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THIS WEEK

- Gov. Perry's education plan could be very good news for Clarendon College.
- Old man winter sends several motorists slipping and sliding.
- A big farm and ranch show is going to be held in Abilene.
- And the Broncos are headed to the playoffs.

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

Hedley UIL competes at Idalou, wins awards

The Hedley academic teams competed at the Idalou Invitational Meet February 3 and won several awards.

The Calculator Team won first place at the meet attended by 23 large and small schools from around the region. Ruth Anne Howard led all Calculator students at the meet and came away with the gold medal. Justin Kellas finished 5th overall, and in age group categories Skyler Conatser finished first among sophomores, and Elizabeth Garcia finished third among sophomores.

In Current Issues and Events, MarLee Sargent won the second place individual medal.

Hedley teams compete this Saturday at the Canadian Invitational, and the math and science students will compete at the TMSA state meet in San Antonio March 17.

Community choir sets Thursday rehearsals

The Clarendon Community Choir has resumed rehearsals on Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Choir Room of the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Center at Clarendon College.

This choir is open to the community, and anyone who is interested in joining is invited to attend rehearsals.

For more information, call Carolyn Smith in the CC Music Department at 874-4836.

Program aims to help smokers be quitters

A free "Quit Smart" smoking program meeting has been scheduled for March 5.

This program is for those who have tried to quit smoking and cannot, who have quit for a while but started again, and who are scared to quit because it makes them sick. The Quit Smart method uses a four-step plan to make it easier to quit.

Call Paul Bivens at 874-5202 for details and a reservation. Space for the meeting is limited.

Cowboy poets to be featured February 10

Meet the cowboys at the Cowboy Poetry Breakfast at the Big Texan Saturday, February 10, at 8:00 a.m.

Don DeHay from Amarillo and Charolyn Gouldy from Wildorado will share the headliner stage.

Following the headliners, members of the Southwest Cowboy Poets Association will entertain.

EMS volunteers address hospital board

The Donley County Hospital Board met in called session Monday night to listen to the concerns of volunteer EMTs regarding the operation of the Associated Ambulance Authority.

The meeting followed the sudden resignation of ambulance director Anita Aaron last week amidst a debate over staffing for the service.

Miscommunication was repeatedly blamed Monday night for differences between the hospital board and the volunteer EMS staff. EMT Heather King said it was an issue for both sides.

"A lot of the problem is misinformation," she said. "We haven't

gotten the whole story, and neither have y'all. Unless we get the communication problem solved, it will always be a problem."

Examples of communication problems ranged from whether volunteers are covered by the hospital district's workers compensation insurance (they are) to when the hospital board meets (every third Tuesday).

Board president Alan Fletcher said he appreciated the volunteers' service and accepted some of the blame for the communication problems.

"It's as much my fault as anybody's," he said.

During the meeting, EMS members discussed the demands on their time as a volunteer, especially when they are on call. Their only compensation is \$10 for a call and \$25 for a call where a patient is transported for treatment. But being available for a call means blocking off any other obligation and, in some cases, having a babysitter on standby for children of EMTs.

"You cannot schedule anything else during this time that cannot be interrupted," EMT Pat Archuleta said.

Volunteers also said the practice of having to sign up for shifts a month at a time is difficult because

it is hard to know what they will be doing that far in advance.

Some volunteers who live in the country give up time at home to sleep at the ambulance barn so they can be on call during late shifts, and only two volunteers are able to sign up for the midnight to 8 a.m. shift since most other volunteers work during the day. The shift from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. is also difficult to cover.

Interim ambulance director Anna Howard presented the board with two options, both of which would compensate volunteers \$2 per hour for being on call and increase the payments for answering calls.

"Just \$550 plus \$180 per ambu-

lance will change our certification from "volunteer" to "paid/volunteer" status," Howard said. "The volunteers would be responsible for updating their certification, but that's just \$64."

Board members asked how the status change would affect the service when it applied for grants, and Howard said it probably would not hurt the service.

Howard also said the authority could try scheduling on a two-week period rather than a month ahead of time.

Fletcher asked Howard to meet with a committee from the board to

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Step aside

LaDez Captain gets around a Claude Mustang to score two for the Broncos during last Friday's district match up in the Bronco Gym.

Enterprise Photo / Roger Estlack

CC sees enrollment increase for spring

Clarendon College has more students than a year ago, according to preliminary enrollment figures for the 2007 spring semester.

As of the 12th class day, which was last Wednesday, CC had a total enrollment of 993 students. That's up from 983 last spring and 953 in the spring of 2005.

"We've got good folks who have done a good job recruiting, and we've got new programs and classes in Childress and Pampa," said CC President Myles Shelton. "It's a lot of little successes that add up to a significant difference."

Enrollment has fallen slightly on the home campus in Clarendon from 377 last spring to 360 now, and the same has happened at the CC Pampa Center, where the number of students fell from 245 to 203. Shelton said those losses may be attributed to the commuter students now attending class in Childress.

"Our dorm counts are holding steady," Shelton said.

The most important figure

though is the number of contact hours CC is generating, which is a method the state uses to determine the college's funding. Contact hours have increased 13.9 percent from 206,768 in spring 2006 to 233,840 this spring.

"This is what's called a base period, and that determines funding for the next two years," Shelton said.

Fall contact hours are also considered during the funding cycle, and CC has increased contact hours by 15.7 percent between the fall of 2004 and the fall of 2006.

That's a bigger percentage than any other community college in the state, and CC hopes to lead the state again this spring.

In other college business, the CC Board of Regents met in called session last Friday during which it considered and approved a resolution and agreement to hold joint elections with the City of Clarendon, Clarendon ISD, and the Donley County Hospital District.

Van rollover kills one woman

A California woman was killed early last Wednesday morning, and three others were injured following a one-vehicle rollover six miles east of Hedley on US 287.

According to Department of Public Safety Trooper Daniel Hawthorne, the crash occurred at 6:50 a.m. when the driver, 33-year-old Juan N. Ramirez of Houston, lost control of the 1999 15-passenger Ford van just east of Hedley while northbound. The vehicle slid on the

slick road into the center median and rolled 1½ times.

A backseat female passenger, 21-year-old Cruz Escobar Aguilar of Los Angeles, was ejected and died at the scene.

Also injured in the crash were Juan N. Ramirez, 33, of Houston; Victor A. Miranda, 37, of Houston; Gloria Estefany Flores, 1 of Woodstock, Georgia. All three were treated and released at Childress Regional Medical Center.

Aaron explains resignation as ambulance director

A debate over the number of full time EMS employees and how to compensate volunteers led to the resignation of Associated Ambulance Authority Director Anita Aaron last week.

"I just felt it was the best thing for the service and that a change in leadership might help move things forward," Aaron told the ENTERPRISE.

The sudden resignation came January 30 during an emergency meeting of the Donley County Hospital Board, which oversees the ambulance service. The board had met in called session the day before to discuss staffing of the ambulance service.

According to board minutes, the board agreed to increase the number of full time paramedics from three

and a half to five, but Aaron objected to that plan, saying it was insufficient. She also asked for more incentives for the volunteers who support the ambulance service, but that issue was tabled.

Aaron said Friday that she had hoped that the board would provide additional compensation for the volunteers and that adding two paramedics would not alleviate the pressure on the service's existing paramedics, who have to be on call around the clock.

"I think five 24-hour shifts is too much," Aaron said. "You can't even put a cake in the oven unless you have someone else there to take it out."

Aaron said she urged the board to contact the hospital district in

Canadian to learn about that community's ambulance service.

"They have a very unique situation," Aaron said. "Their call volume is similar to ours. They have seven employees - four paramedics, two basic EMTs, and one director."

Aaron also wanted to increase the per call pay for volunteers and have some compensation for the time when they are on call - an idea she says was originated by board president Alan Fletcher.

Fletcher thanked Aaron for her service to the community during Tuesday's meeting, and the board named paramedic Anna Howard to serve as interim director.

Paramedic Debra Hill, who said she quit at last Tuesday's meeting, had agreed to stay on the job after

visiting with individual board members later that night, Fletcher said.

Aaron's resignation surprised Fletcher.

"She said Canadian has seven full time employees, but it was never stated exactly what she wanted," Fletcher said. "Our understanding is that they are overworked and that there are too many 24-hour shifts, so we were trying to alleviate that with five full time people and then fill in with volunteers."

Fletcher said that the debate about compensating the volunteers more has been going on for six months or more.

"They get \$10 for a 'no transport' call and \$25 for a call where there is a transport," he said. "Some of the volunteers want to be compensated for

the time that they are on call."

Fletcher said several issues must be considered when increasing the compensation for volunteers. He said the board would have to consider all the issues and said, "You want the best service for the citizens of Donley County."

Aaron will be taking some time before decided what to do next, but she has nothing but good things to say about the people of Clarendon and its ambulance service.

"It's been a very good experience for me to be here, and I have been honored to work with these people," she said. "Clarendon is truly blessed with the caliber of people we have and their dedication to this service. Change is always difficult, but it is not always bad."

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Governor's plan bodes well for CC

Gov. Rick Perry unveiled his plans for Texas colleges and universities last week; and while there are a few items of concern, it largely could be good news for Clarendon College – very good news.

Two key elements of the governor's plans are very important for CC. First, he proposes increasing higher education funding by \$711 million state-wide; and second, he wants to fully fund the higher ed operations formula.

