of the class will be approximately \$225.00 per person, which covers tuition, insurance, and textbooks. Those completing the course will be eligible to sit for the State Exam for Certified Emergency Medical Technician - Basic.

Registration deadline will be January 20, 2000. No one will be accepted after the deadline date.

For more information, contact LaDonna Bradley, EMT-Paramedic, with the Associated Ambulance Authority in Clarendon at 874-3139.

Lodge to confer degree

Clarendon Lodge #700 A.F. & A.M. will confer an Entered Apprentice degree during their regular meeting next Monday, January 10.

Secretary W.H. Skelton reminds and encourages all masons to come help put on this degree. Refreshments will be served at 6:30 p.m., and the meeting will follow at 7:30.

Jamboree set for Saturday

By Betty Thomas

The Saints' Roost Jamboree will have their first performance of the New Year on January 8, 2000.

We will feature the North Fork Band with members from Lefors and Pampa. Raymond Meers from Amarillo and The Men In Red will be on the stage.

The Jamboree will be held in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Auditorium on the Clarendon College Campus at 7:00 p.m. There is no admission charge.

For information, call 874-5031.

CC offers Quick-TASP

Clarendon College will offer the Quick-TASP January 13 and January 21 at 8 a.m. in room 102 of the Administration/Classroom Building.

The cost of the exam is a \$29 check or money order made payable to NES. Examinees must have two forms of identification including one picture ID.

For information, call Linda Frye at (806) 874-3571 ext. 223.

New Year's news coverage skips Alaska, Hawaii

As the year ended, I sat waiting for everything to shut down; the electricity, the phone, the water, and other services like that.

I even filled my car with gas, in case Bailey's pumps stopped. I also bought a loaf of bread and a pint of milk. If I buy more than a pint at a time, it goes bad before I use it.

Then I sat back and waited for the end of the world. While I waited, I watched the new year celebrations tak-

ing place around the world. I intended to watch the different people celebrate in each time zone but I forgot to turn the television on until it was almost midnight in Paris.

Then the thought crossed my mind as I watched the Eiffel Tower being lit with hundreds of thousands of lights, how much it cost to light the tower.

It was the same around the world. Billions of dollars spent for a few min-



watt's Happening

By Peggy Watt
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utes of light. I read in the newspapers about the homeless and hungry in every country in the world. The money spent for those lights would feed every hungry child and old person in the world.

Anti-virus software available on the net

Watch out, folks. Some really nasty viruses are making their way around the Net, and your computer could be next. In this week's column, I'll describe each of them and show you "step by step" how to install and use a free antivirus software program.

The three most recent and very dangerous viruses going around the Internet today are Bubbleboy, Mypic Worm, and ExploreZip Worm.

All three travel the Net through e-mail, specifically through the Microsoft Outlook Express program (the e-mail program that comes with Microsoft Internet Explorer). Typically, an infection occurs when an unwitting user double-clicks on an e-mail attachment containing a virus. The virus then activates, infecting the user's system and sending copies of itself (appearing to come from the user) to everyone in the user's e-mail address book. I recommend never double-clicking on an attachment without checking it for viruses first. To do that, right click on it and save it somewhere else. If you install the software I mention below, you can then just right click on the saved attachment (wherever you saved it) and check it for viruses.

So, what about this free antivirus software I mentioned? Point your browser to Computer Associates' InoculateIT Personal Edition page (<http://antivirus.cai.com>). Click the first option "Download Free Antivirus

Software." You will now be presented with a "Registration Page." As with anything "free," there's always a catch. In this case, the "catch" is not that bad. They just want to know something about you. Not a bad tradeoff for virus peace of mind. And if you're really antsy about giving out personal information, well, you can, uh, give one of your "aliases" (if you know what I mean).

After you fill out the form and hit the "submit" button at the bottom of the screen, you'll see a summary of what you entered for verification. If everything is correct, click the "View Legal Agreement" button. This will take you to a screen that pretty much absolves CAI from any liability from your use of their software. It is a pretty standard agreement you'll find in most software programs. Read it if you want, but it's obvious this page was written by a lawyer (Most of the words are five syllables and for this full page of text, I think I only counted five sentences.)

In order to get the software, you'll have to press the "Agree" button at the bottom. The next screen allows you to download the software. Click the "Download Win95/98 Version." At this point, one of two things will happen. If you get a screen asking you whether you want to "open" or "save to disk," choose "save to disk." Most people won't get that step and will go straight to the download screen. This



internet 101

By Eric Spellmann

part is crucial. Look at the top of this little window. Here, you'll need to choose where you save the file. Drop down the menu (the black, downward pointing triangle) and click on "Desktop." Then, hit the "save" button.

The file is around 2.4 megabytes so it may take a while to transfer to your system. When the download is complete, exit any programs you may be running and double-click on the file you downloaded - "IPESetup95.exe." Follow the instructions during the installation routine. At some point, it will ask you for a numerical code that was given to you earlier. Make sure you still have it to enter it. It will then ask if you want the software to automatically run every time you start your computer. I recommend you select that option.

