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## NEWS at a glance

### McCoy gives felon 16-year sentence

A Donley County felon will spend 16 years in the state penitentiary following action by the district court last week.

Michael Neal Royal was sentenced by District Judge David McCoy on a motion filed by District Attorney Stuart Messer to adjudicate the guilt of the defendant.

Royal had been placed on 10 years deferred adjudication on October 7, 1999, in two first degree felony cases of Aggravated Assault on a Peace Officer. He has since violated two conditions of his probation, which brought him before the court.

"I want to commend the work of the probation department for keeping a close watch on their probationers in helping to keep our communities and families safe," Messer said.

Many times the State will agree to allow a defendant to go on probation, knowing that if the defendant violates probation he will face serious consequences.

Royal was represented by attorney Seldon Hale.

### Panhandle Transit offers free rides

Panhandle Transit is offering free bus rides for those living in Clarendon.

In an effort to familiarize all local residents to the conveniences of public transportation, PCS will transport citizens anywhere in Clarendon at no charge. This offer is in effect from May 1 to September 1, 2003. Panhandle Transit requires 24-hour notice to schedule your ride by calling 874-2573.

Let them lighten your load by transporting your children to and from Bible school, Grandma's house, or summer school. If you're pleased with their service, tell a friend.

### Red Hats will meet

The Scarlet Saints Chapter of the Red Hat Society will meet on Thursday, May 8, at 11:30 a.m. at Steve's Texas Steakout for lunch.

Put on your red sombrero and join the group for a late celebration of Cinco de Mayo.

### Colt, Bronco Band to hold concerts

The Clarendon Junior High Colt Band will hold their annual spring concert May 15 at 6 p.m. in the Colt gym with a picnic following at the park.

The Clarendon High School Bronco band will hold their annual spring concert on May 18 at 2:00 in the Colt gym.

Everyone is invited to attend.

### Inside:

- 2 A well known news channel incorrectly reported the deaths of some famous people last month.
- 3 Clarendon College gets ready to have summer classes.
- 7 April showers and spring flowers bring drippy noses and watery eyes.
- 8 And a Lady Bronco makes a place for herself in the school record book.

All this and much more in this week's high-powered edition!

## Elections produce narrow wins

One vote reelects Alderman Tibbets; Davis wins Howardwick mayoral race by five

Only one vote separated three of the seven candidates running for two positions on the Clarendon Board of Aldermen when local elections were held Saturday.

Former alderman Bobbie Kidd was easily returned to office with 125 votes, but incumbent Alderman Michael Tibbets pulled out a one-vote victory over fellow incumbent Bob Watson, 81 to 80. Candidate Allen Estlack was fourth with 79.

City Secretary Linda Smith said

Monday afternoon that Alderman Watson is considering asking for a recount of Saturday's vote. He has until May 8 to make that decision and would have to pay fees totaling about \$55 - win or lose - if he makes the request.

Only 212 Clarendon citizens cast ballots this year, down from 257 last year. Mayor Tex Selvidge, running unopposed, received 162 votes. Other candidates for aldermen were Carl Draper, 15; Ricky Rattan, 13;

and Jimmy Swinney, 6.

Razor thin elections were also the order of the day elsewhere in the county.

In Howardwick, former alderman Nancy Davis was elected mayor by a five-vote margin over Alderman Bobby Murdock. The final count was 66 to 61.

Aldermen Dewey Linley and Mike Rowland were running unopposed and received 89 and 108 votes. A total of 127 people cast ballots in

Howardwick, more than double the 62 who voted last year.

In the election for the Place Two seat on the Donley County Hospital District Board of Directors, challenger Alan Fletcher squeezed out a six-vote win against incumbent Nelson Christie, 215 to 209.

Incumbent Andy Wheatley handily defeated challenger Bill Holden, 293 to 105, for the Place Three seat, and Don Thornberry was unopposed and garnered 340 votes for his Place

One seat.

A total of 436 people voted in the hospital district election. That represents only 17.4 percent of the registered voters in Donley County.

The Hedley School Board race was the only election without close finishes. Ninety-nine people turned out to reelect Cary Don Neely and Troy Monroe with 70 and 65 votes. Challengers Dan Bollin and LeAnn Marcum netted 38 and 15 votes respectively.



### Heavy construction

Clarendon Head Start students Kylee Pacheco and Rodney Smith enjoy digging in the sand during recess on Tuesday morning. Kylee, Rodney, and other students at Clarendon schools only have a few more weeks of school left before summer break.

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## Boll weevil eradication receives 10-1 approval

AUSTIN — The Texas Department of Agriculture announced this week that cotton producers in the 22 counties of the Northern Rolling Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone have voted by almost a 10-to-1 margin to continue a boll weevil eradication program.

Final results were 904 voting "for" and 94 voting "against" continuing an eradication program.

TDA mailed 2,028 ballots to cotton producers in the zone who were eligible to vote in the referendum. A total of 998 ballots were postmarked by the April 21 deadline and counted.

Cotton producers also elected John Inman of Childress County to represent the Northern Rolling Plains Zone on the statewide board of directors for the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation, Inc.

Inman is a cotton producer who has farmed in Childress County since 1980.

Growers in the Northern Rolling Plains Zone initially approved a boll weevil eradication program in April 1999 and a maximum assessment of \$15 per planted row acre for irrigated cotton and \$10 per planted row acre for dryland cotton to fund it. With producers voting to continue the program, the current assessment rates were not affected.

The Northern Rolling Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone consists of approximately 350,000 acres in 22 counties: Childress, Clay, Collingsworth, Cottle, Donley, Foard, Gray, Hall, Hardeman, Kent, King, Motley, Wheeler, Wichita, Wilbarger, and portions of Archer, Armstrong, Briscoe, Crosby, Dickens, Floyd and Garza.

## Troopers arrest two, seize \$9k

State troopers seized \$9,000 in cash and arrested two people on drug-related charges in Donley County last Wednesday.

Rodney Neff, age 31, of Clairemore, Okla., and Karen Mendez, age 23, of Apple Valley, Calif., were stopped for speeding on I-40 by DPS Troopers Lynn Mays and Chad Simpson. A subsequent search of the vehicle yielded crack cocaine, Xanax, Valium, marijuana, and criminal equipment.

