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

## Chamber accepting award nominations

The Clarendon Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for the awards to be presented at this year's annual Chamber Banquet.

Nominations are needed for Young Man and Young Woman of the Year (from both Hedley and Clarendon), Man and Woman of the Year, Pioneer Man and Woman of the Year, and the Saints' Roost Award for lifetime achievement or commitment to the community.

Nomination deadline is February 9, 2009. Drop your nominations by the Chamber office, or mail them to PO Box 730, Clarendon, TX 79226.

## Duncan appointed to key committees

Sen. Robert Duncan (R-Lubbock) will remain chairman of the Senate Committee on State Affairs and a member of the Senate committees on Finance, Higher Education, Natural Resources, and Jurisprudence.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst made the announcement of standing committee assignments on Friday.

Senator Duncan said he is pleased with his assignments, and he is glad to see his friend and fellow West Texas lawmaker, Sen. Kel Seliger, join the Senate Finance Committee.

"It's an honor to continue my Senate service on these committees," Senator Duncan said. "We have a lot of work ahead, and I'm looking forward to working with Senator Seliger and all the members to produce a smart, fiscally conservative budget, as well as addressing the other challenges of this session."

## Thornberry votes against stimulus

WASHINGTON, D.C. - US Rep. Mac Thornberry (R-Clarendon) last Wednesday issued the following statement after the House voted to pass H.R. 1, the economic stimulus bill.

"I agree that we need action to encourage economic growth and job creation, but it has to be focused on those that create the most jobs—small businesses," Congressman Thornberry said. "Sixty to eighty percent of jobs are created by small businesses. Any attempt to save or create jobs must focus on that vital part of our economy," Congressman Thornberry said.

"All of us are very concerned about the state of our economy. It is appropriate, in my view, for Congress and the Administration to take action that will encourage job creation and economic growth, but we will not borrow and spend our way back to a growing economy," Congressman Thornberry concluded.

## Wind farm might be operational this year

Donley County's first wind farm could be online by the end of this year following the announcement of an agreement to develop an area along FM 2471.

Nacel Energy Corporation has entered into the agreement with members of the Naylor family on 636 acres to develop what it is calling Hedley Pointe.

"We started researching wind energy about a year ago," said family spokesman Blake Frye. "I was working with oil companies and seeing workers getting laid off and thought wind was going to be the next big thing."

Frye said he approached Nacel,

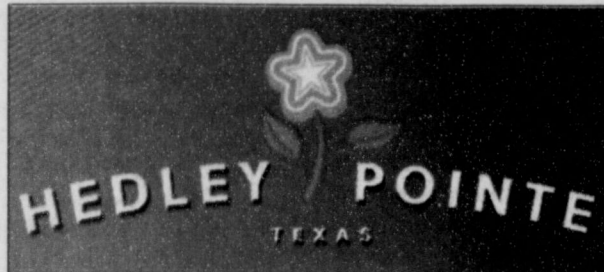
and they were interested in the Donley County property. The company erected a meteorological tower in December to measure winds.

A call to Nacel was not returned before press time, but a press release from the company said it anticipates 10 megawatts (MW), or more, of power generating capacity from Hedley Pointe.

"The winds are blowing about twice what they need here," Frye said. "They also said this is a strategic spot because it allows them to

connect to either ERCOT or SPP to sell the power."

According to Nacel, SPP provides power to Kansas and portions of Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana. ERCOT provides power to 21 million customers covering 75 percent of Texas.



Frye said he has been doing contract work with Nacel and helped them and former Clarendon Alderman Michael Tibbets begin another project in Swisher County. Nacel has asked Frye to help

them increase the size of the Donley County project.

"I'm looking for two more sections on FM 2471 to expand this project to 20 turbines," Frye said.

But that's not slowing down development of Hedley Pointe, Frye said, noting that the company is pro-

ceeding with getting permits and hopes to have construction begun and completed by the end of this year or in early 2010.

Hedley Pointe is Nacel's fourth location in the Texas Panhandle, CEO Brian Lavery said in the release. In addition to the 1,573-acre project in Swisher County, the company has two other projects in Moore County.

"We anticipate generating a total of 80 MW of clean, renewable power upon build-out of our four Texas Panhandle projects—enough energy to meet the daily requirements of an estimated 24,000 average American homes," Lavery said.



## Look out below

Two-year-old Ben Estlack gets ready to follow Tyler Paul, age six, down the slide at the new Tot Park located south of City Park Monday afternoon. Many kids have been enjoying the new equipment the city has installed for younger children. The equipment was paid for with grant money and several donations.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ANNORIA NEWHOUSE

## County to consider burn ban Monday

Donley County Commissioners will consider enacting a burn ban next Monday due to the dry conditions and the high risk of wildfires.

Local officials along with the Eastern Texas Panhandle Red Cross and the Texas Forest Service are urging everyone to use extreme caution with anything that might cause a fire.

Clarendon Fire Chief Delbert Robertson said conditions are right for a big fire.

"It is at a critical stage right now," Robertson said. "Everyone needs to be careful about cigarettes, fires, and even pulling a car into tall grass."

Robertson said several landowners have been conducting controlled burns in recent days but said he expects the county to enact a burn

ban when those are completed.

Members of the Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department were among the area firefighters who helped fight a grassfire in Gray County that consumed an estimated 6,400 acres in parts of four counties. Six local firemen on three trucks worked about eight hours on the blaze.

The Texas Forest Service (TFS) said the wildfire danger is higher now due to a low pressure front that will drop humidity levels and produce high winds.

Tom Spencer, TFS predictive services department head, said these conditions could lead to wildfires that spread quickly, pose containment problems, and endanger public safety.

TFS Predictive Services  
See 'Fire' on page 3.

## Meals on Wheels gets \$8.9k from state grant

AUSTIN - Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples announced this week the Texas Department of Agriculture is awarding approximately \$10 million to almost 200 agencies that serve meals to homebound elderly and disabled Texans. The grants are provided through TDA's Texans Feeding Texans: Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program and are funded by the Texas Legislature.

The Donley County Senior Citizens Center in Clarendon has received \$8,895.18 from the program.

Director Mary Shields said the money will be used to support the center's Meals on Wheels program, which now covers Howardwick as well as Clarendon.

"Our numbers are increasing, and we're serving 75 home-delivered meals per day," Shields said. "It will just help us continue to reach out to

the seniors who need our help."

Shields said the center budgets about \$65,000 annually for the Meals on Wheels and that doesn't include meals at the center.

Staples said the money for these programs is important in these tough economic times.

"Texas ranks third in the nation for food insecurity, meaning one in five adults and one in four children in our state are hungry, and that is simply unacceptable. With an ever-growing number of seniors and a challenging economy, we must take care of those who spent much of their lives taking care of us."

The Texans Feeding Texans: Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program is a result of House Bill 407, passed during the 80th Session of the Texas Legislature. The bill was created to give extra funding to home-delivered meal providers for 2008  
See 'Meals' on page 3.

## City officials discuss deposit requirements for utilities

City officials discussed utility deposits when the Clarendon Board of Aldermen met last week.

At issue is whether an existing utility customer or a new customer with proven credit should be required to pay a deposit on a new water account.

Current policy at City Hall requires deposits for all new accounts, and the money is not returned or applied until the account is closed. A new commercial account requires a \$150 deposit, and a new residential account requires a \$120 deposit.

City Administrator John Webb said the policy is in place to help protect the city from

people who might otherwise walk out on their bills and move out of town.

"We currently have over \$3,000 in delinquent accounts," Webb said.

But some aldermen said other utilities aren't operating the way the city is and that there should be a way for the deposit to be applied to the account after a period of time or be waived in the first place in some circumstances.

"I don't see how it's correct to keep the deposit for more than a year or two at the most," Alderman Will Thompson said.

Alderman Ann Huey agreed and said she had lived in many places and had never had to

pay a utility deposit because she was able to show good credit.

Mayor Chris Ford said he thought if a person had an existing account with the city with no delinquencies, that person should be allowed to open another account without putting down a deposit.

Webb said the board should be careful to craft policies that are fair to everyone and not just single out people.

The board took no action on the policy but will look into it further.

In other city business, Aldermen approved \$4,000 from the Motel Bed Tax Fund to sponsor the Clarendon College Invitational Judging

Contest this spring.

The contest annually brings more than 2,500 people to the city, filling restaurants and hotel rooms.

The board voted 4-1 to appoint Will Thompson as the city's representative on the Tourism Committee. Alderman Thompson voted against the measure.

In his administrator's report, Webb updated the board on work on the Rosenfield Bridge and extended his congratulations and appreciation to the members of the Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department's Dive Team for their efforts during the recent drownings at Lake Greenbelt.



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guest commentary

# Bush gone but policies linger

By John W. Whitehead

"All men having power ought to be mistrusted."  
— James Madison

Many Americans, desperate for change in their lives and government after years of war and increased economic hardship, are looking upon Barack Obama as a savior, comparing him to Martin Luther King Jr., Abraham Lincoln and Jesus Christ. Even civil libertarians who had fought to defend our constitutional freedoms against the constant encroachments by the Bush administration heaved a collective sigh of relief when Obama took office.