The next screen will offer to monitor your system in real-time. What this means is that the software will always be on, scanning for viruses. While that sounds like a good idea, you could lose upwards of 10 percent of your system speed due to this overhead. Unless you are highly vulnerable to viruses, I would disable this choice. You'll also have a choice to install a "shortcut" in your system

tray. Once again, this is simply a personal preference. A few screens later, the software will offer to create "templates" of your hard drives. I recommend doing this as it allows for speedy recovery from some very nasty viruses. It will also offer to create a "reference" disk (floppy) in case of emergency. Do this. When it's done installing itself, it will offer to scan your hard disk(s). That would be a good idea. Finally, it will ask to reboot your system. Once that is done, you have successfully installed an antivirus program! Give yourself a pat on the back!

To use the program, click the "Start" button, choose "Programs" and click on "InoculateIT Personal Edition." When the program is running, simply choose the hard drive or floppy disk you want to scan and hit the "Go" button. Voila! You're checking for viruses.

Every month or so, you need to click on the "Live Update" option in the "Start, Programs, InoculateIT" menu. This will allow you to download the newest "virus definitions" keeping your system up to date against the most recent outbreaks.

If all of that sounds a bit complicated, why not surf over to Trend Micro's HouseCall site (<http://housecall.antivirus.com>). Here, you can have their server scan your computer for viruses without downloading any complex software. Like CAI's product, this one is FREE.

Obituaries

Smith
Graveside services for Mattie Imogene "Jean" Smith, age 67 of Purcell, Oklahoma, were held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, December 31, 1999, at Hillside Cemetery in Purcell with Rev. Wayne Brown officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Wilson-Little Funeral Home in Purcell.

Mrs. Smith died Wednesday, December 29, 1999, at her residence. He was born February 8, 1932, in Coalgate, Oklahoma, the youngest of four children born to Lige Abney and Caddie (Thompson) Abney. She had lived in the Wayne, Lexington, and Purcell area all of her life. For many years she worked at Mace's Department Store in Purcell, the Lone Star Gas Company, and the University of Oklahoma. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Purcell.

She will be remembered as a loving wife, mother, grandmother, friend, and neighbor.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Lige and Caddie Abney; a brother, Herman Abney; and grandson, Jacob Smith.

Survivors include her husband, J.P. Smith of the home; son Lige Smith and wife Martha of Clarendon; two brothers, Denver Abney of Lake Humphrey, Oklahoma, and R.J. Abney and wife Pearl of Wayne, Oklahoma; and two grandsons, Danny and Charlie Smith.

Phillips

Funeral services for Donnie Wayne Phillips, age 58, were held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, January 03, 2000, in the First Baptist Church in Clarendon with Rev. Charlie Floyd of Texhoma, Oklahoma, and Rev. Bryan Knowles, Pastor of the Martin Baptist Church in Clarendon, officiating. Burial was held in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc.

Mr. Phillips died Thursday, December 30, 1999, in Amarillo. He was born September 8, 1941, in Clarendon and was a resident of Clarendon most of his life. He mar-

ried Bettie J. Kennedy on January 3, 1964, in Clarendon. He was a cowboy much of his early life and had been in the welding business since 1973. He was a former member of the Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department and had served for several years on the Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment Association. He was a member of the Martin Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Tamara Phillips, in May 1983.

Survivors include his wife, Bettie Phillips of Clarendon; one daughter, Shonda Phillips of Hale Center; one son, Todd Phillips of Clarendon; his mother, Katie Phillips of Clarendon; one sister, Laverne Berger of Big Spring; one brother, Jimmy Phillips of Mexico; two grandchildren; and one step grandchild.

Casket bearers were Ronnie Hill, Earl Shields, Carl Draper, Burl Hollar, John Mangum, Jack Moreman, Donnie Hall, and Jimmy Smith. Honorary bearers were friends of Donnie.

The family respectfully requests that memorials be to Crown of Texas Hospice.

Risley

Melba Leane Risley was born in Poolville, Texas, on December 4, 1916. In 1926 her father, V.V. Johnston, left his school teaching position in Marlow, OK, and moved his family to a farm in the Chamberlain Community of Donley County. Melba attended Clarendon College and West Texas Teachers' College before marrying Lloyd Risley on November 26, 1935.

Melba was a homemaker in the finest sense of the word. She was also involved in civic activities with membership in the First Baptist Church, the Rebecca Sunday School Class, the Martin Quilting Club, Mothers' Club, Order of the Eastern Star, and Early Birds Extension Homemakers.

She was loved by a multitude of friends. Her remaining family members include Lloyd Risley, her husband; their children, Lloyd Virgil and Marie Risley of Amarillo, Ted and Jo Shaller of Clarendon, Richard and Leane Thornberry of Lubbock, Jim

and Linda Risley of Denver City; Melba and Lloyd's grandchildren, Chris and Teresa Schollenbarger of Belton; Connie and Lucas Longan of Amarillo; Miles, Michelle, Nick and Amanda Risley of Victoria; Kelly, Teresa, and Brighton Hill of Phoenix, AZ; Jason, Tricia, Mia, and Perry DuBose, and Seth Thornberry of Lubbock; and Amy and Alison Risley of Denver City; Melba's beloved brothers, Maon Johnston of Las Cruces, NM, and Wayne Johnston of Alpine, CA.