Neff and Mendez were booked

into the Donley County Jail on first degree felony charges of Possession of a Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver, third degree felony charges of money laundering, and misdemeanor charges of Possession of Marijuana. Neff was also charged with misdemeanor Unlawful Carrying of a Weapon.

Also assisting with the arrests and seizure were Sheriff Butch Blackburn and Deputies Randy Bond, Brady Bishop, Kelly Hill, and Joe Mesza.

## Dewhurst names Duncan to budget committee

AUSTIN — Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst today named Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, to the General Appropriations Act conference committee, a 10-member body of the Legislature charged with drafting a budget from the differing House and Senate plans.

"This is a challenge we have worked toward all session," Duncan said. "The task ahead of us is not an easy one. As a member of the Senate Committee on Finance, I've felt the pain of crafting a budget in a shortfall year. There is not enough money to fund every service to the extent our constituents would like, and there are no absolute winners in a budget year that starts \$10 billion down."

Duncan said he is appreciative that the lieutenant governor kept the needs of West Texas in mind when he was naming members to the conference committee.

The 2003 conference committee will be the third such committee Duncan has served. In 1999, former Lt. Gov. Rick Perry assigned Duncan to conference; and in 2001, Duncan was named to the committee by acting Lt. Gov. Bill Ratliff.

Senate District 28 has a variety of critical elements - among them, the institutions of higher education: Texas Tech University, Angelo State, South Plains College, Howard College, Clarendon College, Texas State Technical College, Western Texas College, Lubbock Christian University, and Wayland Baptist University - that depend on state funding to keep the area growing in the right direction.

The cost of health care is the state's number one budget driver, and management of those costs and meet-

ing the needs of those who depend on these services is critical to writing a balanced budget for 2004-2005. Duncan said that maintaining a thriving healthcare infrastructure throughout the state should also be a key goal of this committee.

The budget conference committee is composed of 10 members: five House representatives named by the Speaker and five Senate members named by the lieutenant governor.

Once the House has passed its budget plan for the biennium and the Senate has passed its budget plan for the biennium, the two are compared. If the plans do not match line-by-line, a conference committee is named. The conference committee has the option of merging the two plans or starting from scratch. It's in the conference committee where the state's biennial budget is finally written.

## SBA disaster loan application deadline coming up

Businesses in Donley County and certain other Texas and Oklahoma counties have until June 6, 2003, to file applications for low-interest disaster loans from the US Small Business Administration (SBA).

The SBA's Economic Disaster Loans are available for businesses dependent on farmers and ranchers sustaining crop losses due to the

drought that occurred June 1, 2001, and continuing; and by lightning and wildfires that occurred on July 16, 2001.

Farmers are not eligible for these SBA loans. However, nurseries that are victims of drought disasters can apply.

Businesses in the following counties are eligible to apply include in Texas: Childress, Collingsworth,

Donley, Gray, Hall, and Wheeler; and in Oklahoma: Beckham and Harmon.

Applications and further information can be obtained by calling the SBA toll-free at 1-800-366-6303.

These loans are intended to assist businesses in offsetting working capital losses suffered as a result of severe weather reducing crop income of the area farmers and ranchers.



## Supporting our troops

Local VFW members Bill Holden and Dale Powers bow their heads in prayer during the Support Our Troops rally held at the Donley County War Memorial last Saturday.

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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 liberals, socialists, and other small mammals. Read at your own risk.



Gambler must look in mirror to place blame

There never seems to be an end to the stupid lawsuits that people file. In addition to the hyper-sensitive atheists who sue any time God is mentioned, we've seen a continuing rash of people who sue someone rather than take responsibility for their own actions. These cases range from smokers who are so stupid they supposedly don't know smoking is unhealthy, to fat people who blame fast food establishments for their state of high gravitational attraction. But in the land of lawsuit-happy Americans, another litigation battle is coming to the forefront. This time the "victims" are compulsive gamblers. In Indiana, David Williams is suing the Casino Aztar for feeding his addiction and basically costing him everything he had, according to a report by FoxNews.com. The story goes that Williams was out of control with his gambling, and a friend managed to get the Aztar to ban him from their property. Eleven months later, however, the casino reportedly sent Williams some tickets and coupons to lure him back to their evil nest. As P.T. Barnum said, "There's a sucker born every minute," and David Williams was one such sucker. "It starts out as an adrenaline rush," the gambler told Fox News. "But in a period of about seven days, I lost \$38,000." Being an idiot with no self-control and with Lady Luck not smiling on him, Williams went on to lose \$175,000 and had to declare bankruptcy. His solution after bankruptcy was to sue that mean old casino. Williams' attorney accuses casinos of "taking advantage of a bunch of sick people," but the casino's attorney retorts, "Fundamentally, problem gamblers have to take responsibility for their own actions." A federal judge found in favor of the casino. Williams is - surprise, surprise - appealing. (Maybe he thinks the odds are better at the next bench. "Come on sevens! David needs a new pair of shoes and some psychotherapy!") But that's not the end of the story up in the Hoosier State. The legislature has gotten into the act. A bill passed in the Indiana House of Representatives lets gamblers voluntarily get on a list to have themselves banned from casinos or face trespassing charges. The burden to police this, of course, is thrown back on the casinos, who would be barred from sending coupons to or cashing checks for the aforementioned gamblers. Why is it the casinos' fault? Take your humble editor, for example. I regularly put two bucks into the Texas Lotto every Wednesday and one buck on Saturday. And believe me, I've got big plans for that \$4 million. I've got even bigger plans for the larger jackpots. I haven't won anything substantial since I got \$100 off a quick pick back in '94, but I keep playing anyway. I've wasted well over a thousand dollars since that time. I blame Ann Richards for this, but am I sick? Should I sue the state? No, that wouldn't do. They're broke already. Perhaps I can go for the firm that manages the lottery or individually sue those dopey people who stand by the official lotto ping-pong ball doohickey. In actuality the only person responsible for my spending that much money - which I just view as a cheap form of entertainment - is me. Likewise, the person responsible for David Williams' financial mess is David Williams himself. As a society we need to stop accepting excuses from people like David and start insisting that they live with the results of their own actions. Just this week, the well-known conservative activist, William Bennett, acknowledged that he has a gambling problem. He reportedly lost an estimated \$8 million over the last ten years and had losses of \$1.4 million in just one two-month period. Faced with questions about his habit, Bennett admitted he enjoys very high-stakes gambling and told Newsweek, "I don't play the 'milk money.' I don't put my family at risk, and I don't owe anyone anything." He now says his gambling days are over because that's not the example he wants to set. Did he have a problem? I can't say. If that's his form of entertainment and he can afford it, then I think it was his business and no one else's. Regardless, Bill Bennett at least realizes that his actions are of his own doing, and he hasn't tried to shift the blame to someone else, unlike the pathetic Mr. Williams who is only looking for that next big score. Meanwhile... CNN accidentally declared Ronald Reagan, Bob Hope, Fidel Castro, Pope John Paul II, Nelson Mandela, Gerald Ford and Dick Cheney all dead last month. Apparently, it is the practice of national news outlets to have mock obituaries ready to go just in case certain prominent people of advanced years punch out. Unfortunately for CNN, those mock-ups accidentally became viewable on some portion of their Web site. The whole episode reminds me of an old "Bloom County" comic strip in which Milo Bloom is sitting at the Obituary Desk of the Bloom Beacon and is clearly bored out of his skull. He flips through the phone book, dials the number, and then says, "Just checking, Mrs. Lipschitz."

