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

## CHS students place in four UIL contests

Three Clarendon High School students placed in four UIL academic contests at the West Texas Invitational meet January 17.

Senior Morgan Hysinger placed 4th in Ready Writing; senior Niki Roberts placed 2nd in Accounting and 3rd in Editorials; and junior Matt Thomas placed 6th in Computer Science.

## College choir starts practice this week

The Clarendon College and Community Choir will begin practices this Thursday, January 22.

The choir will meet at 7 p.m. each Thursday night this semester at the First United Methodist Church.

If you have any questions or would like more information, contact Debbie Roberts at 874-2318

## Senior citizens to hold January dinner

The Donley County Senior Citizens will be celebrating the January birthdays and anniversaries on Tuesday, January 27, beginning at 6 p.m.

The meal will be stew and cornbread provided by the Senior Center. They are asking that everyone who attends bring either a salad or a dessert to share.

Entertainment will be provided by Audrey Jones. Come and enjoy her singing.

## Retired teachers to meet next Monday

The Donley County Retired School Personnel Association will meet Monday, January 26, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the Church of Christ Family Life Center.

The program will be given by Barbara Bain, President of the District 16 Texas Retired School Personnel Association. Bring a dish for the pot luck dinner.

## Free trees for new Arbor Day members

Ten free flowering trees will be given to residents of Texas who become members of the Arbor Day Foundation in January 2009.

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

Those who join the Foundation in January will receive two white flowering dogwoods, two flowering crabapples, two Washington hawthorns, two American redbuds, and two goldenrain trees.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between February 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

To become a member of the Foundation and to receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to Ten Free Flowering Trees, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by January 31, 2009. Texas residents can also join online at arbor day.org.

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## INAUGURATION OF THE 44TH PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



Barack Obama, left, joined by his wife Michelle, takes the oath of office from Chief Justice John Roberts to become the 44th president of the United States at the U.S. Capitol in Washington, Tuesday, January 20, 2009.

AP PHOTO/JAE C. HONG

## Change comes to America Locals react to history-making new leader

By Ashlyn Tubbs,  
Clarendon Enterprise

A historic transition of power occurred Tuesday, January 20, as Barack Obama was inaugurated as the first black president in the history of the United States.

Many believe that America has entered a new era as the 44th president promises to take the nation in a new direction as he faces many challenges.

President Obama began his career as a community organizer in Chicago from 1985 until 1988. He was elected to the Illinois State Senate in 1996, where he served for eight years. In 2005, he was sworn into office for the US Senate. In 2007, he started his presidential campaign as an unlikely candidate.

Obama prevailed in a tough fight for the Democratic nomination; and on November 4, 2008, he won the popular vote in the presidential election, an historic moment that will be well remembered in years to come.

Donley County citizens were largely in favor of Obama's Republican opponent, Sen. John McCain of Arizona, in the November election. Obama received only 291 votes while McCain led with a total of 1,370 votes.

Project Vote results at Clarendon High School showed even stronger support for McCain, with 96 percent in favor of McCain and only 4 percent for Obama. In contrast, state-wide Project Vote results overwhelmingly supported

the new president with 81 percent choosing Obama over McCain.

Even though the majority of Donley County citizens did not support Obama, he does have some strong supporters locally. One is Roy Williams who serves as pastor of the Panhandle's first African-American church, St. Stephen's Baptist Church in Clarendon.

"When I was sick last year, I had a lot of time to sit and watch the presidential debates," Williams said. "I didn't make my mind up for a long time, I was a middle-of-the-roader.

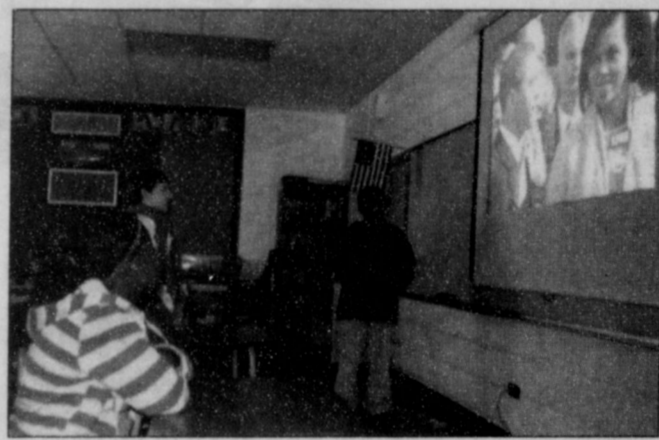
"But the more I listened to Obama, the more I knew that he was God-sent to heal this country. When he won the election, I felt like a great curtain had been torn down. The last part of segregation was the White House."

Sammie Doering, founder of "Sam Hill" BBQ in Carson County, Texas. He is proud to be on Obama's side.

"I feel like it was divine intervention that Obama was elected," Doering said. "He is just what God ordered. Everyone can come together now and be neighbors without so much hate and prejudice. I am looking forward to the future with a change."

Another Obama supporter is Louisa King, mother of the late Gwendolyn Jean King, who was the first black student at Clarendon College.

"I never thought I would live to see a black man as President of the United States," King said. "We



Zhanan Bassett, Austin Lowry, and Jonathon Cartwright were among the students in Jenifer Pigg's seventh grade reading class at Clarendon Junior High to watch the historic inauguration Tuesday morning.

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have come a long ways since my children attended North Ward, a segregated school in Clarendon. Obama was elected President; but, as Gwendolyn found out, it's not going to be easy to have success. His work has just begun."

Bobbie Lewis, a Clarendon resident for 62 years, thinks it is wonderful that Obama was elected.

"He can't do no worse than the other presidents," Lewis said. "It don't make no difference what the color of his skin is. I think he will do just fine."

One person who can relate to President Obama is McKinley "Mac" Smith, who in 1990 became the first and only African-American to serve on the Board of Aldermen in Clarendon.