However, while it is admirable that Obama has already made good on some of his campaign promises, the danger is far from over because we still labor under a government armed with dictatorial powers which can, at a moment's notice, dismantle our democracy. As constitutional scholar Aziz Huq recently warned, "No one should assume that the end of the Bush presidency marks the end of the imperial presidency."

Let us consider the facts. The national debt is increasing at an alarming rate. It passed the \$10 trillion mark in the fall of 2008 and, according to some predictions, could grow another \$3.4 trillion by 2018. As it currently stands, each citizen's share of the national debt (not including personal debt) amounts to roughly \$34,000. And as of November 2008, China, Japan and the United Kingdom were the biggest foreign holders of our debt, with oil exporters such as Iran, Iraq and Saudi Arabia not far behind. Not only does the country face a national bankruptcy, we are also in danger of being held hostage by foreign powers.

We live in a surveillance state. Our every movement is monitored by cameras on sidewalks, streets, ATMs, and in shops, offices, schools and parks.

The notion of privacy has become passé. The government has at its disposal the most invasive technology that has ever existed. Satellites, which are so sophisticated they can read a postage stamp lying on the ground from outer space, are trained on the United States. What this means is that they can track your every move.

We are continually being spied on. The right to be free from unreasonable search and seizure, as guaranteed in the Fourth Amendment, has largely been eviscerated. Intelligence agencies such as the National Security Agency, which has for decades been listening in on the telephone calls of American citizens, are not going to relinquish that unprecedented access.

We are becoming numbers in the system. The government is edging closer and closer to requiring every citizen to carry a national ID card. It's now being championed through a congressional law called the REAL ID Act, which will require all citizens to carry a card that will possess the most intimate information about us. The information on these cards will range from our Social Security numbers to fingerprints and even our buying habits. These cards may eventually be equipped with radio frequency identification tags, which will allow the government to track us day and night, wherever we go.

Police officers are out of control. Take, for instance, the 40,000-plus no-knock raids conducted annually by police SWAT-team style across the United States. Dressed like military troops, doors are rammed down and innocent American citizens are often terrorized and sometimes even killed. And unknown by many, the local police are being provided with specialized equipment from the government in order to collect data for federal intelligence agencies. This essentially means that the local police may eventually become extensions of agencies such as the CIA and FBI.

The American military empire, a \$700 billion industry, threatens the financial stability of the country and poses a serious threat to our constitutional freedoms. Contrary to everything America's founding fathers warned against, military troops are now being trained as domestic police. At any moment, depending on how the government defines the term "national emergency," the country could be placed under martial law and the Bill of Rights would be lost to history.

Our political structure is riddled with corruption, with Congress in the hands of professional politicians who are largely out of touch with the average voter. And more often than not, what comes out of Congress is more determined by what a lobbyist pushes than what you, the American citizen, wants, requires or needs.

The list goes on and on and on. When faced with such seemingly insurmountable problems, it's tempting to buy into the idea that Barack Obama, with a stroke of his pen, could make it all go away. But that's not going to happen. The grim reality is that not every bad policy put in place by George W. Bush and his predecessors will be — or can be — undone by Obama.

So is there any hope in all this? The hope is in you and me. We must be even more vigilant in protecting our freedoms. And it will mean holding all government officials accountable for their actions.

Those who drafted our Constitution understood all too well that "power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely." That's why James Madison, the father of our Constitution, warned against trusting anyone in power — no matter how well-intentioned those in power may be.

We must always be mindful that the Constitution starts with three beautiful words, which are the basis of the American constitutional government: "We the people."

Constitutional attorney and author John W. Whitehead is founder and president of The Rutherford Institute.

# Lincoln, Obama differ on union support

By Howie Rich

President Barack Obama is fond of telling how Abraham Lincoln "saved the union," but it looks like the only unions he'll be trying to save during his presidency are those tied to America's organized labor movement.

After decades of being weeded out by the capitalist system due to their negative impact on profitability — and as a result, employment — unions seemed to be on the wane prior to the onset of the Obama presidency.

Once representing a massive 33.7 percent share of the private sector workforce, today only 7.8 percent of non-government workers are unionized.

In fact, the plight of the Big Three U.S. automakers (one of the few private sector industries where unions still thrive) has served to further illuminate the long-term profitability problems faced by union-heavy corporations.

Of course, as the private sector has been ridding itself of unions, taxpayer dollars have kept them in business.

Representing only 9.8 percent of public sector workers in 1940, the percentage of unionized government employees totals an astonishing 36.5 percent today.

Along the way, government has further empowered labor by forcing the taxpayers to support their fundraising efforts, public contributions which — in many cases — have gone directly to support union political activity.

What sort of political activities, you may ask?

Well, unions gave more than \$100 million to Obama and Democratic congressional candidates in 2008, a figure that doesn't even include their extensive voter registration and mobilization efforts, which benefited from an estimated 450,000 union "volunteers."

And make no mistake about it, Obama is reciprocating that love with plenty of his own.

In a comment reminiscent of his infamous "spread the wealth around" remark, last week Obama reaffirmed his unwavering commitment to radically altering U.S. employment policy in an effort to bring about a union renaissance.

"We need to level the playing field for workers and the unions that represent their interests, because we know that you cannot have a strong middle class without a strong labor movement," he said. His staffing decisions certainly bear witness to that movement.

In addition to naming longtime union-backer Hilda Solis to run the Department of Labor and former Teamsters' attorney Wilma Liebman to head the National Labor Relations Board, Obama has brought the unions directly into the White House as well, naming labor operative Patrick Gaspard as his political director.

But the new administration's commitment to labor goes much deeper than just rhetoric or staffing decisions that have been praised by such organizations as the Communist Party USA and the Democratic Socialists of America.

In fact, much more dangerous to

our nation's history of free markets and individual liberty are the policies Obama's pro-union forces are pushing.

In less than three weeks, Obama has already signed three pro-union executive orders, with another two on the way designed to steer money from his massive public sector bailout toward union firms.

And then there is labor's top priority — the so-called "Employee Free Choice Act," which among other provisions would strip away workers' rights to a secret ballot in determining whether or not they wish to be represented by a union.

Some estimate that the "Employee Free Choice Act" could double the number of union employees in America within a decade, taking us back to the dark days of the 1970's when America's economy sputtered along following the implementation of Lyndon Johnson's "Great Society."

Having failed to recruit new members with all of their taxpayer-funded advantages (particularly workers aged 24-35), unions are now seeking to add hundreds of thousands of American laborers into their ranks through this new method of "recruitment."

American workers deserve the right to choose — but more importantly they deserve the opportunity to work. A renaissance of unionism in our country would take those rights away from millions.

The author is Chairman of Americans for Limited Government.



# Big spending can prolong recessions

In one of history's more candid reflections, Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Treasury Secretary under President Franklin D. Roosevelt, confessed, "We have tried spending money. We are spending more than we have ever spent before and it does not work." Just six years after crafting the New Deal, Morgenthau declared that their efforts to create jobs and restore America's depression-ravaged economy by expanding the federal government to unprecedented levels had been a failure. By Morgenthau's own assessment, the New Deal saddled our country with "as much unemployment as when we started...and an enormous debt."

More than 75 years have passed since FDR signed the New Deal into law, and many noted economists are studying the Great Depression and trying to learn from the experience. In 2004, a team of UCLA economists concluded that the policies of the New Deal, which suppressed competition and kept unemployment in the range of nine to 16 percent, actually prolonged the Great Depression by seven years.

Amity Shlaes, an economic scholar and Great Depression historian, has argued that the sheer "arbitrariness" of the New Deal actually exacerbated the crisis. The National Recovery Administration, the operative arm of the New Deal's competition code, failed to establish clear, actionable policies for businesses to follow. Instead, some corporations got sweetheart deals, while others were unduly penalized. As a result, businesses stopped investing in equipment, hiring came to a halt, and the markets froze. Many economists conclude that the New Deal fostered uncertainty, which was salt in the wound of the American economy.

As in 1933, today our nation is confronted with an economic crisis that grows worse each day. The burst of the housing bubble and the subsequent credit crisis have badly impaired our financial markets. Many individuals and small businesses are struggling to get loans, and the home foreclosure rate is rising. Large corporations, once deemed "too

big to fail," are now teetering on the edge of insolvency. In December, the nationwide unemployment rate reached a 15-year high of 7.2 percent.



**capitol comment**  
by sen. kay bailey hutchison

Some in Congress are rallying around a "solution" that sounds alarmingly familiar: spend more than we have ever spent before. Literally. And the nearly \$900 billion stimulus measure that the House passed and the Senate will consider has many deficiencies.