Mrs. Risley passed from this life Thursday evening at BSA Hospital in Amarillo. Her services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 2, 2000, at the First Baptist Church. Rev. Truman Ledbetter also led burial services at Citizens Cemetery.

Sparks

Graveside services for A.M. "Snooks" Sparks, age 85, were held at 2:00 p.m., Friday, December 31, 1999, in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon with memorial services to follow at 3:00 p.m. in the Calvary Baptist Church in Clarendon with Rev. Rob Seale, Pastor, and Rev. Chris Downer of Slaton, Texas, officiating. Burial was held in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc.

Mr. Sparks died Wednesday, December 29, 1999. He was born November 21, 1914, at Dutchman Camp on the Matador Ranch. He married Johnnie Blair who preceded him in death in 1957. He married Leora Parks on March 29, 1959, at Plainview. She preceded him in death on July 23, 1995. He was a rancher most of his life, having worked for the Matador Ranch for several years, and worked for the JA Ranch most of his life from 1931 until retiring in 1983. He then worked for Wayne Riggs in Clarendon for 12 years before retiring in 1995. He was a US Army Veteran of World War II and a member of the VFW and American Legion. He had served as President of the JA

Ranch Reunion and was a Foreman for the JA Ranch. He was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church in Clarendon.

Survivors include two daughters, Terri Seale and Barbara Milhoan, both of Clarendon; three sons, Tommy Sparks of Beulah, Colorado, Tony Sparks of Clarendon, and Russell Baldwin of Claude; one sister, Gene Davis of Groesbeck, Texas; eleven grandchildren; and six great grandchildren.

The family respectfully request that memorials be to Crown of Texas Hospice.

Ballard

Funeral services for Bob Charles Ballard, age 59, were held at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 5, 2000, in Robertson Chapel of Memories in Clarendon with Lloyd Riddlespurger of Memphis, officiating. Burial was held in Rowe Cemetery in Hedley under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc.

Mr. Ballard died Saturday, January 1, 2000, in Biloxi, Mississippi. He was born May 8, 1940, in Goodlet, Texas. He was a resident of Houston for several years and then lived in Amarillo for a short time before moving to Hedley 11 years ago. He married Awilda "Cindy" Lee Jones on January 31, 1975, at Rosenberg, Texas. He was an artist for most of his life. He was a member of the Faith Christian Fellowship Church in Fort Worth.

Survivors include his wife, Cindy Ballard of Hedley; two sons, Jim Ballard and Mark Ballard, both of Houston; two daughters, Lynn McMillan of Hedley and DeLisa Noack of Ocean Springs, Mississippi; two brothers, Don Ballard of Austin and Bill Ballard of Nacadoches; and eight grandchildren.

Casket bearers were Michael Noack, Tim McMillan, Bill Clapp, Bill Schwertfeger, Dan Beechy, Otto Duncan, Jeremiah Noack, and C.T. Lloyd.

Senior Citizens to begin remodeling dining room

By Vida O'Neal
The Donley County Senior Citizens enjoyed having the group from the Medical Center Nursing Home on Tuesday. The group seemed to have a good time and a good meal. This group comes on Tuesdays, and we enjoy having them.

The DCSC will start a renovation of the dining area on January 10. Please bear with us during this time. We will set up the dining tables in the lobby and serve meals as we normally do during this time. We don't expect any problems during this renovation.

Get well wishes go out to Blackie Hartwick, Nell Gray, and Ellie Wilkerson.

Our condolences to Tillie Anglin on the loss of a brother; Tex Selvidge on the loss of his aunt; and to the families of Vivian Hight, Snooks Sparks, Donnie Phillips, and Melba Risley.

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Jan. 3, 17, 24, 31: Dance Club, 7 p.m.
Jan. 10: Renovation of dining room begins
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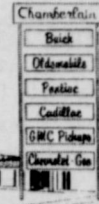
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Lady Broncos:

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the game while continuing their scoring barrage. The Lady Broncos advanced to the championship game with a 72-51 win over the Lady Hornets.

Scoring for Clarendon were Butler, 29; Lemley, 21; April Bryley, 11; Santos, 4; Aduddell, 3; Courtney Newhouse, 2; and Chamberlain, 2.

The Lady Broncos faced the Spearman Lynxettes in the championship game on Saturday night.

The Lady Broncos put in three three-point shots during the first quarter and had a three point lead at the end of eight minutes. Spearman warmed up offensively in the second quarter to take a 26-27 lead at the half-time break.

Clarendon's usual third quarter spurt was not there on Saturday night. The Lady Broncos struggled all evening offensively, but they never gave in to the Lynxettes who went into the final eight minutes with a two point lead.

