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## NEWS at a glance

### Box seats for sale for CC baseball

Clarendon College is offering box seating for the spring and fall 2002 season. The box seating is \$100 for the spring games.

The Bulldog Baseball team has 20 games scheduled for the 2002 season which is already underway. The money raised will benefit the Clarendon College athletic department.

For more information about the box seating or the CC athletic department, contact Joel Zehr, athletic director, at 806-874-3571 or toll free 800-687-9737.

### Little League will meet this Sunday

Clarendon Little League Baseball Association will have an organizational meeting on Sunday, March 10, 2002, at 2:00 p.m. at the Church of Christ Family Life Center.

Anyone interested in coaching, officiating, or helping in any way is encouraged to attend.

### Shots clinic to be held in Clarendon

An Immunization Clinic offering vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases is scheduled in Clarendon at the Texas Department of Health (TDH) office on March 19, 2002.

The clinic will be held 9:00-12:00 and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the TDH Clinic, which is located at #5 Medical Drive on the Medical Center Campus.

The flu vaccine is still available, and it's not too late to get immunized. Flu season extends through March.

The amount of money TDH charges will be based on family income and size and the ability to pay.

### Easter services planned in Groom

Easter services have been announced at the Cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ in Groom.

Good Friday Services will be held on March 29, 2002. The rosary of the Sorrowful Mysteries will be held at 12:00 and will be led by Jim Lummus of Pampa.

"The Seven Last Words" by Bishop John Yanta of the Amarillo Diocese will begin at 1:00 followed by the Stations of the Cross assisted by Deacon Floyd Ashley of Amarillo. Music will be provided area talent.

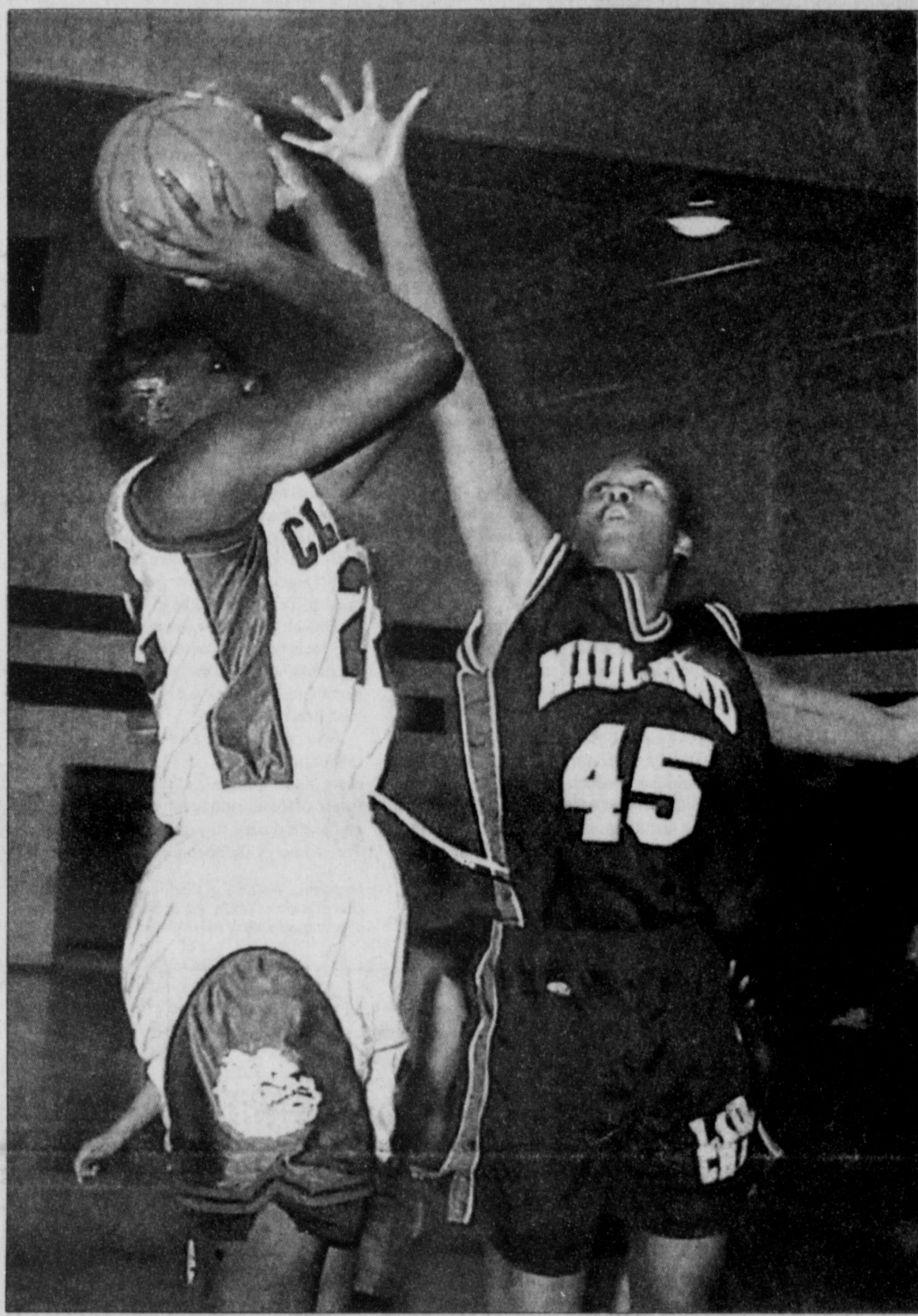
Jim Bible of McLean will be presiding, and Sharyn Morrow of Clarendon will provide the music at the Easter Sunrise Services at 7:00 a.m.

For more information, call 806-665-7788.

### Inside:

- The anti-gun forces are going after your newspaper's classifieds, and the your editor lashes out.
- A locally-made piece of equipment is on its way to the bright lights of Las Vegas.
- Why are local elementary kids learning the Oscar Mayer Wiener Song?
- And local fourth graders are running up a high tab.

All this and much more in this week's gun-friendly edition!



### She shoots, she scores!

Lady Bulldog Vasha Adams from the Caribbean island of St. Vincent puts in two points during Clarendon College's upset 75-68 win over Midland College last week on College Hill. The CC victory denied Midland a chance to share the conference crown with South Plains College. The Lady Bulldogs will be kick off the Western Junior College Ath-

letic Conference Tournament this Friday at 12:30 in the United Spirit Arena at Texas Tech University. If they beat Cisco College Friday, the CC women will play again at 7 p.m. on Saturday; and if they win that game, they play for the regional championship on Sunday at 4:30. The regional winner will take a trip to the national tournament later this month.

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## District court sends two to state prison

A Clarendon man was sentenced to 25 years in prison last Friday by District Judge David McCoy for assaulting a local woman last September.

According to the district attorney's office, Stanley McCampbell was indicted by a Donley County Grand Jury for the first degree felony offense of Burglary of a Habitation with Intent to Commit Aggravated Assault. He entered a guilty plea as part of a plea agreement.

McCampbell was represented by defense attorney Rick Harris of Pampa. District Attorney Stuart Messer represented the State.

In another case last week, Judge McCoy found Bobby Dale Tyson of Wellington guilty of Indecency with a Child relating to a July 1998 offense. McCoy sentenced Tyson to eight years in prison as a result of plea negotiations between D.A. Messer and defense attorney Earl Griffin.

Messer's office said the con-

vicition was a result of cooperation between the Donley County Sheriff's Office, Child Protective Services, and the Bridge - Children's Advocacy Center of Amarillo.

"This case required the joint efforts of all those involved to be able to bring it to a conviction," Messer said, "but mainly it took the courage of one young girl who, even though she was a victim of abuse, still had the courage to stand up for what was right."

Messer also expressed his appreciation for the Clarendon Lions Club for the use of the Lions Hall.

"During the remodeling of the Donley County Courthouse, we have received wonderful cooperation from Clarendon College in allowing us to use their facilities; but when we had a scheduling conflict with the college, the Lions showed their willingness to serve the community by allowing their building to be used as a courtroom."

## Little interest shown in spring elections

Local citizens are not showing much interest in running for the boards of seven local governments this year.

With only two weeks left to file, none of the local boards had any contested races as of Tuesday morning, and three boards had no candidates at all. Interested citizens still have until March 20 to sign up for a spot on the ballot.

In the City of Hedley, incumbent Mayor Janie Hill and incumbent Aldermen James Lee Potts and Leon Ward have signed up for re-election but have drawn no opponents.

Incumbent board members at the Donley County Hospital District have signed up for re-election. The candidates are as follows: Place 4, Jerry May; Place 5, Carolyn Moffett; Place 6, Onita Thomas; and Place 7, Jim Douglas.

Clarendon Consolidated Independent School District has two trust-

ees running for re-election this year. Weldon Sears and Lance Thornberry are unopposed.

The Clarendon College District has one person signed up for one of three open seats on the Board of Regents. Mary Douglas is the only candidate so far.

No one is apparently interested in serving on the Howardwick Board of Aldermen. Three positions are up for election there this year, but no one has signed up.

Likewise in the City of Clarendon, no one is currently running for any of the three seats on the Board of Aldermen.

Hedley Consolidated Independent School District has no candidates for two open trustee positions.

Positions on all local boards are elected at-large although hospital board candidates must sign up to run for a specific Place. Local elections will be held May 4, 2002.

## Democrats, Republicans to cast primary ballots Tuesday

Democratic and Republican voters will go to the polls next Tuesday, March 12, to select their candidates for November's General Election ballot.

Polls will open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. Some statewide positions are contested in the primaries, but no local candidates are opposed by members of their own parties.