First, the federal government doesn't have the money. Today, Washington is running an all-time record annual deficit of \$455 billion, and that deficit is projected to reach an astounding \$1.2 trillion this year. In addition, the gross federal debt is \$10 trillion, or almost \$33,000 per U.S. citizen. We are approaching a tipping point whereby creditors will be unwilling to buy government debt.

Second, even if we could afford it, this bill isn't actually stimulative. With any stimulus package, our goal should be to swiftly pump money into the economy, create jobs, and free up credit. The non-partisan Congressional Budget Office (CBO), which analyzes the financial dimensions of legislation, estimates

that only 64 percent of the funding in the Senate bill would actually be spent within the next two years. Market trends indicate that even without government interference, the economy should begin rebounding on its own within the next two years; at which point, "stimulus" spending would only add to our debt burden rather than help the economy.

Ultimately, this "solution" will result only in the accumulation of greater debt that will fall on the shoulders of our children and grandchildren, while not providing the stimulus we need today. Moreover, it will leave us vulnerable to future economic challenges. A better proposal would emphasize tax relief so that individuals and businesses can have more capital to inject into the economy, thereby encouraging private sector job creation. It would also guard against massive government expansion. In short, we should promote permanent private sector jobs, not a permanent increase in spending and debt.

I am eager to work in a bipartisan fashion toward a speedy and sustainable recovery. But we have to ensure that any stimulus package is balanced, reasonable in size, and targeted specifically to job creation, keeping people in their homes, and overall economic growth. The plan before us lacks these objectives. What we have learned from those before us is that excessive spending may prolong a recession. We must carefully consider the spending decisions before us.



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## Fires: Continued from page one.

Department forecasts that through the month of February, fuels, such as grasses and trees, are expected to remain critically dry.

According to an online database managed by TFS, fire departments have reported 163 wildfires for 7,899 since last Friday.

The Eastern Texas Panhandle Red Cross urges residents to take precautions.

Wildfires often begin unnoticed. They spread quickly, igniting brush, grasses and homes. Reduce your risk now — before wildfire strikes. Meet with your family to decide what to do and where to go if wildfires threaten your area.

Follow these steps to protect your family, home and property. Create a 30 to 100 foot safety zone around your home. Within this area, take steps to reduce potential exposure to flames and radiant heat. Clear all flammable vegetation, including leaves, dead limbs and twigs. Remove leaves and rubbish from under structures. Ask the power company to clear branches from power lines. Mow grass regularly. Clear a 10 foot area around propane tanks and the barbecue. Follow local burning regulations. Stack firewood at least 100 feet away from home. Regularly clean roof and gutters.

When wildfire threatens follow the instructions of local officials. If advised to evacuate, do so immediately. Only if you have the time, take these steps to protect your home. Close windows and heavy drapes, close vents, all interior and exterior

doors. Remove lightweight curtains. Shut off gas at the meter or propane tank. Turn off all pilot lights. Close fireplace screens. Move flammable furniture into the center of the home away from windows and sliding glass doors.

Outside of your home, seal attic and ground vents with pre-cut plywood. Place combustible patio furniture inside. Connect garden hose to outside taps. Place lawn sprinklers on the roof and near above-ground fuel tanks. Wet the roof and shrubs within 15 feet of home.

You can cope with disaster by preparing in advance. Meet with your family to create a disaster plan. Discuss the types of disaster that could occur. Discuss where to go and what to bring if advised to evacuate. Practice what you have discussed. Plan how your family will stay in contact if separated by disaster. Pick two meeting places: one a safe distance near your home in case of fire and the second option outside your neighborhood in case you can not return home. Choose an out of state friend as a "check-in contact" for everyone to call.

Eastern Texas Panhandle Red Cross wants you to be safe. Practice and review these steps. The entire Texas Panhandle is in high fire danger and will probably remain so until spring. Prepare now! Know what to do in an emergency. For more information, contact Eastern Texas Panhandle Red Cross at 1-800-297-2270, go to redcross.org or call your local fire department.



### Fifth graders in talent program

Congratulations to the eight students from Clarendon Elementary 5th grade who were identified as students of a select group qualified to participate in the Duke University Talent Identification Program. These students qualified by ranking in the top 5% of the Texas TAKS test. This highly-selective program identifies students with high academic ability and supports them through recognition and other various tools, publications, and interactions. Shown here: (back) Emile Thompson, Damara Brown, Shelby Musick, and Caleb Cobb. (front) Sterling King, Amelia Weatherton, Kendra Davis, and Tessa Buckhaults.

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**the lion's tale**  
by roger eslack

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting with Boss Lion Cameron Word in charge.

We had 22 members and no guests this week. The Boss Lion led a round robin discussion about events going on around the community; and then with no further business and no program, we were adjourned.

### THANK YOU

The Clarendon Junior Historians would like to thank the Clarendon Outpost and Courtney Newhouse for their contributions to the Valentine's Day Raffle. The generous contributions of the chocolates and gift certificate for flowers were greatly appreciated! Once again, thank you!

### weather report

Day	Date	High	Low	Prec.
Mon	26	44°	18°	-
Tue	27	22°	13°	.02"
Wed	28	21°	8°	.01"
Thu	29	52°	14°	-
Fri	30	52°	20°	-
Sat	31	64°	26°	-
Sun	1	68°	33°	-

Total precipitation this month: 0.03"  
Total precipitation to date: 0.03"  
Total precipitation in Feb. last year: 0.62"  
Total YTD last year: 0.64"

### weekend forecast

	Friday, Feb. 16 Pt. Cloudy/Windy 72°/37°
	Saturday, Feb. 17 Partly Cloudy 71°/40°
	Sunday, Feb. 18 Few Showers 68°/34°

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## Meals: Continued from page one.

and 2009. The grants, based partly on the number of meals eligible applicants served the year prior to applying, can only be used to supplement and expand existing services related to the delivery of meals.

Meals on Wheels, Inc. of Tarrant County is receiving \$1.6 million — the largest amount in the state.

"Meals On Wheels, Inc. of Tarrant County is truly grateful to the Texas Department of Agriculture for administering the Texans Feeding Texans program," Carla Jutson, executive director of Meals on Wheels, Inc. of Tarrant County said. "We were able to serve 320,651 additional meals in 2008 utilizing this new source of funding. Many of our clients rely solely on Meals On Wheels for their daily nutrition, and this funding enabled us to provide breakfast meals, in addition to lunch,

for these clients who are significantly at risk of hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition."

"Texans Feeding Texans is also an investment," Commissioner Staples said. "By providing food to elderly Texans in their own homes, which helps maintain their independence, this grant program saves about \$30,000 in tax dollars annually for each senior who depends on state-supported services. I want to thank the legislators who approved this critical funding that enables us to assist Texans who need a helping hand."

Last year, TDA awarded \$9.5 million to home-delivered meal providers who served 8.4 million meals statewide, an increase of 15 percent from the previous year. In 2009, TDA will award almost 200 grants, totaling \$10 million.

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(2 Timothy 3:16-17) "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work."

(2 Peter 1:3) "as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue,"

God is so good to us. He blesses us physically with what we need and He has blessed us spiritually of course. He sent His Son for our sins and He gave us all the information needed to live as He would have us. If you read the 2 passages above then you understand there were to be no more "revelations" in the centuries to come. What we needed was given in the 1st century A.D. If anyone coming after the apostle John espouses some "new" message, it would not be from God. There have been many "prophets", creed books, "extra testaments", etc. in the last few hundred years. Some claim to have spoken to angels or God Himself for new revelations. These new messages mostly contradict what the Bible has already said. God is not the author of confusion. 1Thess. 5:21 tells us to test things out and hold on to what is provable.

The Bible is sufficient to train us and teach us; if you read the passages above then you know that is what God told us. Why would God give us one set of information and say it is sufficient and then hundreds of years later say, "OOPS, here is some more info I missed"? The answer is He wouldn't and He didn't.

Friends check any religious word or message against God's book. If it contradicts God's book, let it be accused (Gal. 1:6-9). Let us all show ourselves approved by studying God's word daily (2Tim. 2:15) and let HIM speak to us.

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**February 7**  
Bulldogs v. Vernon • Bulldog Field • Noon

**February 10**  
Clarendon v. Wellington • at Wellington • Girls 6:30 p.m., Boys 8:00 p.m.

**February 11**  
Lady Bulldogs v. Vernon • Lady Bulldog Field • 1:00, 3:00

**February 14**  
St. Valentine's Day

Bronco Baseball v. Lockney • Scrimmage at 12 p.m. • McClellan Field

VFW Sweetheart Dance & Spaghetti Dinner • at VFW Post • 6 p.m. to Midnight

**February 16**  
Presidents' Day

GreenOut Basketball Game • CC v. Frank Phillips • Bulldog Gym • 5:50, 7:50

**February 17**  
Bronco Baseball v. Boys Ranch • Scrimmage at 4 p.m. • at Boys Ranch

**February 19**  
CC v. Howard • Bulldog Gym • 5:30, 7:30

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**Menus**

February 9 - 15

**Donley County Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Steak fingers/gravy, French fries, green beans, fig bars, biscuits.  
Tue: Beef stew with veggies, cheese sticks, pears & cottage cheese, jello/whipped cream, cornbread.  
Wed: Red beans and ham, cole slaw, applesauce, hush puppies.  
Thu: Chicken nuggets/sauce, mashed potatoes/gravy, corn, purple plums, ice cream/chocolate syrup, bread.  
Fri: Roast/brown gravy, baked sweet potatoes, mixed vegetables, cupcakes, biscuits.