The Lady Broncos had a small surge in the final two minutes of the game, but it was not enough to overcome the Lynxettes. Spearman won the game 49-53.

Scoring for Clarendon were Lemley, 19; Butler, 19; Aduddell, 4; Chamberlain, 3; Newhouse, 2; and Cooper, 2.

The Lady Broncos played a warm up game to the tournament on Tuesday afternoon in Floydada. Clarendon won the game 60-50.

Scoring for CHS were Lemley, 21; Butler, 16; Aduddell, 7; Newhouse, 6; Bryley, 4; Santos, 2; Glover, 2; and Shelton, 2.

The 14-3 Lady Broncos will start District play on Friday, January 7, at 6:30 p.m. in White Deer. Clarendon will host Wellington on Tuesday, January 11, at 6:30 p.m.

3 local athletes are recognized

Clarendon High School was well represented on the boys and girls' Greenbelt All Tournament teams.

The teams were selected by the participating team coaches on the final day of the tournament. The individuals, which may be selected from all the teams that participated in the tournament, were honored for their performances during the three day event.

Bronco Junior Josh Williams was selected to be on the boys' team. Other individuals named were Jared Horsford, Hale Center, MVP; Bud Morgan, Paducah; Jeff Lyles, Floydada; Aaron Wingarner, Spearman; and Darryl Henderson, Floydada.

Lady Bronco Junior Geri Butler was selected as the tournament's most valuable player on the girls' side. Sophomore teammate Kelley Lemley was also named to the team. Other players on the girls' team were Jenn Schnell, Spearman; Ashley Hill, Hedley; Andrea Vaughn, Tulia; and Adrienne Simpson, Spearman.

JV Owls lose to Wheeler

By Ashley Hill

On Tuesday, December 28, the Hedley JV Boys traveled to Wheeler to play the JV Mustangs.

The Mustangs took an early lead by outscoring the Owls 16-5 and led 35-9 at halftime. In the third quarter, Hedley did better, making the score 20-54. However, due to not enough players and no rest, Hedley fell too far behind to catch back up with Wheeler. The Owls put forth a great effort but still lost to Wheeler, 21-64.

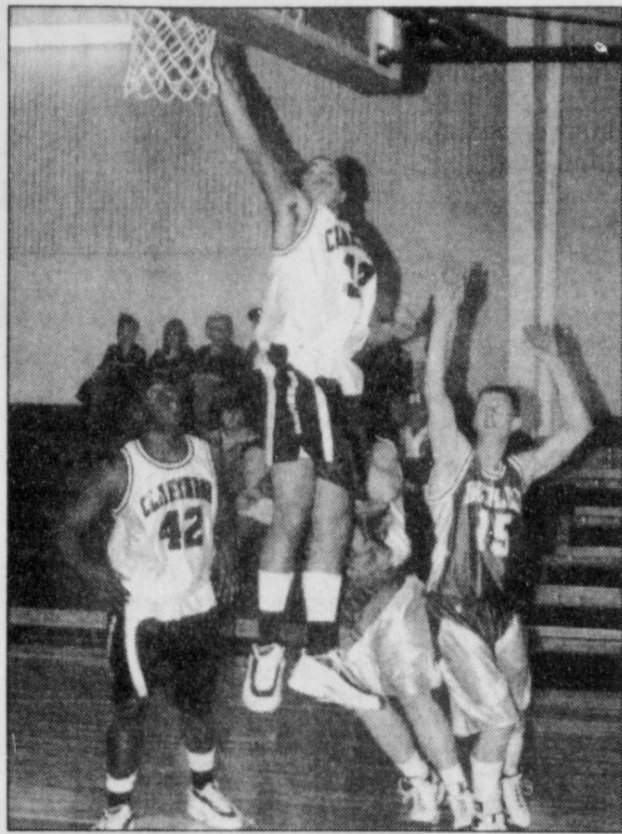
Scoring for the Owls were Rodney Ellerbrook, 8; Nick Clubb, 6; Bradley Conatser, 5; and Lisle Rowland, 2.

CC basketball returns after holiday break

Clarendon College Bulldogs and Lady Bulldogs return to action January 8 after the holiday break.

CC takes on Redlands College in a double-header in Bulldog Gym this Saturday to wrap-up pre-conference play. The Lady Bulldogs tip-off at 5:50 p.m. followed by the Bulldogs at 8 p.m.

CC will begin conference play on January 10 against New Mexico Junior College in Hobbs, NM. The Lady Bulldogs begin the action at 5:50 p.m. (MST) and the Bulldogs follow at 8:00 p.m. (MST).



Josh Williams puts in two for Clarendon while teammate Ben Wilson and Hedley's Roger Wade look for the rebound during last week's Greenbelt Tournament.

Enterprise Photo by Bill Holden.

Broncos host area teams in tournament

The Clarendon Broncos hosted the Greenbelt Invitation Tournament December 30-January 1.

On Thursday, the Broncos teamed against Hedley for their first game of the tournament. The Broncos won their first tournament game against Hedley by a 30-point margin. The final score was 76-46.