"My time as a city councilor

was a good experience," Smith said, who served two terms on the board. "The people were always good to me. I think it is great that Obama was elected. It will be nice to have a change and see what he can do to make this nation better."

Although the majority of Donley County citizens weren't for Obama at first, many, such as Lyndal Gillen, are learning to put aside their differences and support their new president. Gillen teaches government at Clarendon High School.

"The inauguration was an historic event," Gillen said. "I hope my students all stopped and enjoyed the moment. Then on (January) 21st, I hope we'll all set aside our differences whether we're Republican or Democrat and support our new president."

## City raises water use charges

By Roger Estlack, Clarendon Enterprise

City residents will soon be paying more for water and sewer services following the Clarendon Board of Aldermen's 3-1 vote last Tuesday.

The board approved Ordinance 385 to amend the utility rates. While residential and commercial base rates for water will remain the same, the amendment reduces the 5,000-gallon minimum to 2,000 gallons and sets a usage rate of \$2.25 per thousand gallons over the minimum.

City Administrator John Webb said the rate change was necessary to help get the city back on track financially.

"The longer we wait to do this, the less money we have to take into fiscal year 2010," Webb told the board.

Aldermen had put off implementing the increase when they met before Christmas, but most said now that they had to do something.

Alderman Will Thompson, who was appointed to the board last month and took the oath of office last week, said he had studied the situation and felt the city had to put its financial house in order.

Webb and Mayor Chris Ford also raised the specter that the city might be headed for bankruptcy if changes were not made. The administrator presented information from the state attorney general and the Texas Municipal League about what happens to a city in bankruptcy.

"This is something we do not want to even consider," Ford said.

Alderman Tommy Hill was the lone dissenter on the amendment and said he felt the city had already raised rates and fees too many times.

Aldermen Terry Noble, Ann Huey, and Thompson voted for the measure. Alderman Kyle Davis was absent.

In addition to a lower minimum for water consumption, Ordinance 385 lowers the commercial rate for sewer service from \$36 to \$25 per month but implements a new usage rate for residential and commercial sewer services that will be based on average water consumption in December, January, and February.

In other city business, Webb reported on an analysis requested by Alderman Hill on the cost effectiveness of running sanitation services outside the city limits, specifically to Greenbelt Lake and the City of Howardwick. The study showed the city nets more than \$43,000 per year on these routes.

Denise Foster presented the annual audits for the city, the Clarendon Economic Development Corporation, and the Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department. Each received a favorable report, but Foster noted the city's General Fund ran short in the last fiscal year. Webb said the audit showed that the city had just been "getting by with no eye to the future."

The board approved a proposal to purchase three new Dell computers for \$4,100 for City Hall.

In his administrator's report, Webb said he was working with TxDOT and the Texas Historical Commission to relocate the Seventh Street Bridge so that it can be preserved for future generations and a new bridge built in its place. The bridge is a 1908 Pony Truss design and was closed by the state last

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## SWEPCO signs long-term agreement for area wind power

COLUMBUS, Ohio — American Electric Power (NYSE: AEP) subsidiary Southwestern Electric Power Co. (SWEPCO) has signed a long-term power purchase agreement for renewable wind energy with Majestic Wind Power LLC, a subsidiary of Babcock & Brown Renewable Holdings Inc.

Through the 20-year agree-

ment, SWEPCO will purchase all of the output, including renewable energy credits, of the 79.5-megawatt Majestic Wind Farm located northeast of Amarillo in Carson County, Texas. The project, consisting of 53 General Electric 1.5-megawatt SLE wind turbines and associated equipment, is more than 95 percent complete and expected to be online by

the end of this month. Pricing terms are confidential.

"We continue to diversify AEP's power generation mix with wind and other renewables, along with new baseload generation using advanced coal technologies, in order to meet our customers' future electricity needs," said Michael G. Morris, AEP chairman, president

and chief executive officer. "This latest agreement is part of AEP's voluntary plans, announced in 2007, to add 1,000 megawatts of new wind energy by 2011 as a component of our comprehensive strategy to address greenhouse gas emissions."

The agreement with Majestic Wind Power LLC brings AEP's long-term renewable-energy pur-

chase commitments up to 455 megawatts since the 1,000-megawatt goal was established. AEP companies have additional requests for proposals out for up to 500 megawatts of renewable energy.

"As we have noted previously, when you add our wind capabilities that were in place prior to the estab-

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guest commentary

# A glance into nation's future

By Richard W. Rahn, Cato Institute

April 1, 2013 - Unemployment is approaching 25 percent, inflation is close to 40 percent, major portions of the U.S. are having power "brownouts," and Americans are forced to go to foreign countries for timely and quality medical care. How did the world's largest and most prosperous economy fall into such a morass in only a very few years?

Collapse of the American economy in 2013 began with several major policy mistakes by the Fed, the "Bush 43" administration, and Congress in the years from 2004-08, which were compounded with even greater policy mistakes by the Obama administration, Congress and the Fed from 2009 thereafter.

The Fed had created much of the housing and commodity bubble of 2004-08 by allowing excessive monetary growth. Both the Republican and Democratic Congresses had failed, despite many warnings, to reform Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and the Community Reinvestment Act, which led to the subprime mortgage crisis.

Both the Bush administration and Congress engaged in excessive federal spending growth, culminating in the ill thought out and counterproductive bailout "TARP" scheme in late 2008. And finally, even though almost everyone knew Social Security and Medicare needed fundamental reform, Congress refused to seriously deal with it.

After promises of "change," the new Obama administration, the Democratic Congress and the Fed only made changes for the worse. Despite an extensive history and strong empirical evidence - some of it coming from Mr. Obama's own economists - going back to the Great Depression of the 1930s that spending stimulus programs did not work and that tax rebates and credits were ineffective (as contrasted with marginal rate cuts), Congress and the Obama administration, in early '09, embarked on a record high spending "stimulus" program, along with a tax credit and rebate program for low-income people, many of whom had not paid any income tax.