**Hedley Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Fried chicken & gravy, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, Waldorf salad, brownie, roll.  
Tue: Meat loaf, macaroni & cheese, steamed broccoli, pickled beets, pudding, roll.  
Wed: Steak & gravy, baked potatoes, green beans, corn salad, peaches & strawberries, roll.  
Thu: Chicken enchilada, Spanish rice, beans, tossed salad, cobbler, chips & crackers.  
Fri: Roast & gravy, mashed potatoes, golden hominy, pear & cottage cheese, banana pudding, roll.

**Clarendon ISD**  
Breakfast  
Mon: Cereal, toast, pears, milk.  
Tue: Sausage, biscuit, gravy, peaches, milk.  
Wed: Pancakes, juice, milk.  
Thu: Eggs, toast, jelly, apricots, milk.  
Fri: Cinnamon rolls, juice, milk.  
Lunch  
Mon: Frito pie, pinto beans, salad, fruit, milk.  
Tue: Teriyaki chicken with rice, salad, fruit, milk.  
Wed: Steak fingers, gravy, potatoes, greenbeans, fruit, roll, milk.  
Thu: Pizza, corn, salad, fruit, milk.  
Fri: Pig in the blanket, oven fries, baked beans, fruit, milk.

**Hedley ISD**  
Mon: Lasagna, corn, salad, fruit, bread sticks, milk.  
Tue: Enchiladas, grated cheese, refried beans, tossed salad, fruit, milk.  
Wed: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, cut green beans, fruit, rolls, milk.  
Thu: Beef noodle casserole, corn, tossed salad, cinnamon apples, sliced bread, milk.  
Fri: Deli turkey breast, sliced cheese on a hoagie bun, salad, fries, milk.

**Heart attacks leading killers of both men, women**

By MaryRuth Bishop, AgrLife Agent

A heart attack occurs when blood flow to a section of heart muscle becomes blocked. If the flow of blood isn't restored quickly, the section of heart muscle becomes damaged from lack of oxygen and begins to die.

Heart attack is a leading killer of both men and women in the United States. But fortunately, today there are excellent treatments for heart attack that can save lives and prevent disabilities. Treatment is most effective when started within 1 hour of the beginning of symptoms. If you think you or someone you're with is having a heart attack, call 9-1-1 right away.

Overview: Heart attacks occur

most often as a result of a condition called coronary artery disease (CAD). In CAD, a fatty material called plaque (plak) builds up over many years on the inside walls of the coronary arteries (the arteries that supply blood and oxygen to your heart).

Eventually, an area of plaque can rupture, causing a blood clot to form on the surface of the plaque. If the clot becomes large enough, it can mostly or completely block the flow of oxygen-rich blood to the part of the heart muscle fed by the artery.

During a heart attack, if the blockage in the coronary artery isn't treated quickly, the heart muscle will begin to die and be replaced by scar tissue. This heart damage may not be

obvious, or it may cause severe or long-lasting problems.

Severe problems linked to heart attack can include heart failure and life-threatening arrhythmia (irregular heartbeats).

Heart failure is a condition in which the heart can't pump enough blood throughout the body. Ventricular fibrillation is a serious arrhythmia that can cause death if not treated quickly.

Acting fast at the first sign of heart attack symptoms can save your life and limit damage to your heart. Treatment is most effective when started within 1 hour of the beginning of symptoms.

The most common heart attack signs and symptoms are:

\* Chest discomfort or pain—uncomfortable pressure, squeezing, fullness, or pain in the center of the chest that can be mild or strong. This discomfort or pain lasts more than a few minutes or goes away and comes back.

\* Upper body discomfort in one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw, or stomach.

\* Shortness of breath may occur with or before chest discomfort.

\* Other signs include nausea (feeling sick to your stomach), vomiting, lightheadedness or fainting, or breaking out in a cold sweat.

Each year, about 1.1 million people in the United States have heart attacks, and almost half of them die. CAD, which often results in a heart

attack, is the leading killer of both men and women in the United States.

Many more people could recover from heart attacks if they got help faster. Of the people who die from heart attacks, about half die within an hour of the first symptoms and before they reach the hospital.

Go Red For Women celebrates the energy, passion and power we have as women to band together to wipe out heart disease and stroke. The color red and the red dress now stand for the ability all women have to improve their heart health and live stronger, longer lives.

Join us for an educational luncheon on February 18, 2009. For more information contact MaryRuth at 874-2141.

**CC ex-students seek college memorabilia**

Clarendon College has had many faces during its lifetime - from the historic three-story building that now houses Clarendon High School to its modern campus of 107 acres on highway 287.

The College's current location began with six buildings and has grown to 15 buildings with softball and baseball fields and a livestock and equine center.

There have been many people enter her doors. Numbered among them are distinguished public servants, chief executives of business

and industry, lawyers, doctors, and military officers.

There are many success stories that came from Clarendon College. Thanks to the educations they received here, these individuals have become productive and prominent citizens. Clarendon College is proud of its ex-students.

The CC Ex-Student's Association in cooperation with the College is in the process of gathering memorabilia for each decade from 1940, 1950, 1960, 1970, 1980, and 1990.

The Association began a task

during the 1998 College Centennial by collecting historical memorabilia from 1898 through the 1930s. Various memorabilia was collected, framed, and preserved under glass, and is now on display in the foyer of the College Instructional Center.

It is now time to bring this project forward into the college's second century and the Association needs your help.

If you have any historical memorabilia or newsworthy items (past yearbooks, newspaper clippings, or photographs) from your year or

years at Clarendon Junior College or Clarendon College and would like to donate to this worthy cause of preserving the college's past, please contact Darlene Spier by e-mail at darlene.spier@clarendoncollege.edu or by phone at 806-874-4801. You may also contact Annis Stavenhagen, by e-mail at annis.stavenhagen@clarendoncollege.edu or by phone at 806-874-4814.

You can also send items to Clarendon College Ex-Student's Association, P.O. Box 968, Clarendon, TX 79226.

**Hedley says farwell to a good old friend**

Some news today! An old Hedley friend has passed away - O'Neal



**chatty kathy**  
by kathy spier  
Hedley • 856-5302

Weatherly. I don't know any details at this writing, but everyone will probably know by the time this paper comes out. O'Neal was a wonderful man, and we are sorry to see him go.

I thought a lot of O'Neal and Sue, and I went to school with their son, Gary, so please keep this family in your prayers.

We did get some good news about Chris Ward. He is home now and seems to be doing better. I talked to his Aunt Tonya and his grandmother, Unice, and they said that he was glad to be back in Donley County.

**Sunshine, wind raise risk of wildfires**

February 2, otherwise known as Groundhog Day. You know, the little guy that lives in the library in Punxsutawney, PA, for 364 days of the year until he is put in his heated burrow on Gobblers Knob and enticed to come out to predict the weather for the next six weeks.

That isn't the original way the legend began, but you know humans; if something works, we can make it better.

Ole Phil now leads a life of luxury and has probably forgotten what he should be doing, but he did see his shadow this morning so

winter will be around another six weeks.

Our prairie dog saw his shadow, too. Can we stand sunshine, wind, and no moisture for six more weeks?

Lee Ann Cook reports the fire department is doing well with some new members and intense training. There have been no call-outs for

them, but the fire danger is very high, so be very careful with outside fires.

A 6,500-acre fire burned over four counties Saturday with the 40mph wind blowing it quickly out of control. Donley County is one of 10 counties that have been declared in a drought, so please use common sense and keep us from burning this year.

Luke Hagood is in the VA hospital with a broken hip sustained when he fell. His son Norm reports he is doing well but is looking at a slow rehab process. Please keep Luke on your prayer list.



**'Wick picks**  
by peggy cockerham  
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**BoxTop deadline is next Friday at CISD**

The Clarendon Elementary School is still collecting BoxTops, and the deadline is coming up on February 13.

If you have BoxTops to donate, drop them off at the elementary office or send them to school with any elementary student.

The school will use money raised from the BoxTops to take an Accelerated Reader trip to Wonderland Park in May. They collected \$263.50 in October and hope to reach \$600 for the school year.

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Meters, Education, etc.