How can spoon go on while missing her fork

My first year of college is officially over this week. I've been cramming like mad to catch up and get everything finished before finals, and I think I am almost there. The sweetness of being through with Bible classes for the rest of my life is tainted by the sadness that my dearest and best friend, Whitney, will no longer be my roommate in the fall. She got the Resident Assistant job I was going for in a different dorm. Now she will be living all the way across campus, and I will never see her ever again! In all actuality, "all the way across campus" isn't really that far. Nevertheless, I will miss her greatly. After you have lived in such small quarters with someone for a few months, you get used to certain things, and you start rubbing off on each other. Whitney has taught me to think outside the box when it comes to art. I have always prided myself on being a non-conformist; but until I met Whitney, I was living a lie. I have learned to abandon patterns and lines and rules when it comes to creativity. Our motto in jewelry making and beaded bracelets: "there is truth in randomness." Randomness is one of the greatest

life's Lessons By Carrie Helms and most pronounced characteristics of our relationship. It was through a rather random conversation that I learned one of the most important lessons of my life thus far. I have learned that sometimes the real tie that binds is sometimes the absence thereof. I will explain. Every artist should have a kind of cameo, an object or image that appears in every work. We were sitting around talking about it one night, and I suggested randomly that Whitney should use a fork in each picture. But she had already done a number of paintings, one of a knife and a spoon. No fork was present in any work. She decided that her cameo would be the absence of forks. Never would she make a work of art using a fork. The next day in class, Whitney learned that her final art project is to create a book of images about herself with a linking theme or recurring image. We decided it



Texas bases' role vital to national defense

Texans rightly brag on many things, particularly our state's contributions to the U.S. military. In protecting the freedom we enjoy each day, our troops proved once again they are the best-trained, best-equipped military in the world. The Lone Star State has the largest number of active-duty service members in the military. More than 114,000 are based here. We are home to the most soldiers (64,000) and Air Force members (43,000) in the United States. The Navy has 6,000 personnel here, and there are 1,700 Marines. In all, one in ten active duty personnel calls Texas home. In April, I crisscrossed the state on a tour of our military installations. As Chairman of the Senate Military Construction Subcommittee on Appropriations, it is my job to ensure our bases have the facilities they need to sufficiently house, train, and support our troops. This trip gave me an opportunity to meet with commanding officers to review on-going projects and to assess their needs for new construction and improvements to existing facilities. And while that's important business, Operation Iraqi Freedom gave this tour added significance. I also took the opportunity to pay tribute to our troops, whose bravery and dedication is exceptional.

capitol Comment with Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison Their sacrifice, and that of their families, is a testament to the mettle of this generation. While our troops protect us and defend our way of life, they miss out on births of their children, tee ball games, anniversary celebrations, and babies' first steps. They are separated from family and friends for days, weeks, and months. And they serve in the harshest conditions of intense heat, blinding sandstorms, and little sleep. This visit came at an incredibly poignant time. On the eve of my tour, seven former prisoners of war (POWs) rescued in Iraq returned to Texas. Weeks earlier, the eyes of the world focused on Fort Bliss after members of its 507th Maintenance Company were captured and on Fort Hood, home base of two downed Apache pilots. I remained in close contact with the families of these POWs throughout their captivity to ensure their needs were met and to offer support and encouragement. To get the chance to meet the fine former POWs hospitalized at Fort Bliss

and see the smiles on their faces was pure joy. I admire the strength, both mental and physical, it took for the POWs to survive behind enemy lines. In fact, it's the commitment and caliber of our young men and women in uniform that struck me as I toured each base. This spirit was best exemplified by the special operations team which rescued the young soldier Jessica Lynch from her captors. Upon learning that Americans were buried near the hospital where Pfc. Lynch was held, and having no shovels, the soldiers used their hands to dig up the graves, literally racing the sun in order to leave before daylight exposed them to the enemy. Americans never leave our own behind. At each stop on the tour, I was reminded how vital a role these Texas installations play in protecting our national defense. The bases and their communities made extraordinary contributions to the operations in Iraq and Afghanistan and showed the world America's steely resolve and determination in the face of those who would destroy us. Our overwhelming victories affirm the critical role they play in preparing our troops for battle, and I could not be more proud to call Texas home.