Now sure, that second part sounds Greek, but it is really the key to getting more funds for Clarendon College because for years – maybe decades – the state has not provided money to community colleges like it should have.

How much of an increase are we looking at? CC President Myles Shelton says fully funding the operations formula could mean an extra \$824,000 in new money for College Hill; and while there are limits on what the money could be spent on, there is still plenty of good it could do. If Perry's plan becomes reality, CC could increase faculty and staff salaries, fund new positions, and expand its offering of student services.

There is also the potential for more new money through the governor's proposed incentive program, which could award Clarendon College for every graduate or every student who transfers to a four-year state college after completing 30 hours with a GPA of 2.5 or higher. Shelton says that could mean upwards of \$273,000 per year for CC.

Additionally, the governor wants new money for financial aid, which will make a college education more affordable for more students and therefore boost enrollment in state colleges. That's also a plus for CC.

For years Clarendon College has suffered from being under funded by the state. The leaders of Texas simply had other priorities. And in 2003, CC and all other institutions suffered from severe budget cuts – cuts that cost jobs right here in Donley County – as the state dealt with a revenue crisis. But now, with the governor's backing and the comptroller reporting big revenues for the state treasury, this may be the year that Clarendon College and other community colleges get some well-deserved attention.

Why is this important? Well, in the broad sense it is important for Texans to be educated. The more well educated our society is, the more prosperous it will be. Having an education opens doors – to borrow a phrase – and leads to a better future. A well-educated populace makes for better voters, and that should translate into a better government that is efficient with the people's money and responsive to their needs.

For Texas to compete in the global economy, it must educate its children. Public schools lay the foundation, and colleges and universities build on that to generate a workforce and an electorate that can carry on the greatness of the Lone Star State. We need to improve our public schools, educate and graduate more high schoolers, and make a community college or a four-year school the norm after that.

Closer to home, more money for Clarendon College not only means more opportunities for local kids, but it also means an economic shot in the arm for Donley County. If we have a bigger faculty and staff that are better paid, that is nothing but good news for our local economy. It means our local businesses have more customers with greater buying power. It means we have the potential for people to buy more homes; and of course, that means the tax burden for our local governments will be spread over more people.

But for all this to come about, the Legislature needs to embrace the governor's plan. And, hopefully, with leaders like our own Rep. Warren Chisum (R-Pampa) in key roles, this will happen. Mr. Chisum knows how important Clarendon College is to the people of this region, and we trust that he understands the positive impact that Perry's plan could have on Donley, Gray, and other neighboring counties.

What would really help at this point would be for the people to get behind the governor's plan. If you agree, you can write to Rep. Warren Chisum at P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78768, and to State Sen. Robert L. Duncan at P.O. Box 12068, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.



editor's commentary by roger estlack

Name game difficult part of marriage

Every where I go, people keep asking me, "How's the old married lady?" and "How are you adjusting to married life?"

I always say, "It's exciting!" and shrug a little and make a weird face that is half smiling and half scared.

But really the only part of married life I'm having trouble adjusting to (besides sharing and cleaning up after myself) is the name change.

I knew I would have trouble with this long before I ever thought about getting married. I can remember being in middle school, practicing my signature on my book covers, and thinking, "It would be a shame to have to change a signature that rad."

Not many years later, however, I wrote in this very publication that I measured a guy's attractiveness by how our names would look together on our checks.

It was by this process that I eliminated one Preston Curry from the running. Carrie Curry? Are you kidding me? But he was really cute, so I toyed with the idea of going by my middle name so I'd be Lynn Curry which sounded much better.

Who is Lynn Curry? I don't know her. No one else knows her. I could not look at myself in the mirror and say that name like it belonged to me. It was at this lowest point in my identity crisis that I vowed never to change my name.

When I first realized that Jay and I might be heading toward marriage, I started turning it over in my head again.

As I mentioned once before, the Tippen name gets things done in Abilene. To be a part of the Mafia, I had to take the Mafia name.

I started practicing a new signature: Carrie Tippen. Carrie L. Tippen. Carrie Helms Tippen. My first instinct was to bristle up all over and resist unto death.

Then Jay proposed, and I knew eventually it was going to come up. I didn't think the altar was the right place to discuss it. I brought it up over dinner a week or two later, asking nonchalantly what he would think if maybe I didn't change my name.

Two words were all he had for me: deal breaker.

I had a decision to make. Was my identity really wrapped up in my name? I hadn't chosen it. In fact, it had been handed down to me from the same patriarchal society that I was trying so hard to resist.

Would my identity really be lost? It wasn't like I had become some kind



life's lessons by carrie tippen

of commercial success that would be affected. I mean if eBay changed its name to fCurry, business might slow down. The world knows as much of Carrie Helms as it would know of Carrie Tippen.

You managed to find my column all right, didn't you? Maybe the name threw you for a second, but you recognized my picture. As soon as you started reading, you knew you were reading a "Life Lesson". Name changed, message the same.

When potato chips change their packaging, they have to put "New Look! Same Great Taste!" somewhere on the outside. You love your old potato chips. You're not going to stop eating them just because the packaging is a little different.

Getting married is not abandoning my old identity and putting on someone else's. I'm the same great taste, I just have a sparkle-ier package (especially on my left hand).

I ordered a new nameplate for my desk at work and new business cards. I changed my Notary Public certificate to read Carrie Helms Tippen. I started signing all my documents Carrie Tippen.

It's getting easier, and I'm starting to like it. When I get to the point where I can say "my husband" and "my father-in-law," I will know I have fully adjusted to married life.

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Education reduces inequality in income

During a recent speech in New York City, President Bush brought much-needed attention to the issue of income inequality in America. For the past 25 years, the distribution of income has become more disproportionate, and the reason is clear. While we have an economy that increasingly rewards education, too many young Americans have not been able to seize available educational opportunities.

Success in the 21st century requires advanced skills, and our government has a responsibility to ensure that every citizen has an equal opportunity to reach the highest development of their individual abilities. Specifically, we must recharge our education system so the next generation of American workers can compete and excel in a highly competitive global economy.

I am committed to working with state educators to improve the No Child Left Behind legislation. In particular, I believe we need to cut red tape and bureaucracy, restore flexibility, and move the decision-

making power out of Washington and closer to parents and teachers. Going forward, we need to liberate teachers and parents in each of our states while preserving the high academic standards and accountability that are at the heart of No Child Left Behind. I am confident that if we mend, but not end, No Child Left Behind, it can continue to produce positive results in our schools.

There are other ways to improve America's education system. I have taken a lead role in the National American Competitiveness Initiative, a bipartisan effort to increase research investment and strengthen educational opportunities in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and critical foreign languages.

Our legislation would provide incentives for students to major in these critical areas and teach in high school and for current teachers to advance their educations in their teaching subject by getting graduate degrees.



capitol comment by sen. kay bailey hutchison

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During the 109th Congress, I supported the authorization of additional Pell grants. More than \$4.5 billion over five years in bonus grants are now available to Pell-qualified students who study math, science or foreign languages deemed critical for our national security. President Bush's new budget proposes to increase the annual Pell grant next year by \$550, to a maximum of \$4,600.

Education has always been a gateway to economic success in America. But as technology develops and global competition increases, education is even more critical for young people to advance. We want to significantly reduce the income inequality gap and give more of our citizens a chance to share in the American dream.

Clarendon fortunate to excellent EMS

I am no longer a resident of the immediate Clarendon area, but I did live in Howardwick for six years before moving to Amarillo. During those years, my husband and I required the services of the Associated Ambulance Authority several times. As everyone in Howardwick knows, it used to be very difficult to find a street address out there. Even though this was the case, the ambulance was never long in coming. One of the calls they made to our house was thought to be life threatening at the time – a suspected heart attack. So, the ambulance arrival speed was appreciated more than words can say.

Each time the ambulance personnel were in our home, they were courteous, efficient, gentle, and very caring to us. They were a well trained, top-of-the-line group of professionals, and we always felt safe in their hands. At the time, I didn't believe that any large city could have had a better group of Paramedics, EMTs, and other personnel.

Since moving to Amarillo, my family has required the use of ambulance services three times; and each time, at the end of it all, I found myself wishing that it could have been the Associated Ambulance Authority of Clarendon who had come to our aid.

All of this is to say one thing. The old adage is true: "You get what you pay for". There is not a single city in our country where people are not working too many hours for not enough pay. It happens everywhere. The big question is, "What is Clarendon going to do to solve this problem?" Shouting matches and insulting words won't solve it, and it is a real shame when personnel feel compelled to resign in hopes of solving it. But there is bound to be a solution.

I hope most sincerely that the people of Clarendon will realize what an outstanding organization they have in the Associated Ambulance Authority and that every option, every alternative, and every

possible choice is examined to find a way to keep the professional people you have on the job and willing to go that extra mile for the citizens of Clarendon, Howardwick, and Hedley.

Solutions to this type of problem are never easy, and it is also true that you can't make everyone happy. The individuals who must solve this problem are indeed between a rock and a hard place. Unfortunately though, the questions remain: What are you willing to pay for the speedy arrival of that ambulance? What price can you put on the skill of the personnel transporting you to the hospital? How much would you give for someone knowing how to keep you alive those 60 long miles to a hospital?

Clarendon has a lot riding on this issue, and you do truly get what you pay for.