Scoring for Clarendon were Chris Linquist, 18; Junior Rodriguez, 16; Josh Williams, 11; Ben Wilson, 8; Sam Holton, 6; Carey Thornberry, 6; Brandon Word, 4; Jeremy Ray, 4; and Zack Butts, 3.

The Broncos put on a tremendous effort

on Friday against sixth ranked Paducah. The Broncos led early and got behind late but then put on a real tough surge in the final minutes to eventually lose to a very good Paducah squad.

"The varsity is working really hard," said Head Coach Mike Ray. "We hope to benefit even from a loss. District is getting real close, and I hope we are just as strong when we start."

Scoring for the Broncos were Williams, 19; Ray, 15; Linquist, 14; Wilson, 8; Holton, 4; Butts, 2; and Word, 1.

Clarendon took another hard loss on

Saturday to Floydada. The final score was 63-59.

"The Broncos lost another close game to a very good Floydada team," said Coach Ray. "We are playing some tough teams in hopes of getting better ourselves, even in a loss."

Scoring were Williams, 20; Holton, 10; Linquist, 8; Thornberry, 7; Ray, 5; Wilson, 4; Rodriguez, 3; and Word, 2.

The Broncos hold a 11-4 record going into this week's play. They will face off against White Deer Friday at 8:00 p.m. in White Deer.

JV Lady Broncos place seventh against varsity teams in tournament

The JV Lady Bronco team faced three tough games in the Greenbelt Varsity Tournament this past weekend.

Clarendon played the Tulia Lady Hornets in the first round. Tulia dominated offensively and won the game, 31-71.

Scoring for Clarendon were Claire Rodriguez, 12; Brandi Martindale, 5; Jamee Sparks, 4; May Butler, 4; Lacey Anderberg, 4; and Liz Simmons, 2.

The Lady Broncos settled down a little

on the second day and were able to execute better offensively when they faced the Lady Owls of Hedley. Hedley won the game 49-71.

Clarendon scorers were Butler, 14; Rodriguez, 8; Anderberg, 8; Simmons, 8; Brandi Betts, 4; Sarah Ray, 2; Danielle Holden, 2; Martindale, 2; and Sparks, 1.

The JV Lady Broncos played the Paducah Lady Dragons in their final game of the tournament. The young Clarendon

team bested the Lady Dragons, 55-51, to capture seventh place.

Scoring for the Lady Bronco JV were Rodriguez, 22; Butler, 15; Anderberg, 6; Simmons, 4; Sparks, 3; Betts, 3; and Christine Holden, 2.

The JV team will open District play at White Deer on Friday, January 7, at 5 p.m. Clarendon will host Wellington on Tuesday, January 11, at 5 p.m.

Bronco Basketball

January 7: Broncos vs. White Deer in White Deer

Girls - 6:30 p.m. Boys - 8:00 p.m.

January 11: Broncos vs. Wellington in Bronco Gym

Girls - 6:30 p.m. Boys - 8:00 p.m.

Broncos

10	Chris Linquist	Sr
20	Junior Rodriguez	Sr
30	Sam Holton	Jr
32	Josh Williams	Jr
33	Jeremy Ray	Soph
34	Carey Thornberry	Sr
40	Aaron Jeffers	Sr
42	Ben Wilson	Sr
50	Brandon Word	Sr
52	Zack Butts	Sr

Head Coach: Mike Ray
Asst. Coach: Greg Mouser & Ferlin Seaman

Lady Broncos

3	America Santos	Sr
10	Courtney Newhouse	Jr
12	Kelley Lemley	Soph
14	April Bryley	Soph
20	Janey Aduddell	Soph
22	Kristen Glover	Soph
23	Geri Butler	Jr
32	Lindsey Shelton	Jr
33	Cat Chamberlain	Sr
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EXCELLENT LOCATION in West Clarendon - Nice 3 bedroom, brick, 1 & 3/4 baths, large living/den, kitchen with built-ins, dining, utility, attached double garage, central heat & ref. air, additional unattached 2 car garage/shop/office, backyard fenced with brick pier/wood combination, 3 station sprinkler, nice trees and shrubs at 503 S. Cottage for \$99,900. (APPRAISAL AVAILABLE)

LIKE NEW custom designed 2 bedroom, 2 full baths with marble sinks & skylights, living/dining/den, fireplace with blower, large utility, built in computer desk, central heat & ref. air, recessed fans & lighting, storm cellar, carport, PLUS gas, electricity, & water hookup for RV - or mobile home, all of 3 lots enclosed with chain link fence at 711 E. 3rd for \$75,000.

IN TOWN, BUT WITH A COUNTRY VIEW in West Clarendon, nice 3 bedroom, 1-3/4 bath, brick, with living/den, kitchen/dining, utility, attached garage, central heat & ref. air, sprinklers, new carpet & paint at 502 Cottage for \$63,500.