Former resident has fond memories of Clarendon

My parents, my brother, and I used to live in Clarendon in the 1980s and were members of the Assembly of God Church, on 5th and McLellend St. After my parents moved to Colorado, we found that with our schedules it was more and more difficult to make it back to Clarendon, "our little town." At one point I remember 8 years went by before we went to Clarendon to see our friends. Now that I am all grown and on my own, I find myself visiting my friends in the town that will always be home to me. I recently visited Clarendon, and I brought back a friend to see how nice it was. He thought the people were polite and the community was nice. Even though I have moved away, my days growing up in Clarendon are still some of the fondest of my memories. It is good to

see that after all these years, even though "my little town" has grown larger, it is still the nice place I remember growing up. Eugenia Cano (Gina Ramirez, to all my friends) Thornton, Colorado US Education Secretary thanks American teachers To America's Teachers: Thank you. Thank you for your dedication. Thank you for your hard work. Thank you for your service. Thank you for choosing this noble profession. Thank you for being a hero to both young and old. Thank you for being a best friend. Thank you for your love. Thank you for believing in the bright

hope of every child. Thank you for setting high standards. Thank you for believing every child can learn if given the chance. Thank you for you inspiring the leaders of tomorrow. Thank you for offering comfort in times of sorrow. Thank you for being a mentor for a lifetime. Thank you for your professionalism. Thank you for your commitment. Thank you for staying after school and providing extra help. Thank you for doing whatever it takes to make sure no child is left behind. As you go about your work this day and every day, know that you have the admiration, appreciation, and respect of the President of the United States and all of the American people. Rod Paige, US Secretary of Education

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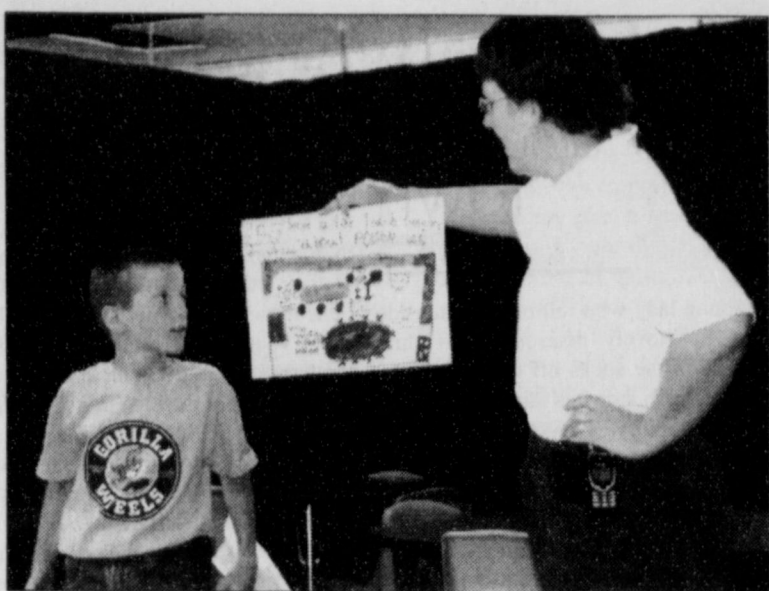
**CISD seeking students with 'limited English'**

Clarendon CISD is looking for 2002-2003 Kindergarten and First graders who are Limited English Proficient (LEP) to join us during the month of June for our Project Smart summer school program.

This program is designed to help our Limited English students to become fluent in the English language.

They will be working in a smaller classroom environment with more one on one instruction. They will also have a fluent English speaking exchange teacher from Mexico, who will assist in the teaching process.

If you need more information, please call Elementary Principal Mike Word or Bilingual Aide Dena Cenicerros at 874-3855.



**Best poster**

Hedley elementary student Reid Copelin was the winner of the Poison Control Center poster contest held recently. Copelin was named the winner of the Hedley and the Donley County competition. Ronica Farrar, Educator for the Texas Panhandle Poison Center, presented Copelin with a certificate and prizes for winning both contests.

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**CC summer registration coming**

The Summer I Session at Clarendon College begins June 2 and runs through July 3. Registration on the Clarendon and Pampa campuses is May 28-29 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Registration for Wellington classes will be May 28 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Wellington Junior High and for Childress classes on May 29 at 6 p.m. at the Childress High School.

To enroll in classes at Clarendon College, individuals must provide a

copy of their official high transcript or GED certificate, TASP scores, official transcripts from other colleges attended, and admission forms for Clarendon College. Current high school students are required to bring proof of approval from their principal or counselor.

Payment is due upon registration.

For more information call Clarendon College at (800) 687-9737 or (806) 874-3571.

**weather report**

Day	Date	High	Low	Prec.
Mon	28	91°	47°	-
Tues	29	83°	45°	-
Wed	30	90°	47°	-
Thur	1	90°	52°	-
Fri	2	81°	51°	-
Sat	3	70°	51°	-
Sun	4	82°	56°	-

Total precipitation this month: 0.00"  
Total precipitation to date: 1.28"  
Total precipitation in May last year: 1.98"  
Total YTD total last year: 5.81"

**weekend forecast**

Friday, May 9  
Partly Cloudy  
81°/51°

Saturday, May 10  
Partly Cloudy  
82°/51°

Sunday, May 11  
Mostly Sunny  
80°/52°

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**Perryton rodeo names Noble best all around**

Cheyenne Noble of Clarendon was named All Around Champion in the 13-18 year old division at a rodeo held in Perryton recently.

Cheyenne placed first in barrels, first in goat tying, and second in poles.

Cheyenne is the daughter of Terry and Linda Noble of Clarendon.

**Looking Back**

**15 Years Ago**

THE CLARENDON PRESS, May 5, 1988  
• Four Clarendon High School girls attended the regional track meet in Big Spring Saturday. Larinda Pettit threw the discus 120'6" to earn a trip to the state meet. Tina Alexander placed sixth in discus, Jami Greaver was third in shot put, and Christie Havens was sixth in the 100 meter hurdles.  
• James Owens was honored with the Saints' Roost Award during the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet last Thursday. Wes Henson was named the Work Horse of the Year, Frank Derrick was the Man of the Year, and Ruth Hancock was the Woman of the Year.

**50 Years Ago**

THE DONLEY CO. LEADER, May 7, 1953  
• Joe McMurtry was elected to head the Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment Association last week. L.T. Shelton was named vice president, and Charlie Seeds will serve as secretary. New board members are W.W. Noblet and Bill Lowe. They join J.W. Murphy, Alfred McMurtry, Pat Slavin, W.J. Lewis, Jr., and Bob Head.

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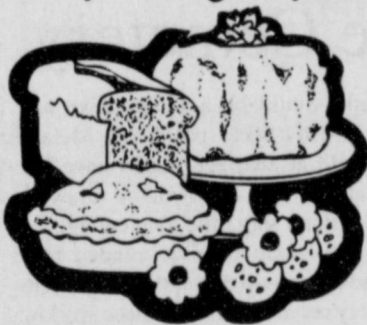
**Kasi Ashcraft**  
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**Renee Holt**  
May 17

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Let us do your Mother's Day baking for you!