Democratic voters may cast their ballots at the following locations: Precinct 101 - Knorrp Hall at Clarendon College, Precinct 102 - Martin Baptist Church, Precinct 103 - Howardwick City Hall, Precinct 201 - Donley County Courthouse Annex, Precinct 301 - Clarendon

Community Center, Precinct 302 - Buster Shields Residence, Precinct 303 - Hedley Lions Den, Precinct 401 - Community Bank, and Precinct 402 - McClellan Residence.

Republican voters should vote at these polling places: Precincts 101 & 103 - Bairfield Activity Center at Clarendon College, Precinct 102 - First Baptist Church of Howardwick, Precinct 201 - St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church Fellowship Hall, Precinct 302 - Paymaster Gin, Precinct 303 - Hedley Fire Station, and Precincts 301, 401, & 402 - Burton Memorial Library.

Registered voters can check their voter reg-

istration cards to determine which box they should vote in.

Early voting by personal appearance for both parties continues through 5 p.m. on March 8 in the County Clerk's office of the Courthouse Annex.

The following local candidates appear on the Democratic ballot and (I) indicates the incumbent: Zane Reese for United States Representative, Jack Hall (I) for County Judge, Fay Vargas (I) for District & County Clerk, Vicki L. Sloan for County Treasurer, Ann Kennedy (I) for Justice of the Peace in Precincts 3&4, Bobby G. "Bob" Trout (I) for Commissioner

of Precinct 4, and Jean Taylor (I) for County Chairman.

The Republican ballot has these local candidates: Mac Thornberry (I) for United States Representative, Robert Duncan (I) for State Senator, Warren Chisum (I) for State Representative, Jimmy Thompson for County Judge, Vicki Knowles for District & County Clerk, Becky Jackson (I) for County Treasurer, Jimmy B. Johnson (I) for Justice of the Peace of Precincts 1&2, Donnie Hall (I) for Commissioner of Precinct 2, Wayne I. Riggs for Commissioner of Precinct 4, and Rogers Hester (I) for County Chairman.

## Courthouse restorations still on track for September finish

Restoration of the Donley County Courthouse is still on track; and nearly all of the structural work is finished, according to Phoenix 1 project manager Stephen Dodge.

Phoenix's schedule calls for the building to be completed in September. The company's contract with the county calls for finishing in October.

Meeting last Friday with project architect Chris Hutson, grant administrator John Kiehl, and key contractors, Dodge reported that mechanical systems are still being installed in the courthouse basement, but most of the wood and steel framing is finished in the building. Also ice and water shielding has been installed on the roof.

Stripping of woodwork contin-

ues, but some areas are ready to begin finish work. A sample stain has been applied to a section of wainscoting in the main corridor.

The new mechanical room on the third floor should be ready to accommodate new heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning equipment this week; and refinished windows and trim should begin returning this month.

Replacing and repairing exterior metal cornices should begin within six to eight weeks, Dodge said.

Brick and mortar colors are still being matched. Curved brick for the circular tower on the southeast corner will have to be special ordered. Officials are also investigating to see if the chemical which is intended for



Phoenix 1 project manager Stephen Dodge, carpenter Richard Obenhaus, and architect Chris Hutson discuss trim for the Donley Courthouse during a construction conference last week.

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cleaning the existing bricks is safe to use on the sandstone elements of the building.

In other project news, county fundraising efforts have collected \$15,959 from persons and businesses

## City names Hill new fire marshal

The Clarendon Board of Aldermen appointed Kelly Hill as the city's new fire marshal during their regular meeting last Tuesday.

The city had discussed appointing a new fire marshal due to requirements which call for that person to be a licensed peace officer. Mayor Tex Selvidge said that he had spoken about the position with Hill and that he was interested in the job. Alderman Bob Watson will look into other state requirements and duties of the fire marshal.

Hill is a deputy with the Donley County Sheriff's Department and a member of the Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department. He succeeds Duane Garman in the fire marshal's office.

Alan Fletcher presented a prob-

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editor's  
Commentary

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

KPT This column has been rated "KPT" by the Enterprise in place of Reader Friendliness. A variety of humor is advised.



## Texans should think of energy independence

By Michael L. Williams

Remember the Alamo? On March 2, we celebrated Texas Independence Day in remembrance of the day in 1836 when a delegation of Texans adopted the Texas Declaration of Independence. It's time Texans start thinking about another form of their freedom that being threatened: their energy independence.

The defenders of the Alamo waged a 13-day battle that ended on March 6, and while they were ultimately defeated, they inspired a group of men to declare Texas' freedom from Mexico and have become symbols of what Texans are known for, most notably our fierce independence.

When people from around the world think of Texas history, they undoubtedly think of the Alamo and cowboys and Indians. What an honor for our great state to be the Lone Star out of 50 that has worldwide recognition! When people think of Texas today, they think of oil and gas - of Dallas and J.R. Ewing. I think of wildcaters and how they exhibit the same spirit that Texans are known for.

Folks, I'm sad to say that this energy independent, oil-rich image of our state is potentially on the path of joining Davy Crockett and the Alamo in the pages of our history books unless we take action.

We've got to fight for our energy independence.

Texas can continue to be America's premier domestic energy provider and remain energy independent only if we do not ignore market forces and do not become dependent on other states and foreign powers to meet our energy needs. To accomplish this, we must reduce regulatory costs and taxation on our oil and gas producers to maximize production while we begin to explore and optimize alternative fuel sources.

Natural gas, the main fuel for generating future electricity in Texas, is an area where our efforts can be increased. We produced about 5.7 trillion cubic feet (tcf)

of natural gas in Texas annually, a figure that has remained fairly constant in recent years. We consume about 4.0 tcf, so we're currently an exporter. However, in as few as ten years Texas' consumption, which increases about 1.8 percent a year, could force us to start importing natural gas just to keep up with our own demand.

We have approximately 6,000 independent oil and gas producers in Texas, our front-line defenders in maintaining energy independence, who are willing to increase production. The overwhelming majority are small independent operators who employ fewer than twenty employees, but represent the backbone of our supply. Unlike major integrated oil companies, they rely solely on the revenues from production to run their businesses.

For their continued success, we must reduce the production-related costs of taxation and regulation, without endangering the Texas environment.

Unnecessary regulatory costs also can stifle economic enterprise. These costs are reduced by constantly reviewing regulations, judging their value, and repealing those that don't make sense.

For example, by reforming an outdated well-testing program at the Railroad Commission, we've saved operators 7 million dollars in capital, money that has gone toward oil and gas exploration and other productive costs.

Further, efforts like reforming our forms management system, moving to project approval rather than permitting wells on a well-by-well basis and expediting the injection well permitting process, when enacted, should also lead to reduced cost to the operators and result in greater oil and gas production.

History has shown excessive taxation to be just as damaging to growth as unnecessary regulation. Excessive taxation on any activity normally results in a decline in that activity. It curtails human initiative and the incentive to work harder. Likewise,

when taxes are lifted from an activity, it typically becomes more profitable and grows.

One of the key ways to reduce the tax burden on Texas oil and gas producers is to enact reform of the Texas oil and gas severance tax.

The federal government needs to take action too. The Senate can follow the House's lead and pass President Bush's energy plan, abolish the alternative minimum tax, allow expensing of daily rental payments and geological costs (the high preliminary costs incurred when determining to drill or not to drill - a cost often never recovered). These measures if enacted would certainly help spur an increase in oil and gas production in Texas.

Texans know the historical importance of the oil and gas industry has played in our state. The industry has been a primary driver of the Texas economy for nearly a century. And even today, approximately 800,000 jobs in Texas are directly or indirectly related to the oil and gas business.

Additionally, through increasing oil and gas production should be our energy focus for the foreseeable future. Texas should also be the leader for developing renewable energy sources. Fuel cells, wind and solar power, cleaner-burning fossil fuels and others, will make up an increasingly larger share of our future energy burden. Texas should be at the forefront of this development. However, until alternative fuels become cost effective and readily available, maximizing oil and gas production by reducing taxes and regulation is the best strategy.

So on this year, as we celebrate and reflect on the sacrifices our Texas forefathers made, let us also think about the future of Texas and resolve to keep our oil and gas industry strong. Let us all promote Texas' energy independence.

Michael L. Williams is Chairman of the Railroad Commission of Texas, the agency responsible for oil and gas industry oversight in Texas.

## Anti-gun freaks looking to tread on classified ads

A press release reported last month that a coalition of gun control groups is trying to get American newspapers to stop publishing classified ads for guns. According to the National Campaign to Close the Newspaper Classified Gun Ad Loophole (which I suppose is long for NCCNGAL), the "unchecked gun sales through classified ads in U.S. newspapers pose a terrorist threat" to America.

Current law requires licensed gun dealers to do background checks on potential gun buyers. "Occasional sales, exchanges, or purchases" by individuals, however, are not required to make such checks.

Anti-gun forces point to the case of white supremacist Ben Smith of Peoria, IL, who, in 1999, was prevented from buying handguns from a licensed gun dealer thanks to a background check. Smith turned to the PEORIA JOURNAL STAR, bought two handguns, then went on a July Fourth rampage, killing two people, injuring nine others, and committing suicide.

The NCCNGAL, a coalition of 23 state and grassroots anti-gun groups, is calling on all newspapers to stop accepting these classified ads for guns not just to stop random madmen like Smith but as a "patriotic contribution" to the War on Terrorism. The group also sent letters to Homeland Security Director Tom Ridge and Attorney General John Ashcroft asking them to use either regulatory powers or their bully pulpits to close the so-called loophole.

At least one state is considering banning such classified ads. The Iowa Senate Judiciary Committee is reportedly studying a bill that would do just that.

"The newspaper classified gun ad loophole is an example of newspapers potentially providing a direct connection to violence by making it easy for overseas or domestic terrorists to get guns," said Ona Hamilton, President of the Pennsylvania Million Mom March.