Cynthia Hall
Amarillo, Texas



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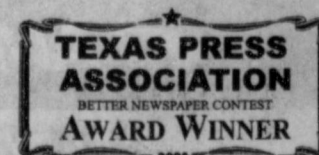
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Sade Cobb and her Grand Champion Steer, purchased by Bill Bennett.



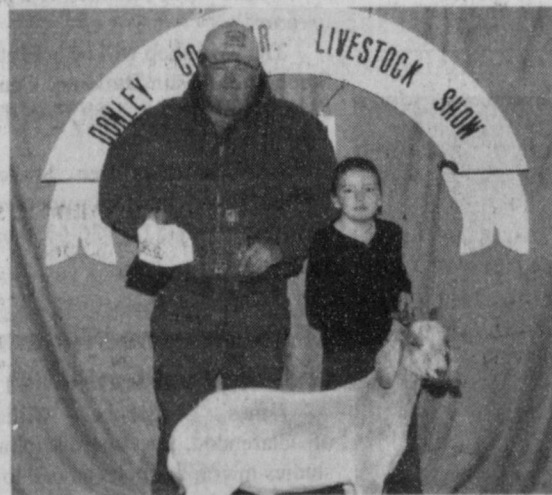
Seth Koetting and his Grand Champion Swine, purchased by Hobb Earth Moving.



Kenzie Perryman and her Grand Champion Lamb, purchased by Clarendon College.



Autumn Dillman and her Grand Champion Heifer, purchased by James Hall and Larry Gray.



Brooke Martin and her Grand Champion Goat, purchased by Evans Fertilizer and Crowfoot Cattle.



Madison Carr and her Reserve Grand Gilt, purchased by Donley County Gin.



Tres Hornmel and his Reserve Grand Heifer, purchased by Knorpp Insurance.



Annie Patten and her Reserve Grand Steer purchased, by Community Bank, Calarendon Outpost, Shelton Law Office, Floyd's Automotive.



Austin Adams and his Reserve Grand Swine, purchased by Cross Road Peanut, Madison, White Land



Zach Sargent and his Reserve Grand Goat, purchased by First Ag Credit.

We apologize if we missed anyone. Let us know!

Thank You!

¿Qué Pasa?

Your guide to "what's happening" around Donley County.

February 10

CC v. Frank Phillips • Bulldog Gym

February 14

Valentine's Day

February 15

CC v. South Plains • Bulldog Gym

February 19

Presidents' Day

February 22

CC v. Odessa College • Bulldog Gym

February 26

CC v. New Mexico JC • Bulldog Gym

March 3

Chamber of Commerce Banquet • Details TBA

Community Menus

February 12 - 16

Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Lasagna, corn, garden salad, black-eyed-peas, pears, rice krispie treats, corn muffins, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Tue: Hamburgers/cheese, with all the trimmings, tator tots, cheery salad, four layer dessert, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Wed: Boneless pork chops/sauce, buttered carrots, fried squash, carrot raisin salad, strawberry cake, rolls, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Thu: Chicken pot pie, broccoli au gratin, apple dumplings, bread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Fri: Roast & brown gravy, potatoes, carrots, onions, peaches, banana nut cake, rolls, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: BBQ beef on bun, french fries, corn, deviled eggs, cake

Tue: Chicken strips, potato soup, green peas, carrot raisin salad, corn bread

Wed: Steak & gravy, parsley potatoes, buttered squash, pea salad, apricot halves, roll

Thu: Spaghetti & meat sauce, fried okra, California blend vegetables, cucumber/onion salad, orange slices, garlic toast

Fri: Turkey & dressing, sweet potatoes, green beans, fruit salad, pumpkin pie, roll

Clarendon CISD

Breakfast

Mon: Cereal, toast, fruit, milk

Tue: Sausage, biscuit, gravy, fruit, milk

Wed: Pancakes, juice, milk

Thu: Eggs, toast, fruit, milk

Fri: Cinnamon rolls, juice, milk

Lunch

Mon: Fish sticks, slaw, fries, fruit, hush puppies, milk

Tue: Pig in the blankets, baked beans, carrot sticks, fruit, milk

Wed: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, pears, milk

Thu: Little smokies, corn, cole-slaw, hot rolls, apricots, milk

Fri: Ham and cheese sandwich, chips, lettuce, tomatoes, apples, milk

Hedley CISD

Mon: Hot dog, chili, grated cheese, fries, bananas, milk

Tue: Enchiladas, grated cheese, refried beans, tossed salad, cinnamon crispies, milk

Wed: Steak finger, mashed potatoes, cut green beans, frozen fruit bars, rolls, milk

Thu: Salisbury steak, scalloped potatoes, peas and carrots, rolls, fresh grapes, milk

Fri: Hamburger, hamburger salad, baked beans, pickles, onions and olives, crispy rice treat, milk

Foster/Adoptive parent information meeting

The foster/adoptive parent information meeting will be held Tuesday, February 13, 2007 at 7 p.m. at the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services 6200 I-40 West, in Amarillo.

There is an urgent need for more families to open their hearts and homes by becoming foster and adoptive parents. To learn more about fostering and adoption, attend an informational meeting the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Meetings are held at the CPS office located at 6200 I-40 West, in Amarillo.

Library has Black History Month selection

Before January is over, your children are likely to come home from school needing material for Social Studies essays and reports concerning Black History month.

Burton Memorial Library's numerous writings concerning African American talent, accomplishments, and contributions important to our nation's development provide excellent sources for all-age student reports as well as adult pleasure reading.

Thoughts concerning African American history are occasionally limited to Civil War slavery without acknowledging thousands of "unsung" heroes and heroines and their contributions to the positive development of our great country.

Achievements of nurses, teachers, ministers, U.S. Marshals, sheriffs, mountain men, scouts, cowboys, and frontier women during the Westward Movement (last half of nineteenth century) are seldom related.

For example, Annie Neal managed a Mountain View hotel in Arizona, which catered to travelers and

people suffering from tuberculosis. Nursing care, a private school for her guests' children, and monthly church services were also provided.

She was also a crack shot with her Long Tom rifle, a talent that was not unnoticed by men such as Buffalo Bill Cody.

Other black women who made important and remarkable contributions to our country, and who might not be well-known were Mary Fields, known as Stagecoach Mary, who delivered U.S. mail; Biddy Mason invested in real estate and spent much time and money helping others; as did Clara Brown who opened her home to anyone in need of medical care. Clara also helped start Sunday school and churches in towns where she worked.

Bill Pickett's rodeo performance in Madison Square Garden instigated his induction into the National Cowboy Hall of Fame in 1971, the first African American honoree.

A black Frenchman, Pointe du Sable, first Chicago citizen in early 1800's was finally recognized as

Chicago's founder in the 20th century.

Jesse

Brown, first black man to earn U.S. "wings of gold", was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross. In 1973, he was honored when the ship, *USS Jesse L. Brown*, was named after him.

America would be lacking if it were not for necessary contributions of African American scientists, researchers, NASA astronauts, military personnel, and others in various American culture fields.

Among American selections on Burton's library shelves, readers will be intrigued by Maya Angelou's books, *Wouldn't Take Nothing For My Journey* and *Phenomenal Women*, plus her poetry collection excerpts.

In *Amos Fortune, Free Man*, talented writer Elizabeth Yates, inspiringly relates the life of Amos

Fortune, abducted by slave traders at age 15, and finally brought his freedom at age 60. Even though Yates' book is located in the Youth Section, adults will also appreciate its high interest.

Three of Bill Cosby's books, *Childhood, Fatherhood, Love and Marriage* are written from his personal experience with warmth, integrity, and humor that endears Cosby to American hearts. *Picture Life of Cosby* is available for young readers.

Various biographies present exciting moments in the lives of Julius Irving, Bo Jackson, Carl Lewis, Shaquille O'Neal, among others.

Readers will find writings of Martin Luther King; Thurgood Marshall, first African American appointed to Supreme Court in 1967; Generals Benjamin Davis and Colin Powell; scientist George Washington Carver; Civil War orator and leader of antislavery, Frederick Douglass.

What a wealth of information right at our fingertips, why not check it out?

New exhibit will showcase history of JA

"JA: The Paloduro Ranch," a major exhibit about the history of an operation that has borne the livelihood of many managers, cowboys, cattle, horses and buffalo, opens February 17, 2007, in the Harrington Changing Gallery at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum.

The exhibit will spotlight JA Ranch founder Charles Goodnight and his business partner John George Adair. Adair's wife Cornelia Wadsworth Ritchie Adair, who took a leading role in operating the ranch from 1888 until she died in 1921, will also be featured.

Photographs, maps, ranch records, the JA chuck wagon, and a Sharps rifle carried by Goodnight will help interpret his career at the JA.

In addition, the display will feature ranch managers who left the ranch to pursue other interests, after Goodnight departed in 1888 to operate his own ranch at Goodnight, Texas. These include Richard Walsh, who managed the JA from 1894 until 1910. He later worked in Rhodesia managing cattle interests for the British South African Company. Mrs. Adair's nephew, James Wolcott Wadsworth, Jr., headed the ranch from 1911 until his election as a United States Senator in 1914.

Another section of the exhibit will recognize the cowboys and other employees who worked on the JA Ranch from the late 1870s until the present.

"JA: The Paloduro Ranch" continues through August 19, 2007. The exhibition is sponsored by M.K. Brown Foundation and Linda Mitchell Davis CS Ranch.