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**Bake Sale**  
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**Don't miss this one!**

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Alanreed Baptist Church  
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May 17 • 10 a.m. til ?  
Covered Dish Lunch at noon

**Sharyn Morrow, Music Ministry**

Plus other participants from Elk City, OK; Sayre, OK; Erick, OK; McLean, Hedley, Alanreed, Clarendon, and Amarillo

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### Texas Senate cuts house version of transit funding

AUSTIN - The Texas Senate's Committee on Finance has dealt public transportation in rural areas and the small cities of Texas a potential financial setback regarding state appropriations for the coming two-year budget.

The Senate cut the "hold-harmless" public transportation appropriation adopted by the Texas House of Representatives by more than 29 percent. Rural and small city public transit received a 13 percent funding reduction from the Legislature in the previous legislative session that ended May 2001. The new budget is

to begin September 1, 2003.

"The Senate appropriation for public transportation is a disaster in the making unless it can be turned around in a Conference Committee that has yet to be formed," noted Michael Plaster of the Texas Transit Association, adding that the "budget version passed by the House of Representatives provides adequate funding for the short term."

With other legislation pending before the Legislature that reduces local control over public transportation services, Plaster said that local rural areas and small cities might

be in for a rocky financial future and local transit service managed more directly under the control of Austin.

"Reducing public transportation funding that is vital to rural communities and cities of under 200,000 in population will have consequences," Plaster said. "At a time when people and businessmen are faced with air pollution, traffic, and high gasoline prices - especially if gas prices spike up to over \$2 a gallon this summer as is expected - this represents a step backwards. We should be moving forward; we should be making progress in our transportation system."

Texas has 79 public transit districts serving 238 non-metropolitan counties, including thirty small cities from Brownsville to Amarillo and from El Paso County to Texarkana. Texas' largest concentrations of populations receive advanced transit services in seven metropolitan areas that have dedicated local taxes.

"In metropolitan areas of the State, they have financial stability, can make long term, predicable and efficient mobility plans; in rural Texas, it is up and down, like we see with the appropriations bill now under consideration," Plaster stated.

### First Baptist Church revival services underway

Revival services are presently under way at First Baptist Church of Clarendon and will continue through Wednesday, May 14.

The revival is a ten day effort focusing on both spiritual renewal for Christians and a new beginning with Christ for those who need His daily presence with them in their lives.

Sunday morning worship service will be at 10:50, and evening services continuing through Tuesday will begin at 7:00 p.m. nightly at Bronco

Stadium. The final service on May 14 will be back at First Baptist Church auditorium.

Johnathan Hewett, a full time evangelist from Celina, Texas, will be preaching with Wes James, music evangelist, directing music. Hewett is the founder of "Make It Plain Gospel Ministries" and is currently an officer of the Conference of Texas Baptist Evangelists. James is the founder of Wes James Ministries and is a very talented guitarist and worship leader.

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**Obituaries**

**Maxey**

Services for Opal Kae Maxey were held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, May 1, 2003, in Robertson Chapel of Memories with Rev. Rob Seale, Pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was held in Citizens Cemetery under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Mrs. Maxey was born January 9, 1924, in Childress and had been a resident of Clarendon most of her life before moving to Amarillo 4 years ago. After the death of her first husband Forrest J. Helton, she married Malcolm Warren Maxey on February 28, 1949, and he preceded her in death on June 14, 1987.

She had worked as a manager at Allsup's Convenience Stores for several years prior to her retirement. She most enjoyed dancing, being with her family members, and attending family reunions.

Mrs. Maxey was preceded in death by two daughters, Joyce Sutton and Mary Wells; and a brother, Bobby Hudson.

Survivors include four daughters, Wanda Roulett of Kileen, Maxine Wleczyk of Baytown,

Pam Williams of Brady, and Ruby Dethrage of Buena Vista, Colorado; six sons, Phillip M. Helton of Amarillo, Bobby D. Helton of Hugoton, Kansas, Jasper Maxey of Dalhart, Gary Maxey of Dalhart, Gary Maxey of Amarillo, Warren Maxey of Canyon, Johnny Helton of Albertville, Alabama; two sisters, Jane Stevens of Clarendon, and Lola Sexton of Amarillo; 33 grandchildren; 27 great grandchildren; and numerous great great grandchildren.

Casket bearers were Phillip Helton, Monte Helton, Brandon Helton, Byron Helton, T.J. Maxey, Chad Maxey, and Zachariah Maxey.

**Middleton**

Services for John W. Middleton, 56, of Memphis were held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, May 1, 2003, at the First Assembly of God with Rev. Carl Copeland officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Hughs Funeral Home in Memphis.

Mr. Middleton died Monday, April 28, 2003, in Memphis.

He was born on April 20, 1947, in Chestertown, Maryland, to the late Mr. Thomas Middleton and Mrs. Ruth Lynch. He attended schools in Cincinnati, Ohio. He moved to

Memphis in 1969 from Clarendon. He married Mary Booth on April 6, 1968, in Memphis. He worked as an inspector at Bird Song, Inc.

Mr. Middleton was preceded in death by his sister, Virginia Taylor.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Middleton of Memphis; one son, Danny Middleton and wife Melody of Memphis; one daughter, Julie Morris and husband Michael of Clarendon; one brother, Harold Middleton of Amarillo; and two grandchildren, Kenzy Middleton of Memphis; and Casen Morris of Clarendon.

**Drennan**

Jessie Elizabeth Drennan, age 91, of Vernon, Texas, died Tuesday, April 8, 2003, at a Frederick, Oklahoma, nursing home.

Graveside services were held on April 12 at 11 a.m. in Eastview Cemetery with Rev. Irl Holt officiating. Interment was under the direction of Sullivan Funeral Home of Vernon.