So let's see if I've got this straight. In order to be patriotic in a war - which is ostensibly to protect my liberty as an American - I must voluntarily forgo my freedom of the press in order to deprive other people of their right to bear arms? I think not.

The greatest safeguard of our liberty is an armed citizenry. It is only when we disarm that we get into trouble. If responsible citizens with firearms had been on board those hijacked planes on September 11, it would have been impossible for a handful of fanatics armed with box cutters to kill thousands of Americans. And let us not forget the greatest reason for the Second Amendment: it is the ultimate check on federal power.

Some newspapers already have anti-gun policies, including THE NEW YORK TIMES, THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE, and THE MIAMI HERALD. But of the 282 newspapers surveyed by NCCNGAL, 77 percent of them accept classified ads for guns although half of them refused ads specifically for handguns. All of the papers surveyed in Texas, Michigan, Virginia, and Delaware accepted gun classified ads.

Despite the policies of the Old Gray Lady and other venerable dailies, THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE stands squarely with other newspapers around the Lone Star State. We will gladly accept classified advertisements for rifles, handguns, shotguns, dart guns, stun guns, BB guns, pellet guns, cap guns, potato guns, pea shooters, assault weapons, bazookas, medium-range ballistic missiles, and any other form of firearm you might wish to sell. We also accept ads for alcohol, tobacco, and foods high in cholesterol, but we do draw the line at 1-900 numbers offering... shall we say... adult conversation and questionable ads promising free wheelchairs to senior citizens.

Banning classified gun ads - whether voluntarily or through legislation - is not going to stop the Ben Smiths of the world from killing people. Smith was rebuffed at the gun dealer. If Smith had opened the Peoria paper that day and not found a gun for sale, does anyone really doubt he would have just stolen one or perhaps built a bomb with diesel fuel and fertilizer? He might have even gotten a machete and chopped up a bunch of folks.

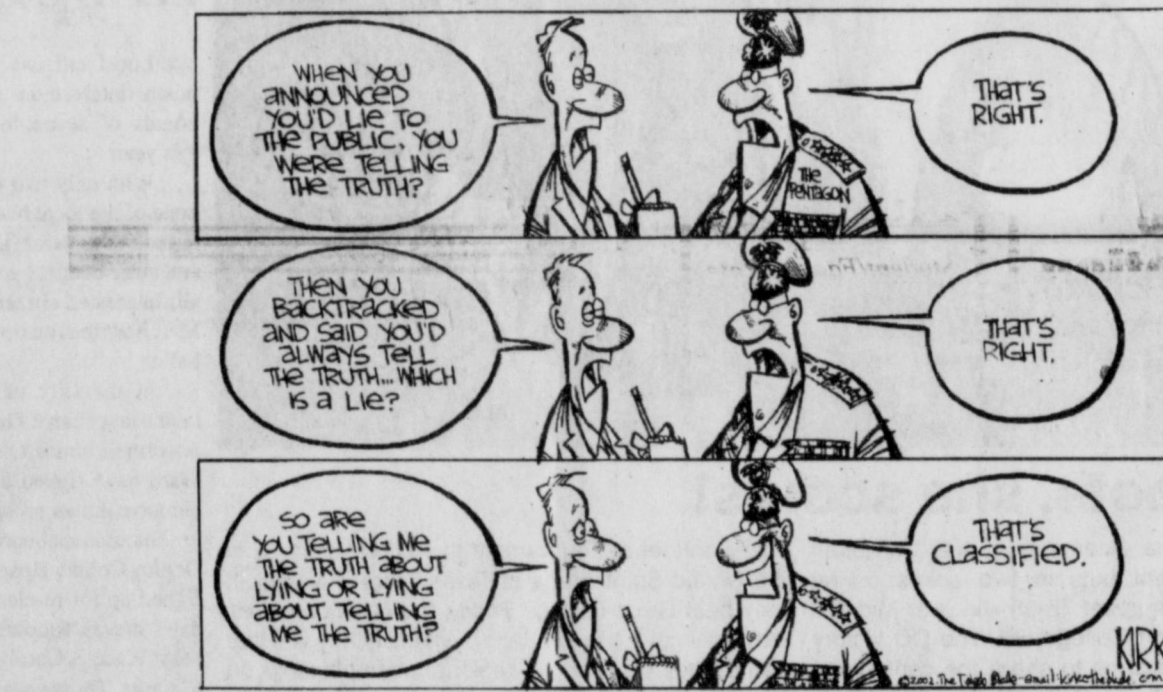
Ultimately, it comes down to personal responsibility for one's own actions. It is high time our society stopped punishing the whole class for the actions of a few bad apples. The people who seek to restrict our rights for the sake of our own safety are nearly as bad as the terrorists themselves. They do not try to kill us, but they hold our liberty in contempt just the same.

## Gun ads: 1/2 price

"There is a hole in the law as big as Texas, and terrorists and criminals can walk right through it to buy their guns," Jennifer Beazley, Executive Director of Texans for Gun Safety, said in the NCCNGAL's press release.

You want a hole as big as Texas, lady? Then let me tell ya what I'm gonna do. In honor of Texas Independence Day's being last Saturday, anyone wishing to place a gun ad in the Big E Classifieds can do so for half-price all this month.

Yes, I'm serious. Just come by the office and say, "Remember the Alamo!" and we'll sell you a 15-word classified for only \$3.25. This offer is only valid for gun sales and does not apply to other "non-violent" classified ads.



## Reader asks about taxes on her phone bill

I recently experienced some unpleasant dealings with Valor telephone service. After having my business telephone disconnected and finally filing a complaint with the Public Utilities Commission, I got my telephone turned back on.

I received a bill from Valor for \$48.69 for two days of service; and while I was on the telephone with Valor, I asked if this was correct. I was informed the telephone service was \$18.35 and all of the rest of this amount is taxes. I would like to know why and how that is possible. I know I am not the only one to wonder this. This seems terribly excessive for taxes.

Could you or someone in the knowing please explain this to me? Also I would like to know why we have no choices as to telephone companies because Valor can block them all out of Clarendon. I thought that was called a monopoly, and I also thought that was illegal.

Cheryl Burch, Clarendon

**Editor's Response:** Unfortunately, the Valor representative you spoke with was correct. How and why is that much tax possible? Well, in a nutshell, it's because the American people are generally docile sheep who are being taxed nine ways to Sunday and for the most part don't care.

A basic business phone service costs \$18.35 per month. People living in the Clarendon phone exchange also pay for Expanded Local Calling which provides toll-free calls to Amarillo, Pampa, and other nearby cities. ELC costs \$7 per business line and \$3.50 per residential line, and, as far as I know, it's the only "fee" on which you had a choice about. Local phone customers voted by a large majority in 1996 to have ELC added to their service.

We're also charged \$2 per line for touch tone service, which really should be part of the basic charge now that we're in the 21st century. With the exception of

any special services you ordered with your phone, the other charges on your bill are something your friends in either Washington or Austin have decided you need to pay.

The Interstate Subscriber Line Charge, according to the Texas Public Utilities Commission's (PUC) website, is something "Local telephone companies assess... to recover interstate costs associated with the local loop that are not recovered elsewhere." (Whatever that means.) The charge was first implemented by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in 1983 after the break up of the Bell system. We're being charged \$9.20 per line for that.

The municipal franchise fee was enacted following the actions of the Texas Legislature. It allows the phone company to recover costs of paying the city for the use of rights of way for telephone lines. On my bill it amounts to 78¢.

The Emergency Service Charge was apparently authorized by the Texas Legislature and capped at 50¢ per line. The money goes to regional planning commissions to pay for the 911 system.

The Federal Universal Service Fee is the brainchild of the federal government. "The amount collected... funds telecommunications services' discounts to schools, libraries, rural health care providers, and low-income customers; it also provides funds to local telephone companies that serve rural, insular, and high-cost areas. The FCC permits telecommunications companies that pay the charge to recover it from their customers." Basically, we as rural residents are getting to pay a fee so the federal government can give money to phone companies who provide services to people in rural areas. It amounts to \$1.02 on my bill.

I couldn't find an explanation of the "Cost of Service Surcharge." It looks like I'm paying a dime to cover the cost of having telephone service.

We have the Texas Legislature to thank

for the Texas Universal Service Fund, which amounts to a 3.6 percent tax. An estimated 90 percent of the \$579.4 MILLION in the fund was given to companies serving "high cost and rural customers" during fiscal year 2001. Three percent went to subsidize telephones for poor people, and another three percent funded programs for the hearing impaired. The remaining four percent (or \$2.3 million) was spent on administering the fund.

The state and city sales taxes were approved by the Legislature and the Board of Aldermen respectively. The state collects 6.25 percent sales tax, and the city collects another 2 percent. It is the same tax that is collected on most other goods and services sold in the state and city. The funds go into the general revenues of each entity.

The Federal Excise Tax is my personal favorite. It was originally passed by Congress as a luxury tax to fund the Spanish-American War in 1898. Congress tried to repeal the 3 percent tax 102 years later, but impeached president Billy Jeff Clinton vetoed the bill because he really liked the \$4 BILLION it confiscates from the American people every year. At the time the US House passed the bill, Speaker Dennis Hastert said, "We will move forward to repeal the Spanish-American War tax because it is plain common sense." But in typical do-nothing fashion, less than a year later when the GOP held majorities in both houses of Congress and occupied the White House, they did not repeal the phone tax. Now that Tom Daschle is running the Senate, there isn't a snowball's chance it will ever be repealed.

That's it for the taxes. As to why we have no choices in local phone companies, we're still looking into that. You can bet that someone has decided it's for our own good though. Besides, with Valor collecting all these subsidies to provide service to rural customers, we should have excellent, reliable communications. Right?