TDA to hold certified retirement community application workshop

AUSTIN - Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples announced that the Texas Department of Agriculture is hosting a Texas Certified Retirement Community Application Workshop for any city or county interested in applying for certification.

The workshop is scheduled for February 22 in Austin. The workshop will provide communities with an overview of the CRC program, as well as information regarding application preparation and review. Other topics include "Marketing Your Town," "Establishing an Advisory Board" and "Developing a Long-Term Plan."

"Attracting retirees to rural Texas will help create new employment opportunities for our rural communities," said Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples. "The CRC program also will encourage retirees and their families to visit rural areas of the state when considering a place to retire."

The workshop will be held at the Stephen F. Austin Building, Conference Room 1003A, 10th Floor from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Registration is free. Space is limited to the first 30 respondents. To register, call (512) 936-6339 or by February 16.

SFASU names Williams on fall president's list

James Christopher Williams of Clarendon, an interdisciplinary studies major, has been named to the president's honor roll at Stephen F. Austin State University for the fall semester.

To be eligible for this honor, a student must be enrolled in 12 or more semester hours and maintain a grade point average of 4.0.

Scrivner to be featured in play at SW Oklahoma

A children's theatre production, "The Girl Who Fell Through a Hole In Her Sweater," will be staged February 15-17 at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford.

The production will start at 7:30 p.m. in the Old Science Building Auditorium. Admission is \$5 for adults, and \$3 for students.

The cast includes sophomore Otis Scrivner of Clarendon as Lord Principal Plagueworthy.

For more information, please call (580) 774-3240.

Howardwick residents reported to be mending

Have you noticed how many holidays are listed on the February calendar? It begins with Ground Hog Day like I discussed last week. Lincoln and Washington both have birthdays this month so we now celebrate Presidents' Day on the 19th. Who could miss Valentine's Day on the 14th? The displays have been up before the Christmas displays came down. February 20 is Mardi Gras followed by Ash Wednesday on the 21st.

But the biggest party of the year was February 4th, Super Bowl Sunday. Did you watch the game? If so, who won and lost? We did watch, and I happen to know the Indianapolis Colts won and Chicago Bears lost. Some records came out of that game - number of fumbles, longest run for a touch down on the opening kickoff, and probably a few others. Lots of money was spent, and most of us won't remember who won at this time next year.

You probably know Phil did not see his shadow in Pennsylvania or

Amarillo, so that means an early spring. It was sunny, cold, and clear here in Howardwick; and our local prairie dog would have seen his shadow if he had been looking.

Does that mean more snow and cold here but not in Amarillo? I don't know about you, but I'm not going to pack up my coat and boots just yet.

Bobby Murdock has finally made it home and made the dog, Sassy, happy. Good luck, Bobby, and continue to recover.

Cora Bland is home and doing well with her eye surgery. She plans to go to Angel Fire with her family next week if her eye has healed well enough.

The Fire Department meets Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.



'wick picks

by Peggy Cockerham
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Obituaries

Powell

Albertena "Tena" Powell, 79, died Wednesday, January 31, 2007, in Amarillo.

Services with Order of the Eastern Star Rites were held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 3, 2007, in the First United Methodist Church in Claude with Rev. Janet Edwards, Pastor, officiating. Burial was at Channing Memorial Cemetery in Channing. Services were under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Mrs. Powell was born October 26, 1927, in Electra to Cyrus Viril and Lora Edna Baker Ruth. She married Billy Powell on January 19, 1973, in Clovis, NM. Tena enjoyed needlepoint, quilting, handcrafts, crochet, and beadwork. She was a member of the Eastern Star Chapter #5 in Clarendon and was a current member of Amarillo Chapter #787. She served as past worthy matron numerous times. She was also involved with her churches that she attended in Hedley, Clarendon, and Claude. She was a member of the United Methodist Women's society and a member of the First United Methodist Church in Claude.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two sons, Hank Wurst and Billy Wurst; one daughter, Margarie Wurst; and one grandson, Baron Wurst.

Survivors include her husband, Billy of Claude; four sons, Robert

Wurst of Claude, Tommy Sanders and wife Maryian of Amarillo, Tony Wurst and wife Cindy of Washington, and Jimmy Wurst and wife Becky of Houma, Louisiana; two brothers, Jack Ruth of Seattle, Washington, and Viril Ruth of Irving; one sister, Dorothy May Milam of Georgia; 12 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; and family friend, June Thompson.

The family requests memorials be to First United Methodist Church of Claude or Channing Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 34, Channing, Texas 79018.

Dodson

Rosalie Dodson, 85, resident of Emory, passed away on Thursday, February 1, 2007, at Senior Care at Lake Pointe in Rowlett.

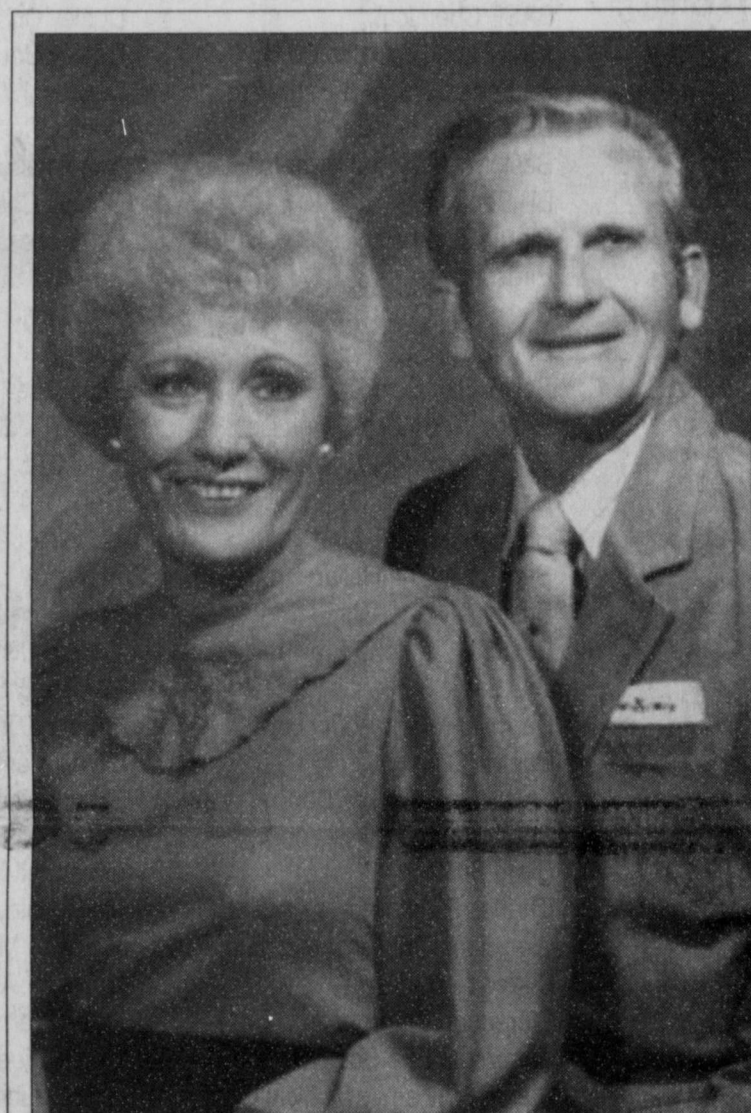
Her funeral service, under the direction of Quinlan Funeral Home, was Saturday, February 3, at 3:00 PM at Centerville Road Church of Christ. Her graveside service was Monday, February 5, 2007 at Citizen's Cemetery in Clarendon.

Rosalie was born on March 23, 1921, in Texline, the daughter of Francis Marion and Zethia Williams Ellis. She worked for Amarillo School District.

She was a member of Centerville Road Church of Christ.

She was preceded in her death by her husband, her parents, 9 sisters, and 1 brother.

Rosalie is survived by two children, Alan Dodson and wife Bobbie of Garland, and Linda Porter and husband Lummie of Emory; grandchildren, Carlan Dodson and wife Michele, Randal Dodson and wife Emily, Kenneth Wayne Porter and wife Tammy, and Sherrie Porter; great-grandchildren, Elizabeth Porter, Jesse Porter, Alexander Porter, Chloe Dodson, Michaela Dodson, Craig Dodson, and Alyssa Dodson; and a brother, Charley Ellis of Amarillo.



Pat and Bryan Knowles

Knowles to mark 50th anniversary

William Bryan Knowles and Patricia Aldeen Starr were married February 13, 1957, in Darrouzett, Texas.