Ms. Drennan was born May 12, 1911, in Vernon a daughter of the late Matthew and Elizabeth Martin Swinburn. She married W.T. Drennan on June 16, 1935, in Clarendon. He preceded her in death in 1978. She attended Clarendon College and McMurry College and started

a teaching career in Ashtola and Anson. She returned to Vernon in 1957 to teach one year at Lockett High School; then she was a teacher at Shive Elementary School and Vernon Intermediate School. She retired in 1976. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Vernon.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and one daughter, Christy Drennan in 1992.

She is survived by two daughters, Robbin Pelton of Amarillo and Judith Richardson of Mesquite; five grandchildren, Danny Pelton, Kimberly Higby, Elizabeth Kirchofder, Greg Henry, and Tara Carr; seven great grandchildren; two great great grandchildren; and special friends, Jan and Art Bergman and Mike Clayton.

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**The Lion's Tale**  
By Allen Estlack

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We had 14 members and two guests: Russell and Scarlet Estlack, guests of Lion Allen Estlack.

Program Chairman Lion Bertrand announced programs for the next two meetings.

Lion Elam said public school students are doing well at state competitions. Taylor Shelton won first in News Writing, and the Abdullah twins are to play in the finals. CHS will be represented well at the state track meet, and the Junior Historians and the band are going to state also.

The Bulldogs did well at the regional tournament and are looking forward to next year, and the Girl Scout Council has officially changed its name from Texas Plains to Five Star.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

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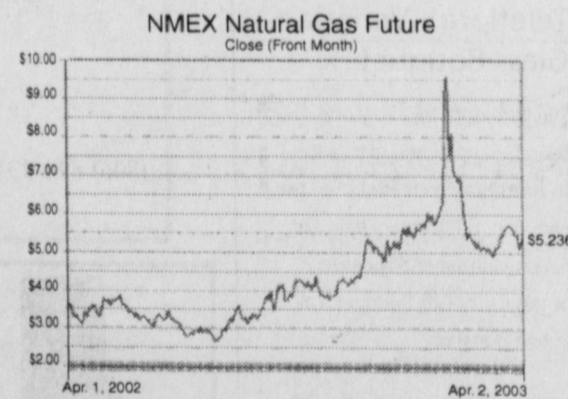
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## Spring blossoms can mean runny noses, watering eyes

COLLEGE STATION — Ah, spring... birds are singing, trees are leafing out, grass is growing, flowers are blooming... noses are running, eyes are watering, sneezes are echoing.

Spring is a time when pollen-related allergies really bloom, said Dr. Carol Rice, Texas Cooperative Extension health specialist.

"Each spring, summer, and fall, tiny particles, known as pollen, are released from plants, trees, and grasses to fertilize parts of other plants," she said. "Some of these particles don't make it to their destination — instead, they enter the noses or throats of people, triggering a seasonal allergic rhinitis called pollen allergy."

In general, allergies cause the body's immune system to strongly react to certain specific substances.

"The job of your immune system cells is to fight off harmful viruses

and bacteria, which cause dangerous diseases," Rice said. "In some people's bodies, however, the immune system cells are super-sensitive and react to harmless substances such as dust mites, mold spores, plant pollen, animal dander, insect bites, foods, and medications. This overreaction of the immune system is what causes allergy symptoms."

Figures from the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma, and Immunology show one in every five Americans has some kind of allergic condition.

And almost 10 percent of the people in the United States suffer from some kind of pollen allergy, such as hay fever or allergic rhinitis, according to figures released by National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease.

Information from the NIAID also states that pollen may be the most difficult allergen to avoid:

"Many of the foods, drugs or animals that cause allergies can be avoided to a great extent: even insects and household dust are escapable. Short of staying indoors when pollen count is high — and even that may not help — there is no easy way to evade wind-borne pollen."

Some symptoms of pollen allergies mimic the common cold. Consider these: sneezing, coughing, and postnasal drip, running nose or stuffy nose, itchy or watering eyes or nose and throat, and conjunctivitis (inflammation of the membrane lining the eyelids, which causes red-rimmed, swollen eyes and crusty eyelids).

Cold or allergy? One way to tell is duration of the condition, Rice said. According to the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America, colds usually last from seven to 10 days; allergy attacks can go on for weeks or months.

So how can a seasonal sufferer find some relief? "There is no way to completely escape pollen exposure," Rice said. But these suggestions may help in avoiding pollen:

- Stay indoors as much as possible when pollen counts are high, especially on sunny, windy days.
  - When indoors, keep doors and windows closed; run the ventilation or air conditioning system.
  - When you must be outdoors, wear a pollen-filtering face mask; and be sure it covers your nose and mouth.
  - Talk to your health care provider about medications that might bring some relief.
  - If you can, take your vacation during the peak of the pollen season to a place where you'll have the least exposure to your particular allergen.
- Keep the tissues at hand and remember: Pollen season will be over — eventually.

### Application period underway for 2002 cottonseed program

The final regulation for the 2002-crop cottonseed payment program was published in the Federal Register of April 25, 2003. The rule provides for the program to be administered in the same manner as prior cottonseed payments. The Agricultural Assistance Act of 2003 provides \$50 million for this program.

Cottonseed payment applications will be mailed to gins Monday, April 28 from the FSA/Price Support Division (PSD), Washington, D.C. Applications are to be submitted by gins directly to PSD/WDC. FSA State and County Offices will not be administering or taking applications for this program.

In applying for the payments, gins must agree to share payments with producers to the extent that the effect of low seed prices was borne by the producer. The estimated payment rate is \$8.00 per ton of seed, or about \$3.00 per bale.

Final payments and rates will be determined after all applications have been received. The application period is May 2-23, 2003.

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### Good eating at the Houston Stock Show

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### Pet show champions

Millie B's Country Corner sponsored the Pet Show during the Turkey Strut Festival held in Clarendon on April 19. For the first time this event has been held, there were nine entries for the show. Duckwall's donated prizes for the winners. Winners pictured are Martha Smith and Buddy — third place; Bright Newhouse and Tico, second place; and Jessie Howard and Jack — first place.

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## Broncos suffer disappointing loss in playoffs

By Sandy Anderberg

The Bronco baseball team ended their 2003 season in a disappointing loss to Follett in the first round of post-season play. The Broncos traveled to Pampa Saturday, May 3, to face off against Follett in a best two-out-of-three series.