Before these programs went into effect, the economy began to slowly recover, in part, because of the big injection of money by the Fed in the previous months. However, unemployment continued to rise, and thus the Fed continued to keep interest rates at record lows.

At the same time, Congress passed "card check" to make it possible for unions to gain control without a secret ballot. Congress also passed measures to make it easier for trial lawyers to sue employers for alleged discrimination, which further discouraged employers from hiring new workers. Congress also enacted into law a national health-care scheme, which essentially socialized all medical care in the United States, and passed measures to prohibit the construction of any new coal power plants.

As the 2010 election approached, the Obama administration, faced with not meeting its employment goals, decided to embark on a massive government employment program. This program further dampened the economy as government jobs (and in many cases totally unproductive jobs) were substituted for more productive jobs in the private sector. (Note: The private sector had to be drained of money to pay for the jobs in the public sector.)

Meanwhile, much of the rest of the world - particularly China and Southeast Asia - was growing again because their governments had not engaged in destructive economic policies. This global growth caused an increase in commodity prices, and coupled with the growth in U.S. government spending, caused a rise in inflation.

Despite the rise in inflation, the Fed was being pressured by the administration and Congress to continue to keep interest rates low, and Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke was replaced by a partisan Democratic economist who was in favor of big government.

As the 2012 elections approached, the Democrats were in a panic because the U.S. economy continued to be stagnant with still rising unemployment. They then decided to put even more people on government payrolls, making them beholden to the Democratic Party. The major TV networks and most newspapers, like the New York Times, continued losing money, so Congress and the Obama administration decided to give them low-interest, non-recourse loans, which all but assured very biased and positive coverage for the Democrats during the campaign.

Despite the growing economic disaster, President Barack Obama narrowly won re-election in 2012, but by early 2013, the consequences of the open-ended federal checkbook, unrestrained money growth, and unleashed trial lawyers and environmentalists became apparent to all. Unemployment rose even more rapidly, and inflation rates began to make the United States look like a Third World country.

Americans found, as other countries had experienced, that national health insurance resulted in massive queuing and a steep drop in quality. Those who could still afford it, and had sufficient time, traveled to other countries (including the newly democratic and capitalist Cuba) to go to private, high-quality hospitals and clinics.

Companies were leaving the United States in droves because of higher taxes, power shortages, and endless harassment by trial lawyers, environmentalists and unions, along with growing protectionism, which increased their raw material and component costs.

Fortunately, it is only January 2009, and none of the above needs to occur - if Mr. Obama listens to some of the better economists he has appointed. But if the Obama administration and the Democratic Congress let themselves be captured by their big government, high tax, environmentalist, union leader and trial lawyer allies, the above scenario is as certain as was the end of the subprime mortgage bubble.

Richard W. Rahn is a senior fellow at the Cato Institute and chairman of the Institute for Global Economic Growth.

# Jordan helped pave way for Obama

This month, Americans in Texas and across the country pay tribute to the life and legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. To this day his powerful message on the importance of equality, opportunity, and the unique value of every human life continues to inspire generations of Americans. Undoubtedly, Rev. King would have liked to be here to witness firsthand the inauguration of our nation's first African American president.

As we celebrate this historic occasion, we should also pause to remember one of Texas' most accomplished civil rights activists, Barbara Charline Jordan. The first African American woman from a Southern state to serve in the U.S. Congress, Jordan's unprecedented election was just one of the many shining "firsts" she achieved for both her race and her gender.

Jordan was born in Houston on February 21, 1936, and grew up in Houston's Fifth Ward. Much of her childhood was spent in Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church, where she listened devotedly to the sermons of her father, Baptist Rev. Benjamin Jordan. She carried his booming voice and resonating pulse from the pulpit with her, excelling as a young debater at Phillis Wheatley High School—determined even then to be a lawyer. Her grandfather's words guided her throughout her life: "just trot to your own horse and don't get in the same rut as everyone else."

Without question, Jordan was focused and determined to succeed. A member of the Wheatley honor society, she graduated in the top five percent of her class. She attended Texas Southern University, where she fine-tuned her debate skills, defeating top debaters from Ivy League institutions like Yale and Brown.



TEXAS TIMES  
by sen. john cornyn

After a brief teaching stint at Tuskegee Institute, Jordan returned home to Houston and practiced law. It wasn't long before Jordan found herself "bitten by the political bug," and in 1960, she began stuffing envelopes for the Harris County Democrats during the Kennedy presidential campaign. She was quickly recognized for her exceptional oratory skills, and party leaders recruited her to begin speaking for area candidates.

Jordan's charisma on the stump was remarkable, and she soon became a candidate herself. Jordan made two unsuccessful runs at the state legislature before winning a seat in the Texas Senate in 1966—the first African American woman to do so. She earned the respect of her white male colleagues and a reputation for common-sense leadership.

In 1972, she made history again by becoming elected as the first African American female from the Deep South to serve in the U.S. Congress.

During her public service, she became a champion of the disadvantaged and disenfranchised. She even succeeded in broadening the Voting Rights Act of 1965 to include Mexican-Americans in

Texas and other southwestern states.

Jordan captured the nation's attention in 1974, when she participated in the impeachment proceedings against President Nixon and delivered what many consider to be the most memorable and powerful remarks of the historic hearings. The national spotlight followed her, and in 1976, she became the first African American woman to speak before the Democratic National Convention, delivering an energizing speech centered on the ideals of equality and accountability.

In 1979, Jordan retired from government and accepted a position teaching ethics and public affairs at the LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas. After a life of achievement, Barbara Jordan passed away in Austin on January 17, 1996.

Barbara Jordan's historic accomplishments and contributions to our nation earned her countless honors, including the elite Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1994. In tribute to her passionate work to end discrimination, I was proud to have a hand in adding her name to the title of the Voting Rights Reauthorization Act of 2006, which was signed into law in 2008.