VERY NICE and recently remodeled two bedroom, kitchen with new cabinets, built-in range, refrigerator, microwave, coffee maker and disposer, living, add on room suitable for third bedroom, den or sun room, one remodeled full bath, large utility, wiring and plumbing have been replaced, attached one car garage with opener, fenced backyard with hot tub and metal yard building at 105 S. Goodnight for ~~\$39,500~~. **REDUCED TO \$32,500.**

WALKING DISTANCE TO BOTH HIGH SCHOOL & CLARENDON COLLEGE - nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath, living, kitchen, utility, 2 carports, 3 storage buildings, central heat & refrigerated air, brick/steel siding, deck, cellar, numerous fruit & shade trees, fenced front & back yards, and an unobstructed view of the country - all on six lots at 401 Collinson for \$62,500. (SHOW BY APPOINTMENT)

RECENTLY REMODELED 2 story, 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, living, dining, kitchen with new cabinets, dishwasher and range, large utility, covered porch, large deck, ducts installed for central h/a, shade and fruit trees, cased well, barn and storage building, all on one city block at 902 S. Gorst for \$72,000.00.

NEAR SCHOOL - 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, living, dining, kitchen, one room finished basement, central heat & ref. air, 320 sq. ft. covered porch, unattached two car garage, fenced backyard at 620 W. 6th for \$49,500.

DUPLEX centrally located within walking distance to school and post office, some appliances included. Suitable for two small families. Could be converted to 3 bedroom, 2 bath residence. Good investment for bed and breakfast at 517 W. 4th for \$39,500.

Partially remodeled 2 bedroom, 1 bath, kitchen, dining, living, utility, yard building, good location at 613 S. Gorst for \$19,900.00.

CLARENDON-COMMERCIAL

Store building, downtown location at Hwy. 287 and Kearney, 3510 sq. ft. store plus 1665 sq. ft. storage, addition 840 sq. ft. basement, plenty of parking, last used as grocery store, but easily convertible for other use, offered at ~~\$75,000.00~~. **REDUCED TO \$59,500.**

Office/store building with highway frontage at Hwy. 287 and Jefferson, present design has 1938 sq. ft. petitioned for office spaces and 1730 sq. ft. for store, parking space available, offered for ~~\$75,000.00~~. **REDUCED TO \$59,500.**

250 ft. frontage on Hwy. 287 with nice, well maintained office building presently leased to a State of Texas agency for \$824 monthly. Very good income investment plus excellent development potential for vacant lots with Hwy. 287 frontage. At 911 E. 2nd for \$89,000.

LELIA LAKE - 2 ACRE +/- beautifully landscaped and decorated, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths (full, 3/4, & 1/2), large kitchen/dining, den with fireplace, living, sun room with bricked grill, double garage, 2-car port, brick, shakes, central heat & air, dust stopper doors & windows, well, fenced yard, shop & storage building, dog kennel with 6 runs, numerous shade & fruit trees - and more - must see to appreciate. Owner relocating; price **REDUCED TO \$99,500.00.**

GOODNIGHT - 156 ACRES - ALL GRASS - on hard surface road - recently remodeled house with new plumbing & wiring - 2 bedroom (1 down & 1 up with deck), 1 bath, utility, living, den, kitchen, attached 3 car port, ducts for central heat, storage van, underground water from well to 3 pastures for ~~\$445,000~~. **REDUCED TO \$110,000.**

CLARENDON - 333 ACRE HUNTER'S PARADISE - one mile frontage with unobstructed view overlooking major ranch, house suitable for hunting lodge, like new 30'x30' insulated metal barn with concrete floor, bath, & office, 2 acre 5/8 acre home and acreage for crops & tank, shelter belt and acreage of trees provide ideal habitat and shelter for deer and game birds. (PACIFIC DEER, INDIAN DEER, MULE DEER, PRECIOUS BIRDS - 1994 - 2000) - **ALL INCLUDED** - TANDEM DISK, SHREDDER, TANDEM DISK, POST HOLE DIGGER AND RHINO BLADE, ALL WITH LOW HOURS AND A SHOP FULL OF TOOLS, EQUIPMENT, & SUPPLIES AND APPROXIMATELY 800 PLANTED GRAPE VINES) - **ALL FOR \$166,500.**

LELIA LAKE - 246 ACRE FARM - 122 ac farmland, balance grass - house with 3 bedrooms, bath, living, kitchen, utility, unattached 2 car garage, storage bldg., well with sub. pump at house, 2nd well with sub. pump in pasture, good hunting for deer and quail for \$245. per acre.

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Sheriff's Report:

500 gallon water tank taken near Lelia Lake

December 27

3:50 a.m. - Caller reports westbound semi-truck all over the road. Deputy and Armstrong County Sheriff's Office were advised.

7:54 a.m. - Deputy investigated a hit and run at Koogle and Fourth.

9:40 a.m. - Caller reported a church van was disabled 12 miles west on US 287.

11:48 a.m. - Caller reported seeing possible stolen dogs. Deputy and Animal Control were advised.

11:55 a.m. - Caller reported an altercation behind a business on west US 287. Deputy responded.

