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THIS WEEK

- 1 The world's top terrorist says he won't be taken alive, which is fine with us.
- 2 Local Republicans are urging citizens to get out and vote in the primaries.
- 3 The Howardwick Volunteer Fire Department has some new members.
- 4 And the Lady Bulldogs put the hurt on Midland.

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

Early voting underway for party primaries

Early voting by personal appearance in the Democratic and Republican primary elections began Tuesday in the Donley County Courthouse Annex and will continue through Friday, March 3.

The only locally contested race this primary season is the Precinct 4 commissioner's position, which has incumbent Bob Trout facing challenger Brad Dalton on the Democratic ballot.

Voters casting ballots in the primaries will be ineligible to sign petitions calling for either Carole Keeton Strayhorn or Kinky Friedman to be placed on the November ballot as independent candidates for governor.

County Clerk Fay Vargas also reminds voters to carefully darken the oval next to the name of the candidate of their choice rather than marking an X as was done in the past. This will allow ballots to be counted by machines this year.

Bridge removal begins below Greenbelt Dam

Work is progressing as scheduled on the project to replace the bridge below the Greenbelt Dam on SH 70 just north of Clarendon.

The first phase, to build a detour on the east side of the existing bridge, is complete. The detour has 12-foot lanes with no shoulders and is the same width as the 24-foot wide bridge. An advisory speed of 40 miles per hour will be posted on this detour.

"We ask that motorists be extremely careful when using the temporary crossing and to please adhere to the 40 miles per hour advisory speed," said Larry Davis, Chief Inspector for TxDOT.

For more information: Call Barbara Seal, TxDOT Public Information Officer 940 937-7145.

Chamber Banquet set for this Saturday night

The Annual Clarendon Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be held Saturday at the Bairfield Activity Center.

The silent auction will begin at 6 p.m., and the banquet will follow at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 each and are available at the Chamber office by calling 874-2421.

Summer league begins sign-ups this Thursday

The Clarendon Baseball Summer League will hold sign-ups for children age 5 to 16 Thursday and Saturday, February 23 and 25.

The sign-up will be at the Colt Gym from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday and 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday.

The cost if \$20 per child and is due when you sign up. For each additional child in the same family, the fee is \$15. Players must be 5 before August 1.

Plans being set for July Fourth festivities Committee looks to restore traditions of past celebrations

Everything old will be new again when Clarendon holds the 128th anniversary Saints' Roost Celebration this summer.

It's going to be on the Fourth of July, preferably at the Courthouse; and the parade will return to its afternoon timeslot.

At a planning meeting hosted by the Chamber of Commerce Friday evening, the date of the celebration was the first topic of conversation. In the last six years, the celebration has only been held twice on July 4, and a Saturday schedule was favored the other four years with the date

being as early as July 1 and as late as July 7.

Forcing the celebration to Saturday last year caused confusion, hurt local merchants who had to be closed two days instead of one, and denied local motels the opportunity to host visitors for more nights.

Attendees at last week's meeting favored Tuesday, July 4, as the appropriate date to mark American Independence, and most recalled the celebration as being traditionally held on the Fourth. It was also discussed that the date will eliminate confusion and will give Clarendon

the opportunity to attract visitors for more than one day, especially those attending class reunions.

With the date established, the Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment Association outlined its plans for rodeo activities. Alex McAnear said COEA will hold its annual ranch rodeo Friday and Saturday, June 30 and July 1, and a ranch horse competition will be held Saturday morning. Dances will be held both nights.

McAnear also said a kids' rodeo for cowboys and cowgirls ages 16 and under will be held Monday night, July 3, and a ranch bronc ride will be

held Tuesday night, July 4. No dance is planned for those two nights, but COEA will consider opening the dance floor if a local band wants to perform.

Books for the rodeo will open May 1, 2006, and Boy Scout Troop 433 will provide concessions for all four nights of rodeo activities.

The arts and craft fair and the Shriners' barbecue will be held Tuesday, July 4; and those attending the meeting expressed a preference for those activities to be held on the Courthouse Square.

The celebration was tradition-

ally held at the courthouse, but the location was moved to City Park in 2001 when the restoration of the courthouse began. Shriners A.R. Henson and Roger Estlack said the barbecue had lost attendance since it moved, and others said they thought county commissioners had said the move was only temporary when it was made.

It was discussed that the park offers a bigger area and more electrical outlets for vendors, but it also has limited viewing for the parade and limited parking. It's also difficult to

See 'Celebration' on page 7.

Dam fire torches 70 acres

A cutting torch is being blamed for a fire that burned the grass off the Greenbelt Dam last Thursday.

Sources say a workman with the crew in charge of dismantling the old bridge below the dam on State Highway 70 caused sparks that ignited the dry grass. Flames spread up the face of the dam, and a north wind drove the fire to the south. The blaze also jumped the highway at one point.

Clarendon and Howardwick firemen worked together for five to six hours to contain the fire, according to Clarendon First Fire Chief Jeremy Powell.

Greenbelt Water Authority General Manager Bobbie Kidd said the only way to get the blaze under control was to set another fire on the north end of the dam.

"You can't drive a fire truck up that steep slope," Kidd said.

Officials were also concerned that fire-fighting equipment might damage the sprinkler system on the dam.

Kidd said a dollar estimate has not been set for the damage from last week's fire, and it's unknown



A local fireman sprays water to control a fire that burned grass off the Greenbelt Dam last Thursday. Without grass to hold the soil, a heavy rain now could damage the earthen dam.

Enterprise Photo / Roger Estlack

whether the heat harmed any portion of the sprinkler system. For now, the water authority is hoping to get the grass reestablished to prevent damage to the dam itself.

"If we get a big rain without grass on it, we could get a wash in the dam and have to repair it," Kidd said. "We'll probably start watering it to prevent that."

Powell said the fire burned an estimated 70 acres.

With still no appreciable precipitation, a countywide burn ban remains in effect in Donley County.

Challenging year ahead for cotton producers

AMARILLO - Cotton producers have some challenges ahead in raising this year's crop, said one Texas Cooperative Extension specialist. And conquering some of the challenges may take some different management techniques.

"Our major problem right now is dry soil," said Leon New, Extension irrigation specialist in Amarillo. "We normally have a full soil profile at this time. This year we have none."

The good news is gas prices are going down, he said. That could help make pre-plant irrigation more affordable, which will begin to build up soil moisture depleted through the drought.

Cotton is planted around May 10 to May 15, New said. That only gives

a producer about six weeks to get the soil profile full before the crop starts to use it faster than it can typically be applied in the July heat.

Producers can't wait until then to start planning water for the crop because of irrigation limitations, New said. A total of 6 inches soil moisture from irrigation, rain, or a combination of the two, needs to be present by the end of June; or the crop will stress during the peak growing season.

"Management is going to be key in getting water to the crop," he said. "I don't know that we have a choice of not pre-watering this year. I think good subsoil water is essential. We don't know when it's going to rain."

When a center pivot irrigation

system applies 3 gallons per minute per acre or less, it takes a week to put on 1 inch of water, he said. If the well is pumping 3.5 gallons per minute, that's 1.25 inches per week.

"I believe I would put a little subsurface water down," New said, "especially if you can get the pumping cost down."

A producer south of Amarillo, at \$8 per mcf of natural gas, will spend \$6 per acre inch of water. North of Amarillo, where the water is deeper, the price will be \$8 per acre inch, he said. That will produce enough cotton to make it affordable if the producer stays ahead on watering.

Starting with a 2-inch pre-water will mean only having to irrigate with 4 inches in June, or less than that if

the rain comes, New said.

"Then, what we have to look at is production per acre inch of water," he said.

Production typically is around 85 pounds per acre inch of irrigation water, and it needs to be 100 pounds or more per acre inch of irrigation water, or 70 pounds per acre inch from irrigation, rainfall and soil moisture all considered, New said.

"We have the management, technology and varieties to make these numbers go up," New said.

"What I would do this year is wait through March and April and see what rain we get, and then I'd put on a couple inches of irrigation," he said. "You just can't get behind

See 'Cotton' on page 10.

Thornberry seeks extension of current farm bill

WASHINGTON, DC - US Rep. Mac Thornberry (R-Clarendon) says it would be unfair to our nation's agriculture producers to write a new farm bill in the midst of ongoing international trade negotiations.

Thornberry has filed legislation to extend the current farm bill until the Doha round of World Trade Organization (WTO) negotiations is complete.

"Our nation's farmers and their lenders should not be asked to operate under rules that keep changing.