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## Clarendon-made scraper en route to Vegas show

A new locally made Terex S-17E was shipped to Las Vegas, Nev., Monday afternoon to be shown in the Conexpo-Con/Agg. show later this month.

"This is the largest machinery show anywhere," said general manager Darrell Leffew of Clarendon Manufacturing & Distributing Co., which builds the large earth scraper in connection with Scotland-based Terex. "Nearly every manufacturer in the free world will be there."

The conference is held every three years and showcases the latest in equipment for construction, aggregates, and ready-mixed concrete industries, according to *Construction Equipment* magazine. More than 2,300 exhibitors will occupy nearly two million square feet of exhibition space. The show is expected to draw 135,000 visitors.

The S-17E elevating scraper is built for heavy construction jobs and can move up to 17 cubic yards of dirt. The scraper loaded this week is the sixth S-17E that Clarendon Manufacturing has built since the fall of 2000, and many more will be produced soon. Two other units will be shipped to Phoenix, Arizona, this week.

"Two weeks ago, we got an order for 17 units for this calendar year," said Clarendon's operations director Stan Leffew.

Clarendon Manufacturing is already looking to hire skilled welders and is considering plans to expand its physical plant. Stan Leffew said the company may soon put on a second shift in order to meet the demand of the new order.

"So far, everything we have built has already been sold or leased."



A new Terex S-17E elevating scraper made by Clarendon Manufacturing was loaded on to a truck Monday to be shipped to an exposition in Las Vegas later this month. This is the sixth such unit made by the local firm.

## Breast Cancer Screening Clinic set for March 18

The Comprehensive Breast Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Clarendon Medical Center Nursing Home on Hwy. 70 North on March 18, 2002.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram, and performing a breast self-exam each month.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman screened will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for information.

## weather report

Day	Date	High	Low	Prec.
Mon	18	79°	25°	-
Tues	19	44°	13°	-
Wed	20	35°	10°	-
Thu	21	57°	16°	-
Fri	22	59°	17°	-
Sat	23	55°	8°	-
Sun	24	31°	4°	-

Total precipitation this month: 0.58"  
Total precipitation to date: 1.48"  
Total precipitation in March last year: 1.82"  
Total YTD total last year: 4.52"

## weekend forecast

Friday, March 8  
Mostly Cloudy  
70°/39°

Saturday, March 9  
Partly Cloudy  
55°/32°

Sunday, March 10  
Mostly Sunny  
60°/28°

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lem he was having with the dumping at the city's Three Feathers Recycling Center.

City policy currently allows residents to dump one pick-up load per month at the center with their paid water bill stub. But residents must pay a \$35 fee to dump a trailer load of trash. Fletcher, who has several rent houses in the city, wanted to dump a trailer load of trash from his rental properties using several water stubs from those renters.

Mayor Selvidge appointed Aldermen Mac Stavenhagen and Mark White to serve on a committee to amend the ordinance governing fees at the center in order to be beneficial to both the city and the citizens.

Dusty Abbott discussed his plans for a new business at the Clarendon Municipal Airport. The board directed consultant Colby Waters to draw up a lease for property at the airport to be presented to the city attorney.

The Personnel Policies and Procedures manual was reviewed. Alderman Stavenhagen moved to adopt the manual, but the motion died for lack of second with the board agreeing that more changes need to be made.

The aldermen discussed a \$1,250 fine from the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission relating to an incidence of illegal burning near the recycling center last year. The city says the fire was arson and has subsequently fenced off the area. Waters will discuss the fine with TNRCC to see if the fine can be reduced or if the funds could be spent on another project of an environmental nature.

## Looking Back

### 20 Years Ago

THE CLARENDON PRESS, March 11, 1982  
• Former newspaper editor Jeanice Weatherly created the logo for the Donley County Centennial Edition of THE CLARENDON PRESS. The logo depicts different aspects of the county's heritage: Christianity, cattle, the railroad, farming, and education.

• Brad Thompson of Clarendon High School has been nominated to the McDonald's All-American High School Basketball Team by Coach Ron Holmes.

• Broncho football players John Braxton, Hosea Hearn, and Bobby Weatherton have all signed to play ball for Lubbock Christian University.

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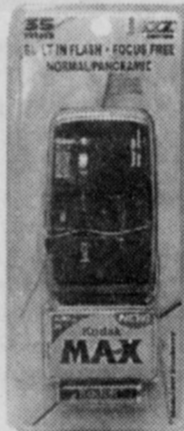
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## ¿Qué Pasa?

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

**March 10**  
Little League meeting • Church of Christ Family Life Center • 2 p.m.

**March 12**  
Primary Election Day

**March 17**  
St. Patrick's Day

**March 18**  
Breast Cancer Screening • Medical Center Nursing Home • 356-1905

**March 19**  
Immunization Clinic • TDH Office • 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

**April 8 - 9**  
Farm/Ranch Computer Workshop • Clarendon College • 9 a.m.

**April 6, 7**  
Clarendon College Ex-Students Reunion • Bairfield Activity Center

**April 19 - 21**  
2002 Donley County Turkey Strut Festival

**April 21**  
San Jacinto Day

**May 4**  
Local Election Day

**September 28**  
Col. Charles Goodnight Chuckwagon Cookoff • Saints' Roost Museum

## Community Menus

March 11 - 15

**Clarendon Schools**  
Out for Spring Break

**Hedley Schools**  
Out for Spring Break

**Donley County Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Honey glazed chicken, rice pilaf, winter mixed vegetables, tomatoes, Rice Krispie treat, bread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Tues: Cheeseburgers with all the trimmings, French fries, apricots, purple plum cobbler, hamburger bun, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Wed: Lemon pepper fish, green peas, glazed carrots, fruit salad, cookies, bread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Thur: Beef enchiladas, Spanish rice, refried beans, garden salad, pear crisp, tortilla chips and hot sauce, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Fri: Chicken and dressing with gravy, creamed potatoes, sauerkraut salad, banana pudding, roll, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

**Hedley Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Chicken strips, potato soup, steamed cabbage, carrot and raisin salad, plum cobbler, corn muffin, milk, tea, coffee

Tues: Meatloaf, macaroni and tomatoes, English peas, pear halves, bread pudding, garlic toast, milk, tea, coffee

Wed: Steak and gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, tossed salad, banana and peaches, roll, milk, tea, coffee

Thur: Catfish fillet, broccoli soup, onion rings, coleslaw, apricot cobbler, corn muffin, milk, tea, coffee

Fri: Turkey and dressing, giblet gravy, sweet potatoes, English peas, fruit salad, cookies, roll, milk, tea, coffee

## Local students named on honor list at Texas Tech

Several students from Donley County have been named on the Texas Tech University Fall 2001 President's List and Dean's List.

Melisse Campbell, Lowell Ellerbrook, Erica McAneer, Walker McAneer, and Nathan Sears were all named on the President's List.

In order for a student to be named on the President's List, they must earn a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of class work.

Derek Gourley, Sam Holton, Jamie Sawyer, and Rachel Howard were named on the Dean's List.

In order for a student to be named on the Dean's List, they must earn a 3.5 to 3.9 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of class work.

## Les Beaux Art Club learns basket-weaving

And the weather is still enjoying its schizophrenic fits. If we got a little moisture off these violent wind shifts - not snow and ice, but some rain - I might not mind so much. But the weekend's weather was just too cold for any good stuff. I thought about putting something over the mums and daylilies that had started to sprout in the earlier spring weather, but I decided the wind would just blow it off anyway, so I may as well not even bother. We'll just watch and see if they recover.

Before the wind changed on Friday, the Art Club met for its annual guest luncheon. Good food and good friends are always a great way to spend an hour or so. Terry Askew, Lucy Saye, Lori Howard, and Julie Hartman prepared a wonderful Mexican pile-on lunch, complete with a

fabulous chocolate cake for dessert. I ate too much as usual, but at least I only ate one piece of cake. Many had more than one (including a dear lady whose initials are Cennet Rhode).

Toshia Burton came to join us and demonstrate her basket making out of rope. Those ladies who have friends and relatives regularly using and replacing nylon lariet-type ropes have an advantage over the rest of us because apparently old, discarded roping ropes make the best baskets. New ones work too, I'm sure, but they don't have the interesting shadings of color that the old ones have. And since the ropes are nylon, a soldering iron or wood-burning tool will melt and fuse the ropes together as they're coiled together. I saw Tookie and Bobbie Thornberry in the bank later that afternoon making a deal



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for a supply of old rope. I expect to see their handiwork not far off in the future.

The Oscar Meyer project is coming together slowly. Joburta Helms told me that some of her students weren't too sure they wanted to be Wieners, but she does have an enthusiastic core group. They have rhythm instrument players and singers and are working it into a sort of antiphonal rondelay. (I may be making some of that up, but essentially, I think it means singing a round with groups that echo each other.) (If I am making it up, I'm sure Joburta

will correct me.)

Clarendonians are making plans for Spring Break. A number of people from First Baptist and Martin Baptist are taking a ski trip to Glorieta, New Mexico. One of the little Devins is flying to Alabama to visit his big brother. I'm sure there are lots of other trips going on, but nobody's told me about them.

I'll be in Idaho again for part of that time, driving up with my parents for my sister's wedding. I hope to drive through the mountains because my dad has an unfortunate tendency to drive in the direction he's looking, and sometimes he sightsees. Let's just hope Mother Nature remembers that it's called Spring Break and cooperates accordingly with the weather. Snow on the mountains, not on the roads.



B.W. & Beatrice Smith

## Smiths to celebrate 68th anniversary

B.W. and Beatrice Smith will celebrate their 68th wedding anniversary on March 7.