12:26 p.m. - A 911 call came in, but there was no response. Dispatch called back, and the phone line was busy. Dispatch said that 911 calls had been received from that number before and that kids were playing on the phone. The information was given to the deputy.

3:16 p.m. - Structure fire reported on W. Eighth St. All units paged to this address.

5:15 p.m. - DPS en route to jail with one person in custody.

5:16 p.m. - Deputy advised of call five miles north on SH 70.

6:12 p.m. - Deputy assisted a disabled motorist on FM 1260.

8:59 p.m. - Ambulance paged to the 600 block of Gorst Street. One adult female was transported to BSA.

10:51 p.m. - Business owner on US 287 reported young people who took off in a vehicle, throwing loose gravel up on other vehicles. No damage was reported.

December 28

1:12 a.m. - Deputy paged to the 500 block of E. Fifth Street. Caller had fallen and needed assistance getting up. Ambulance personnel assisted.

9:07 a.m. - Caller reported a stray dog on the west end of Clarendon.

11:11 a.m. - Caller reported having difficulties picking up his property from a business in Clarendon.

12:33 p.m. - Caller reported he has had no contact with his wife and children since Thanksgiving. Their location is unknown.

1:45 p.m. - Caller reported a 500 gallon tank mounted on wheels was taken from the Lelia Lake area.

5:39 p.m. - Caller reported a stranded motorist at the Quail turn off outside Hedley.

5:52 p.m. - Ambulance paged to Medical Center Nursing Home for a non-emergency transfer to BSA.

7:40 p.m. - Fire reported in Howardwick. Howardwick Fire Department paged.

10:01 p.m. - Hall Co. Hospital advised a Clarendon resident was seeking treatment for an assault that occurred on Hawley Street. He was advised to make a statement at the Hall Co. Sheriff's

Office. The victim refused and refused treatment. He said he would file a statement in Donley County.

December 29

4:42 a.m. - Ambulance paged to FM 1755 near Lelia Lake on a 911 call. One adult female was transported to Hall Co. Hospital.

7:48 a.m. - A Hedley resident called seeking information on her son who had not come home. Deputy located him at his place of employment.

11:00 a.m. - An accident was reported about seven miles west on US 287. Two or three people involved, injuries uncertain. Ambulance, DPS, and wrecker were paged to the scene.

11:41 a.m. - Deputy needed to assist at nursing home.

12:14 p.m. - Armstrong Co. Sheriff's Office reported a possible drunk driver going east on US 287. Deputy responded.

1:16 p.m. - Caller reported running into a garbage truck.

2:03 p.m. - Caller reported smoke southwest of Clarendon. Fire department was paged. They were unable to locate smoke or a fire.

5:40 p.m. - Deputy paged to jail to assist dispatcher with uncooperative inmates. Uncooperative had become unruly.

8:14 p.m. - Deputy again paged to jail.

9:49 p.m. - Deputy out with a truck parked on the highway.

10:53 p.m. - Constable dispatched to a domestic call in the 200 block of N. Daniel Street in Hedley. Deputy dispatched to assist. DPS in the area also assisted.

10:58 p.m. - DPS reports suspect left the residence on foot after having broken several windows.

11:08 p.m. - Deputy went to Third and Bailey in Hedley. Officers went to second location. Deputy and constable went to third location at First and Short streets in Hedley.

11:51 p.m. - Constable went to J.P. office to get a warrant.

December 30

12:10 a.m. - Constable en route to Hall Co. Sheriff's Office.

12:41 a.m. - Constable seeking physical description of suspect.

3:25 a.m. - Deputy made a traffic stop at US 287 and Kearney.

8:26 a.m. - Ambulance paged to the 600 block of W. Third on a 911 call. One adult female was transported to BSA.

8:54 a.m. - Caller reported seeing the suspect wanted in Hedley. The constable and deputy were alerted.

12:58 p.m. - Ambulance paged to the rural health clinic. One adult male was transported to BSA.

1:09 p.m. - Deputy en route to jail with Hedley suspect in custody.

3:20 p.m. - Constable en route to sheriff's office with one in custody.

4:58 p.m. - Ambulance paged to the 200 block of Koogle Street.

7:18 p.m. - Ambulance paged to the 500 block of W. Sixth Street.

7:47 p.m. - Ambulance en route to Hall Co. Hospital with one adult female on board.

December 31

1:59 a.m. - Deputy dispatched to traffic accident in front of Clarendon College. Pickup v. SUV. No injuries.

2:20 a.m. - Deputy made a traffic stop.

10:06 a.m. - Deputy made a traffic stop.

10:54 a.m. - Deputy en route to jail with one person in custody.

11:19 a.m. - Caller reported seeing a black panther north of Clarendon and had footage on tape. Sheriff and Game Warden were advised.

4:04 p.m. - Fire department paged to grass fire on FM 2362 three miles west of the water tower.

4:41 p.m. - Ambulance paged to the college track. One adult male taken to Hall Co. Hospital.

5:20 p.m. - Caller reported seeing a small black dog on W. Fifth Street.