We should get fairer global trading rules in place first before we write the next farm bill," said Thornberry.

The current farm bill was approved in 2002, and many of its provisions are scheduled to expire in 2007.

Congress has begun preliminary work on the next farm bill. But, unless the Doha process can be completed before the current farm bill expires, Congress will be attempting to write a new farm bill without a clear understanding of the trade con-

ditions that the new WTO agreement will create.

Congressman Thornberry wants to prevent the possibility that a new farm bill could wind up putting American farmers at a competitive disadvantage when new international trade rules are later established.

Under H.R. 4775, the 2002 farm bill will remain in effect while the Doha negotiations continue. The bill will also keep the current farm bill in place for at least one crop year after Congress has approved legislation to

implement any eventual Doha agreement.

"I believe extending the current farm bill will help our trade negotiators by making the point that we are insisting on a more level playing field with regard to market access, domestic support, and export assistance. Producers I talk to have said they like the 2002 farm bill's structure. We should be careful about making changes until we know what will result from the Doha negotiations," said Thornberry.

Handful running for office thus far

Only a few candidates for offices have emerged as sign-up continues at seven local governments this week.

The City of Clarendon will hold an election to choose three aldermen for two-year terms. Alderman Tommy Hill has filed for reelection. The terms of Aldermen Janice Knorpp and Mark White are also expiring.

The City of Howardwick will elect three aldermen and choose a replacement for former Mayor Nancy Davis, who left her post last spring due to family commitments. The terms of Aldermen Bobby Murdock, Sam Grider, and Lee Ann Cook are up for election this year. The mayor and aldermen each serve two-year terms, and Cook has filed to run.

Hedley's election will select a mayor and two members of the board of aldermen for two-year terms. Those seats are now held by Mayor Janie Hill and Aldermen Ricki Baker and Leon Ward, and no one had filed as of Monday afternoon.

Two positions on the Clarendon ISD Board of Trustees are up this year. Those seats are currently held by Joe Lemley and Wayne Hardin and are three-year terms. No one had filed as of Monday afternoon.

Hedley ISD has three trustee positions open this year. The three-year terms of Cary Don Neeley and Troy Monroe are expiring, and voters will also fill Anthony Knowles' unexpired term, which is currently held by Blane Burton. As of Monday afternoon, no candidates had filed.

The Clarendon College District will choose four members for the Board of Regents. Three full six-year terms expiring this year are currently held by Delbert Robertson, Mike Butts, and Doug Lowe. Voters will also select a replacement for Jimmy Blackerby, who moved out of the district and whose term expires in 2008. So far, Lowe and Robertson have filed to run again.

The Donley County Hospital District will select four positions on its board: the two-year terms of Gene Hommel (Place 4), Carolyn Moffett (Place 5), Onita Thomas (Place 6), and Bright Newhouse (Place 7). Moffett, Thomas, and Newhouse will all seek reelection.

The local offices listed above are elected at-large, but hospital board candidates must sign up for a specific place.

Sign up continues through March 13, 2005; and the elections will be held May 13.

WARNING: The following column is an editorial (i.e. an opinion, a point of view) and may contain ideas with which some readers may freely disagree. It could be harmful to liberals, socialists, and other small mammals. Read at your own risk.

West must toughen up to fight terror

Usama Bin Laden released his latest video this week, which quickly climbed to number one on the charts on the Al-Jazeera propaganda channel.

In this new masterpiece, U.B.L. restates his hatred for the West, says George W. Bush is just as bad as Saddam Hussein, and claims he's going to attack America again just any minute.

Oh, yeah, and he says he'll never be taken alive.

Which begs the question, do we really want to take him alive? I don't think so. No, sir. What America wants is two pictures — one of Usama naked on his knees with a Marine standing beside him and a gun to his flee-bitten head and another with this rat's brains sprayed all over the sands.

We don't want to negotiate a truce with this guy, we don't want to want to capture him alive, and we certainly don't want to put him on trial. We want him dead. It's just too bad we didn't kill Saddam the way we killed his boys.

Now, sure this seems harsh. But we're not dealing with a reasonable people here. We're dealing with pure evil. You can't coddle terrorists. You have to defeat them — which means blow them up before they get all full of Allah and blow themselves up and take you with them.

If the United States and Western civilization is to win the War on Terror, it's going to have to toughen up. But so far we're not seeing this.

Last week, the limp noodles at the United Nations declared that the US should close its detention center at Guantanamo Bay. Keep in mind that the detainees in question are not innocent shopkeepers and family men. They are known terrorists picked up on the battlefield. They can't be considered as conventional prisoners of war because they don't follow conventional rules of war. Allowing these non-citizens access to American courts would be a farce; and if we set them free, we will see them again — probably on an airplane flying into the White House.

If the UN wants to worry about something, they should look at Iran where a real lunatic is now running the show and figure out a way to stealthily take out that guy before he starts a nuclear war.

On the home front, we have liberal Democrats wanting the Bush administration to conduct the War on Terror in a more open manner. That would be kind of like hunting cockroaches with the lights on. Vermin prefer the dark, and to hunt terrorists you're going to have to do it undercover, on the hush-hush, and very quietly. You can't announce every move to Congress and the world at large.

We also have former president Jimmy Carter continuing to be an embarrassment to the nation. Not only did he make a jerk of himself at the funeral of Coretta Scott King, but now he also says that United States should not criticize or punish the Palestinians for choosing an avowed terrorist organization, Hamas, as their elected leaders. In Carter's eyes, these people should be encouraged for participating in a legitimate election; but in reality, the US and Israel should be praised for practicing the "you made your bed now lie in it" philosophy and appropriately choking off funding to the new Palestinian government.

The left and the apologists must realize that we're living in a world where dozens of people die because of a cartoon. Words of peace and understanding aren't going to be enough to insure the security of freedom-loving people around the globe. The battle must be taken directly to the terrorists, and those who fund them and protect them must be considered the enemy.

Western civilization is in a fight for survival, and to win it, we'll have to get our hands dirty.

Meanwhile...

Kudos to the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce for hosting a meeting last Friday to plan out this year's Saints' Rost Celebration.

Chamber officers met with representatives of other groups that play integral roles in the celebration, including the Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment Association, the Donley County Extension Service, the Al Morrah Shrine Club, downtown merchants, and Boy Scout Troop 433.

Cooperation and communication between these various groups will help make this year's celebration one of the best in recent memory and prevent events from overlapping and conflicting.

Together these civic leaders agreed on some key issues: the celebration needs to be held at the courthouse, the parade needs to be held at 2 p.m., and the Fourth of July ought to be on July 4th.

What used to work might just work again. Remember milling around amongst the booths on the courthouse square before the barbecue was served? Remember the fiddlers contest and the Old Settlers Reunion as friends and families renewed relationships under the shade trees of the square? Remember the excitement of the parade as kids of all ages lined Sully and Kearney streets?

It remains to be seen if the celebration can recapture the atmosphere and attendance it used to enjoy; but with everyone working together and on the same page, the stage for success seems to be set.

Exercise proves to actually be enjoyable

I have never been one to try very hard at anything. If something didn't come easily to me the first time, I usually passed it up for something less stressful.

Right around Christmas and the New Year, I started losing weight accidentally. I had just started waiting tables. I was running around constantly for eight hours and was too busy to eat well.

As I noticed the change, I began thinking. I've lost a little weight without trying. If I put just a little bit of effort into it, I might be able to lose weight on purpose.

So when school started up again in January, I started going to the gym five days a week. I've missed maybe two days out of the last five weeks. I haven't worked out voluntarily in... never. I have never worked out voluntarily.

A couple of years ago, I tried going to the gym to impress a boy, and it was a terrible fiasco. I played around on the machines for about 10 minutes and got terribly bored because the boy was not paying attention to me (if he was, he certainly was not impressed).

I ended up going back to my dorm room, eating a bowl of Frosted Flakes and chocolate ice cream, and watching *Trading*

Spaces.

I vowed this time would be different. I would stick with it. I wouldn't leave the gym until I had done everything on my list. I would not stop the treadmill until I had reached my goal.

Just to be on the safe side, I didn't buy any workout clothes or equipment until I had been consistent for three weeks.

I know me. I'm a slacker. I have a weak will. Resolutions don't last. But surprisingly enough, this one has actually stuck.

I never would have thought I would say this, but working out makes me feel good. I run beside athletes and an ex-Marine. I do everything that they do. I'm hard-core, too.