The couple was married at St. Stephen's Baptist Church in Clarendon and have lived here since childhood. They have eight children, 35 grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

A celebration of the Smiths' marriage will be held Saturday, March 23, at the Lions Hall at 7 p.m. Friends and neighbors of the couple are invited to attend.

## Whiskey fueled horse races in Clarendon

Horse racing in the Texas Panhandle has received a lot of interest lately with the recent announcements that Amarillo will soon have a racetrack. The news brings to mind a time in Clarendon's history when horse racing was a major source of entertainment.

When the settlers moved to the Ft. Worth & Denver City railroad, the most logical place to establish businesses and homes was north of the railroad tracks because of the availability of water from a natural lake close by. The lake became known as Clarendon Lake, and later a racetrack was built near it where "cowboy pony races," as they were called, were held every 4th of July.

The horses, for the most part,

were all local with young men coming for miles around to compete. During the 1890s and early 1900s, the races became so popular that horses and riders began to come from other parts of the state, which created a great deal of interest.

On racing days, a crowd would gather at the track. Men dressed in tight-leg pants and black derby hats walked around the horses observing all the merits of the local ponies against horses from as far away as Dallas. Speculating took the form of cash bets among the more affluent observers.

Ladies in modest dress, wearing huge hats with veils and stylish high-top shoes, walked in the crowd, more observant of the fashions of other



time will Tell  
By Jean Stavenhagen

ladies than the horses.

No grandstand seats were available, so people either stood at the edge of the track or sat in their buggies and wagons. The ladies held umbrellas for protection from the sun and the dust, which followed each race.

The horses had no stalls and lined up close together with "no daylight between." As soon as all the horses were reasonably in line, the signal was given and the race began, with all riders being careful that no

one got an unfair head start.

Three men judged the winners and awarded prizes. Some of the people connected with the races at that time were Paul Atteberry, Tom Bugbee, "Doc" Howard, Bob Blair, H. Lott, J.W. Kent and Harry Weatherly.

In 1909, a great furor was caused when it was discovered that a fast horse named "Heelfly," owned by H. Lott, was being given a pint of choice whiskey before each race he won. It was considered illegal, but nobody could prove it, so other horse owners began to use the same method.

"Heelfly" was never defeated on the Clarendon track, and his fastest time was made when he was 23 years old.

## Healthy habits outlined for National Nutrition Month

With March being National Nutrition Month, I would like to start the month out by giving you the ABC's of a healthy lifestyle.

**Aim for fitness.**  
**Build a healthy base.**  
**Choose sensibly.**

**Decide to eat plenty of foods that are good for you - fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and beans are the best choices for the bulk of your diet. Nonfat dairy, soy and fish are important too.**

**Educate yourself by reading food labels.**

**Focus on whole grains instead of refined carbohydrates.**

**Grab a handful of nuts for a snack.**

**Have beans and peas often.**

**Include fish in your diet twice a week. Salmon, mackerel, herring and tuna are choices since they are good sources of omega3 fatty acids.**

**Jazz up your food with herbs and spices instead of salt.**

**Know your Body Mass Index. See [www.cyberdiet.com](http://www.cyberdiet.com) for a calculator.**

**Look for jam, syrups and other sweetened products that are made with less or no sugar.**

**Minimize your intake of alcohol.**

**Nibble on raw veggies between meals.**



family care Corner  
By Dawn Watson  
COUNTY FCS AGENT

**Observe your eating behaviors.**  
**Pack a healthy lunch.**  
**Quit eating except when you are hungry.**

**Rely on good nutrition, not fast diets.**

**Switch to lowfat or nonfat milk and dairy products.**

**Try new fruits and vegetables.**

**Utilize low fat cooking techniques. Baking, steaming, boiling, broiling, and roasting are your best bets.**

**Vary the foods you eat within each food group.**

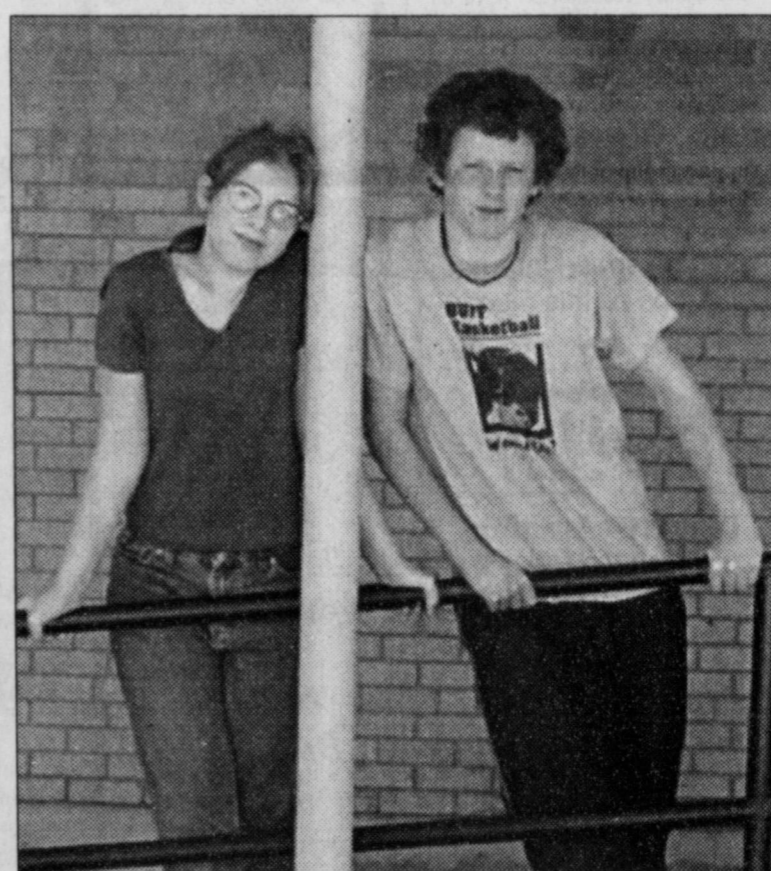
**Watch your intake of sugary beverages and foods. Read ingredient lists to find those ending in "ose" - if they are at the top of the list, chances are that product is high in sugar.**

**X-exercise, exercise, exercise.**

**Yield to your desire to be healthy.**

**Zap out germs by using safe food handling practices.**

If you would like more information about this recipe for a healthy lifestyle, call the Donley County Extension Office at 874-2141 or stop by the office at 203 E. 3rd Street.



## Langgood, Gage exchange vows

Alexia Langgood and Lee Gage exchanged wedding vows on February 17, 2002, in the home of Ken and Myca McEntire, sister of the bride, in Amarillo. Terry Tamplen, pastor of Kingswood Methodist Church, officiated the double ring ceremony.

Alexia is the daughter of Ted and Kristi Langgood of Amarillo.

Lee is the son of Jerry Gage and Gloria Gage, both of Clarendon.

The couple is employed at Texas Dodge in Amarillo.

## Howardwick Club holds successful Art Show

The 2002 Art Show at Howardwick, sponsored by the Howardwick Beautification Club, was a great success with around 200 people viewing the exhibits.

Mary Selfridge and Greta Byars made the exhibition come alive to groups from Medical Center Nursing Home and second, seventh, and eighth graders from Clarendon schools. Mary and Greta have diverse styles of painting. Great specializes in the Old Masters and Mary in Southwest art. They held the interest of all the groups and left everyone begging for more. The club voted to make this an annual event. Dates will be announced at a later time.

Members Peggy Cockerham, Nancy Davis, Dorothy Arnold, Joyce Hardin, and Greta Byars enjoyed a trip to the Amarillo Botanical Gardens Lunch Bunch Gardening Hour on February 20 to hear Brian Bellinghausen of Brian's Yard Consultations speak on winter gardening and shrub and tree planting. Kristie Wright, program director of the gardens, was helpful to us in designing landscape projects for Howardwick.

The club is planning Sunrise Services at the crosses in City Park for Easter Sunday, March 31, followed by breakfast at City Hall. More information about the services is planned.

Because of elections, the next meeting will be held Wednesday, March 13 at noon. Everyone is invited to attend.

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## Public School Week being observed March 4-8

My thanks to everyone who has called since Thursday to say they had missed "Watt's Happening" in last week's ENTERPRISE and to ask if I was ill. I'm not ill. I happened to fall, crack the coccyx, and knock a knot on the back of my head. I'm sore and stiff and it's hard to sit comfortably, but it's getting better with pain medication.

March certainly came in like a lion. Friday the wind blew like fury, and Saturday was as cold as... well I don't know what. The temperature was about 5°, and the wind chill was about -10° degrees. I didn't get out of the house all day Saturday.

Frank and Belinda Hartman have been enjoying a visit with their daughter, Christina, and granddaughter from Tennessee. Christina's husband and two older children stayed

home because the older kids are in school.

March 2 was Texas Independence Day, and the first full week of March is Texas Public Schools Week. I called Terry Stephens, principal of Hedley Schools and asked him if they planned anything special during the week. He told me they were going to try to have school that week.

Public School Week used to be a big thing at all the schools a few years ago. Now the school doesn't even seem to recognize the week. I wonder why.

I wonder what has happened to the mail. Twice in the last few weeks, I've called Mike for some medicine, and he mailed it from Clarendon. I'm still waiting for it. When I didn't get it the next day after I ordered it, I called and asked about it. Then I



watt's Happening  
By Peggy Watt  
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called the Post Office. It seems to have disappeared between Clarendon and Hedley.

The way I understand it, the mail truck picks up the mail in Clarendon, takes it to Childress, and loads it on another truck to Amarillo. In Amarillo it's put on another truck and returned to Childress. In Childress it's put on another truck and brought to Hedley. That seems a long round about way to get from Clarendon to Hedley, which is only fourteen miles.

And who's going to pay for the medicine?