Their children and grandson will host a 50th Anniversary reception on Saturday, February 10, 2007, at First United Methodist

Church Fellowship Hall, 420 S. Jefferson St., Clarendon, Texas from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

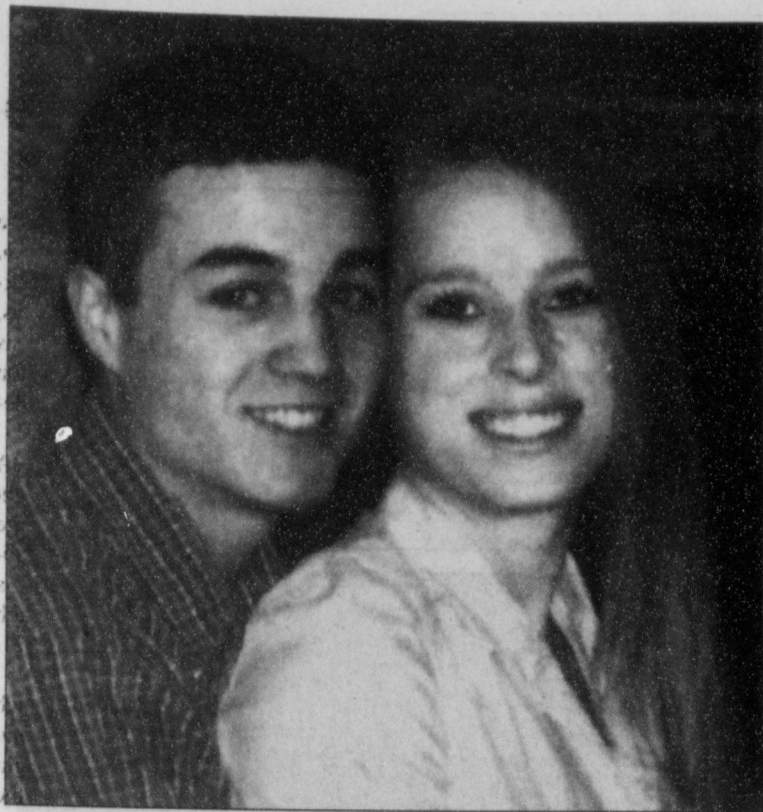
Everyone welcome. The only gift requested is your friendship.

Children: Anthony and Vicki Knowles, Brent Knowles, Dennis Knowles, and Dustin Knowles.



New arrival

Kolton Wesley Shields was born January 9, 2007, at 5:38 p.m. in Childress, Texas. He weighed 6 lbs. 13 oz. and was 20 inches long. Parents are Megan Benton and Wesley Shields. Grandparents are Keenan and Sandra Shields of Lelia Lake, and Debora Benton and Mike Nuley of Wellington. Great-grandparents are Earl and Susie Shields of Lelia Lake, Don and Betty Salmon of Claude, and Edna Benton and Linda Nuley of Wellington. Great-great-grandparent is Opal Salmon of Claude.



Michael Bruce and Heather Braughton



the lion's tale
by roger estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting February 6, 2007, with Boss Lion Jim Shelton in charge.

We had 17 members and no guests this week.

The Boss Lion informed the club about the District Convention, which will be held in April in Hereford this year. Any Lion who wants to attend the convention can contact the Boss Lion for information.

Lions Myles Shelton and Marvin Elam updated the club on basketball activities at the college and high school.

Lion Judy Burlin announced that the Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held on March 3 this year at the Bairfield Activity Center.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

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Mon	29	44°	29°	-
Tues	30	47°	23°	-
Wed	31	38°	23°	.10"
Thur	1	36°	24°	.11"
Fri	2	33°	14°	.03"
Sat	3	30°	15°	-
Sun	4	54°	23°	-

Total precipitation this month: .14"
Total precipitation to date: 1.33"
Total precipitation in Feb. last year: .16"
Total YTD last year: .25"

weekend forecast



Friday, Feb. 9
Partly Cloudy
55°/27°



Saturday, Feb. 10
Isolated PM Showers
42°/29°



Sunday, Feb. 11
Snow Showers
34°/22°

Information provided by: Tommie C. Saxe
50 yr. Cooperative Observer, National Weather Service

Braughton, Bruce announce intention to exchange vows

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Braughton of Clarendon announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Heather Dawn Braughton, to Michael Roy Bruce, son of Mrs. Michelle Bruce Harlan of Clarendon and the late Mr. James Bruce. The wedding will be April 14, 2007, at 3:00 p.m. at the Clarendon Country Club, with a reception following immediately thereafter.

The bride-elect will be a 2007 graduate of Clarendon High School. The groom-elect is a 2006 graduate of Clarendon High School. Both anticipate pursuing post-secondary education.

Ms. Braughton is a sixth generation Texan and a descendant of

the old Childress settlers. She is the great-great-great granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Green Hardison of Northfield and the late Mr. and Mrs. P.A. Harp of Kirkland; the great-great-granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. W.C. (Louie Hardison) Harp of Childress; and the great-granddaughter of the late Ms. Billie Harp Shirley, and the late Keith Johnston, formerly of Childress. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jan Yahn Smith of Las Vegas, Nevada. Mrs. Smith is the former Jennifer Johnston of Childress, and the bride's mother, the former Shannon Ivey, resided in Childress as a child. Mr. Bruce is the grandson of Mrs. Norma Bruce of Clarendon.

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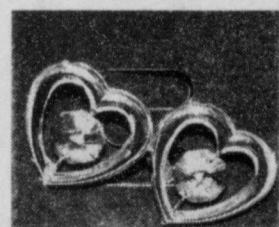
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Milestone

Mrs. Gribble's and Mrs. Smith's first grade classes at Clarendon Elementary celebrated the 100th day of school recently, and all the students marked the occasion by wearing glasses in the shape of the number "100."

Enterprise Photo / Roger Estlack

Sheriff's Report: Weather sends motorists slippin' and slidin'

January 29, 2007
 7:53 a.m.- See complainant 300 Blk. N. Rosenfield
 8:07 a.m.- To jail with one male in custody; local warrant
 7:51 p.m.- Welfare check 200 Blk. S. Arthur, Howardwick
 8:32 p.m.- Escort subject to NWTH via ambulance
 9:01 p.m.- Dispatched to Clarendon College Gym

January 30, 2007
 1:55 a.m.- Transport to Potter Co.; TDC Transport
 3:43 a.m.- See caller 600 Blk. S. Carhart St.
 7:24 a.m.- See complainant 100 Blk. E. 4th; burglary of building
 11:47 a.m.- At Hedley
 3:05 p.m.- District Attorney's office
 8:51 p.m.- Check security 600 Blk. W. 4th St.

January 31, 2007
 5:34 a.m.- Single vehicle rollover Hwy 287 4 to 5 miles west
 6:19 a.m.- Watch for subject from Memphis to Clarendon; 1 1/2 hours late
 6:52 a.m.- Single vehicle rollover Hwy 287 at Giles Hills
 6:58 a.m.- Single vehicle accident Hwy 287 between Lelia lake and Hedley
 Numerous calls about road conditions; Donley County very slick

7:08 a.m.- To pick up JP Hedley
7:36 a.m.- At accident with JP 287 at Giles Hills
9:32 a.m.- Single vehicle accident Hwy 287 1 mile east
9:59 a.m.- Transport undocumented subjects; left scene of accident Hwy 287 at Giles Hills
10:30 a.m.- Trailer jackknifed on Hwy 287 between Lelia Lake and Hedley
1:00 p.m.- Single vehicle accident Hwy 287 between Lelia Lake and Hedley
3:40 p.m.- Single vehicle accident Hwy 287 10 miles east
3:44 p.m.- To jail with two males in custody; possession of marijuana - 2 oz.
4:03 p.m.- Single vehicle accident Hwy 287 at FM 1260
4:47 p.m.- At Vet Clinic
7:30 p.m.- Dispatched to DPS office
11:08 p.m.- Snow beginning to fall
11:36 p.m.- Snow covering roadways already 1 inch.

February 1, 2007
 1:28 a.m.- To Clarendon College; 4-wheel ATV tearing up the courtyard
 1:51 a.m.- ATV impounded
 3:04 a.m.- See caller 400 Blk. E. 2nd; possible prowler
 4:36 a.m.- Single vehicle rollover Hwy 287 milepost 180
 4:40 a.m.- Semi jackknifed Hwy 287 at Martin
 5:17 a.m.- Semi slid off Hwy 287 west of rest area Hedley; department en route
5:37 a.m.- Semi jackknifed Hwy 287 at Hedley; department en route
5:41 a.m.- Caller reporting 3 semi's off the roadway Hwy 287 at Giles Hills
6:01 a.m.- Train stopped; department assisting in removing truck debris from tracks
6:36 a.m.- Checked Hwy 287 to Co. Line; no new accidents
6:47 a.m.- Departments traffic control at various locations awaiting wreckers for pick up
7:35 a.m.- See caller 600 Blk. E. 2nd; disobedient children
8:43 a.m.- Checking abandoned vehicle on its side, FM 2471 at Co. Rd. 21
9:49 a.m.- Single vehicle rollover Hwy 287 at milepost 186
10:30 a.m.- Dispatched to southside rest area Hwy 287. Employee left at 8 a.m. and hasn't arrived home
4:09 p.m.- At courthouse
7:38 p.m.- See caller S. Carhart St.
10:46 p.m.- Department reporting snow beginning to fall

February 2, 2007
 12:21 a.m.- Check I-40 for reported truck accident
 12:31 a.m.- Disregard check I-40; emergency personnel already on scene
 4:01 a.m.- EMS assist N. Sully St.
 6:11 a.m.- Vehicle accident Hwy 287 1 mile west of east county line; vehicle slid off roadway through barbed wire fence
6:57 a.m.- FM 2471 at Co. Rd. 17; unoccupied vehicle not completely off roadway. Made contact with owner.
7:49 a.m.- JP office Hedley
 Numerous calls about road conditions
9:35 a.m.- To Dalhart to pick up inmate; bench warrant
4:23 p.m.- Standby DPS vehicle search
6:46 p.m.- High School Gym

February 3, 2007
 5:38 a.m.- Business alarm Hwy 287 at Hedley
 11:40 a.m.- EMS assist 4600 Blk FM 1260 N
 1:58 p.m.- See complainant 100 Blk. S. Kearney St.; possible theft
 2:15 p.m.- En route to 2nd location N. Sully
 2:21 p.m.- On to Rosenfield St.
 2:53 p.m.- At residence 200 Blk. S. Goodnight
 9:26 p.m.- See caller 500 Blk. W. 6th St.
 9:56 p.m.- Remove emergency cones illegally placed on Hwy 287 at Clarendon College

February 4, 2007
 1:07 a.m.- Caller reporting possible intruder 300 Blk. W. 3rd St.
 Summary: Arrests 4, EMS 20, FD 2

District court action:

SASHA PATE, 01/08/2007: Forgery with intent to pass, 3rd degree felony. Five years deferred adjudication. \$3000 fine. Court costs \$348.