My soreness is a badge of courage. "Gosh, my knee. I've worked out every day this week!" Or I say, "Don't make me laugh! My abs! I did 200 crunches!"

Even my smelly sweatiness is something to be proud of. Everyone I see, I say, "Don't hug me. I've just been to work out.



life's lessons
by Carrie Helms



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A LINE IN THE SAND

America needs to live up to its motto

Sometimes people who hold different opinions claim that a problem cannot be solved when, really, they simply disagree on the best way to solve it. A free exchange of ideas and beliefs helps keep our country strong, but many people have forgotten the spirit of unity that is also part of our country's identity. There are times when I am handed a quarter, and it reminds me of our need to work together.

Most people know that George Washington is depicted on the front of the quarter, but you may not have noticed the motto on the back: "E Pluribus Unum." This official motto of the United States is on all of our coins. The motto is Latin for "out of many, one," and was adopted as our country's official motto in 1776. It refers to the formation of one nation from 13 colonies.

Unfortunately, today the climate in Washington, D.C. is frequently one of division. Too often people vote or make

decisions based on politics or party affiliation instead of first carefully examining the issues and then backing solutions that are in the best interests of the country. Political partisanship often divides our country, but we are strongest when we move past it and work together across party lines.

One area where the nation needs its legislators to unite is in strengthening America's competitive edge in science and technology. For years, I have been working with educators to strengthen science and technology programs at the state level. Recently, I introduced legislation to strengthen math and science education throughout the country, and President



capitol comment
by sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison

Bush has shown support with his American Competitiveness Initiative.

Everyone has a stake in creating a better future for our children and grandchildren, and leaders in Washington have a responsibility to work together to achieve common goals. Our nation's framers supported this notion when they fought for our independence. "E Pluribus Unum" reminds us that we must continue to promote strong public education for all citizens and cooperate in the best interests of our nation.

The next time you see one of our quarters with its portrait of George Washington, think of how the country united behind him, voting unanimously to elect him as the first president.

We Texans know better than anyone that we can accomplish much on our own. Yet, when all Americans work together, there is no limit to what our great country can achieve.

NBC can't make me watch Olympics

By Daniel B. Kline

Apolo Anton Ohno may be a very nice fellow, and he's certainly good looking; but the average American has no interest in his attempts to win Olympic medals. We're similarly disinterested in Bode Miller, anyone who competes in a sport that involves a snowboard or any figure skater other than Michelle Kwan, who won't actually be competing.

Olympic ratings have fallen because the viewing audience hasn't developed a real connection to any of the athletes competing. NBC has built its coverage around making stars and manufacturing emotion, but those efforts have backfired.

Sports, even when presented to an audience of non-sports fans, either stir your passions, or they don't. Presenting them like an episode of *Extreme Makeover: Home Edition* quickly becomes transparent to most viewers, and the attempted manipulation dulls any real feeling.

Put simply, even really clever video packages won't create the deep connections that sports at their best inspire. The 1980 Olympics hockey team wasn't compelling because of its TV coverage any more than any great sports hero — think Mark Messier, Adam Vinatieri, Muhammad Ali, or Joe Namath — held our attention because of how they were presented

by the media. These athletes grabbed us because their unique feats and ability to do the seemingly impossible did not require explanation or manipulation.

The Winter Olympics also suffers because too many of its sports lack definitive winners. Watch any of the various competitions that involve doing tricks on a snowboard, and there's no emotion because the difference between winning and losing is imperceptible.

Basically, to the casual viewer there are two classifications of competitors — guys who fall, and guys who do a cool trick. The differences between the performances are technical and invisible to people who only see these pseudo-sports once every four years.

Even the sports which have definitive standards for winning, such as skiing, fail to captivate the casual audience because each competitor races against the clock — not other Olympians. NBC may have its announcers speak in excited tones, but the viewing public can't get too worked up watching a skier try to beat the clock by one hundredth of a second when his competition is already in the lodge sipping hot cocoa.

We're not watching the Winter Olympics because the American public just hasn't responded to this group of American

athletes. Of course, since NBC wants the Games to be a major primetime ratings draw, they ignore actual sports fans who might care about the subtle differences between competitors from countries they can't find on a map competing in sports whose rules appear to have been made up that day.

In a 200-channel universe, the Olympics simply won't captivate the nation every four years. The pageantry of the event and grand scale of the competition will still create stars, but it won't happen all the time.

I cried when Dan Jansen won a gold medal in his last Olympic race and cheered when Eddie "The Eagle" Edwards survived his attempts at ski jumping. Those emotions, however, were real, and NBC won't be able to predict when it might happen again.

Perhaps I'm not watching this year because there simply are no stories that tug at the heart strings. That doesn't make what the athletes accomplish any less impressive; it just means that I'll be watching reruns of *Law & Order* while they do it.

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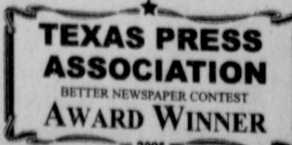
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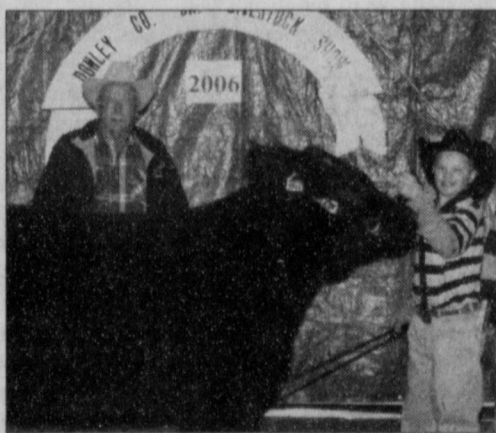
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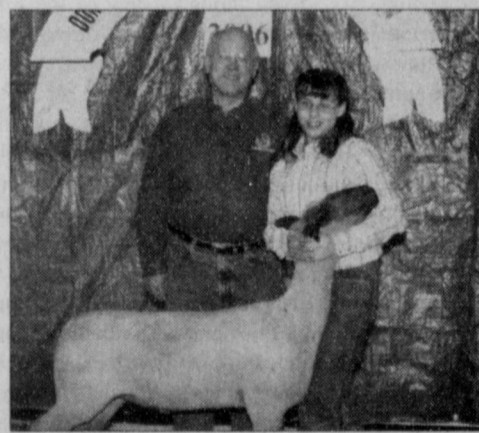
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Doyle Messer
Dupont Chemical
E. Wayne Barbee
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Edwin Campbell
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Evan's Fertilizer
Faith Saddlery
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First Bank & Trust of Memphis
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Floyd Motor Company
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Greenbelt Peanut Co.
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Hall-Donley Farm Bureau
Harold & Wilma Lindley
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Jason & Jody Green
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Jim Cockerham
Jim Garland Real Estate
Jim Shelton Law Office
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Johnson Gin
K. Huddleston Sales
Kathy Fowler Insurance Agency
Keenan Shields Trucking
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Kenny's Barber Shop
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L&M Seed Co.
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Lan Seliger
Lance Thornberry
Larry Gray
Larry & Jaime JEffers
Larry Kidd
In Memory of Ray Pittman
Lelia Lake Angus
Leon & Carol Ward
Leonard & Rhonda Hayes
Lighthouse Electric Co.
LOL Game Ranch
Lowe's Pay & Save
MaryRuth Bishop
McLean Feedyard, Ltd.
Memphis Thriftway
Merrick Pet Foods
Mike's Pharmacy
Milton & Donna Mann
Moffitt Hardware
Monsanto Chemical
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OJD Engineering
Owens Supply
Panhandle Road Service
Plainview Acid Delinting
Poor Boy's Antiques
Potts & Potts
Radio Shack
Ray Lee Equipment
Reynold's Machine Shop
Rhonda Beeson
Ridell & Cheryl Johnston
Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc.
Robin & Monica Wheelus
Rolling Plains Road Service
Ronnie & Dixie Ward
Ronnie & Todd McAnear
"Sam Hill" Pit BBQ
Scott Tractor & Equipment Co.
Shamrock Livestock Auction
Shannon Farms
Souder Farms
Southwest Ag, Inc.
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Wallace Monument
Warren Cat
Warrick's Inc.
Wayne Riggs
Welder's Supply
Wellington State Bank
Wes & Beth Sharp
West Texas Gas
White Farms
White's Feed & Seed
Winning Enterprises
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YellowHouse Machine



Jayson Pigg's Reserve Champion Steer purchased by L&M Seed, Robertson Funeral Directors, and Clarendon Lions Club.