The Methodist Church in Hedley

was treated with a concert by the Northfork Gospel Band. The band is made up of seven young men from Lefors and Pampa. Johnny Woodard of Lefors is one of the original members of the band. Johnny grew up in Hedley and is the brother of Tobe Woodard.

Other members of the band are Keith Roberson, Bob Jeffers, Rick Scott, Larry Caviness, Steve Huckins, and Ronny Line.

The Northfork Gospel Band expects to have an album of gospel music out in the near future.

Marie Adams, Louise Farley, and I have a new neighbor. Dustin Monroe has moved into the apartment next to Gracie Burkhalter. It's good to look out the door, see a light in the window across the yard, and know someone is there.

## CHS competes at Pantex Plant Science Bowl

Thirty teams from 18 high schools around the state including Clarendon High School tested their science knowledge in the 11th annual Pantex Plant Science Bowl on Saturday, February 23, at West Texas A&M University Classroom Center.

Clarendon sent two teams to the Science Bowl. The maroon team consisted of Richard Anderson, Kevin Green, Rachel Papa, Micah Sparks, and Cameron Word. The white team consisted of Bryan McFarland, Eric Pitts, Otis Scrivner, Austin Sears, and Valerie Taylor. The teams were coached by Roger Hoeltzel.

The Science Bowl is operated much like the popular television game show "Jeopardy," with the exception that students play on teams of four instead of individually. Students' science and math knowledge is challenged as they try to beat their opponents to the buzzer to answer a wide variety of questions.

Round-robin games were held in the morning, and division winners advanced to a double-elimination tournament after lunch.



Clarendon High School students participated in the Department of Energy Pantex Science Bowl held at WTAMU on Saturday, February 23. Team members include Richard Anderson, Austin Sears, Rachel Papa, Valerie Taylor, Bryan McFarland, Eric Pitts, and Coach Roger Hoeltzel. Other team members not pictured were Kevin Green, Micah Sparks, Cameron Word, and Otis Scrivner.

Digital photo courtesy of Pantex.

## Clarendon Elementary will showcase renditions of wiener song

Clarendon Elementary students have been humming "The Oscar Mayer Wiener Song" to the tune of \$10,000 and now invite the community to join in.

The Oscar Mayer Corporation is giving 50 \$10,000 prizes to music departments in elementary schools across the nation.

"Each school records a video of students singing the song in a creative way," Music teacher Joburta Helms said. "One school from each state will be chosen for the grand prize."

Sixty students from all grade levels performed for the camera singing and using xylophones, hand drums, and recorders.

"All the students worked so hard to prepare," Mrs. Helms said. "They couldn't have been more excited."

Mrs. Helms also recorded the students at work and at play all week. She invites the community to watch the video the students made Friday evening between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. in the CHS Auditorium. Hot dogs and

soft drinks will be sold, \$2 plain and \$3 with the works.

"We won't know for months if we've won," Mrs. Helms said, "but if we do, I have big plans to add instruments and update technology in the music room so the students can apply music fundamentals they learn in class and have fun doing it."

## BSA Hospice to offer grief support in Pampa

BSA Hospice offers grief education and group support for adults who are dealing with the loss of a loved one.

A new group is meeting on Thursday afternoons from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and will continue to meet until April 4, 2002. The meetings are being held at the BSA Hospice Facility on 800 N. Sumner in Pampa.

The program is offered free of charge to residents of Pampa and the surrounding area, as well as the families who have been served by BSA Hospice.

For more information about the support group or to register, call BSA Hospice at 665-6677.

*I would like to thank everyone who had a part in my 50th birthday in any way. It was just great. A special thank you to my girls, Jan, Jill, Jodi, and Kari - I love you!*

*Thanks again,  
Paulette*

## The Lion's Tale

By Allen Estlack

Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting March 5 with Boss Lion Pro tem Dr. Myles Shelton in charge.

We had 17 members and one guests. Our guest was Pearl Hermesmeier, guest of Lion Denise Bertrand.

Baseball and softball high school teams both play this afternoon at the local fields.

Girl Scouts have moved into their new offices and will have an Open House on April 25.

The Clarendon College girls will play Friday afternoon in Lubbock in the conference tournament. The college baseball teams will have double headers Friday and Saturday.

We voted to support the Lions Eye Bank and the Lions Camp travel fund.

There being no further business we were adjourned.



Mirror, Mirror on the wall,  
I looked inside and this is what I saw.  
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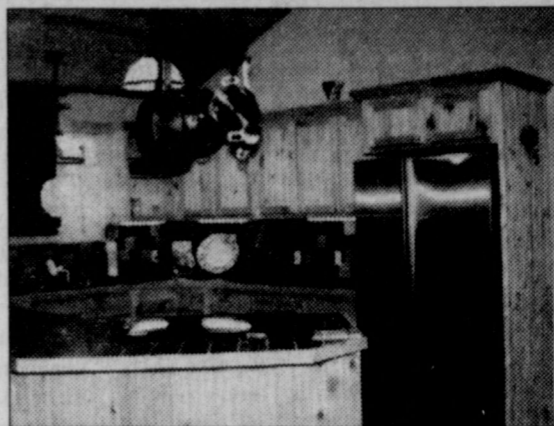
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Now the County Judge's salary is \$18,361.17 plus a salary supplement from the State of Texas of \$10,000, which means his total salary is \$28,361.17 plus \$900 car allowance. The County Judge put in the Clarendon Enterprise that travel allowance was set at 23 cents per mile for private vehicles used on County business. He also stated that for the 2001-2002 budget year, this mileage allowance went from 23 cents to 28 cents per mile and it was a big savings because the State pays an allowance of 34 cents per mile. Now let's not forget that when these County officials travel, they also have a County credit card to pay their bills, when the credit card is paid up.

For twenty-some-odd years, you brought your receipts and turned them over to the County Treasurer, and when the Commissioner's Court met on the second Monday of each month, you were paid if there were not discrepancies. Now it looks to me like if you are drawing money from the County to go to meetings and schools, also car allowance, also mileage, and a credit card you have found a "bird's nest on the ground." These are the places that should have been cut and in so doing saved four jobs in a recession economy.

Regards,  
William J. Thompson

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<p><b>Church of Christ</b> 300 S. Carhart • 874-2495 Minister: Eddie Stegall Sun. Bible Class: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening: 6 p.m. Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>First Baptist Church</b> 300 Bugbee Ave • 874-3833 Pastor: Truman Ledbetter Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Sunday Service: 10:55 a.m. Sunday Evening: 6 p.m. Wednesday: 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>St. John The Baptist Episcopal Church</b> 301 S. Parks St. • 874-2231 Sunday Service: 11 a.m.</p>
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## Stupid animals show up in real life not just on TV

Occasionally I watch the television show *America's Funniest Animals*. It is a show about animals that are amazing, silly, and sometimes just plain stupid. I have two dogs and three cats. I have seen these idiots do some stupid things. For example, I have an Australian Shepherd who barks and chases airplanes, helicopters, and geese. There is nothing in this world to make him think he cannot chase them down.

I also have a Shih Tzu who is a hounddog and a great watchdog. I can let him outside, and he stays a while because he plays with the cats. For the most part, he thinks he's a cat. Sometimes when we leave and then come home, I guess the watchdog comes out in him. He barks like mad as if he has no clue who we are.

And as for the cats, if they are not sleeping, they are usually trying to get in the house by climbing the doors and windows. If they manage to get in, then they play hide and go seek, knowing they have to go back out. We have one cat that thinks he's a dog. Most of the time our animals are pretty smart, but they can be dumb as rocks, too.

We think wild animals are smart, but in the last three or four months I have seen some really stupid wild animals. Monday I saw two animals do some funny and stupid things. I have to share these occurrences with you because my wife is tired of me rambling on about my sightings.

First off, we have all heard about how stupid turkeys are. They are stupid or very, very confused most of the time. Now if you have ever gone turkey hunting, you might say they are smart and hard to hunt. And I have to agree with that because I have been there, done that. But have you ever watched a turkey spend hours poking his head in and out of a fence trying to get to the other side? They can fly, but they seem to forget this.

Just because a bird can fly doesn't mean too much. About three months ago I had a broken window in my shop and could not figure out how it was broken. So I put my brain in detective mode; and after about 30 minutes of scratching my head, I found all the evidence I needed to connect the guilty party. A mourning dove apparently had forgotten where he was going and decided that flying



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Life  
By Gary Dzedzic

through the window was a smart move. You know with all of the trees, telephone poles, and buildings, it's tough to be a bird and fly out in the country.

Not too long ago, I started smelling a bad odor around the house. I couldn't find where it was coming from, and it was getting worse every day. Again, my workshop had something to do with this disgusting odor. After some careful smelling and an occasional gag, there it was as plain as day. I had stacks of 8" PVC pipe stored next to my shop, and apparently an opossum got stuck in one of them and couldn't get out. Why do animals insist on getting into places they can't get out of? If it's a tight fit, why chance it?

Going back to Monday, I decided to go to Lake Greenbelt and drive around and look to see how much the lake iced over. I was heading towards the end of Kelly Creek when

I noticed gulls flying over the creek. As I got closer, I saw some gulls on the ice pecking it. When I drove up to see what was going on, I saw shad under the ice. Some were dead and the others were swimming, but dying. Gulls are very good at diving and catching shad, but with that ice, it was kind of funny watching them trying to peck their meal for the day.

As I was leaving the lake, I was getting my speed up when I saw a rabbit. Sure enough, this rabbit decided that it was a good time to cross the highway, but in a way I have never seen. Seconds before the unspeakable happened, the silly rabbit ran all the way across the highway and then decided to run back to the other side. I guess the grass was greener on the other side.

The great outdoors: it always amazes me.