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**Clarendon**  
Arapé Christian Church  
712 E. 2nd (Hwy. 287)  
Minister: David Lowrie  
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.  
Calvary Baptist Church  
US 287 E • 874-3156  
Rev. Rob Seale  
Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening: 7 p.m.  
Wednesday: 7 p.m.  
Church of Christ  
300 S. Carhart • 874-2495  
Minister: Chris Moore  
Sun. Bible Class: 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.  
Church of Nazarene  
209 S. Hawley • 874-2321  
Pastor: Bill Hodges  
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: 7 p.m.  
Community Fellowship Church  
12148 F.M. 2162 • 874-0963  
Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening: 5 p.m.  
First Christian Church  
120 E. Third Street • 874-3212  
Sunday Service: 11:00 a.m.  
First Assembly of God  
4th St. & Hwy. 70 South  
Pastor: Matthew Stidham  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Service: 10:40 a.m.  
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.  
Wed. Youth Service: 6:15 p.m.  
Wed. Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.  
First Baptist Church  
300 Bugbee Ave • 874-3833  
Rev. Lance Wood  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Service: 10:55 a.m.  
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. GA & Team Kid Ministry  
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study  
7:00 p.m. Youth Study  
9:00 p.m. College Ministry  
First Presbyterian Church  
Fourth & Parks • 874-9269  
Pastor: Rev. Robin Gantz  
Fellowship: 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Service: 11:00 a.m.  
First United Methodist Church  
420 S. Jefferson • 874-3667  
Pastor: Terry Lowe  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday: 8:30, 10:50 a.m.  
Jesus Name Apostolic Church  
720 E. Montgomery • 874-2388  
Rev. Calvin Burrow  
Sunday Services: 3 p.m.  
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.  
Clarendon Family Christian Center Church  
511 E. 5th St.  
Pastor: R.W. Ellerbrook  
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening: 6:00 pm  
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.  
Old Paths Primitive Baptist Church  
416 S. Kearney • 874-5374  
Pastor: Lyman Little  
Sunday Services: 10:30 a.m.  
Saints Roost Cowboy Church  
Rodeo Grounds  
Sunday Service: 4 p.m.  
St. John The Baptist Episcopal Church  
Rev. Jim Aveni  
301 S. Parks St. • 874-2511  
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.  
St. Mary's Catholic Church  
Corner of Montgomery & McClellan  
Fr. Arokia Raj Samala  
Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.  
St. Stephens Baptist Church  
300 N. Jefferson St.  
Pastor: Roy Williams  
Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Sun. Service: 11:15 a.m.  
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. (weather permitting)  
True Church of God in Christ  
301 N. Jefferson St  
Pastor: Jeff Riles  
Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Sun. Service: 11:15 a.m.  
Wednesday: 7 p.m.

**Hedley**  
Church of Christ  
110 E. Second St.  
Minister: Bright Newhouse  
Sun. Bible Class: 10 a.m.  
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.  
First Baptist Church  
200 N. Main St.  
Pastor: Bruce Howard  
Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Sunday: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: 7 p.m.

**Howardwick**  
First Baptist Church  
222 Sherwood Blvd. 874-3326  
Reverend: Dave Stout  
Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: 6 p.m.

**Martin**  
Martin Baptist Church  
US 287 W • 874-2025  
Pastor: Darrell Burton  
Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: 7 p.m.

**Brice**  
Brice Deliverance Tabernacle  
867-3029 or 867-2012  
Pastor: Louis Bennett  
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Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: 6 p.m.

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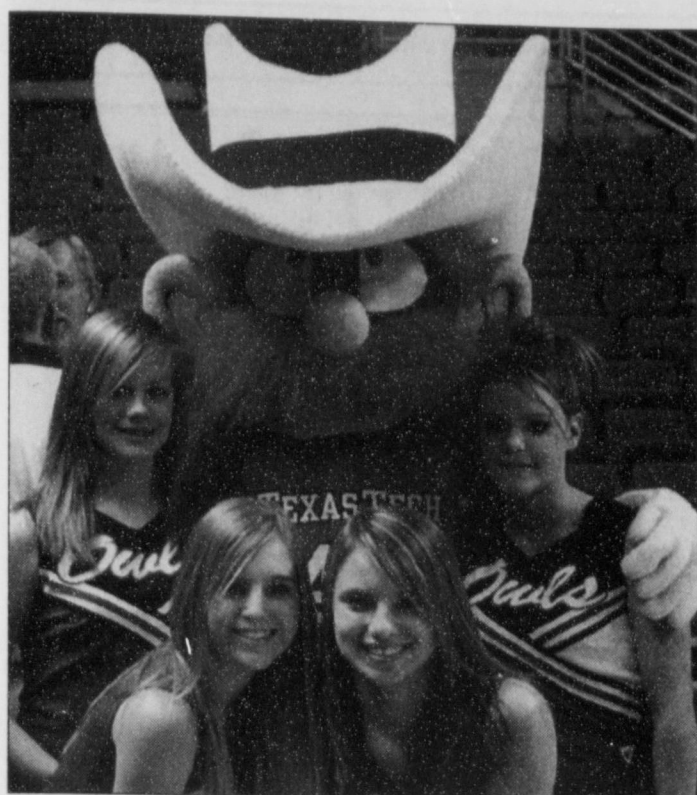


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**Hedley girls cheer for Tech**

The Hedley Varsity Cheerleaders attended a mini-cheer camp on Saturday, January 31, at Texas Tech. The girls traveled to Lubbock along with their sponsor Debbie Hall to experience cheering at a large university. The girls cheered at halftime of the Lady Raiders game against Oklahoma State University. This was a great experience for the Hedley Cheerleaders, as well as, a privilege for those ladies who have worked hard to cheer for the Owls during the 2008-2009 sports season. Shown here with Raider Red are Kallie Verstuyft, Kassidy Burton, Kailee Burton, Haley Chambless. The Owls mascot is Amber Burnum.

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**Women's Health Symposium to be February 21 in Childress**

The Childress Women's League will host a Women's Health Symposium on February 21, from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm in the Childress City Auditorium. Lunch is included and the ticket price is \$25; CEU's included for \$40.

All proceeds will be donated to assist women in a variety of situations including non-insured women in need of gynecological and mammography services, women who are victims of domestic violence, and elderly women in nursing home with

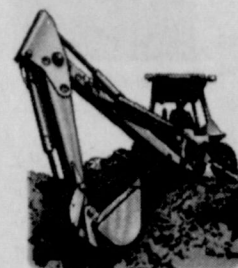
specific needs. This is the first event of this nature in Childress, and it is our hope that it will not only meet the needs of the women in attendance but also those who will receive benefits from the proceeds.

The speakers for this event are as follows: Dr. Kaye Renshaw, Dr. Dondi Ridens, Dr. Bruce Palmer, Dr. Elaine Cook, as well as information from the American Cancer Society Information Booth. Tickets can be purchased from the Childress Chamber Office (940-937-2567).

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**State park to give lessons for family camping trips**

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During the overnight Texas Outdoor Family program, families will spend much of the weekend learning not only how to pitch a tent, cook outdoors and learn about nature, but also how to use a global positioning system (GPS) to navigate trails and locate hidden caches. The program also teaches participants about conservation ethics and introduces them to park rangers and what they do. Guided horseback rides will be available for those who want that experience.

Palo Duro Canyon State Park is known for its rugged beauty and colorful geologic layers. Camping, hiking, mountain biking, road biking, horseback riding and wildlife viewing are activities enjoyed by many visitors. The headquarters, rim cabins, Visitor Center and cow camps constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps in the 1930's are an added attraction.

The workshop costs \$55 per family (up to six people), and includes individual car camping sites for each family, restrooms with hot showers, professional park ranger-led programs and instruction, overnight state park police officer public safety and security, a curriculum developed specifically for use and enjoyment of a state park, and state park Junior Naturalist certification