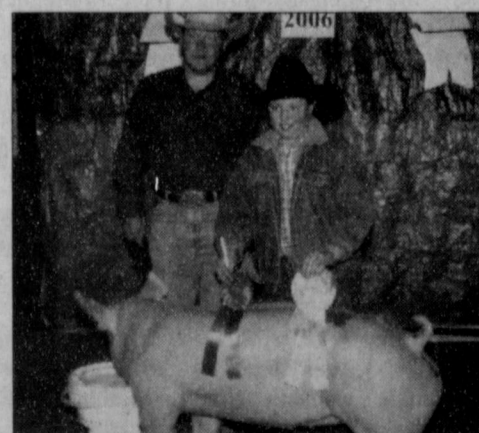
Kenzie Perryman's Reserve Champion Lamb purchased by Clarendon College.



Kati Adams' Reserve Champion Swine.



Jasie Sargent's Reserve Champion Goat purchased by Hedley Lions Club and Ralph Owens Supply.



Tres Hommel's Reserve Champion Gilt purchased by Knorpp Insurance Agency.

We apologize if we missed anyone. Let us know!

Thank You!

¿Qué Pasa?

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

February 23

Baseball League Sign-up • Colt Gym • 5 p.m.

February 25

Chamber of Commerce Banquet • Bairfield Activity Center • Details TBA

Baseball League Sign-up • Colt Gym • 5 p.m.

March 2

Texas Independence Day

March 13 - 17

CISD, HISD, CC Spring Break

March 17

Saint Patrick's Day

March 30

Donley County Health Fair • Bairfield Activity Center • 9 a.m.

April 1

Clarendon College Invitational Judging Contest

Community Menus

Feb. 27 - March 3

Clarendon Schools

Breakfast

Mon: Cereal, toast, fruit, milk
Tues: Oatmeal, toast, fruit, milk
Wed: Pancakes, juice, milk
Thur: Eggs, toast, fruit, milk
Fri: Cinnamon rolls, juice, milk

Lunch

Mon: Pizza, corn, salad, peaches, milk
Tues: Spaghetti, salad, green beans, garlic bread, fruit mix, milk
Wed: Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, baked beans, peach cobbler, milk
Thur: Chicken nuggets, fries, salad, corn, oranges, milk
Fri: Hamburger, potato chips, lettuce, tomato, pickles, banana, milk

Hedley Schools

Mon: Hot dog with chili and cheese, French fries, sliced apples, salad, milk
Tues: Ham or chicken, baked potatoes, yellow squash, rolls, salad, fruit, milk
Wed: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, country gravy, salad, roll, milk
Thur: Beef tacos, pinto beans, Spanish rice, salad, fruit, chips and salsa, milk
Fri: Sloppy Joes, baked beans, fries, salad, fruit, brownies, milk

Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Lasagna, corn, garden salad, blonde brownies, garlic toast, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Tues: Chicken strips, creamed potatoes with gravy, glazed carrots, two cheese salad, Texas cake, biscuits, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Wed: Hamburger with cheese and all the trimmings, tater tots, apricots, butterscotch pudding, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Thur: Catfish, black-eyed peas, hominy casserole, coleslaw, coconut cream pie, hush puppies, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Fri: Hot steak sandwiches, French fries, green beans, tossed salad, strawberry cake, toast, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Cheeseburger, tater tots, lettuce, tomato, onion, banana pudding, bun, coffee, tea, milk
Tues: Chicken strips, broccoli soup, green peas, corn salad, pineapple whip, cornbread, coffee, tea, milk
Wed: Meatloaf, macaroni and tomatoes, steamed broccoli, cucumber and onion salad, cobbler, roll, coffee, tea, milk
Thur: Steak and gravy, baked potato, green beans, Waldorf salad, bread pudding, roll, coffee, tea, milk
Fri: Chicken spaghetti, fried okra, corn, apple rings, pie, garlic toast, coffee, tea, milk

Bronco Cookbook recipe deadline near

Deadline for recipe submission to the Bronco Cookbook is March 1.

Anyone and everyone who ever yelled "Go Broncos" or worn Maroon put a recipe in the book. We have about 400 recipes now, but we would like 500. There are many, many great recipes in the book. The Bronco Cookbook will be completed and ready for sale by the 4th of July celebration and will be on sale at many events next year.

Please submit your recipes to: Bronco Parents, c/o Judy Thomas, PO Box 610, Clarendon, TX 79226

Be careful considering reverse mortgages

By MaryRuth Bishop, County FCS Agent

Home owners or their heirs could owe a lot of money and have little equity left when a reverse mortgage becomes due and payable, cautions a Texas Cooperative Extension specialist.

"A reverse mortgage is a loan against your home that you do not have to pay back for as long as you live there," said Andrew B. Crocker, Extension gerontology health specialist.

Other than equity in the home and a clear title, the only real qualification for a reverse mortgage is that the owner is age 62 or older, Crocker said.

However, he said, a reverse mortgage should not be entered into lightly. Careful consideration to other alternatives and advice from independent, outside counsel should be sought before making any decision about mortgages or equity.

"For many Americans, working toward owning their own home is the dream of a lifetime," Crocker said. "Carefully consider all your options and make an informed decision, should you decide to take out a reverse mortgage on your home."

With a reverse mortgage, the

loan amount is determined by the value of the home and the equity in it, Crocker said. There are three different reverse mortgage plans:

- A single-purpose reverse mortgage is usually offered by government agencies and non-profit organizations. This type of plan has low up-front costs but is not available in all areas. Funds generated may only be used for a specified purpose, such as home repairs, property taxes, or medical expenses.

- Home Equity Conversion Mortgages are federally insured reverse mortgages, backed by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. These plans may be more expensive, but the money can be used for any purpose. However, a change in the home valuation at the end of the loan may leave the owner owing more money than the original amount.

- Proprietary reverse mortgages are usually offered by private companies and may have higher total cost than the previous two. Since these loans are offered by private companies, terms vary from one company to the next.

Single-purpose reverse mortgages are usually only available

to homeowners who meet income requirements, Crocker said. Proprietary reverse mortgages usually benefit those with higher value homes.

"Careful consideration and consultation with an independent credit counseling service may be necessary to make the decision that best suits your needs," he said.

The cash from a reverse mortgage can be received as a single lump sum, a regular monthly cash advance, or a line of credit, Crocker said. Typically, the plan has no monthly payments, and the balance of the loan is due when the homeowner dies, sells, or permanently moves from the home.

"Depending on the terms of your loan agreement, your heirs may be responsible for this amount," he said. "Remember, a hallmark of the reverse mortgage is decreasing equity in your home and increasing debt to the lending institution," he said. "In fact, the debt owed to the lending institution will draw interest at a rate that is usually determined by a market average. If you have the loan for a long time, or if your home's value decreases, there may not be any equity left at the end of the loan."

While some home values grow

and the equity could increase over time, most home values do not grow at consistently high rates, Crocker said. That's why the majority of reverse mortgages end up being "rising debt, falling equity" loans.

Anyone considering a reverse mortgage should get financial counseling, whether it is required or not, he advised. A list of government-approved counselors can be found at: www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/sfh/hecm/hecmclst.cfm.

The Federal Trade Commission offers the following tips for those interested in a reverse mortgage:

- Shop around and compare options; - Remember that all federally approved lenders must follow government rules, meaning that all fees, interest rates, and other terms of the loan will be the same;

- Be certain all the terms and conditions are understandable about what could make the loan due and payable;

- Be cautious of any unsolicited reverse mortgage offers; and

- Generally, three business days are allowed after signing the loan document to cancel it for any reason.

For more information, contact the FTC at (877) 382-4357.

4-H Spotlight

By Ashlyn Tubbs

This week's

4-H spotlight is on Caden Farris.

Farris is eleven years old, and this is his first year in 4-H. He has not participated in any 4-H projects yet.

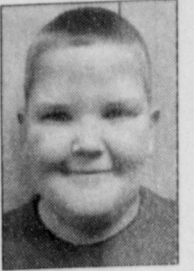
"I like the monthly activities we do in 4-H. I especially liked the gun safety program by Gary Hunt because I enjoy hunting," Farris says.

Farris's hobbies and interests are football, hunting, and video games. One of his family activities he enjoys is going camping together. One community activity he is involved in is playing Pee Wee Football in Clarendon. His school activity he is involved in is playing Little Dribblers.

"I like 4-H because I like getting together with the other kids and having fun," Farris says.