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## CC Bulldogs end season with loss to Midland

By Sandy Anderberg

It's been a rebuilding year for the CC Bulldogs and Coach Tony Starnes. They've had some great wins and tough losses. Despite ending their season with a loss to Midland College, the Bulldogs are counting their successes in places other than the win/loss column.

"I'm excited about how the guys played overall," said Starnes. "It was a successful season in the fact that we laid a foundation for the future. We've set a tone with our Confer-

ence, and we will be competitive."

Starnes was complimentary of his opponents and respectful of the depth in the WJCAC.

"Everybody in our conference is tough. South Plains is 2nd in the nation. Odessa and Midland have been or are in the top 20. We defeated New Mexico Military Academy by 15 points last week, and they are in the Conference play-offs. So, we have gained the respect of the coaches and players in the Conference."

In the Midland game, the Bull-

dogs played hard and never quit. Down by 7 points at the break, the CC men fought back to come within 4 points of getting the victory.

"The guys never quit," said Starnes. "The sophomores played well in their last appearance as Clarendon Bulldogs. I'm extremely proud of the way they played."

Scoring: Justin Harris 20, Chris Packer 15, Robert Bridges 14, Lonnie Cooks 6, Jamaal Shell 5, Jacobia Platt 5, Roland McDougal 5, Mike Wallace 3, and Raymond Shaw 3.

## Program for cancer patients set for Saturday

Look Good... Feel Better, a public service program for cancer patients, will be held Saturday, March 9, 2002, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the American Cancer Society Office, 3915 Bell in Amarillo.

For more information about the program or to RSVP, contact the Amarillo unit of the American Cancer Society at 353-4306 or call 1-800-ACS-2345.



## Junior cyclist

Clarendon first grader Rowdy Speed participated in the Cycle City Promotions Arena Cross on Saturday, March 2. He is the son of Kelly and Misty Speed of Clarendon.

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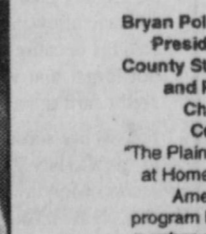
The passing of another year reminds us to number our days and count our blessings. Our Panhandle's abundant resources and our audacious and powerful heritage have stood us well against the challenge that we faced.

Now we calculate our strengths and find there are no negatives in this new year's equation. Each of us added together can equal a result greater than we realize.

Read what encouraging things these area business leaders are saying about this year's strong finish and our attitude for next year's beginning.



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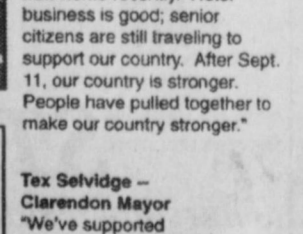
**Bryan Polheimer** — President, Hale County State Bank and Plainview Chamber of Commerce  
"The Plainview 'Buy at Home, Support America Now' program has had a number of benefits for our Community. From reports I have seen on the Christmas Shopping season we have just completed, while not a record breaker, it was overall a good season and probably helped keep a number of our businesses viable."



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"This is the time to help the country. Our whole life the country helped us. It's our time to help our country. I bought a new home recently. Hotel business is good; senior citizens are still traveling to support our country. After Sept. 11, our country is stronger. People have pulled together to make our country stronger."



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## Lady Bulldogs to play at WJCAC tournament

By Sandy Anderberg  
Defeating top ranked teams all season long, the Lady Bulldogs played hard and were successful in their quest to earn a spot in the Regional Tournament beginning March 7 in Lubbock.

The Lady Bulldogs' latest victim was the nationally ranked Midland Lady Chaps. Pulling out all the stops, the Lady Bulldogs made short work of the Conference co-leaders, defeating them 75-68. The loss to CC put Midland in 2nd place behind South Plains in the conference with the Lady Bulldogs finishing in 3rd place.

The win allowed them to gain a lot of confidence going into the tournament.

The Lady Bulldogs were down by one point at the break with both teams playing heads-up basketball. CC continued to pound the Lady Chaps inside gaining ground with 2-point baskets. Sophomore guard and top scorer Ravon Justice scored 26 points to lead her team to victory.

Freshman post Sancho Lyttle shot 83% from the free throw line and added 15 points from the field to help vault her team to the win. Esther Chavez and Vasha Adams knocked

down 14 and 12 points respectively. Lana McCandless added 6 points, and Colby Davis had 2 points. Also contributing to the Lady Bulldog's win by playing great offense and defense were twins Nidia and Nivia Garcia.

In the final minutes Midland made a desperate attempt to win the game, but the Lady Bulldogs stayed strong and went on to gain the victory.

Freshmen Kim Woods, Rachel Fabela, Cheryl Audain, and Hayley Hugley are also on the Lady Bulldog team.

Head coach Wade Scott had nothing but praise for his team.

"I was really proud of our team as a whole," Scott said. "We dropped three games in a row and then came back to get a win against the 9th ranked team in the country. That was incredible. I was also pleased with the energy and effort of our team."

The Lady Bulldogs earned the right to participate in the WJCAC Tournament March 8. "We will play Friday, March 8, in the Regional Tournament in Lubbock," said Scott. The game will begin at 12:30 p.m. at the United Spirit Arena on the campus of Texas Tech.

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## Two Bronco players are named to All-District basketball team

By Sandy Anderberg  
Seniors Cody Watson and Jarad Lax have been named to the 6-2A All-District Team for the 2001-2002 season.

Cody Watson was selected because of his leadership skills on the court where he averaged 12 points a game. Watson had a season high of 35 points against Canadian. He also averaged 3.5 rebounds per game.

As was Watson, Jarad Lax was also a definite asset to the Broncos this season. He hit a season high of 36 points against Wellington. He averaged 12 points and grabbed 4.5 rebounds per game.

Head coach Wade Callaway

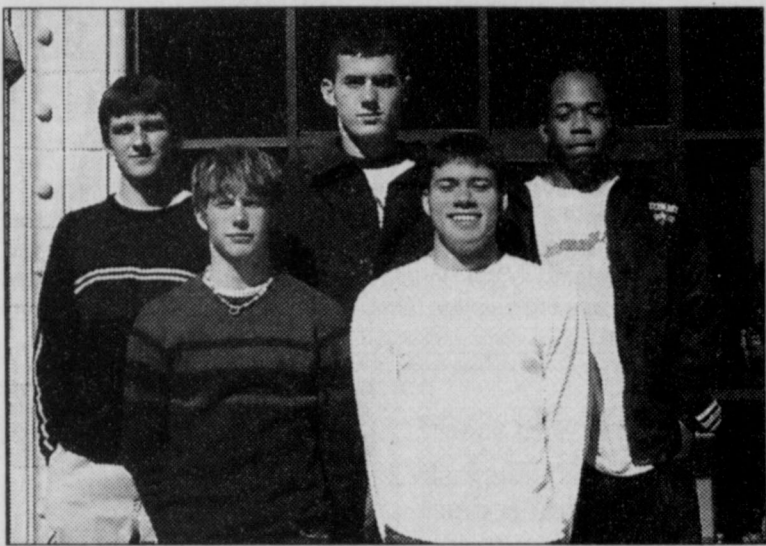
praised the Broncos for their hard work over the season.

"We had a very balanced team this season," said Callaway. "Our seniors did a tremendous job for us, and they will be surely missed."

Cody is the son of Audie and Leitha Watson, and Jarad is the son of Danny and Debra Hill.

Those Broncos receiving honorable mentions were seniors Jeremy Ray and Micah Sparks. Also selected was junior Judge Smith. Josh Weathered from West Texas High was selected as the District MVP.

Congratulations to these players and all of the Broncos for a great season!



Clarendon Seniors Jarad Lax and Cody Watson (front row) have been named to the 6-2A All-District Team for the 2001-2002 season. Broncos receiving honorable mention were (back) Jeremy Ray, Micah Sparks, and Judge Smith.

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## CHS tennis teams begin 2002 season

By Sandy Anderberg  
Under the guidance of coach Wade Callaway, Bronco and Lady Bronco tennis had begun its 2002 season.

The team participated in the Vega Open on March 1.

Still working on gaining their tournament form, the tennis players gained a lot of experience in the first meet of the year.

"This was a huge meet," said Callaway. "We went up against 3A and 4A schools as well as schools our own size. We looked at it as a 'competitive practice'. Nobody really felt they were ready."

Senior tennis stand out Greg Wooten finished in the top four, tied for 3rd place. Freshmen doubles team Amina and Uthala Abdullah made it to the Quarterfinals, which gave them a top eight finish. Juniors Taylor Shelton and Jordan Zehr teamed up to also qualify for the Quarterfinals in the top eight teams in the field.

"Overall I was very pleased with everyone's effort," said Callaway.

The Broncos and Lady Broncos will participate in the Quannah Tournament Wednesday and Thursday, March 6 and 7.

## CHS golfers play in tourney at Wellington

Despite unfavorable "golfing" weather, the Broncos and Lady Broncos began their 2002 season in the Wellington Golf Tournament.