This month, the path paved by Barbara Jordan, Martin Luther King, Jr., and other civil rights activists, will lead to the White House. As Barack Obama becomes our nation's first African American president, I hope we can each pause to remember and pay tribute to Barbara Jordan and the others like her who have made this historic day possible - building, as Ms. Jordan once said, "an America as good as its promise."



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# Setting priorities for transportation

Often we begin a new year with a set of goals to achieve, or with a list of priorities that will receive our special attention in the foreseeable future. Some people pledge to get fit; others resolve to be more fiscally responsible. Likewise, Congress must, at the outset of a new legislative session, set an agenda and work to accomplish it. As the Senior Republican on the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science & Transportation, a body that oversees America's vast transportation network, I hope to focus on several key issues that require action in the Senate this year to keep our nation moving and our commerce flowing.

First, we must reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), whose operating authority expires in March. The entire aviation industry has been hit hard by fuel prices and our weakening economy, and the continued operation of our aviation system is critical to movement of American goods and people. The FAA projects that domestic air travel will nearly double to 1 billion passengers annually by 2015. In order to improve security and capacity and to upgrade key systems like air traffic control (ATC), Congress faces the important challenge of advancing and equipping the aviation industry to keep pace with projected increases in demand.

Modernizing the ATC system, known as the Next Generation Air Transportation System (NextGen), must be a national priority. NextGen will broadly expand air traffic capacity by transferring infrastructure from ground-based radars and navigational aids to satellite technology and will rely on aircraft on-board automation. These upgrades will allow the FAA to monitor more flights in a more efficient and safe manner. Such modernization efforts are

vital to our air transport system's ability to meet future travel demands and eliminate gridlock in our skies and at our nation's airports. This would be particularly beneficial to Texas and its approximately 400 airports. Our state's general aviation airport system is one of the largest in the country, accounting for 783,700 jobs and \$20.6 billion in payroll and an economic impact of a \$48.8 billion. NextGen and other aviation improvement efforts are critical to keeping Texas a hub of tourism and commerce well into the future.



CAPITOL COMMENT  
by sen. kay bailey hutchison

Unfortunately, vital projects like NextGen have been hampered by Congress' failure to approve a multi-year FAA Authorization bill. Instead, over the last two years, Congress has passed a series of eight short-term extensions, creating funding instability and inconsistency in our aviation infrastructure programs. First, we must extend the current programs through the end of fiscal year 2009. Then, we must work toward a multi-year reauthorization bill, which is key to providing our air transport system the continuity of funding and support to take on critical projects.

The second priority must be to reauthorize the Highway Bill to improve surface infrastructure. This will bolster our economy through added construction jobs and more efficient transportation of commercial goods.

The existing Highway Bill expires in September, and its reauthorization will be difficult because we must modernize

the formula for the Highway Trust Fund, which disparately apportions money to the states. Every year, many states contribute millions of dollars to other states to build their highway networks. Texas, for example, receives only 92 cents in federal highway funding for every taxpayer dollar paid into the Trust Fund.

While this is a huge improvement over the 75 cent return when I first took office, Texas is long overdue for retaining its money. Now that we have a national highway infrastructure in place, we should concentrate on using federal highway dollars to maintain the national system. And most of the gas taxes should be left to individual states and municipalities to collect and spend without having to route the money through Washington bureaucracy. This is the approach I will urge.

I will also pursue the continuation of the policy I enacted two years ago that bans tolling of federal highways in Texas that taxpayers have already paid for, unless it builds a new lane and maintains the same number of free lanes. Some states have allowed every lane of a federal highway to be tolled, thereby prohibiting its free use. I believe this breaks faith with people whose dollars paid for the road with the promise of free use for transporting people and goods.

In January, the Senate Commerce Committee intends to hold a nomination hearing for Raymond LaHood, a former Illinois Congressman, who has been slated to serve as the new Secretary of Transportation. As our nation addresses a range of challenges in the coming months, I pledge to work with Mr. LaHood and my colleagues to tackle these and other transportation priorities that are critical to our nation's well-being in 2009 and beyond.

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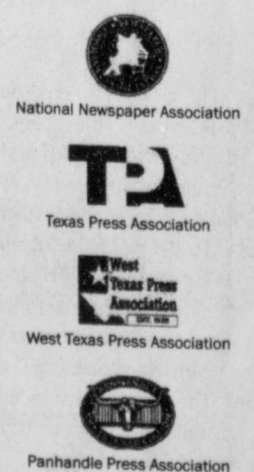
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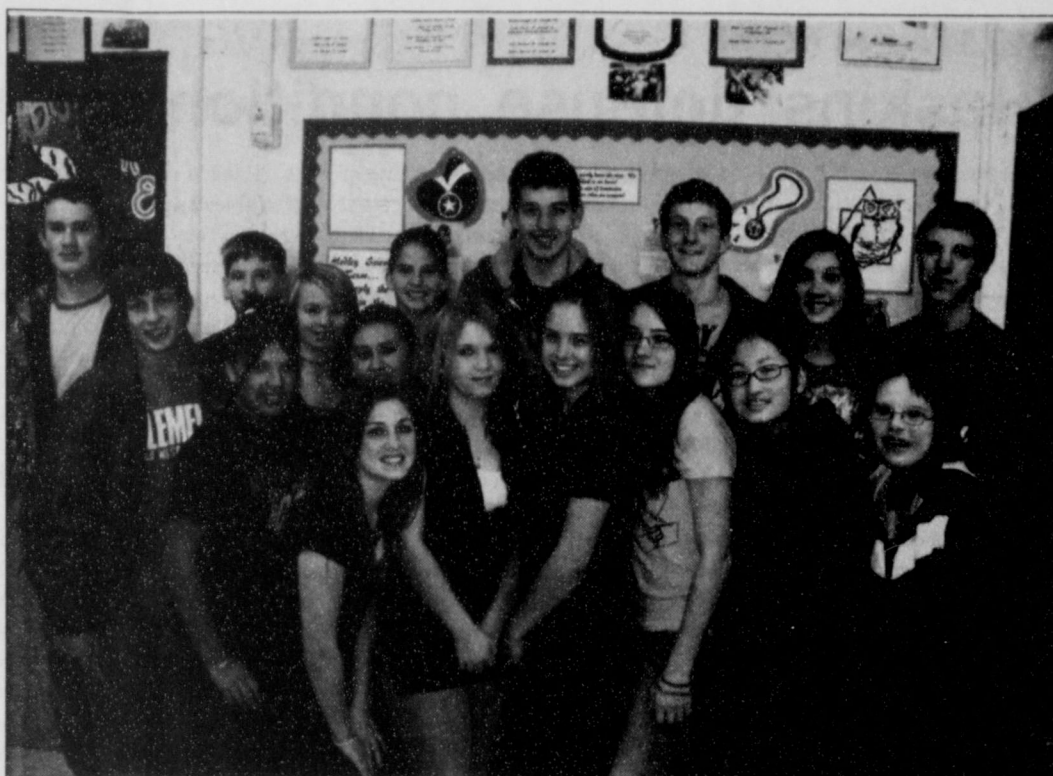