LARRY WILSON, JR., 01/16/2007: Aggravated Assault, 2nd Degree Felony. Seven years Texas Department of Corrections. Court costs \$343.

MARTIN TORREZ RAMIREZ, 01/29/2007: DWI with Child Passenger. Three years deferred adjudication. \$1,500 fine. Court costs \$343.50.

FRANK ALFONSO, 01/29/2007: Indecency with a Child. Ten years deferred adjudication. Court costs \$610.

FRANK ALFONSO, 01/29/2007: Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child. Ten years deferred adjudication. \$1,500 fine. Court costs \$610.

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Farm, Ranch, Wildlife Expo set for Abilene

ABILENE - The annual Texas Farm, Ranch, Wildlife Expo is set for February 20-21 on the grounds of the Taylor County Expo Center. The center is located at 1700 state Highway 36 in Abilene. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. February 20 and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. February 21.

The event is sponsored by the Abilene Chamber of Commerce and Texas Cooperative Extension.

The show features educational seminars, equipment exhibits, product demonstrations, the Town and Country Women's Fair, the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Association's annual meeting, and the Abilene Chamber of Commerce's annual membership luncheon. Highlight of the luncheon is the naming of the Taylor County Farm Family of the Year.

Ten Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units are offered during the educational seminars.

The women's fair starts at 9 a.m. February 20 in the Modern Living Mall. The show's agricultural-related educational programs begin at 8 a.m. February 20 with "Tools III, Intensive Wildlife Management Seminar," in the Western Heritage Ranch House.

The seminar, "Range Management for Livestock and Wildlife," starts at 8:30 a.m. in the Extension Classroom.

The Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Association's annual meeting followed by their membership luncheon starts at 10 a.m. in the Big Country Hall.

The afternoon "Cotton Production in 2007" follows at 1 p.m. in the Big Country Hall.

Concurrent programs on February 21 begin at 8 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. Included are an 8 a.m. Texas Department of Agriculture re-certification course in the Big Country Hall, a Texas Wildlife Association Membership Meeting at 8:30 a.m. in the Extension Classroom and a Wildlife Food Plot Workshop in the Western Heritage Ranch House also at 8:30 a.m.

The chamber of commerce luncheon will be at noon on February 21 in the Big Country Hall. Keynote speaker is Dr. Elsa Murano of College Station, vice chancellor and dean for agriculture and life sciences at Texas A&M University and director of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station.

"Water, Watersheds and Stream Health Conference," the final educational program, starts at 2 p.m. in the Big Country Hall. The seminars are free to the public with the exception of the "Tools III, Intensive Wildlife Management Seminar," which has an individual registration of \$35 by February 16 and \$50 thereafter.

Tickets for the chamber of commerce luncheon are available at the Abilene Chamber of Commerce, 325-677-7241, for \$15.

For more information contact the Extension office in Taylor County at 325-672-6048.

EMS:

Continued from page one. put together a proposal for the next regular meeting on February 20.

Also during Monday's meeting, EMS volunteers thanked the board for its support of the ambulance service, noting that Donley County is fortunate to have equipment, personnel, and experience that are superior to most communities its size. EMT Jennifer Haney said that this is noticed most during times where neighboring counties require mutual aid.

"Clarendon has been the central location for mutual aid," she said. "We are the mutual aid for this area."

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Clarendon Eagle Scouts

J.P. Rhode	27
Kenneth Kerbow	27
Phifer Estlack	27
William Greene	27
Troop 37 (dates unknown)	
Bobby Cain	
Freddy McAnear	
Kenneth Price	
Troop 38	
T.M. Caldwell III	64
Michael Charles McCully	64
Troop 433	
Tim Saye	69
Steve Pointer	69
Ike O'Neal	69
JEM Simmons	69
Jeff Campbell	72
Mickey Grady	72
Pat Robertson	72
Rick Woody	72
Calvin Burrow	73
Donnie Putman	73
Larry Doane	73
Barry Doane	73
Dewey Ford	73
Donny Garman	74
Paul Hermesmeier	74
Wade Porter	74
Billy Price	74
Irven Thomas	74
James Thomas	74
Jon Nichols	75
Steve Rives	75
Dean Hawkins	75
Dan Sawyer	75
Terry Putman	75
Butch Blackburn	75
Gary Thomas	75
Chris Ford	75
David Lane	77
Eddie Bright	77
Rick Hayes	77
Leroy Sanchez	78
Richard Sanchez	78
Spencer Hayes	79
Lynn Alderson	80
Ronald Burleson	80
Tim Cole	80
Arlis Thomas	80
Carl Cox	81
Roger Estlack	85
Jay Gage	85
Shane Ashcraft	88
Stephen Bivens	88
Buddy Howard	88
Robert Lee	88
Nathan Lowrie	88
Scott Myers	88
Steven Davis	90
Russell Estlack	90
Louis Ellerbrook	94
Robert Bertrand	94
Scott Bivens	94
Wade James	94
Johnny Hoggatt	95
Bradley Haralson	96
James Hoggatt	96
Dale Askew	98
Lowell Ellerbrook	98
John Carroll	98
Blake Osburn	98
Brian Haralson	98
Nickless Devin	98
Lisle Rowland	98
Chuck Robertson	98
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Branson Carter	98
Bret Carter	98
Robert Shelton	98
Dalton Askew	98
Nathan Gribble	98
Austin Howard	98
Jeremy Jeffers	98
Andrew Thomas	98
Cody Scrivner	98
McCullough Roach	98
Ladez Captain	98
Billy Ceniceros	98

Clarendon God & Country Awards

Troop 433

Tommye Saye, Jr.	66
Tim Saye	66
Steve Pointer	68
Ike O'Neal	68
Danny Holland	68
Mickey Grady	68
Charles Phelan	68
JEM Simmons	69
Steve McAfee	69
Ferral McAfee	69
Kenny Tyler	69
Richard Leathers	69
Terry Ellerbrook	70
Pat Robertson	70
Larry Doane	70
Barry Doane	70
David Leathers	72
James Thomas	72
Irvin Thomas	72
Calvin Burrow	72
Lloyd Burrow	72
Dennis Petty	72
Billy Price	72
Rick Woody	72
Donny Putman	72
Jeff Campbell	72

Dewey Ford	72
Dan Hall	74
Keith Floyd	74
Chris Ford	74
Ricky Price	74
Gary Thomas	74
John Tucker	74
Dean Hawkins	74
Butch Blackburn	74
Steve Rives	74
Dan Sawyer	74
Donny Garman	74
Paul Hermesmeier	74
Jon Nichols	75
Wade Porter	75
Rick Hayes	75
David Lane	77
Spencer Hayes	77
Leroy Sanchez	77
Chris Sanchez	77
Richard Sanchez	77
Tony Jaramillo	77
Raymond Jaramillo	77
Arlis Thomas	79
Ronald Burleson	78
Lynn Alderson	79
Tim Cole	79

Carl Cox	79
Shane Klinnert	79
Richard Richardson	80
Shaun Heil	80
Jay Gage	86
Roger Estlack	86
Stephen Bivens	86
Nathan Lowrie	86
Lee Gage	86
Scott Myers	86
Shane Ashcraft	86
Steven Davis	87
Evan Williams	91
John Hoggatt	92
James Hoggatt	93
Scott Bivens	93
John Carroll	95
Scott Bivens, God & Life	97
Lisle Rowland	99
Dalton Askew	01
Brett Carter	01
Branson Carter	01
Steven Ford	01
LaDez Captain	01
Nathan Gribble	02
Nelson Devin	06
Neil Devin	06
Ty Tubbs	06

Cub Scout Pack 437

Russell Estlack, God & Family	86
Evan Williams, God & Me	87
Scott Bivens, God & Me	88
B.J. Hamilton, God & Me	88
Robert Bertrand, Parvull Dei	88
Preston Ja Mychael Ivin, Faith on God Church	88
Blake Deyhle, God & Me	88
Wade James, God & Me	88
Jayson Adams, God & Me	88
Brock Holland, God & Me	88
Keith Kidd, God & Me	88
Caleb Stroud, God & Me	88
Evan Williams, God & Family	89
Dale Askew, God & Me	90
Aaron Kidd, God & Me	90
Nathan Sears, God & Me	90
Scott Bivens, God & Family	90
Nicholas Rattan, God & Me	91
Blake Osburn, God & Family	91
Jared Hartman, God & Me, God & Family	91, 93
Nickless Devin, God & Family	93