The Broncos dropped the first game 0-2, and the final score of the second game was 5-9. The score remained zero to zero in the first four innings of the game before Follett put a run on the board. They went on to score once again in the sixth inning to take the 2-0 win.

"We played a good defensive game, our best of the year," said head coach Brad Elam. "We made a lot of plays; however, we had a difficult time at the plate. We were in position to score some runs and win, but we were unable to do it."

Elam was pleased with the Broncos' defensive play as they turned their fourth double play of the year that got them out of a jam in the fourth inning.

Senior pitcher Todd Hoeltzel struck out seven and allowed only four hits with one unearned run. Kevin Green had two hits, and Jordan

Zehr and Will Betts each had one hit.

The final of the second game was 2-5 with Hoeltzel getting the call from the mound for four innings. He struck out eight hitters and gave up only two runs. Fellow senior Bryan McFarland pitched the last three innings.

"Todd pitched two good games, and Bryan came in and pitched well, too."

"We played another good game," Elam said. "We made a few more mistakes on defense but hit the ball better. We gave up five runs in the last inning that put us away, but we

still had our chances; and that is all you can ask for."

Elam was pleased with the year, but he realizes it could have been better.

"We had a successful year but not as successful as everyone would have liked. I do appreciate all of the hard work that the players put in. They have greatly improved from start to finish."

Other stats were: McFarland 2 runs, 1 double, 1 RBI; Lee Stegall 1 hit, 2 RBIs; Zehr 1 RBI; Jeremy Howard 1 run; Tyler Lewis 1 run. Congratulations, Broncos!

## Weatherton demolishes cousin's 100-meter school record

By Sandy Anderberg

Clarendon's Equilla Weatherton has waited three long years to break the 'other' Weatherton's 100-meter dash record, and last Thursday her wait was over.

Weatherton smashed the old record of 11.9 set by cousin Linda Weatherton and created her own with a time of 11.85. The time was still

only good enough for second in the state qualifier's meet in Abilene, but it was a personal best for Equilla.

Also running in the qualifier's meet was speedster Angel Williams. The sophomore sprinter continues to get stronger and faster as she hones her skills in the 100-meter hurdles and the 400-meter dash. Williams took first in both of those events and

ran a personal-best in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 14.49. Williams ran a 56.33 in the 400-meter dash, which was her best time this year.

"We went to Abilene for a 'glorified' practice," Coach Mike Ray said.

"The competition was real tough, and everyone there was going

to state. Angel and Equilla are getting better times each time they run. It is exciting to think of what they could do at state!"

The girls will participate in the state track meet May 9-10 in Austin and will be joined by senior James Williams, who will participate in the shot put and discus.

Good luck!

## Shelton takes first place in State UIL journalism contest

CHS senior Taylor Shelton placed first in News Writing during state UIL Academic competition in Austin last Friday.

Fellow senior Valerie Taylor also journeyed to the state contest where she competed in Literary Criticism and placed sixth.

Shelton and Taylor were accompanied by their UIL coaches, CHS teachers Diane Chamberlain and Diane Sears.

Both seniors advanced based on results of regional standings. Taylor placed first in News Writing and Valerie placed second in Literary Criticism when the Regional meet was held at South Plains College in Levelland on April 11.

Other students also returned from that regional meet with honors. Lacey Anderberg placed sixth in Editorials and the Literary Criticism team, comprised of Valerie, Matt Aaron, Shanna Shelton, and Stephanie Fowler, earned second place team.



Edwards signs with SWOSU

Clarendon Senior Ronna Edwards signed a letter of intent to play golf for Southwestern Oklahoma State University on Tuesday. Coach Mike Ray and Ronnie Edwards are pictured with Ronna. SWOSU is located in Weatherford, Oklahoma.

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- \*the change of use of land receiving special appraisal.
- \*you think the appraisal district has done something else that adversely affected you.

Your Appraisal District staff urges you to review the value records of your property at any time prior to the day of the Appraisal Review Board Hearings tentatively set for July 9, 2003, at the Donley County Appraisal District office. Some protests result from errors or misconceptions which we are pleased to correct.

**Review by the Appraisal Review Board:** If you can't resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board.

The appraisal review board (ARB) is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals and other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the appraisal district to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice a protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notification of the time, date, and place of the hearing. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the CAD will use to uphold their determination. The CAD may ask you for a copy of the evidence you plan to present. The hearing will be informal. You and the appraisal district representative will be asked to present evidence about your case. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. The CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office at 307 S. Sully or P O Box 1220, Clarendon 79226; phone 806-874-2744.

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

**Review by the District Court:** After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision you have the right to appeal to district court. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you receive the ARB's order.

**Tax Payment:** If you appeal and your case is pending, you must pay the lesser of the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute or the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken.

**More information:** You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at 307 S. Sully or P O Box 1220, Clarendon 79226; phone 806-874-2744. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Division at P O Box 13528, Austin, TX 78711-3528.

**DEADLINE FOR FILING PROTESTS WITH THE ARB\***

**Usual Deadline:** On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause. Late protests are due the day before the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

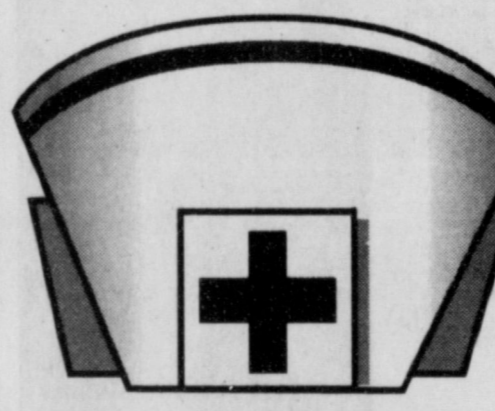
**Special Deadlines:** For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of determination was mailed to you.

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change didn't result from a protest you filed), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually Feb. 1). The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

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

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Sheriff's Report:

Officer responds to report of barking dogs locked in residence

**April 28**  
 3:51 p.m. - Dispatched 200 block of Daniels in Hedley. Caller reports damage to vehicle.  
 4:18 p.m. - Responds to traffic accident in 200 block of 1st St.  
 10:06 p.m. - Reckless speeding driver in 600 block of E. Wood.  
 11:11 p.m. - Deputy out on W. Second St. - reckless speeding driver on 6th and Carhart.