The 4-H club members enjoy having Farris in our club. We hope he will continue to come to all of our meetings and participate in all of the 4-H activities that we have to offer.

Be sure to stay tuned next week for our next 4-H spotlight!



Farris

Howardick Fire Department deserves financial support

If you are driving highway 70, be prepared for a change of scenery at the dam. We had another fire that burned all the grass from the dam, jumped the highway, and did some damage to the ranch land.

That isn't all the changes. The temporary crossing is open with a 40 mph speed limit, and the bridge will be coming out shortly. This crossing could be very dangerous so please be careful and watch out for the other guy.

We woke up to frozen fog this week. It was not exactly the moisture we hoped for, but we will take it. The burn ban is still in effect, and it seems those fires are getting closer to Howardick. Help prevent grass fires.

Jim Baird and Brace Hicks are both back in the hospital. Put them at the top of your prayer list.

By the time the paper goes to print, the Hobo Stew will be history

once again. Next week, I can tell you the results. The people of Clarendon support us so much in this project, and the money we make has enabled us to make many improvements to our community. If many hours of preparation and lots of hard work makes a successful fundraiser, then we will succeed.

The fire department meets Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. The fire department needs our financial support. They are working overtime this year and are in need of money. Who needs FEMA or Homeland Security? We can take care of our own.



'wick picks
by Peggy Cockerham
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Helping hand

CASA of the High Plains recently welcomed its newest advocate Docia McMenemy, who is pictured here with Associate Judge Phil Vanderpool of the Northern Panhandle Child Protection Court and Ann Huey. McMenemy will join Huey in representing CASA in Donley County. In a court system challenged by increasing caseloads, a CASA volunteer can make the single greatest difference in the life of a child. To learn more about becoming a CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) volunteer call Huey at 806-570-9268.

Books offer look at past presidential wives

For readers fascinated by lives of US Presidents' wives but do not have time to read their complete biographies, Burton Memorial Library offers two copies, one in large print, of First Ladies' portraits from Martha Washington to Nancy Reagan. Surprising facts and unexpected events supply background, marriage, ambitions, and accomplishments (or non-accomplishments) of these remarkably diverse women.

In her book, *First Ladies*, author Betty Boyd Caroli relates "an intimate look at how 36 women handled what may be the most demanding, unpaid, unelected job in America." She conveys the story of "evolution of the First Lady's role from ceremonial backdrop to substantive world figure."

As Martha Washington stepped ashore in Manhattan that May morning in 1789 with her husband, uncertainty still surrounded the new government's activity. The ritual, ceremonial aspects of the presidency marked the presidential spouse's first public role.

George was the one who hired the household staff and selected guest lists for social functions. Martha, content to play the hostess role, was never requested to do more. However, she resolved to return visits, within three days, of women who left

calling cards, a required custom of gracious ladies. Her characteristic of meekness never allowed involvement in political debates of the day.

Martha's successor, Abigail Adams, with sharp tongue and strong views, was quite opposite. Accused of playing politics, she stepped beyond proper bounds for women. Her husband, John, discussed many important problems with her. When those who favored opinionated women desired the President's approval, they occasionally went to his wife first.

Even though a few of the First Ladies were outspoken through the early nineteenth century, most lived a domestic role. Some of them made themselves almost invisible in Washington, pleading poor health and often sending substitutes to preside over social gatherings. But not lovely, popular Washington hostess, Dolley Madison, who exerted an unusual influence. During her husband's two terms, she demonstrated "an uncanny ability to use social occasions to his political advantage." She helped the widowed Thomas Jefferson entertain during his presidential term and, unofficially, tutored young White House hostesses. Incidentally, during a White House social function, she introduced ice cream to America. (Aren't we glad?)

Around 1861, Mary Lincoln, Sarah Polk, and Julia Grant instigated a turning point when they willingly obliged reporters and photographers with information and pictures.

During the twentieth century beginning, evidence revealed gradual change in the First Lady's job. Separate staffs were hired and participation in public policy and reform movements began.

After Woodrow Wilson's stroke during his 1915-1921 administration, his wife, Edith, controlled flow of communication between him and everyone else. She was criticized for exercising a "petticoat government."

Eleanor Roosevelt and Bess Truman were named among the most powerful people in Washington. Until well into the twentieth century, women's campaigning was considered inappropriate, but Rosalyn Carter went off on her own in a quest for Jimmy's votes fourteen months before the 1976 nomination.

Early First Lady hairstyles never made the *Colonial Gazette*. However, some readers might remember

the dominant influence of Mamie Eisenhower's "bangs" in beauty salons during Ike's administration during 1950s.

According to the author, John Kennedy recognized what a great asset his internationally popular wife, Jackie, could be. "Ideas for promoting her glamour and sophistication as part of the administration's glitter originated with the President himself."

Each wife, several superior to their husbands socially and economically, left her own mark in the administration. In 1986, Nancy Reagan was credited with elevating the First Lady's job to a kind of "Associate Presidency." While appearing before US Congress at the 1985 Geneva Summit Conference, President Ronald Reagan acclaimed Nancy's prestigious position and thanked her for being "an outstanding ambassador of good will for us all."

Which First Lady broke precedent by inviting noticeably pregnant women to stand with her in receiving lines? Who engineered her husband's run for the presidency despite his own reluctance? Whose prominence resulted in cartoons calling for HER impeachment? Unexpected answers to these and other interesting questions are in the book.

Why not check it out?



check it out
by Mary Beth Nelson

PPHM to open display on Depression era clothing

CANYON - The Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum will open an exhibit of 1930s era clothing called *Glamour, Elegance, and Style: Dressing During the Depression* on February 25, 2006.

The Great Depression, brought about by the stock market crash of October 1929, greatly influenced American culture and fashion as American incomes fell dramatically,

The Autumn 1930 Sears Catalogue cautioned, "Thrift is the spirit of the day. Reckless spending is a thing of the past."

Despite the economic hardships experienced by most Americans, women continued to follow fashion trends throughout the 1930s.

Women's clothing of this period, particularly evening gowns, tended to be elegant and glamorous, con-

trasting sharply with the difficult economic conditions. A softer, more feminine appearance was favored over the boyish flapper figure of the 1920s. Hemlines fell; and long, elegant evening dresses of velvet, satin, and taffeta replaced the flappers' flamboyant, beaded, short dresses. Shoulders were emphasized with large, full sleeves while bias-cut fabrics clung sensuously to the figure.

Greta Garbo, Jean Harlow, Marlene Dietrich, Joan Crawford, and Loretta Young influenced popular fashion and often endorsed particular clothing and beauty products.

The Depression began to recede toward the end of the decade, but it was the entry of the United States into World War II in 1941 that brought an end to this period in American fashion history.

Who's Who recognizes local teachers, students

Local teachers, high school students, and college students have recently been featured on the Who's Who list.

The teachers who were recognized on the Who's Who Among America's Teachers were Charla Crump, Brad Elain, Scarlet Estlack, Johnny Nino, Darryl Perryman, Linda Thompson, Michael Tibbets, and Larry Young, all of Clarendon. Hedley teachers Bruce Howard and Linda Naylor were both featured on this list.

Students recognized on the Who's Who Among American High School Students were Regan Lemley and Quentin West, both of Clarendon, and Mariah Couch and Heaven Welch, both of Hedley. Haley Carter was named on the Who's Who Among American High School Students, Sports Edition.

College students from Clarendon and Hedley who were named in The National Dean's List include Shawna Jack, Courtney Newhouse, Claire Rodriguez, Lisle Rowland, Elizabeth Simmons, all of Clarendon; Lauren Hill, and Mickala Lamberson, both of Hedley.

SPC names Clarendon students to honor list

Two Clarendon students were named to the South Plains College President and Dean's Honor Lists for the fall 2005 semester.

Jessie Anderberg was named to the President's Honor List while Amanda Roys was named to the Dean's Honor List.

Students named to the President's Honor List earned a 4.0 grade point average while being enrolled in at least 12 college credit hours.

Students named to the Dean's Honor earned at least a 3.25 grade point average with no failing grades while carrying at least 12 credit hours.

NMHU names Bracken to fall dean's honor list

New Mexico Highlands University proudly announces students who have been named to the Dean's Honor Roll for Fall 2005 Semester.

To be on the list undergraduates must earn a 3.5 grade point average or above while graduates must earn a 3.8 average or above. Grades are computed on a 4.00 system.

The Clarendon resident named to the NMHU Honor's List is Kristen R. Bracken.

AC Youth Theater will present production

The Amarillo College Lamplight Youth Theatre proudly presents Little Women on March 3-5, 2006.