Nelson Devin, God & Me, God & Family	01, 03
Neil Devin, God & Me	01
Ty Tubbs, God & Me, God & Family	03
Ty Butcher, God & Me	04
Zachary Cornell, God & Me	04
Joseph Jaramillo, God & Me	04
Austin Lowry, God & Me	04
Charles Mason, God & Me	04
Jake Owens, God & Me	04
Tony Saitta, God & Me	04
Taylor Smith, God & Me	04
Tyler Smith, God & Me	04
Dustin Crump, God & Me	04
Trajen Johnson, God & Me	04
Chance Rowland, God & Me	04
Joey Lawson, God & Me	04
Nelson Devin, God & Family	04
Neil Devin, God & Family	04
Taylor Smith, God & Family	06
Tyler Smith, God & Family	06

Explorer Post 437

God & Life	
Megan Williams	90
Nathan Lowrie	90
Steven Davis	91
Christie Helms	91
Robert Lee	91
Lee Gage	91
Stephen Bivens	91

Girl Scout Troops

Andrea Edwards, T-180, God & Church	86
Shannon Myers, T-180, God & Church	86
Megan Williams, T-29, God & Church	88
Kara Thomas, Brownie T-45, God & Me	89
Kara Barker, Brownie T-45, God & Me	90
Mary Hoggatt	92
Cierra Benavidez, God & Family	95
Hailey Carter	01
Katie Askew	01
Ashly Petty	01

Recipients of The Texas Medal

Troop 433					
Russell Estlack	86	Josh Shields	92	Austin Howard	02
Roger Estlack	86	Jason Lee	92	Andrew Thomas	02
Shane Ashcraft	86	Wade James	92	Derrick Shelton	02
Stephen Bivens	86	Joe Iles	92	LaDez Captain	02
Buddy Howard	86	Johnny Hoggatt	92	Nathan Gribble	02
Scott Myers	86	James Hoggatt	92	Jeremy Jeffers	02
Brad Allen	86	Clarence L. Hamilton III	92	Billy Ceniceros	02
Clint McDaniel	86	Scott Bivens	92	Cody Scrivner	02
Lee Gage	86	Robert Bertrand	92	Bret Carter	02
Robert Lee	86	Dale Askew	98	Stephen Ford	02
Nathan Lowrie	86	John Carroll	98	Collin Dickinson	06
Randy Allen	86	Ryan Carroll	98	Nathan Dziedzic	06
Gabriel Manchaca	86	Jeremy Tunnell	98	Rowdy Floyd	06
Brian Hammond	86	Nickless Devin	98	Cody Hill	06
Jonathan Stewart	86	Lisle Rowland	98	Trajen Johnson	06
Will Burlin	86	Chuck Robertson	98	Matthew Martinez	06
Jay Gage	86	Michael Newhouse	98	Brandon McAfee	06
Jason Sharrar	86	Adam Hix	98	Kyle McElroy	06
James Lampier	86	Brent Hix	98	R.J. Nino	06
Jared Estes	86	Ottis Scrivner	98	Zach Rattan	06
Gilbert Jaramillo	86	Jeremy Howard	98	Chance Roland	06
Steven Davis	86	Branson Carter	98	Andrew Tiedman	06
Louis Ellerbrook	92	Jake Bennett	98	Tyler Tubbs	06
Evan Williams	92	Robert Shelton	02	Samuel Wolfe	06
Jacob Smith	92	Dalton Askew	02		

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Broncos defeat Claude

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos' win over the Mustangs was not just another mark in their winning season, but a key win in the playoff race as the Broncos nailed down post-season opportunities. As of press time, the Broncos are also tied with White Deer for the District Championship at 4-1.

The Broncos defeated Wheeler last Tuesday at 64-42. The first quarter of play was close with the Broncos holding a two-point advantage. But the Broncos came alive before the break and took a commanding lead. They turned up the heat offensively and earned the decisive win led by LaDez Captain and Brad Sell.

"This was a great win for us because it was the one that got us into the playoffs," Coach Colby Waldrop said.

Scoring: Captain 21, Sell 16, TJ Brown 9, Danzel Wilson 6, Aaron Gordon 4, Derrick Shelton 4, Alton Gaines 2, and David Gordon 2.

The Broncos also won a big game at home Friday night against the Claude Mustangs (53-39) to put them at 18-9 overall and 4-1 in District play.

The Broncos began the game with both guns blazing in what looked to be a runaway. But the Mustangs regrouped and came back to only trail by five points at the end of the first quarter. The Broncos began their breakaway again in the second period and played great offense.

The third quarter was outstanding offensively for the Broncos and was the turning point of the game as they went on to get the big win at home.

"The third quarter was one of the best quarters we have played this season," Waldrop said.

Scoring: Gaines 10, Dalton Askew 9, Brown 9, Captain 8, Sell 8, Nathan Gribble 6, D. Gordon 2, and Wilson 1.

The Broncos will have finished their regular season by press time, and dates and times for their first playoff game will be announced.

Lady Broncos' win secures playoff berth

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos have worked hard this season and will be rewarded with an opportunity for post-season play, as they are currently second in District 7 behind the Claude Lady Mustangs.

Their 57-37 win over Wheeler earlier in the week allowed them to clinch a spot in the playoff race and gave Coach Steve Myatt his 400th career win.

After playing a tight first quarter, the Lady Broncos got things rolling before the break and held a three-point lead at half time. They began to pull away from the Lady Mustangs in the third period, but it was the last quarter of play where the Lady Broncos totally dominated and left no doubt as to the win.

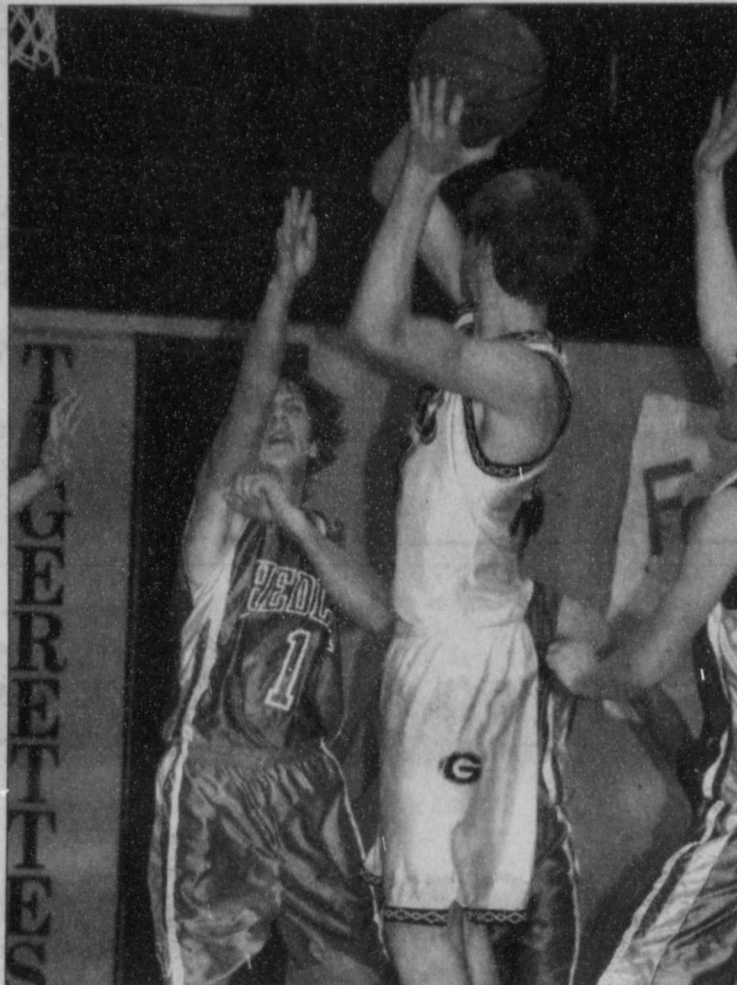
Scoring: Jessi Howard 22, Macy Shadle 13, Regan Lemley 11, Erin Holland 4, Sade Cobb 3, Jill Cornell 2, and Katie Askew 2.

The Lady Broncos took on the undefeated and state-ranked Lady Mustangs from Claude at home Friday night and were defeated 32-57. Claude is ranked 6th in the state and 5-0 in District play.

After a slow start, the Lady Broncos turned up the heat a little in the second quarter as they stayed with the Lady Mustangs. The difference at the break was 13 points, but the Lady Broncos came within nine points before Claude put together a little run at the end of the third period and into the last quarter of play to wrap up the win.

Scoring: Howard 12, Shadle 6, Bailey Starnes 4, Abbie Massingill 4, Lemley 3, Shelby Watson 2, and Askew 1.

The playoff game for the Lady Broncos will be announced at a later date.



Hedley's Will Verstuift tries to block the shot of a Groom Tiger. Enterprise Photo / Kari Lindsey

Owls tied for first place in district

By Tangeia Copelin

The Hedley Owls are currently tied with the Groom Tigers for first place in district. With just two games to go in the regular season, the Owls are hoping to up the odds for the playoffs by defeating the Tigers in what is sure to be an exciting tie-breaker game.

The Owls played the Groom Tigers last Friday night hoping to beat their opponents to secure their first place lead, but they missed out on the win. Hedley started the first half strong but allowed the Tigers too many three pointers and were not able to catch back up in the ending losing the game.

Scoring for the Owls were: Dustin Thomas 21, Andy Alston 15, Will Verstuift 11, Tyler Pepper 5, Brayden Bennett 2, and Brandon Montgomery 2.