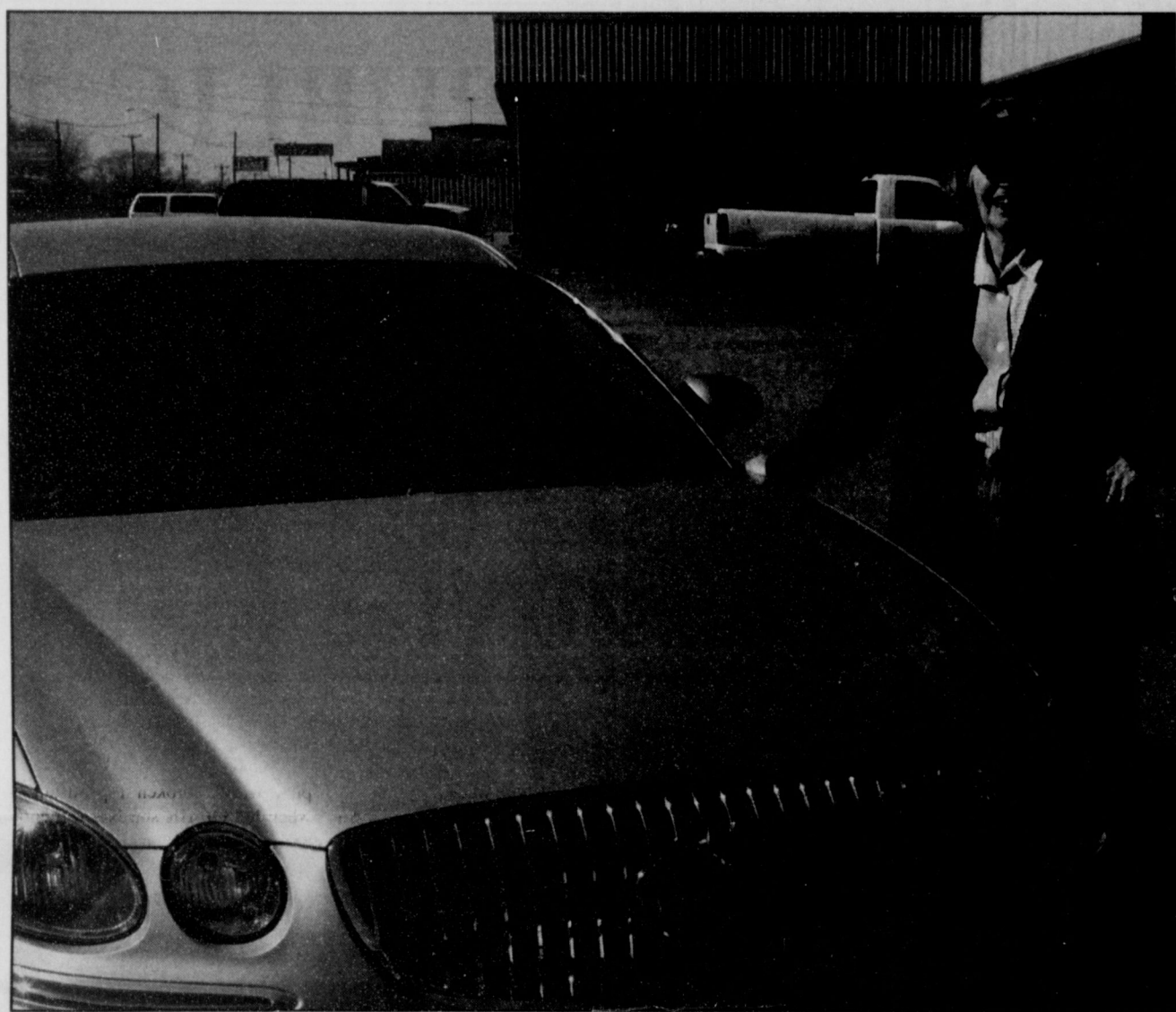
program. The entire approach adopts a 'Leave No Trace' philosophy so it's environmentally friendly.

"There's no experience or equipment necessary for these workshops," said Chris Holmes, the State Park Outdoor Programs Coordinator who is organizing the new workshop series. "We recognize that many people in today's increasingly urban culture don't have the same skills or backgrounds as earlier generations of Texans. These weekend workshops offer a supportive environment where families can get started in safe and comfortable settings." He continues, "Everybody is welcome at these workshops and the definition of a family comes in many forms, it may be you and your partner, grandchildren, single parents, friends from church, school or neighborhood."

For workshops in state parks, families are expected to bring their own food for the two-day workshops, and a suggested shopping and packing lists for meals and personal items will be provided.

Visit the Texas Outdoor Family Web page for more information, including the complete schedule of weekend workshops. Check the web pages regularly, as new workshops continue to be added to the schedule.

Families can register by calling (512) 389-8903 and speaking to a Texas Outdoor Family representative Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-to-6 p.m., or send e-mail to [tofsp@tpwd.state.tx.us](mailto:tofsp@tpwd.state.tx.us) anytime. After registration, a confirmation packet with directions and details will be sent.



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**Obituaries**

**Weatherly**

Monte O'Neill Weatherly, 84, died Saturday, January 31, 2009, in Childress.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 4, 2009, in the First Baptist Church in Hedley with Rev. Bruce Howard, Pastor, officiating. Burial with military honors followed at Rowe Cemetery in Hedley. Services were under the arrangement of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

O'Neill was born February 23, 1924, in Estelline, to Charlie and Pauline Weatherly. He attended school at Lakeview and lived at Deep Lake. He moved to Donley County in 1942. He married Sue McKee on February 17, 1946, in Hedley. He was a World War II veteran serving in the US Army. He was the City Manager in Hedley for 35 years from 1952-1987 and the Justice of the Peace for 30 years from 1960-1990. He was also in the Hedley Lions Club for several years and served as treasurer. He was on the Hedley Volunteer Fire Department and served as Fire Chief. He was also in the Hedley American Legion for 59 years and served as secretary. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Hedley.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Phalen Weatherly in 1967; and a great grandson, Xander Weatherly in 2004.

Survivors include his wife, Sue of Hedley; a son, Gary "Butch" Weatherly and wife Nancy of Memphis; two brothers, Vance Grisham and wife Sandra of Amarillo, and Rex Grisham and wife Barbara of Topeka, Kansas; two grandsons, Scot Weatherly of Colorado Springs, Colo. and Curtis Weatherly of Bessie, Okla.; and two great grandchildren, Tanner Michael Weatherly and Truette Rose Weatherly.

The family requests memorials be made to Rowe Cemetery Association or the Hedley Senior Citizens.

Sign our online guestbook at [www.RobertsonFuneral.com](http://www.RobertsonFuneral.com).



Weatherly

**Roberts**

Shirley Gibbs Roberts, age 73, of Amarillo died February 1, 2009.

Funeral services were held at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 4, 2009, at the Brentwood Chapel of Schooler Funeral Home. Burial will be held at Llano Cemetery. Arrangements are by Schooler Funeral Home, 4100 South Georgia.

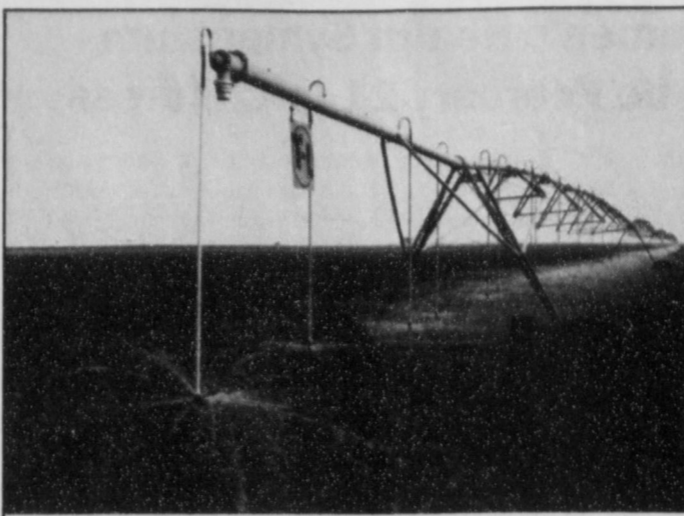
Roberts was born August 5, 1935, in Washburn, Texas, to Chris and Emily Gibbs. She attended Amarillo High School. She met and married Carl Roberts in December 1971 in Clovis, NM. She and Carl "retired" in the 1980s and stayed summers at Gravel Lake Campground in Ute Park, NM, for several years. Roberts was the campground organizer and made camping life fun for everyone who visited the campground. She then bought The Stockyards Café and ran it for over twelve years. She then became the owner of The Stockman's Restaurant. She loved to cook for her family, and being with her family was the joy of her life. She was the one who always brought the family together. She was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother. She impacted every life that she touched.

She was preceded in death by her husband Carl in 1993, four brothers, one sister, and one grandson, Richard.

She is survived by two daughters, Elizabeth "Missy" Treadway and husband Charlie of Amarillo and Sharon Roberts Little; three sons, Larry Wayne Grady and wife Pat of Phoenix, AZ, Charlie "Chock" Grady and wife Lana and Ron Grady and wife Kim, both of Amarillo; one sister, Fern Hall and husband Truitt of Clarendon; fifteen grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren.



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## Broncos secure basketball playoff slot

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos had a good week in District play and won back-to-back games to go 5-0 in District and 16-4 overall for the season.

The Broncos are currently ranked third in the state and are looking for a great ending to their regular season schedule.

They also secured a spot in the playoff race with the seeds to be determined next week.

The Broncos took on Electra at home Thursday night and ran through them at 82-38.

Johnny Gaines, Derrick Shelton, Danzel Wilson, Stephino McCampbell, and Tre Brown all scored in double figures while lead-

ing their team to the huge win. The Broncos blasted out of the starting gate and never looked back as they gained a 30-point lead at the break. The second half of play went the Broncos' way as well, and they cruised to a win.

"We played good defense the second quarter of the game and held them to only three points," coach Clint Coley said.

"That second quarter opened up the game for us, and we had balanced scoring with five kids in double figures.

"We also were able to spread the ball around which makes it harder to defend us and that makes us a stronger team."

Scoring: J. Gaines 19, Wilson 16, Shelton 12, Brown 12, McCampbell 10, Al Gaines 8, Aaron Gordon 3, and Chris Crump 2.