The show will begin at 7:30 p.m. on March 3 and 4 and 2:30 p.m. on March 5 at the Ordway Auditorium.

The cost is \$8 for adults and college students and \$5 for children.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call 371-5353.

TxDOT warns vandals not to take state signs

CHILDRESS – Vandalism, tampering with or stealing Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) property such as roadway warning and safety devices cost Texas taxpayers millions of dollars annually. Most importantly, it can cause serious injury or death to the traveling public.

"When a roadway safety device is deliberately damaged, stolen, or tampered with, the cost can be more than a dollar amount," said Fu Benavidez, Donley County maintenance supervisor. "All of these devices are there for a reason, and if taken down, it creates a real safety problem".

The Donley County Sheriff's Department says some signs have been stolen recently along the JA Ranch Road.

According to state law, tamper-

ing with a roadway warning device, such as bridge safety end treatments and highway signs, is a Class B Misdemeanor and carries a penalty of not less than \$25 or more than \$1,000, or up to a two-year jail sentence, or both the fine and jail time. However, much stiffer penalties can be handed down in cases where vandalism has resulted in serious injury or death.

"We are always concerned when state property is vandalized or tampered with in any way, but more because of the hazard it can create for drivers," said Benavidez. "If you see anyone removing or damaging TxDOT property call the Donley County Maintenance Office or the Donley County Sheriff Department."

For more information call Barbara Seal, TxDOT Public Information Officer at 940-937-7145.



High honors

Webelos Scouts Chance Rowland and Trajen Johnson received the highest award in Cub Scouting, the Arrow of Light, on Saturday during the annual Blue and Gold Banquet. The boys also participated in a Bridging Ceremony where they were crossed over from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts. Both boys are fifth graders are Clarendon Elementary. Chance is the son of S.J. and LaTonya Johnson. Trajen is the son of Kevin and Cheryl Johnson.



the lion's tale

by allen estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting February 21, 2006, with Boss Lion Mark C. White in charge.

We had 13 members and one guest this week. David Smith was the guest of Lion Don Smith. Our meal this week was provided by the Howardwick Beautification Club.

Baseball, softball, and golf have started at the public school now. Mandatory testing is in progress, and there will be track meet this Friday and Saturday at Highland Park.

Lion Hysinger announced that he had already placed the Pancake Supper on the school calendar. The date will be revealed later.

The Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be this Saturday at the Bairfield Activity Center.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

weather report

Day	Date	High	Low	Prec.
Mon	13	56°	19°	-
Tues	14	70°	28°	-
Wed	15	78°	37°	-
Thur	16	68°	37°	-
Fri	17	61°	14°	-
Sat	18	34°	10°	-
Sun	19	27°	8°	-

Total precipitation this month: 0.09"
Total precipitation to date: 0.18"
Total precipitation in February last year: 0.75"
Total YTD last year: 2.14"

weekend forecast

	Friday, Feb. 24	Mostly Sunny	60°/27°
	Saturday, Feb. 25	Mostly Cloudy	45°/23°
	Sunday, Feb. 26	Mostly Cloudy	48°/26°

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

Republicans encourage citizens to vote

Early voting began Tuesday at the Clerk's Office in the Courthouse Annex and will continue until Friday, March 3. Election day is Tuesday, March 7, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

All registered voters are encouraged to make time to cast their ballot in their party of choice.

The Republican Party will have the following voting locations on March 7:

- Precinct 101 – Bairfield Center
- Precinct 102 – Howardwick City Hall

- Precinct 201 and 301 – Commissioners Court Room in the courthouse

- Precinct 302 – Hedley Senior Citizens

- Precinct 401 – Clarendon Church of Christ Family Life Center

The Republican Party will hold its Precinct Convention on the evening March 7 for every person who voted early in their primary or on March 7. They will hold the convention for all precincts in the courtroom on the second floor of the courthouse. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. after the poll judges turn their ballots in to be tallied.

For additional information, contact Tom Stauder, Republican Party Chairman, at 874-5099.

Ag department to hold meeting Tuesday

The Texas Department of Agriculture will host an Agricultural Diversification workshop for Texas landowners in Childress Tuesday, February 28.

Meeting topics include landowner liability, hunting, wildlife management, alternative crops, business plan development, financ-

ing programs and ag diversification success stories.

The Ag Diversification Meeting is scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at City Auditorium, 1000 N. Commerce St., in Childress.

Senator Robert Duncan (R-Lubbock) is the luncheon speaker for the day.

Happy Birthday, Onita Thomas!

Come help us celebrate Onita's birthday.

Wednesday, March 1
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

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Obituaries
Stone

Graveside services for Dorothy Neil Tankersley Stone, age 73, were held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, February 17, 2006, in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon with Rev. Bryan Knowles, retired Baptist minister from Clarendon, officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Mrs. Stone died Monday, February 13, 2006, in Amarillo. She was born Mary 22, 1932, in Clarendon, where she lived until moving to Amarillo over 50 years ago. She was married to Emory C. "Red" Stone, who preceded her in death on November 6, 2000. She had worked as a secretary in several places prior to her retirement. She loved to fish and garden and to "dig in the dirt." She was a member of the Highland Baptist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Kathy Savers and husband Michael of Dalhart and Karen Bates and husband Phillip of Waco; three sisters, Sammy Jean Ipson of Monroe, Utah; Laddell Danielson of Paradise, Utah; and Mary Helen Bauer of Salt Lake City, Utah; and three grandchildren,

Shane Swaney, Matthew Storrs, and Brent Raney.

The family requests memorials be to Citizens Cemetery Association in Clarendon.

Clendennen

Funeral services for Opal L. Clendennen, age 85, were held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 18, 2006, at the First Baptist Church in Hedley with Bruce Howard, pastor, officiating. Burial was held at Rowe Cemetery in Hedley under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Clendennen died February 16, 2006, in Pampa. She was born November 18, 1920, in VanZandt County. She had been a resident of Hedley most of her life. She married Tom Clendennen on January 26, 1952, in Hedley. He preceded her in death in January of 1991. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Hedley.

Survivors include one daughter, Paula Seitz of Mobeetie; two sons, Tommy Clendennen of Amarillo and Tony Clendennen of Pampa; one sister, Alpha Nelson of Lewisville; one brother, Jake DeHart of Kaufman; nine grandchildren; and

three great grandchildren.

Memorials may be to the First Baptist Church of Hedley or the Hedley Senior Citizens Center.

Burton

Funeral services for Winnie Evelyn Mote Burton, age 80, was held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, February 20, 2006, in the First Baptist Church



Burton

in Claude with Rev. Darrell Burton, grandson and pastor of Martin Baptist Church in Clarendon, and Rev. Jess Little, Pastor, officiating. Burial was held in Claude Cemetery under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Mrs. Burton died Friday, February 17, 2006, in Washburn. She was born May 4, 1925, in Cameron, New Mexico, to Paul and Edith Mote. She attended school at Wheatland, New Mexico. She married Cloyd Burton on April 19, 1941, in Clovis, New Mexico. They lived in eastern New Mexico for a time and then moved to the Washburn community

in Armstrong County in September 1943. Mrs. Burton was a member of the First Baptist Church in Claude and the Fairview Busy Bee Home Demonstration Club. She particularly enjoyed the Searchers Sunday School class, of which she was a member for many years. She was a homemaker, loving wife and mother, grandmother, sister, and friend. She will be greatly missed. She loved her God, her family, and her church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one sister, and one brother.

Survivors include her husband; her children; Judy Bynum and husband W.A. of Big Springs, Kenneth Burton and wife Patsy of Lubbock, and Linda Smith and husband Jerry of Stockton, California; two brothers, Hobart Mote and Bill Mote; five grandchildren; Darrell Burton, Wanda Cox, Cecil Bynum, Cindy Sturdivant, and Lorrie McCampbell; and twelve great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were grandsons of Mrs. Burton. Honorary bearers were nephews of Mrs. Burton.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorials be to the Searchers Sunday School Class Mission Fund, c/o First Baptist Church, PO Box 170, Claude, TX 79019-0170.

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Seniors to host Birthday, Anniversary Party

By Marlee Sharp

During the last two weeks of February not much is going on. However, we would like to remind everyone of the Birthday/Anniversary Supper coming up on Tuesday, February 28. Come join us for a wonderful meal and listen to the Saints' Roost Band, who will entertain us afterwards.

In March, don't forget St. Patrick's Day on March 17 and spring

begins on March 20. The Birthday/Anniversary Supper will be held on March 20.