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Blood Pressure Drug Eases Muscle Damage

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12	Shelby Watson	Sr.
15	Erin Holland	Jr.
30	Abbie Massingill	Soph.
21	Janae White	Soph.
22	Cortnee Thornberry	Soph.
23	Regan Lemley	Sr.
25	Sade Cobb	Jr.
25	Macy Shadle	Soph.
33	Haley Carter	Sr.
44	Bailey Starnes	Soph.
50	Katie Askew	Sr.

Head Coach: Steve Myatt
Assistants: Kasey Bell & Alton Gaines
Managers: Jeremy Jeffers, Casey Phillips, and Mariah Benavidez

Broncos

10	Brad Sell	Sr.
12	Nathan Gribble	So.
14	Alton Gaines	So.
30	Aaron Gordon	So.
36	Derrick Shelton	So.
32	Dalton Askew	Jr.
34	David Gordon	Sr.
42	LaDez Captain	Sr.
50	Danzel Wilson	So.
52	TJ Brown	Jr.

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The proposed Re-Investment Zone is comprised of an estimated 4,659.691 acres of the Trew Ranch. The Site description is available for viewing in the County Judge's office in the Courthouse in Clarendon.
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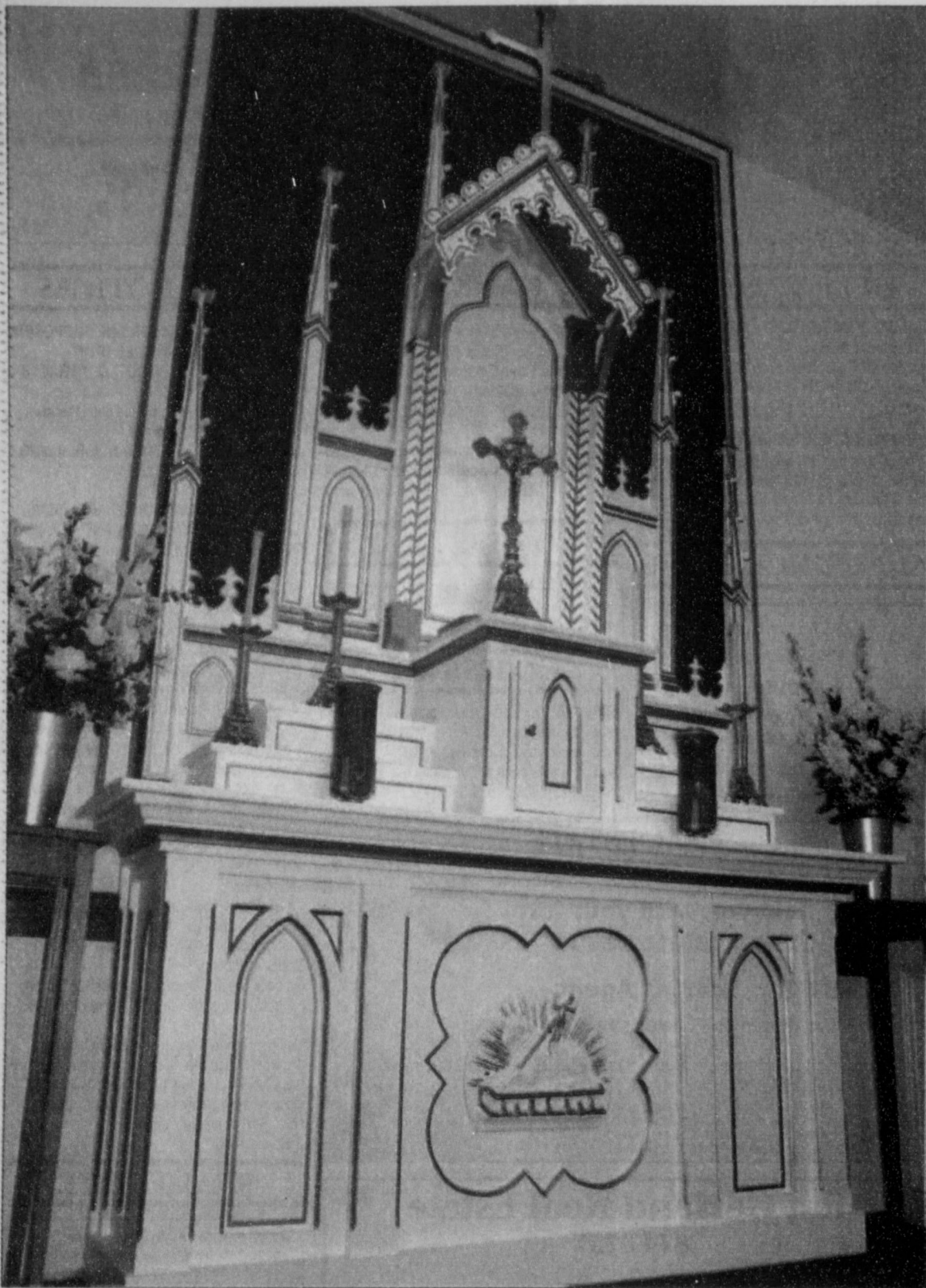
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Bronco JV beats Claude

The Bronco junior varsity had a tough time against the Mustangs on the road Tuesday, January 30, and was defeated 31-46.

The Broncos jumped out to a two-point advantage in the first period of play, but they were overtaken by the Mustangs in the second quarter. They could never regroup as the game went on and were not able to make up the deficit.

Scoring: Tré Brown 11, Ryan Hill 8, Glen Weatherton 4, Billy Ceniceros 2, Jadon Thornton 2, Stephino McCampbell 2, and Dustin Ford 2.

Things went differently for the Broncos at home as they took on Claude and defeated them 43-32.

There was never any doubt as the Broncos were determined to get the win and played hard to stop anything the Mustangs threw at them. They were sharp on both sides of the ball and got the 11-point win. Stephino McCampbell was a key player in the win and finished in double figures, as did Tré Brown.

"This was a great win for us," coach Brandon Word said. "If we win against White Deer, we are District champs."

Scoring: Brown 14, McCampbell 12, Weatherton 7, Ceniceros 6, and Hill 4.

Hedley JH wins tourney

The Hedley Junior High boys and girls played in the Hedley Booster Club Junior High tournament on January 27. Both teams played very well in the tournament to come out victorious and win the tournament.

The girls began the tournament playing the McLean Cubs in a toe-to-toe match up that had the Lady Owls playing tough defense to keep their opponents in check, only allowing them to score 31 points to their 55 points to win the game.

Scoring were: Jasie Sargent 21, Kallie Verstuyft 10, Haley Chambless 9, Jenni Allen 8, Alex Stephens 4, and Kaylee Shields 3.

The girls' second game had the girls pitted against the Samnorwood Eagles. The girls played a close game with the score continuing to bounce back and forth between the two teams for the entire game. The Hedley Junior High Lady Owls finally pulled out the win in the seconds of

the game to win, 40 to 38.

Scoring were: Sargent 12, Chambless 8, Allen 8, Verstuyft 7, and Shields 5.

The Hedley Junior High Owls took to the court with winning on their minds. The boys had narrowly missed a win against their rivals, the McLean Tiger Cubs, earlier in the year and were out to prove they were the superior team. The boys slowly began to chip away at the opponents' defense to win the game 44 to 25.

Playing were: Reid Copelin 18, Braden Montgomery 9, Jacob Widener 7, Kolby Foard 4, Troy Chambless 2, Tanner Gross 2, and Brady Montgomery 2.

The second game proved to be no less of a challenge for the Owls as they quickly overtook their opponents to win the game 54 to 34.

Scoring for the Owls: Braden Montgomery 19, Angel Villarreal 10, Copelin 6, Widener 5, Chambless 4, Foard 4, and Brady Montgomery 4.

CHS JV girls win, 31-12

The Lady Bronco JV played Wheeler January 30 and came home with a 31-12 win.

The Ladies began the game strong and held the Lady Mustangs to single digits in the first half of play. According to Head coach Kasey Bell, the Lady Bronco offense was good the first part of the game, but she feels they need to learn to finish stronger, especially against tougher opponents.

Scoring: Bailey Starnes 7, Janae White 6, Cortnee Thornberry 5, Dominique Mason 5, Haleigh Lewis 4, and Deidre Lewis 4.

CHS Power lifters do well at HP meet

By Sandy Anderberg

Three Bronco power lifters competed in the Highland Park power lifting meet held Saturday, February 3. It was the second meet of the season; and according to Coach Johnny Nino, those competing increased the weight that they lifted.

Scott Fowler competed in the 242-pound division and finished in 7th place with a lift total of 940 pounds. That was an increase of 45 pounds from last week's total lift for Scott. Brother Steven Fowler was in the 220-pound division, and he finished 8th with a total lift weight of 930 pounds, which was a 20-pound increase from last week.

First-timer Lee Tolbert competed in the 181-pound division and finished in 9th place with a lift total of 690 pounds.

"This was Lee's first meet," Nino said. "I was very proud of the effort of the lifters. It is always good when the lifters increase their weight totals."

Lady Owls beat Groom

By Tangela Copelin

The Hedley Lady Owls traveled to Groom on Friday night to take on the Tigerettes. The girls quickly surpassed their opponents in the first quarter and continued to pull ahead finally winning against the Tigerettes 71 to 32.

Scoring were: Haley Hall 18, Katie Gregory 12, Shandy Koetting 9, Julie Woodard 8, Jaci Copelin 7, Ruth Howard 6, Kelby Shields 5, Kristen Dwight 4, and Betty Cruz 2.

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