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## Hedley UIL group competes at West Texas Invitational

Hedley High School's UIL academic teams had a good start to the 2009 season with a strong showing at the West Texas High School Invitational meet in Stinnett last Saturday. The Science team placed first, led by Dylan Pettit, Pete Howard, and Reid Copelin. They finished 2nd, 3rd, and 6th individually in the contest, and Pettit won the Chemistry portion of the test. Kailee Burton (8th), Joey Allen (15th), Kayla Elam (18th), and Sierra Shelp (19th) also did well out of 58 contestants. The Calculator Applications team was 2nd place overall, with Amber Burnam coming in 2nd individually and Elizabeth Garcia placing 8th. Katrina Johnson, Cheyenne Kosachata, and Sierra Shelp rounded out the team. The Social Studies team also placed 2nd, with Marlee Sargent placing

4th and Benedikt Grieger placing 5th. Number Sense and Mathematics teams placed 4th in the contest involving 13 schools, including Borger, Pampa, River Road, Perryton, Dalhart, West Texas, and Canadian. Competitors in these events included Dylan Pettit (6th Number Sense), Pete Howard, Sarah Kwon (6th Mathematics), Amber Burnam, Katrina Johnson, Joey Allen, and Reid Copelin. Also competing for Hedley were Patricia Valles, Ethan Naylor, Sierra Shelp, and Kayla Elam in Current Issues and Events, and Laura Howard, who competed in Spelling. Hedley was the smallest school in the competition, so sponsors feel good about their teams as they prepare for district competition March 31st in Silvertown. The next contest for the students is February 14th at Canadian.



The Hedley High School UIL team.

COURTESY PHOTO

### weather report

Day	Date	High	Low	Prec.
Mon	12	60°	26°	-
Tues	13	52°	16°	-
Wed	14	56°	18°	-
Thur	15	61°	15°	-
Fri	16	32°	11°	-
Sat	17	57°	17°	-
Sun	18	64°	32°	-

Total precipitation this month: 0.00"  
Total precipitation to date: 0.00"  
Total precipitation in Nov. last year: 0.00"  
Total YTD last year: 0.00"

### weekend forecast

	Friday, Jan. 23 Partly Cloudy 58°/25°
	Saturday, Jan. 24 Partly Cloudy 52°/23°
	Sunday, Jan. 25 Partly Cloudy 54°/33°

Information provided by:  
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## Wind: Continued from page one.

ishment of the goal – 310 megawatts of wind generation in Texas owned by AEP and 467 megawatts of long-term wind-energy purchase agreements in Texas and Oklahoma – it's clear that our energy portfolio now includes a significant amount of renewable energy," Morris said.

"We also continue to advocate for long-term extension of the federal Production Tax Credit to provide the stimulus needed for additional renewable energy development, Morris said. "At a time when the nation is looking for solutions to serious economic and energy issues, this important tax credit will provide a more stable basis for moving renewable energy forward." Congress recently provided another short-term extension of the Production Tax Credit through the end of 2009.

The Majestic Wind agreement results from a SWEPCO request

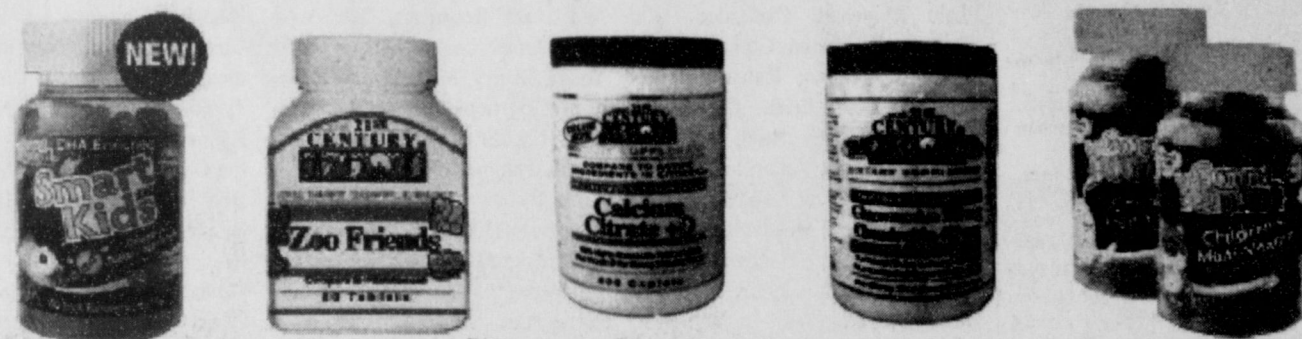
for proposals for renewable energy resources announced in April 2008. The Majestic Wind Farm is interconnected to the transmission system of Xcel Energy's Southwestern Public Service Company subsidiary, which is part of the nine-state Southwest Power Pool, as is SWEPCO.