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Howardwick Aldermen set extended voting hours

The Howardwick Board of Aldermen met in regular session February 14.

Alderman Lee Ann Cook gave the report for the fire department and said 14 new members had joined and six more have turned in applications. The department now has a Saf-T-Alert system for any call outs.

Alderman Sam Grider reported a

fence in the Peyton Place section in being put up in the right of way and said it needs to be moved.

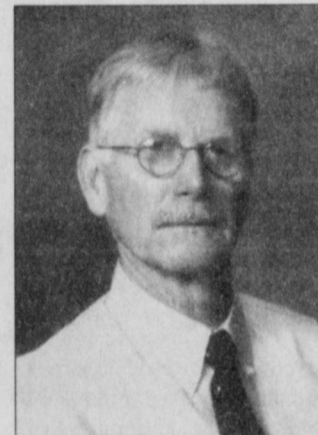
City Secretary Dianna Knight said City Hall would need to be open two different days for 12 hours for early voting. The board approved the office being open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on May 2 and 8, 2006, in addition to regular early voting days.

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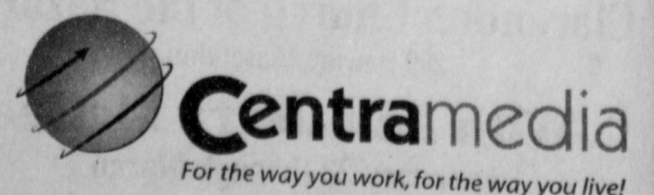
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Celebration: Parade returns to afternoon timeslot

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draw visitors from the highway to a celebration out of view at the park compared to a celebration one block away at the courthouse.

County Extension Agent MaryRuth Bishop said she would talk to county officials about holding the celebration on the square, and representatives of the Shrine Club are planning to attend the next commissioners' court meeting also.

The time for the parade was the next item of discussion, and it was decided to return the parade to its traditional 2 p.m. timeslot.

Last year's parade broke with tradition and was held at 10 a.m., which meant the temperature was cooler during the parade, but which

also meant vendors and other activities were hurt by the loss of an afternoon crowd. Starting at 2 p.m. also gives Chamber officials more time to line up the parade and allows people participating the parade to enjoy the morning activities at the celebration.

Other activities will be a blood drive at SunaAuto Mall on Friday, June 30, and the annual Henson's Turtle Race on Saturday afternoon, July 1, which will draw a typically large crowd on its own and add to any sales and activities planned that day by downtown merchants.

Those attending the meeting also discussed the possibilities of reviving the old rodeo queen contest and adding a community fireworks

display, but it was decided that those topics could be revisited when planning future celebrations.

For this year, the County Extension Office will be sending mail outs to prospective vendors March 1, and the Chamber of Commerce will begin sending information to potential parade participants about the same time. COEA will continue its traditional role of handling the publicity of the celebration in the form of posters and advertisements.

Those who plan to host other activities in conjunction with the 128th anniversary Saints' Roost Celebration are asked to call the Chamber office at 874-2421 to get on the calendar.

CC Regents call spring election

The Clarendon College Board of Regents met in regular session February 16 in the VIP Room of the Bairfield Activity Center.

A resolution was adopted calling for an election to be held May 13, 2006, for the purpose of electing four regents. Hazel Guy and Jean Taylor will serve as election judges, and the college is talking with the county about having the county clerk's office conduct the election.

The college calendar for 2006-2007 was adopted with the fall semester scheduled to start Wednesday, August 30.

Regents confirmed the hiring of Nancy Kidd as accounts payable clerk and Shelby McGahan as the secretary at the CC Pampa Center.

During administrative reports, CC President Myles Shelton updated the board on the renovation of the old library for new offices and the installation of new sound and lighting equipment in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Center.



Honor students

Clarendon College's Iota Phi chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa honor fraternity inducted 11 new members this past weekend in the Bairfield Activity Center. New PTK members are (back) Max Grock, Jeremy Reeves, Ben Estes, Justin Ford, James Ross, (front) Cassie Chancey, Jordan Rosipal, Marcus Arnold, Jennifer Smith, James Dunn, and S. Chance Smith.

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Lady Bulldogs skin Midland in second half come back

By Sandy Anderberg

After suffering an 11-point deficit in the first half, the Clarendon College Lady Bulldogs got rejuvenated and unleashed freshman Karina Sproal as they rebounded to take a 70-66 win over the Midland Lady Chaparrals.

The Lady Bulldogs (12-14 and 4-4) trailed 17-28 in the first half of play, but made up for their sluggish first half play in the second half as they scored a season high of 53 points as a team. The Lady Bulldogs opened a 10-point lead over Midland with two minutes left in the game, but Midland was not finished and continued to fight back and cut the Lady Bulldogs' lead to three. But two

clutch free throws by freshman Britany Moore helped to seal the win.

"I think Midland thought we were done at halftime; and, honestly, so did I," Coach Rusty East said. "I told them that they played a solid defensive half, but at some point you have to put the ball in the hoop to have a chance. I am proud of how we fought, and I hope this sparks a bit of fire in them to finish strong in hopes of a play off spot."

The Lady Bulldogs will travel to Borger February 23 to take on Frank Phillips and will face Howard College at home March 2 to end regular season play. The Region 5 Tournament will be March 9-12 in Lubbock.

Broncos scrimmage Kress

By Sandy Anderberg

Spring is just around the corner, and that can only mean one thing. The Broncos are warming up their bats and are ready to kick off the 2006 baseball season. They have been preparing for the season since the end of basketball and recently got things rolling in a scrimmage with the Kress Kangaroos.

According to head baseball coach Brad Elam, the Broncos looked decent and the scrimmage went well.

"We beat Kress 17-0 in five innings," Elam said.

Senior Quentin West, who sat out the basketball season to nurse a shoulder injury, pitched three strong

innings, according to Elam. Austin Howard and Devin Noble also took a turn on the mound and pitched a solid inning.

"We were able to get on base through hits and walks. Austin had two hits, Trevor Leeper, West, and Stephen Fowler also had good hits."

The Broncos will start their season February 23 against the Caprock junior varsity in Amarillo beginning at 4:00 p.m. They will play a double-header against Dumas JV Saturday, February 25, beginning at noon.

The Lady Broncos also begin their season this week on Friday, February 24, against Caprock JV beginning at 4:00 p.m.



Lady Owls named to the all-district team were Ruth Howard, Katie Gregory, Lori Bugg, Julie Funderburg, and Jaci Copelin. Funderburg was also named the all district MVP.

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Lady Owls lose bi-district

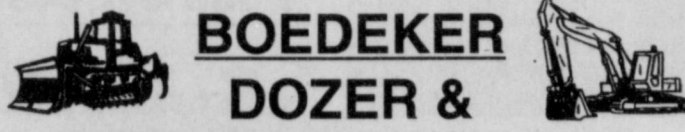
By Tangela Copelin

The Hedley Lady Owls took on the Spring-Lake-Earth girl's basketball team in bi-district play on Tuesday, February 14.

The girls were unable to score on their much taller opponents and came up short in the end. The girls played hard ball, and Coach Mike Prescott said, "Overall the

girls had a good season, the girls worked hard, and they will be back next year ready to play with the intensity the Lady Owls are known for."

Scoring during this game were Lori Bugg 8, Jaci Copelin 6, Katie Gregory 6, Julie Funderburg 3, Ruth Anne Howard 3, Julie Woodard 2, and Kayla Klinger 2.



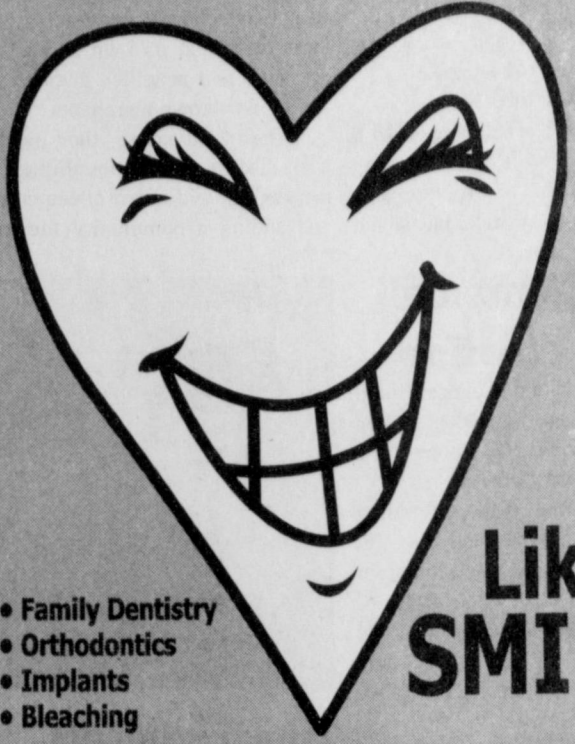
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Senior Samantha Myatt placed 1st in Literary Criticism, 1st in Editorials, and 4th in Mathematics; senior Carmen Hamilton placed 2nd in Headlines, 4th in Ready Writing, and 4th in Editorials; junior Jake Miser placed 6th in Literary Criticism; junior Jessi Howard placed 4th in Computer Applications; sophomore Abby Patten--3rd in Informative speaking; and sophomore Paul Goetze--4th in Persuasive speaking.