The Broncos had to turn right around and play the Memphis Cyclones Friday night, and they brought home a 62-29 victory. Clarendon began the game slowly and allowed Memphis to stay in it for the first half of play.

But the Broncos came out on fire in the third quarter and scored 19 points while holding the Cyclones scoreless. They sealed the win in the last period of play as they controlled the game.

"Memphis played us tough the first half," Coley said. "We were

pressing them the first of the game and decided in the second half to go back to our half court defense. We were then able to shut them out and hold them to only seven points the second half."

The Broncos also had four guys in double figures for the game, Coley added.

Scoring: J. Gaines 12, Wilson 12, A. Gaines 10, Shelton 10, Brown 7, McCampbell 5, Billy Cenicerros 2, Mike Crump 2, and Matt Henderson 2.

The Broncos will be open Friday, February 6, and then will play their final district game February 10 at Wellington beginning at 8:00 p.m.

## Lady Broncos score two huge wins

By Sandy Anderberg

The Ladies jumped on Electra early at home Thursday night and did the same thing against Memphis on the road the next night to improve their record by two wins.

Those wins put the Ladies in the playoffs, but seeding will be determined after this week's games.

The Lady Broncos defeated the Lady Tigers 55-23 and shut down the Lady Cyclones 58-40. The wins put the Lady Broncos at 4-2 in District play and 10-12 overall.

The Ladies had no problem with Electra as they executed their offense and defense the way they wanted to. The Lady Tigers struggled to deal with what the Lady Broncos handed them and could not make anything work.

"Our girls played well on both ends of the court," coach Randy Yelverton said. "We were able to play everybody, and things went our way."

Scoring: Macy Shadle 17, Abbie Massingill 9, Haley Hall 8, Janae White 9, Jenci White 6, and Deidre Lewis 6.

The Lady Broncos took their winning attitude on the road to Memphis Friday night and brought home a big win over the Lady Cyclones.

Shadle connected on several shots offensively and led the Ladies on the scoreboard with 20 points. They jumped out to a 14-7 lead in the first quarter of play, which sent the Lady Cyclones a message to set the tempo of the game. They outscored their opponent by nine points in both the first and second half to secure their win.

"I told the kids that everybody contributed to the win and everybody played well, especially on the defensive end," Yelverton said. "We started doing the things that we have been working on all year and now it is paying off."

Scoring: Shadle 20, Bailey Starnes 10, Hall 6, Jenci White 5, Trevela Dronzek 5, Dominique Mason 4, Massingill 4, Jenci White 2, and Danielle Ford 2.

The Lady Broncos will not have a game Friday, February 6, but will play Wellington on the road February 10 for their last regular season game beginning at 6:30 p.m.

## Power lifters make good showing at HP

By Sandy Anderberg

Three Broncos competed in the power-lifting meet held in Highland Park last week.

The guys have worked hard and made a good showing for their team. Ty Tubbs lifted a total of 680 pounds and finished 13th in the 165-pound weight class. Chris Shultz competed in the 220 pound weight class and finished 22nd with a total lift of 615 pounds. Jacob McCary competed as well and was a participant in the 198-pound weight class.

"I was pleased with the way the kids competed especially with its being the first meet ever for two of the three lifters," coach Johnny Nino said. "I want them to enjoy it and get better at the same time."

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The report indicates that scientists at Johns Hopkins University evaluated several thousand FDA approved drugs. They found 20 that significantly reduced HIF-1, digoxin being one. It was tested in the laboratory and found to slow the growth of prostate cancer cells. Some of the cancer cells stopped growing all together. Those conducting these studies indicate that more research needs to be conducted to determine how digoxin and other digitalis-type drugs lower the protein that seems to be necessary for certain types of cancer cells to survive.

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- 23 Stephino McCampbell Jr.
- 30 Derrick Shelton Sr.
- 32 Jadon Thornton Jr.
- 41 Danzel Wilson Sr.
- 50 Tre Brown Jr.

Coach: Clint Coley

### Lady Broncos

- 3 Jenci White Sr.
- 19 Jill Luna Jr.
- 11 Macy Shadle Sr.
- 12 Janae White Sr.
- 15 Dominique Mason Jr.
- 29 Abbie Massingill Sr.
- 21 Cortnee Thornberry Sr.
- 22 Bailey Starnes Jr.
- 23 Haley Hall Jr.
- 24 Trevela Dronzek Fr.
- 25 Deidre Lewis Jr.

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## Owls beat Samnorwood Eagles

By Tangela Copelin

The Hedley Owls played the Samnorwood Eagles last Friday night in their second match up of the season.

The Owls started the game off leading the Eagles, but several of the players began to get into foul trouble causing the Owls to lose their short lead in the fourth quarter.

The Eagles took advantage of the Owls sluggish defense and tied the game up in the final seconds of the quarter, causing the Owls to go

into over-time.

The Owls quickly got their game on and outscored the Eagles in overtime, finally winning the game 81 to 71.

Scoring were: Peter Howard 19, Isaias Ramirez 15, Dustin Watson 13, Reid Copelin and Kolby Foad both had 12 points, Daniel West 6, and Jacob Widener had 4 points this game.

The Lady Hedley Owls played the Samnorwood Lady Eagles on Friday night as well. The girl's team

did not have the problems the boy's team faced and hit the floor running and never looked back. The girls outscored their opponents 8 to 35 in the first half and continued in that vein, winning the game 78 to 35.

Scoring were: Haley Chamberless 15, Cheyenne Kosechata and Kaylee Shields both had 13 points apiece, Elizabeth Garcia 10, Kassidy Burton, Marlee Sargent, and Skylar Conatser all had 6 points, Kelby Shields 5, and Kallie Verstuyft had 4 points.



## Greenbelt Electric sends help

Greenbelt Electric Cooperative, Inc. sent a six man crew to Petit Jean Electric Co-op in Clinton, Arkansas, on Monday, February 02, to help restore power to over 70,000 cooperative members hit by a massive ice storm late last week. The cooperative estimated about 25,760 downed poles early Monday. More than 2,750 linemen from electric cooperatives in Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma and Texas are working to restore power at the seven cooperatives with the largest number of outages. Shown here are Heath Neeley, Steven Bodine, Ricky Orozco, Jimmy Cantu, Kyle Anglin and Kyle Steagall.

## State rushing funds to help low income Texans offset bills

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs last week announced the release of \$123.9 million in energy assistance funds designed to help qualifying households pay their energy bills while providing the consumer education needed to reduce their dependence on future government assistance.

The funds were awarded to 51 cities, counties, and nonprofit organizations through the Department's Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP), a utility assistance program that helps eligible households better manage their energy consumption for a safe, affordable environment.

"Helping low income households with their energy needs is a key component of the Department's mission of ensuring that all Texans have an affordable, healthy place to call home," according to Michael Gerber, TDHCA Executive Director. "The cost of heating or cooling a home significantly impacts the household's ability to afford their home. Our goal is to help these households with their utility bills in the short-term while helping them to achieve self-sufficiency for the long term."

Panhandle Community Services, which serves residents in Donley, Armstrong, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher, and Wheeler counties, received \$4,173,945.

The Department annually assists more than 68,000 low income Texans through CEAP services, helping low income households meet their immediate energy needs and to encourage consumers to control future energy costs through case management and consumer education. In addition, some households may qualify for the repair or replacement of inefficient heating and cooling equipment.

Gerber explained that services are provided at the local level by 51 contract organizations serving all 254 counties in Texas and target households earning an annual income of less than \$26,500 for a family of four. CEAP service providers include Community Action Agencies or other qualifying nonprofit organizations, Councils of Government, and local city or county governments.

Local service providers accept applications for assistance and determine eligibility, placing a priority on households with elderly persons, very young children, persons with disabilities, and the greatest energy burden.

To find the nearest CEAP provider, call toll free at (877) 399-8939 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. The toll free number will directly connect you with the CEAP service provider in your county; however, callers must use a land-based phone when dialing the toll free number. Cell phones will not make this automatic connection.

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## 4-H Spotlight

By Cire Jauregui

This week's 4-H Spotlight is on Marae Hall. Marae is nine years old and is in the fourth grade at Clarendon Elementary School. She would like to learn how to sew and cook. Marae would like to help her community by cleaning up after 4-H meetings and being a good citizen through 4-H. Her hobbies are riding bikes, playing with friends, jumping on the trampoline, and helping her mom with her brother, Thaddues. Just for fun Marae could play hop-scotch, talk on the phone, and eat chips.



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## Sheriff's Report: Weather keeps deputy busy

January 26, 2009

4:42 a.m. - Loose livestock, SH 70 N.  
 8:41 a.m. - At courthouse.  
 9:09 a.m. - At Hedley School, civil standby.  
 9:24 a.m. - JP Office in Hedley.  
 9:32 a.m. - Deputy reporting weather conditions worsening. Ice forming on streets.  
 12:25 p.m. - Vehicle spun off roadway on US 287 west of Hedley.  
 2:14 p.m. - Deputy advising oversized load unable to continue will attempt when road conditions improve.  
 2:26 p.m. - At Clerk's Office.  
 2:41 p.m. - 1000 block of W. Fifth. No contact. Unable to deliver message.  
 10:07 p.m. - Vehicle accident on US 287 near east county line.