"The Majestic Wind Farm allows SWEPCO to tap into some of the best wind resources in the Texas Panhandle," said Paul Chodak, SWEPCO president and chief operating officer. "We are pleased to add this renewable resource to our generation mix, and we look forward to adding more renewable energy in the future," he said.

SWEPCO serves more than 473,500 customers in three states, including 113,500 in western Arkansas, 180,000 in Northwest Louisiana, and 180,000 in East and North Texas, including the cities of Clarendon and Hedley.

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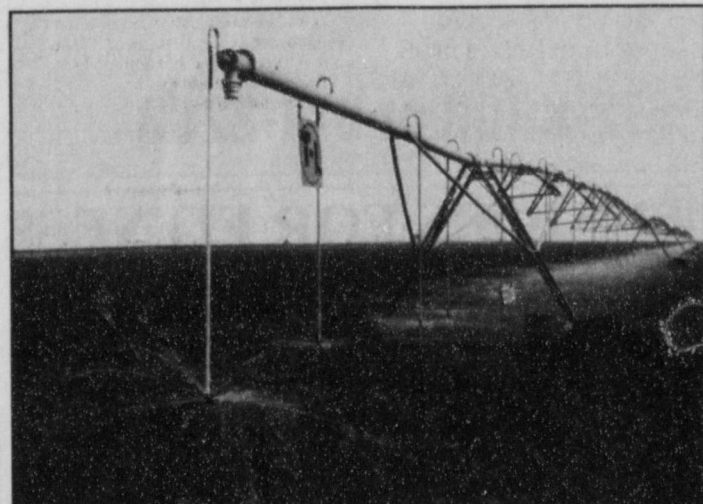
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## Lady Bulldogs drain buzzer beater, 46-45

By Sandy Anderberg

It only takes one good shot to win a ball game and that is exactly what the Lady Bulldogs did on the road Monday night when they stunned Howard College at the buzzer.

The last tick field goal gave the CC women a one-point advantage to win a conference game at 46-45.

According to Clarendon College coach and athletic director Rusty Kennedy, the Lady Dawgs (13-8) went back and forth at the end as they battled 19-4 Howard. The ladies were up by one with only 4.8 seconds on the clock when they fouled Howard and their player drained both free throws. CC got the ball and ran the length of the floor to make good on a lay-up to win by one point.

"It was a big win on the road for us," Kennedy said. "We are 1-4 in conference play and our losses have been fairly close, so this unexpected win was good. It definitely raised our spirits."

The Lady Bulldogs will play New Mexico Junior College at home Thursday night beginning at 5:00 p.m. They will travel to Western Junior College January 26.

"We beat New Mexico Junior College on a neutral floor earlier in the year," Kennedy said. "So if we could get another win, it would be good for us."

## Lady Broncs beat Memphis

By Sandy Anderberg

The game went back and forth, but the determination by the Lady Broncos outlasted Memphis as Clarendon gained another big District win at home 53-49. The Lady Broncos played a tough game and were determined to win. After leading by one after the first quarter, the ladies trailed by two at the break. A good offensive third quarter allowed the Lady Broncos to retake the lead at the end of three and go on to finish what they had started. Senior Macy Shadle put in 18 points, and junior Haley Hall added 16 to end the game in double figures.

Scoring: Shadle 18, Hall 16, Bailey Starnes 8, Jenci White 4, Deidre Lewis 3, Janae White 2, and Cortnee Thornberry 2.

The ladies traveled to Quanah Friday night and suffered a disappointing 54-58 loss. Clarendon trailed by five points at the break but came back to narrow the gap slightly at the break. The third quarter, the ladies had an offensive surge to overtake the Lady Indians and earn a five-point lead going into the final period. That lead would be short-lived, however, and Quanah came rushing back to get the win.

"I thought we played for four quarters and played hard with a lot of emotion and heart," coach Randy Yelverton said. "We sent them to the free throw line too often, and we missed some shots we needed to knock down. I think our kids learned a good lesson on clock management late in the game. I was proud of our kids, and I think they understand they can play with anyone. Quanah is a good team and playing on the road is always tough, but we played well, just not well enough to win. I think we will be ready when they come here."

Scoring: Shadle 22, Hall 19, Abbie Massingill 7, Janae White 2, and Trevela Dronzek 2.

The Lady Broncos will play Wellington at home Friday night to end the first half of District play and then take on Electra at home Tuesday, January 27, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

## Broncos slam Memphis, Quanah

By Sandy Anderberg

Four players in double figures led the Broncos to a commanding win over Memphis Tuesday night in the Bronco Gymnasium.

The Broncos seemed unstoppable as they took control of the game after playing to a 12-12 tie in the first quarter of play. Their dominance on the court was only topped by their keen defense as they made short work of the Cyclones.

"Memphis jumped out on us early and kind of surprised us a little bit," coach Clint Coley said. "We finally settled down and started to play like we were capable of defensively. And our press hurt them a little and allowed us to get a 21-5 second quarter to open the game up."

Johnny Gaines led the Broncos with 20 points while Danzel Wilson and Derrick Shelton added 12 a

piece. Jadon Thornton also helped with 10 to make up the four in double figures, and Aaron Gordon and Stephino McCampbell added six and three respectively to cap the win.

The Broncos traveled to Quanah to face off against the Indians Friday night and came home with an enormous 89-39 victory. The Broncos, 14-4 overall, came on strong from the get-go and climbed to a 19-point lead in the first period of play. They continued to build on that lead, as the Indians could not stop their offense. Four players finished in double figures, which represented their dominance on the court. Defensively, the Broncos stifled anything Quanah tried and held them with determination.