**April 29**  
 9:17 a.m. - Out at Hedley School.  
 10:13 a.m. - Vandalism to vehicle reported at Clarendon School lot. Deputy en route.  
 3:43 p.m. - To Clarendon Park - reckless driver reported in the area.  
 5:23 p.m. - Keeping watch on cloud. Wall cloud reported on S. 70.  
 5:26 p.m. - Dispatched to S. Park St.  
 5:26 p.m. - EMS assist on US 287 at S. Koogle.  
 7:30 p.m. - To business, 400 block W.

**April 30**  
 9:34 a.m. - Out of patrol car on CR 13.  
 2:51 p.m. - On scene traffic accident in Hedley.  
 4:21 p.m. - Responds to fire page on S. Johns between 7th and 8th St.  
 8:42 p.m. - Disturbance on Montgomery and Goodnight Sts.

**May 1**  
 12:13 a.m. - Fight in progress in 100 block of N. Jefferson St.  
 3:25 a.m. - To jail with one female in custody for possession of marijuana.  
 3:26 a.m. - To jail with one male in custody for possession of marijuana.  
 7:22 a.m. - Check reported possible break in on US 287 at S. Jefferson.  
 9:45 a.m. - To college, caller reporting property stolen from BAC.  
 9:50 a.m. - Out at dorms.  
 11:24 a.m. - Back to college. Report of additional property missing.  
 2:28 p.m. - Escort funeral possession.  
 9:38 p.m. - Family dispute in 600 block of E. 2nd.  
 9:47 p.m. - Out at 4th and Hartzell.

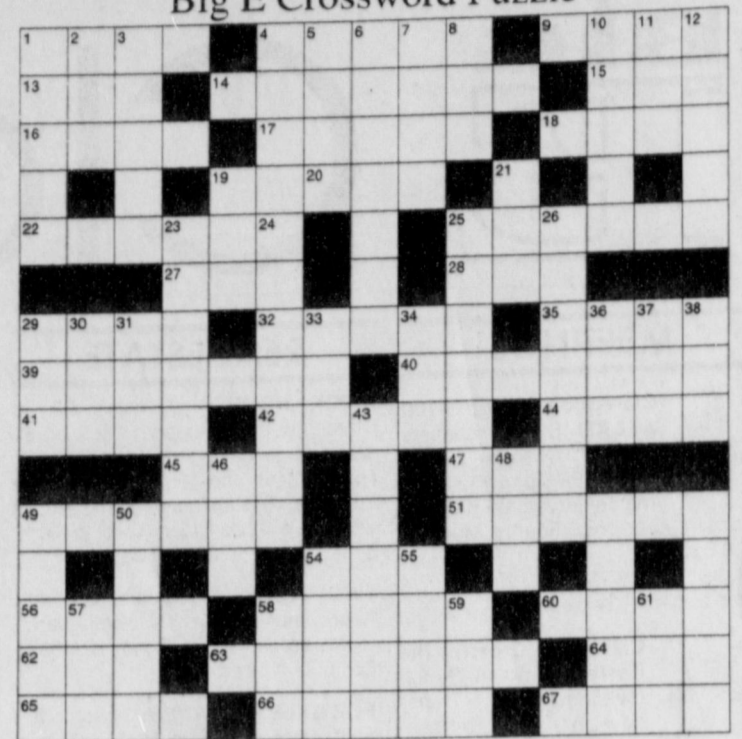
**May 2**  
 12:09 a.m. - Welfare check in 300 block of Gorst.

**May 3**  
 6:05 a.m. - In 500 block of Burkhead to take report; attempt to locate.  
 11:56 a.m. - Check nursing home. No response on 911 call back.  
 3:17 p.m. - Complaint of dogs locked in residence barking in 800 block of S. Kearney.  
 7:22 p.m. - EMS assist in 500 block of McLean St.

**May 4**  
 2:19 a.m. - Welfare check in 200 block of W. 6th St.  
 2:35 a.m. - Patrolling neighborhood in 500 block of W. 5th. Subject causing nuisance.  
 7:58 a.m. - Out at elementary school.  
 9:12 a.m. - See the man on E. 2nd.  
 1:57 p.m. - Out in 400 block of W. 2nd. Hit and run in parking lot.  
 2:19 p.m. - At residence on Walleye St. in Howardwick.

**Summary: Arrests - 4; EMS - 9**

Big E Crossword Puzzle



- CLUES ACROSS**
- Small drink of liquor
  - Hard-rinded inedible fruit
  - Purposes
  - Compass pt.
  - Male ballet performer
  - Wrath
  - Radioactivity units
  - Snicker
  - Musical interval
  - Arab market
  - A way to become lost
  - Sloth
  - British thermal unit
  - A very large body of water
  - Turn away
  - Clamors
  - Give advice, explain
  - Guns
  - Waterproof fabric
  - Chinese Moslem
  - Islands
  - Pay attention to
  - Sink future
  - Overly
  - Prototypes
  - Mythological Titan
  - Nurse-patient relationship
  - Swiss river
  - Seaport in Cameroon
  - Fire
  - Returned material authorization, abbr.
  - Saturday
  - Includes Ewe and Fon languages
  - Free from danger
  - John Howard actor
  - The dried leaves of the hemp plant
  - Veggies
  - Serves
  - Within hearing
  - Austria
  - Horse membrane
  - Being a single unit or thing of a group or category
  - Former CIA
  - Having a grainy texture
  - Supplement with difficulty
  - A tool for cutting male (external) screw threads
  - Conclusive in a process or progression
  - Cradesong
  - Flower petals
  - An awkward stupid person
  - Volcanic craters
  - Elastance unit
  - Accepted practice
  - Athletic shoes
  - Sousaphone
  - Kin group
  - Doctors' group
  - Dip lightly into water
  - Fed
  - Ed Murrow's home
- CLUES DOWN**
- Inner layer of the skin
  - A nucleic acid
  - Yellow-fever mosquitoes
  - Pistol, slang
  - Small integers
  - City in S. Argentina
  - Smell to heaven
  - Scheduled to arrive
  - Located
  - Before
  - Indian red, for one
  - Explosive
  - Playing card
  - A hard nonresilient rubber

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