January 27, 2009

1:36 p.m. - On I-40 responding to accidents. First accident 100 yards inside Gray Co.  
 2:33 p.m. - Leaving one accident;

en route to another.  
 5:55 p.m. - EMS assist in 500 block of E. Browning Blvd.  
 10:28 p.m. - At college dorm. Reported unfamiliar male on campus.

January 28, 2009

1:03 p.m. - At 400 block W. Fourth.  
 1:54 p.m. - JP office in Clarendon.  
 4:23 p.m. - At residence at 700 block of S. Goodnight.

January 29, 2009

5:54 a.m. - Reports of possible gas leak. Deputy checking numerous locations. Green-Light Gas contacted.  
 9:22 a.m. - Follow up in 800 block of W. Second.  
 12:57 p.m. - Clerk requesting welfare check. Trucks parked at pumps.  
 4:58 p.m. - Loose livestock one mile north of Lelia Lake.  
 7:20 p.m. - Located vehicle on N. Sully.  
 7:25 p.m. - Followed driver to owners residence at Third

and Goodnight.  
 9:04 p.m. - Assist DPS with traffic stop.

January 30, 2009

5:02 a.m. - At residence in 600 block of S. Kearney.  
 5:31 a.m. - Back to same location.  
 5:36 a.m. - Will patrol SH 70 N to conclude welfare check.  
 5:55 a.m. - Back to residence at 600 block of S. Kearney.  
 1:53 p.m. - EMS assist at CR 17A.  
 3:01 p.m. - Clerk's office.  
 4:29 p.m. - At residence in 700 block of S. Goodnight.  
 5:28 p.m. - Checking on missing dogs. Location not logged.  
 6:09 p.m. - Checking pedestrian urinating on railroad track at S. Hawley.  
 6:18 p.m. - To jail with one male in custody for public intoxication.  
 11:17 p.m. - To jail with one male in custody for DWI.

January 31, 2009

4:45 a.m. - 600 block of S. Kearney.  
 7:01 a.m. - Deputy reports no barking dogs reported at Fourth and Kearney.  
 3:15 p.m. - Escort funeral procession from Hall Co. line to Rowe Cemetery near Hedley.

February 1, 2009

2:59 a.m. - Check US 287 W for reported possible intoxicated driver.  
 12:36 p.m. - Welfare check in 3000 block of Walleye in Howardwick.  
 12:58 p.m. - At 700 block of S. Koogle Street.  
 7:20 p.m. - See caller at residence south of City Park

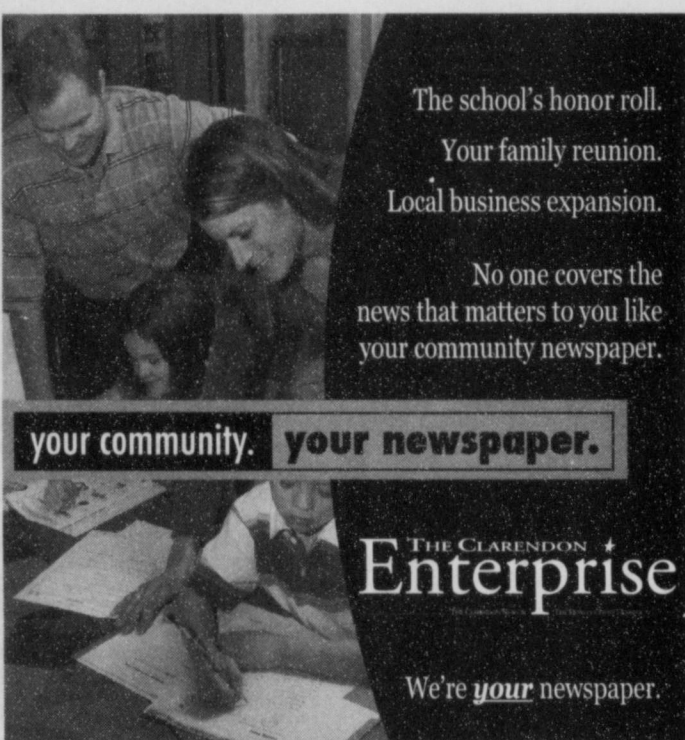
Arrests - 3  
 EMS - 14  
 Fire - 3

### USDA Sets Date for Lamb Referendum

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Department of Agriculture has announced that it will offer lamb producers, feeders, and first handlers the opportunity to vote in a nationwide referendum on whether to continue or terminate the Lamb Promotion, Research, and Information Order.

The referendum will be held February 2-27, 2009. The referendum will be conducted at USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) county offices.

To be eligible to vote, persons must certify and provide documentation, such as a sales receipt or remittance form, which shows they have been engaged in the production, feeding, or slaughtering of lambs during the period, January 1, 2008, through December 31, 2008.



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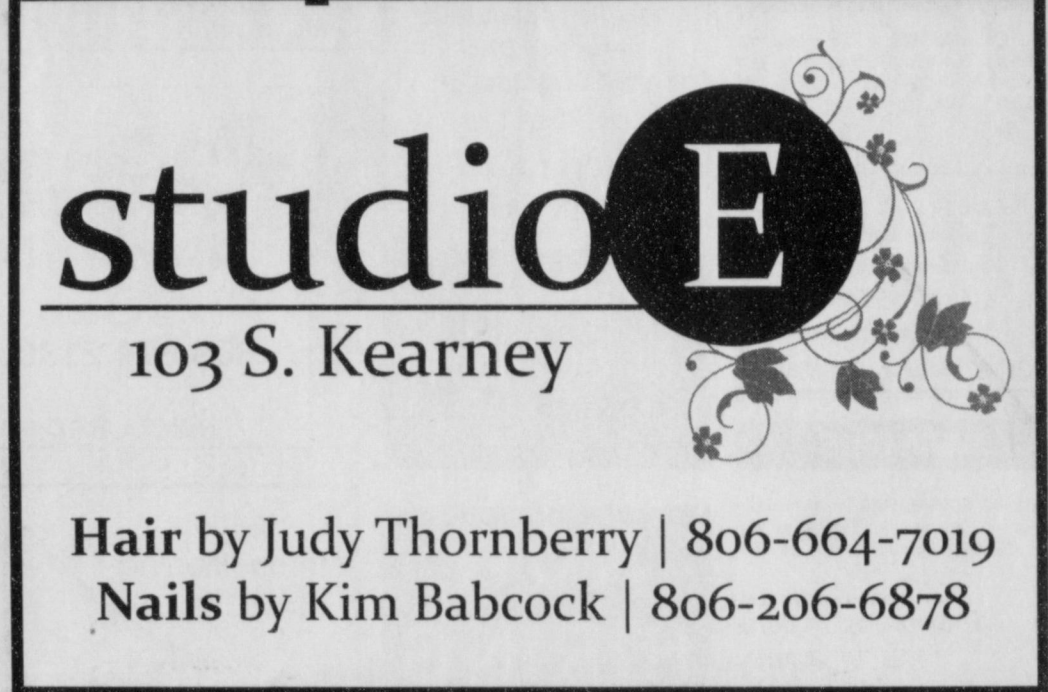
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**Clarendon elect new**  
 The Clarendon Department held a meeting on January 24, 2009. There were several candidates for the position of Chief. The candidates were open for election for 2009-2010. The candidates were: Wes Smith, Assistant Chief; Jeremy Powell, Secretary/Treasurer; and Terry Bell, Fireman of the Newhouse. The candidates for Fireman are: Wes Smith, Jeremy Powell, and Terry Bell. The results will be announced soon.

**Trash To date set**  
 The date for the Trash To Treasures event has been set for February 28, 2009. This year from the traditional weekend date to the event has been moved to a weekday for people who would make it easier to attend. Sign-ups for the event are being accepted at the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce.

**BBB warns credit card**  
 The Better Business Bureau is warning consumers about a scam promising to help them get out of debt. The scam promises to help consumers get out of debt by using a credit card. Consumers should be cautious of any company that promises to help them get out of debt. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a large fee up front. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for personal information. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a credit card number. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a social security number. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a driver's license number. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a passport number. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a birth certificate number. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a marriage certificate number. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a divorce certificate number. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a death certificate number. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a birth record number. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a marriage record number. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a divorce record number. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a death record number. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a birth record number. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a marriage record number. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a divorce record number. Consumers should also be cautious of any company that asks for a death record number.

**Irish R seeks**  
 The Shamrock Society is seeking members for its annual St. Patrick's Day celebration on March 17. The celebration will be held at the Downtown Ministry Center. The celebration will feature a parade, a concert, and a dinner. The celebration will be a great opportunity for everyone to celebrate the Irish spirit. For more information, contact the Shamrock Society at (806) 874-3833.