"Quanah may be the best (team) we've played all year," Coley said. "We only turned the

ball over seven times and played very efficient on offense. We are getting good contributions from all of our kids; and since Al has been hurt, it has given these other guards a lot of playing time, and they are really doing a good job. Hopefully we will only get stronger when Al gets back from his ankle injury. We have really talked about taking care of the basketball more, and the kids are doing a really good job of buying into it and playing within the system."

Scoring: Wilson 24, J. Gaines 18, Thornton 15, Shelton 12, McCampbell 8, Tré Brown 8, and Gordon 4.

The Broncos will play Wellington at home Friday, January 23, and play another home game Tuesday, January 27, when they take on Electra to start the second round of District.

## Drugs in the News

### Asthma Relief Found From Antifungal Drug

According to the results of a new study conducted by researchers at the University of Manchester, *itraconazole* (Sporanox), a drug used to treat systemic fungal infections, appears to offer hope to those who suffer from severe asthma and are sensitive to certain fungi. Study results were reported in the January 1, 2009 issue of the *American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine*.

Over 50 people with a history of severe asthma and allergic sensitivity to at least one of seven common fungi were assigned to receive either 200mg itraconazole given twice daily or placebo (fake drug) for a period of 32 weeks. Researchers found that over 60% of those who received itraconazole reported better lung function in the morning, less runny nose, and an improvement in their quality of life compared to those who got placebo. While it is not clear as to exactly why this antifungal drug produced improvements, researchers indicated that fungal infections associated with cases of severe asthma may produce an immune response resulting in airway inflammation and a blunting of the effect of conventional asthma drugs.



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# Bronco & Lady Bronco Basketball

### Clarendon Broncos

2	Alton Gaines	Sr.
3	Aaron Gordon	Sr.
5	Billy Cenicos	Sr.
12	Johnny Gaines	So.
15	Jesus Hernandez	Sr.
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.
10	Jill Luna	Jr.
11	Macy Shadle	Sr.
12	Jane White	Sr.
15	Dominique Mason	Jr.
20	Abbie Massingill	Sr.
21	Cortnee Thornberry	Sr.
22	Bailey Starnes	Jr.
23	Haley Hall	Jr.
24	Trevela Dronzek	Fr.
25	Deidre Lewis	Jr.

Head Coach: Randy Yelverton  
Assistants: Kasey Bell  
Stephanie Beck, Lacey Eads  
Managers: Dominique Brady,  
Holly Phillips, Savannah Thackeray

### Friday, January 23

Lady Broncos v. Wellington  
at Home 6:30 p.m.

Broncos v. Wellington  
at Home 8:00 p.m.

### Tuesday, January 27

Lady Broncos v. Electra  
at Home 6:30 p.m.

Broncos v. Electra  
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**Sheriff's Report**

January 12, 2009

1:29 a.m. - See caller at 100 Blk. S. E. 6th St. Hedley. Disturbance.  
9:35 a.m. - Out at college.  
9:42 a.m. - To jail 1 male in custody. Donley Co. Wrt. Theft.  
11:58 a.m. - Welfare check to 200 Blk. Arthur St. Howardwick.  
12:03 p.m. - Checking open door near last location. Arthur St. Howardwick.  
4:33 p.m. - EMS assist at 200 Blk. Line St. Hedley.  
7:21 p.m. - Out at college.  
10:41 p.m. - EMS assist at 600 Blk. Gorst St.  
11:10 p.m. - Checking semi parked on turn lane Hwy 287 at S. Taylor St.  
11:23 p.m. - Out at college dorm.

January 13, 2009

9:07 a.m. - Out at business. 800 Blk. W. 2nd St.  
9:30 a.m. - Out at 200 Blk. S. Carhart St.

9:39 a.m. - Out E. Browning St.  
10:51 a.m. - Out at Arthur St. Howardwick.  
4:06 p.m. - Out at 200 Blk. Frederick St. Howardwick.  
5:20 p.m. - Security check. Residence N. of Howardwick.  
5:45 a.m. - Transport male Howardwick to Claude.

January 14, 2009

12:22 a.m. - Check reported activity at Leila Lake.  
8:43 a.m. - At courthouse.  
3:05 p.m. - At residence at 200 Blk. Frederick St. Howardwick.  
4:51 p.m. - Back to residence at 200 Blk. Frederick St. Howardwick.  
5:30 p.m. - At business at 800 Blk. W. 2nd St.  
9:41 p.m. - Abandoned vehicle Hwy. 70 S. 4 miles.

January 15, 2009

4:46 a.m. - Loose livestock Hwy 70 S. 4 miles.

7:23 a.m. - EMS assist at 5000 Blk. Co Rd 3. Ashtola.  
8:00 a.m. - Business alarm at 800 Blk. W. 2nd St.  
10:07 a.m. - See caller at 1000 Blk. E. 3rd St.  
9:20 p.m. - Check vehicle North side of City Park.  
9:45 p.m. - College dorm. Suspicious activity.  
11:54 p.m. - Back to college.

January 16, 2009

3:17 a.m. - Single vehicle rollover Hwy 287 between Co Rd 1 and West Co. Line. West bound.  
9:16 a.m. - Clerk's office.  
11:38 a.m. - Family emergency delivered; location not logged.  
3:44 p.m. - Family disturbance; 200 Blk. S. Carhart St.  
7:16 p.m. - Back to 200 Blk. S. Carhart St.  
7:26 p.m. - On to location; 500 Blk. S. Jefferson St.  
8:39 p.m. - Large tree burning; N.

Sully St.  
10:28 p.m. - Disturbance, college dorm; loud music.  
11:09 p.m. - Suspicious activity; Carroll Creek area, east of bridge.

January 17, 2009

1:37 p.m. - Welfare check; livestock; Lelia Lake.  
5:54 p.m. - EMS assist; N. Sully St.  
10:07 p.m. - Disturbance, 500 Blk. W. 5th St.; barking dog.