8:21 p.m. - Ambulance paged to the 300 block of Lubbock Lane in Howardwick. One adult was transported to BSA.

11:56 p.m. - Gunshots or firecrackers were reported in the 600 block of S. Gorst.

January 1

12:01 a.m. - Caller reported a possible drunk driver eastbound entering the Memphis city limits. Hall Co. Sheriff's Office was advised.

12:55 a.m. - Deputy was attempting to stop a vehicle, but the driver wasn't responding. Assistance from DPS was requested.

12:58 a.m. - Deputy out with vehicle. Driver hit a tree.

1:00 a.m. - Dispatch wrecker to location on McClelland Street.

1:03 a.m. - Deputy en route to jail with one in custody.

1:06 a.m. - Woman called 911 and reported her car stolen. Deputy took a report.

2:18 a.m. - Caller reported a male and female fighting in front of his business on US 287. Deputy responded.

2:25 a.m. - Deputy brought one adult to Sheriff's Office.

2:33 a.m. - Deputy out at an address on Sims Street.

2:35 a.m. - Deputy en route to jail with one adult male in custody.

7:55 a.m. - Caller reported his vehicle had been moved during the night.

9:05 a.m. - A woman came to the sheriff's office to make a report on damage done to her rental property.

11:42 a.m. - Fire department paged to a fire on CR 13 one-half mile north.

11:51 a.m. - Dispatch was advised more help needed on fire. Fire department paged again. Ambulance paged for standby.

12:26 p.m. - Memphis paged to assist with fire.

1:39 p.m. - Another fire reported. Location unclear. Deputy went to check.

1:42 p.m. - Caller reported things stolen from her garage in the 600 block of Montgomery Street. Deputy was advised.

2:21 p.m. - Second fire located. Fire department paged to JA Ranch Road.

3:16 p.m. - Caller reported cotton burning 7 1/2 miles east in the median of US 287. Fire department responded and also responded to a smaller fire across the highway.

10:01 - 10:03 p.m. - Three calls reported a late model black pickup throwing firecrackers.

January 2

3:08 p.m. - Deputy assisted a female in obtaining her property from a vacated residence in the 200 block of S. Sims.

3:41 p.m. - Caller reported a possible intoxicated driver three miles east of Hedley.

4:01 p.m. - Grass fire reported. Hedley Fire Department paged to the scene.

4:30 p.m. - Grass fire reported between the rest areas on US 287 west. Armstrong Co. advised.

4:51 p.m. - Call reported a disabled vehicle 1/2 mile west of Clarendon.

5:19 p.m. - DPS en route to jail with one in custody.

6:00 p.m. - Gas drive off reported in Hedley.

6:36 p.m. - Constable en route to store in Hedley.


weather report

Day	Date	High	Low	Prec
Mon	27	61*	27*	-
Tues	28	58*	26*	-
Wed	29	72*	28*	-
Thurs	30	59*	29*	-
Fri	31	64*	22*	-
Sat	1	67*	21*	-
Sun	2	74*	34*	-

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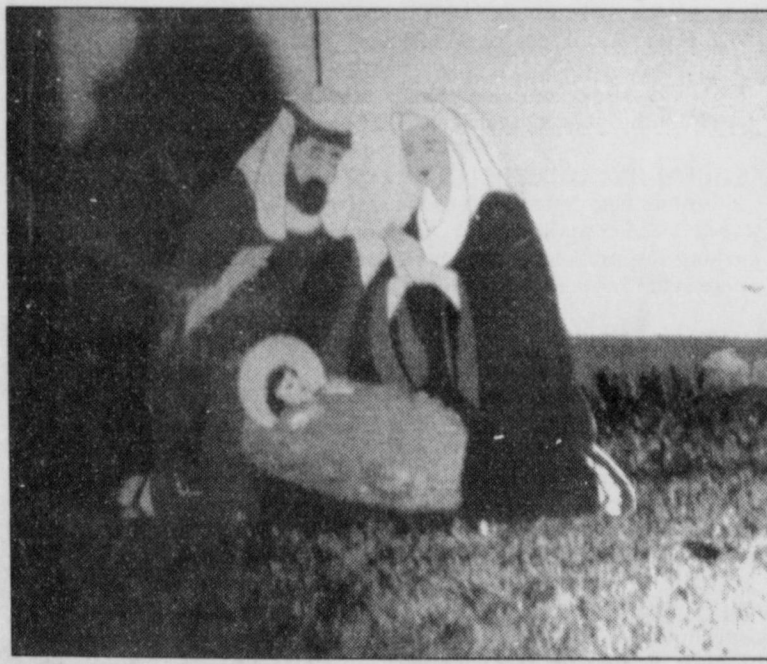
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Baby Jesus sleeps peacefully in this manger scene painted by Janette Burns for her parents' house. The scene was just part of a 12,000-light display that decorated the house, yard, and everything nearby at the residence of Pick and Laqueta Cox in Hedley. Janette got help with the decorations from her aunt, Nellie Martin of Childress, and a whole bunch of relatives and grandchildren of the Coxes.

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