In addition Myatt, Miser and junior Haley Carter won 1st place Literary Criticism team.

Other participants for the practice meet included senior Chase Thornberry, juniors Jeremy Jeffers and Erica Depew; sophomores Erin Holland, Jill Cornell, Austin Howard, Keifer Burton, and Billy Aaron; and freshmen Brett Strobel, Amelia Taylor, and Niki Roberts.

Students are readying for their district competition at Amarillo College March 29 and 30.



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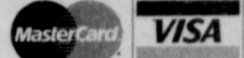
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On Valentine's Eve, all of the cards I'd stuffed with pictures of my little boy, stamped, and addressed were mistakenly lost at Dairy Queen. With a heavy heart, I called my parents, grandparents, and relatives to tell them what had happened and that they wouldn't get a card from me this year. However, some angel found and mailed the cards. On Valentine's Day, one relative after another called, laughing that they'd received their cards. Your act of kindness made our holiday much jollier! We are so grateful to live in such a wonderful town. The small and large acts of kindness that the citizens of Clarendon selflessly perform on the behalf of others make this the best place on earth...home.
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FARM/RANCH
640 ACRES - 150 acres CRP, balance native grass, one windmill. Conveniently located about halfway between Goodnight & Claude with one mile frontage on paved FM 1151 plus one mile frontage on Armstrong County Road 22.

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Sheriff's Report:

Officers recover stolen bike, return it to owner

Feb. 13
 2:20 a.m. - See complainant in the 1000 block of W. 5th about disturbance - barking dogs.
 8:06 a.m. - Check reported smoke on south side of Greenbelt Lake.
 11:41 a.m. - Welfare check in the 800 block of S. Carhart.
 5:22 p.m. - Child hit by vehicle in the 700 block of E. 4th.
 7:23 p.m. - Assist EMS at CC gym.
 10:04 p.m. - Out at college.

Feb. 14
 11:40 a.m. - Traffic control on E. US 287.
 11:51 a.m. - Out at clerk's office.
 7:20 p.m. - See caller in the 900 block of W. 5th - stolen bike.
 7:26 p.m. - Out with two juveniles in the 700 block of W. 3rd.
 7:28 p.m. - On to field house at Clarendon High School.
 7:30 p.m. - Returning bicycle to owner in the 900 block of W. 5th St.

Feb. 15
 7:00 a.m. - Out with vehicle involved in gas drive-off in Quanah.
 10:27 a.m. - Dispatched to rest area on I-40 for unattended death.
 11:35 a.m. - Reported possible gunshots in N. Clarendon.
 4:12 p.m. - See complainant in the 500 block of S. Kearney St.
 4:30 p.m. - Dispatched to Medical Drive.
 5:24 p.m. - See complainant in the 1100 block of W. 5th St. - assault.
 7:45 p.m. - Minor accident on 6th and Ellerbee.

Feb. 16
 3:12 a.m. - Residential alarm in the 500 block of W. 4th.
 7:01 a.m. - Vandalism to mail boxes on FM 2362.
 10:38 a.m. - Out at ag barn.
 1:43 p.m. - Fire standby on N. SH 70.

Feb. 17
 1:22 a.m. - See caller in the 800 block of W. 2nd St.
 10:54 a.m. - EMS assist in the 400 block of E. Browning.
 11:12 a.m. - See caller at CC for possible assault.
 11:24 a.m. - To Randall County with inmate.
 5:32 p.m. - One vehicle rollover on Jefferson St at railroad tracks.
 5:36 p.m. - Driver left scene. Taken to residence in the 1000 block of E. 3rd.
 5:40 p.m. - Deputy and EMS at residence in the 1000 E. 3rd.

Feb. 18
 5:36 p.m. - Assist EMS in the 1000 block of W. 3rd.
 10:51 p.m. - Loose livestock in the 1000 block of S. Parks.

Feb. 19
 12:19 a.m. - Stranded motorist on N. SH 70.
 8:09 p.m. - See caller on N. Sully.

Summary: Fire - 3 EMS - 20
 Burn ban still in effect for all outside fires.

Cotton: Continued from page one.

because by July, you don't have enough irrigation capacity to stay up with the needs of the crop."
 Utilizing the Texas High Plains Precipitation Evapo-transpiration network can help producers best determine where they need to be with their watering program, he said. The network can be accessed at: <http://txhighplainset.tamu.edu>
 Because there's no moisture to spare, this year it is even more critical for producers to consider using low-energy, precision application irrigation systems with drag hoses or bubblers, he said.
 With these two methods, New said, the producer will generally get 95 percent of the water applied to the crop. The low-elevation spray application irrigation will lose up to 25 percent more water through evaporation when used in low-profile open cotton, he said.
 "The less available irrigation we have, the more efficient we have to be in getting it to the crop," he said. "You don't have any water to lose."

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Clarendon Varsity Softball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Feb 24	Caprock JV	Caprock	4:00
Feb 28	WT High	WT High	4:00
Mar 3	Dimmitt	Clarendon	4:00
Mar 7	Fritch	Fritch	4:00
Mar 10	River Road	Clarendon	4:00
Mar 16-18	Clarendon Tournament		TBA
Mar 21	Quanah*	Quanah	4:30
Mar 24	Follett*	Clarendon	4:30
Mar 27	Quanah*	Clarendon	4:30
Mar 31	Booker*	Booker	4:30
Apr 8	Follett*	Follett	2:00
Apr 14	Booker*	Clarendon	4:30

* Denotes District Games
 Coach: Gary Jack and Kasey Bell

Clarendon Varsity Baseball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Feb 23	Caprock JV	Caprock	4:00 DH
Feb 25	Dumas JV	Dumas	12:00
Feb 27	Boys Ranch	Clarendon	4:00
Mar 3	Lockney	Clarendon	4:30
Mar 6	Caprock JV	Clarendon	4:00
Mar 10	Boys Ranch	Boys Ranch	4:00
Mar 17	Shamrock*	Clarendon	4:30 DH
Mar 18	Sanford-Fritch	Clarendon	23:00
Mar 20	Hartley	Hartley	4:00
Mar 24	Wellington*	Clarendon	4:30
Mar 27	Memphis*	Memphis	4:30
Mar 31	Claude*	Clarendon	4:30
Apr 6	Hartley	Shamrock	4:00
Apr 7	Shamrock*	Clarendon	4:30 DH
Apr 8	Dumas JV	Clarendon	12:00 DH
Apr 15	Samnorwood	Clarendon	12:00
Apr 21	Wellington*	Wellington	4:30
Apr 24	Memphis*	Clarendon	4:30
Apr 28	Kress	Kress	4:30
May 1	Claude*	Claude	4:30

* Denotes District Games
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Drugs in the News

Ban Recommended for Certain Inhaled Drugs
 Last month, an advisory committee of the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) recommended that certain nonprescription, inhaled drugs including *Primatene Mist* be banned.
 This recommendation is part of a planned phase out of metered-dose-inhaler propellants, that are reported to harm the protective ozone layer in the atmosphere around the earth. Without the ozone layer, the possibility of direct exposure to harmful UV light increases. UV light rays have been linked to an increased incidence of skin cancer, cataracts, and other health problems. The propellants the FDA wants to phase out are called CFCs (*chlorofluorocarbons*). Several years ago more than 150 nations agreed to a ban on the production of CFCs in the industrialized countries of the world.
 Several US prescription drug manufacturers have switched to the use of a propellant called *hydrofluoroalkane* (HFA). This propellant reportedly carried inhaled product ingredients into the lungs just as well as the CFCs, but without the ozone depleting effect seen with CFCs. Another alternative to using propellants involves the use of dry powder inhalers.

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