January 18, 2009

12:16 a.m. - Disturbance, 6th St. near City Park; dogs barking.  
2:03 a.m. - College dorm; criminal mischief.  
6:17 p.m. - Kids starting fires; 4th St. at Hwy. 70 south.  
11:45 p.m. - EMS assist; 200 Blk. S. Parks St.

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**Hedley Owls fly past Samnorwood**

By Tangela Copelin

The Owls and Lady Owls played Samnorwood in their first district game on Tuesday, January 13.

Both teams took advantage of the game being on their home court and made short work of their opponents.

The Lady Owls began the first quarter a little slow but quickly made short work of the Lady Eagles' defense to pull ahead 28 to 11 by the end of the first half. From there, the Lady Owls quickly outscored their opponents to win the game 54 to 27.

Scoring for the Lady Owls were: Haley Chambless 14, Kaylee

Shields 10, Elizabeth Garcia 9, Kassy Burton 8, Kelby Shields 5, Sierra Shelp 4, and Marlee Sargent and Skylar Conatser both had 2 points this game.

The Owls hit the court fast and furious and shut down the Eagles' offense, outscoring their opponents 25 to 6 in the first quarter. And following in the Lady Owls' footsteps, the Owls won their game 74 to 41.

Those Owls popping the net were: Reid Copelin 20 points, Peter Howard 17, Dustin Watson 15, Kolby Foard 9, Isaias Ramirez 6, Jacob Widener 4, Daniel West 2, and Evan Thompson had 1 point.

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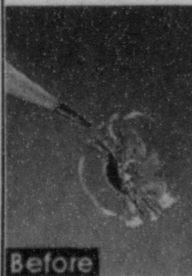
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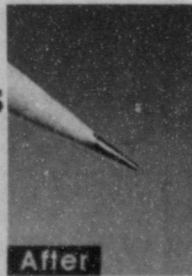
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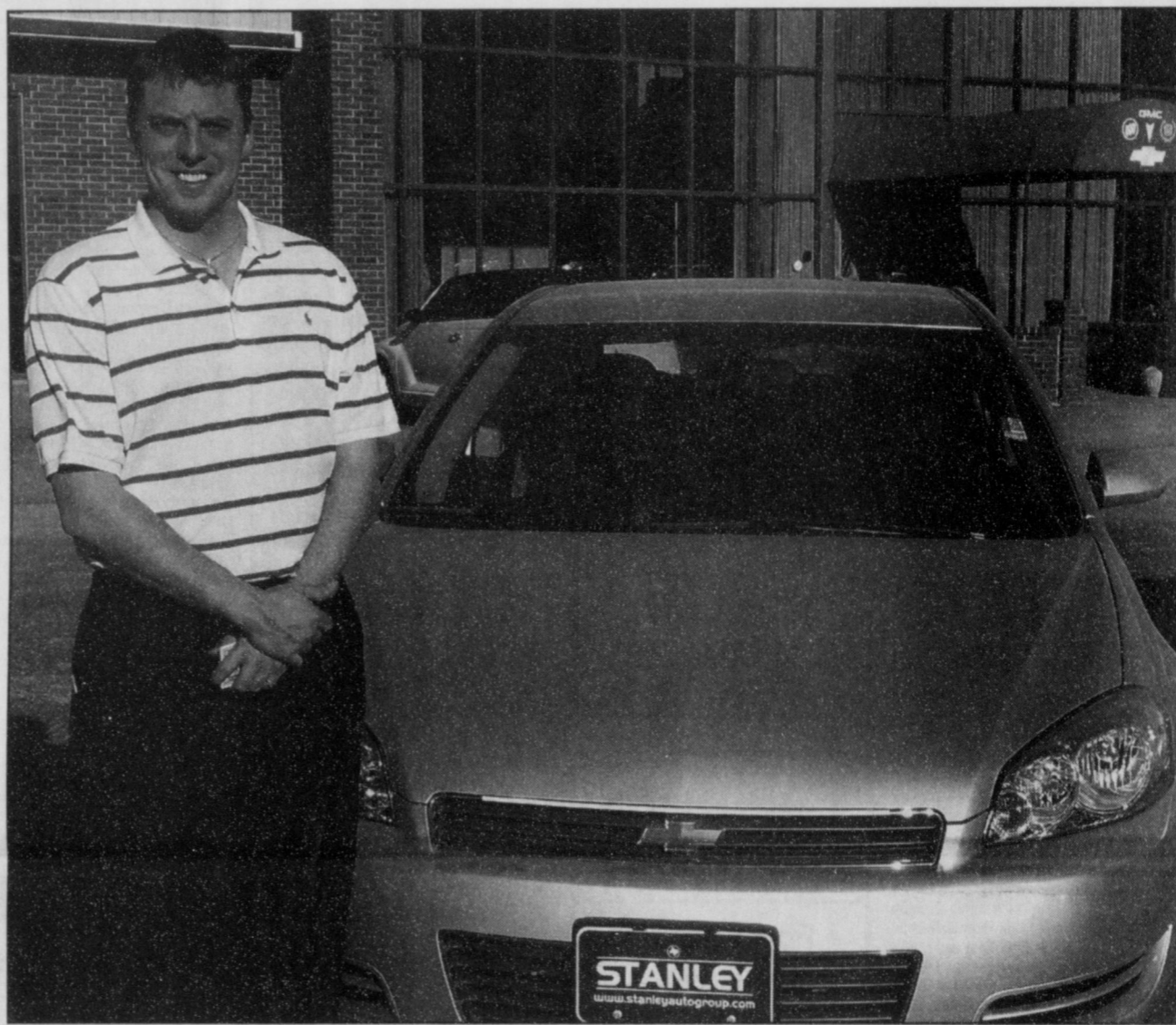


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