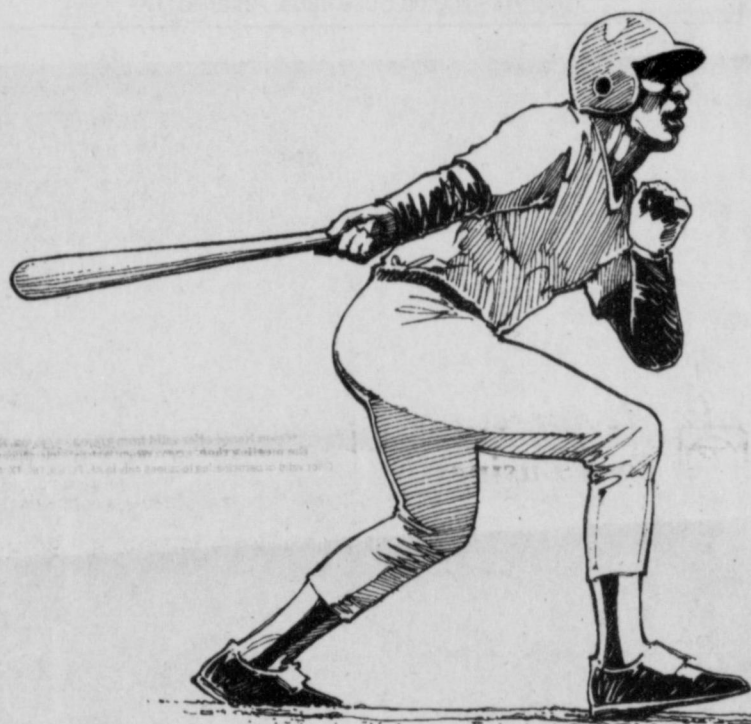
Those Lady Broncos participating were juniors Ashlee Kidd, Sarah Ray, and Tiffany Noble. District champion and Regional qualifier Ronna Edwards is also on the team but couldn't participate in the first tournament.

The Bronco team consisted of senior Kelly Linquist, junior Jordan Zehr, and sophomore Tim Leeper.

Golf coach Mike Ray knows it's early in the season and expects both teams to excel throughout the season.

"It's early for us," said Ray. "We haven't had a lot of time to practice. The kids are working hard, and we expect our scores to go down as we get out on the course more and more."

Both golf teams will play March 11 and 12 at Memphis.



# Clarendon Baseball & Softball

March 8

Broncos v. Childress JV in Clarendon, 4:00  
Lady Broncos v. Childress in Childress, 4:00

March 9

Lady Broncos v. Perryton in Clarendon, 1:00

Broncos	
Greg Wooten	Sr
Jeremy Ray	Sr
Jarad Lax	Sr
Cody Watson	Sr
Todd Hoeltzel	Jr
Lee Stegall	Jr
Bryan McFarland	Jr
Jeremy Howard	So
JC Blackburn	So
Adam Leeper	So
Justin Johnson	So
Dusty Martindale	So
Tim Leeper	So
Ty Lewis	Fr
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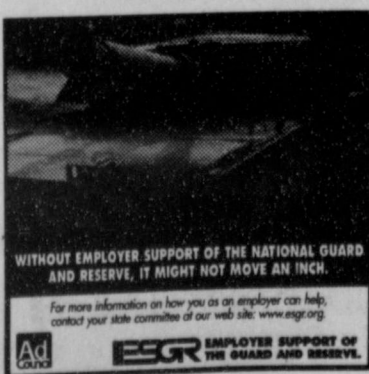
Lady Broncos	
2	Destiny Weatherton Fr
3	Christine Holden Jr
4	Laura Dziedzic Fr
7	Brittney Hall So
8	Sarah Depew Fr
10	Lacey Eads So
11	Amina Abdullah Fr
12	Kayla Martindale Fr
15	Janey Aduddell Sr
16	Brandi Betts Jr
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19	Tiffany Noble Jr
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## CHS students learn about financial aid, area colleges

As high school students begin the transition into post-secondary education, many questions arise. What is the first step I need to take to obtain financial aid for college? What do local and area colleges and universities have to offer?

These are just two examples of questions that students and parents from Clarendon and surrounding communities had a chance to have answered at Clarendon High School's Seventh Annual Financial Aid and College Night. About one hundred students, parents, recruiters, and Clarendon ISD staff attended this year's function in the CISD cafeteria.

The evening began with Counselor John Taylor giving an overview of the financial aid process. He discussed the different types of assistance available, such as scholarships, grants, work-study, and loans. He was assisted by Dave Corley, representative from the Panhandle Plains Student Loan Center and John Eder, of the Opportunity Plan in Canyon. Students were encouraged to pursue scholarships and grants before considering loans.

The first step that all students must take to be considered for financial aid is to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, commonly known as FAFSA. Once the FAFSA is processed, a Student Aid Report, or SAR, is generated and sent to the student. This document reports to the student and the college the student's Estimated Family Contribution. After discussing the SAR, Mr. Taylor turned the program over to Marian Green, the Financial Aid Administrator from Clarendon College, who explained the next steps after the student receives the SAR.

The financial aid presentation was closed out by several drawings. Two Clarendon High School seniors won \$100 scholarships provided by the Panhandle Plains Higher Education Authority. Other students won door prizes furnished by the Education Credit Union in Amarillo and Herring National Bank of Amarillo.

Following the drawings, parents and students had the opportunity to visit with financial aid organizations, college recruiters, and the army. They could also enjoy refreshments prepared by the CHS Consumer and Family Sciences Department and provided by Panhandle Plains Student Loan Center.

The following colleges had representatives available to answer questions and provide literature to interested students and parents: Clarendon College, Amarillo College, Frank Phillips College, Christian Institute of the West, West Texas A&M, Texas Tech, Baylor, Wayland Baptist, and Texas Woman's University. Those providing additional information about financial aid were The Education Credit Union, Panhandle Plains Student Loan Center, Herring National Bank, and The Opportunity Plan.

If parents and students still have questions, help is available. Many of the necessary web sites have been linked to Mr. Taylor's web page at <http://users.arn.net/~jgtaylor>. Parents can also contact any of the financial organizations that were represented. The best source of assistance for completing the FAFSA is the Financial Aid Administrators at each of the colleges.

Clarendon High School has also taken other steps to help students' transition to college. A new ACT test preparation software package, ACTive Prep, has been installed on the school network and will be available on most of the computers in the high school. This program isolates the areas where the student needs the most practice on the ACT college entrance exam and then provides instruction in either just those areas or in all areas.

Coin3 (Career and Curriculum Connection) is a dedicated web site that has been available to high school students since this fall. It provides information on careers and colleges as well as a way for students to communicate with the counselor about college and career concerns.



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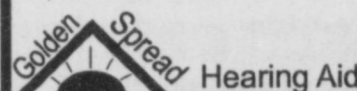
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### Kelly competes in Texas All-State Band

CHS Junior Chantelle Kelly competed in the Texas All-State Symphonic Band on Saturday, February 23, 2002, in San Antonio.

Chantelle was named 15th chair clarinet for the Symphonic Band which was directed by Anthony Maiello. She competed at All-State last year where she was named 39th chair.

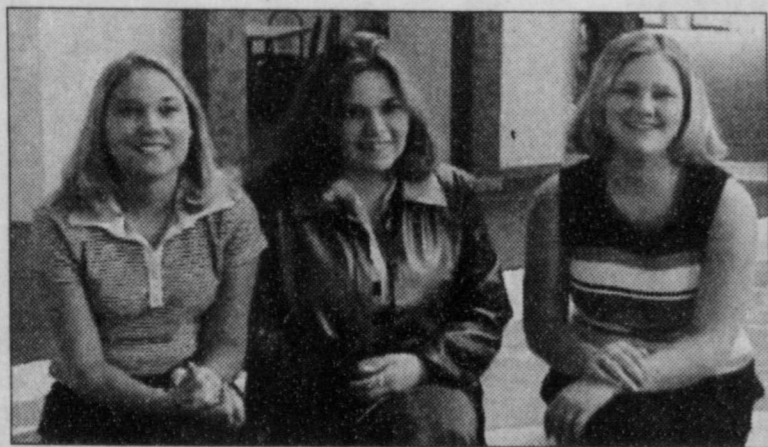
"She represented our school real well," said CHS Band Director Todd Baker. "She was in the top 15 clarinets out of all 1A, 2A, and 3A schools."

The band held a performance in the Scottish Rite Auditorium where they performed *America, the Beau-*



Chantelle Kelly

*tiful; Centaph; La Belle Helene; Inchon; Pacific Commemoration; Eternal Father, Strong to Save; and Barnum and Bailey's Favorite.*



Students attending the FCCLA conference in Odessa were Crystal Holman, Serenity Shay, and Mandy McKinney. Digital photo courtesy CHS

### FCCLA chapter attends Odessa conference

The Clarendon chapter of Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America attended the Region 1 Conference held in Odessa on February 22-23, 2002.

The chapter members were among 1100 delegates attending the two-day conference. The youth developed theme, "FCCLA: Saddle Up For Success," was carried out through workshops and general sessions where members discovered ways to become actively involved in issues facing the youth of today. Some of the issues

that were addressed at the meeting were scholarships, team building, personality profiles, STOP the Violence, stress management, and underage drinking.

FCCLA is a dynamic youth organization that has the family as its central focus. Student leaders of Texas FCCLA are "Saddling Up For Success" and riding with programs related to parenting, child development, personal and financial management, nutrition, and career awareness.

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# Classifieds

Big-E Deadlines:  
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874-2259

### MEETINGS

**Clarendon Lodge #700 AF&AM** Stated meeting: Second Monday each month, 7:30 p.m. Refreshments served at 6:30 p.m. Practice sessions: Fourth Monday, 7:00 p.m. Allen H. Estlack - W.M. Larry Hicks - Secretary

**Clarendon Order of the Eastern Star #6** Stated meetings: First Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Refreshments served at 6:30 p.m. Margaret Ann Pettit - W.M. Opal Ramsey - Secretary

**Clarendon Lions Club** Regular meeting each Tuesday at noon. Jerry Woodard, Boss Lion. Monty Hysinger, Secretary

**Clarendon Girl Scouts Unit** Leaders meeting: First Tuesday, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church. Denise Bertrand, Membership Specialist. 874-2846

**Alcoholics Anonymous** Meeting each Monday at 7:00 p.m. & Saturday at 7:00 p.m. at 305 S. Kearney St.

**Donley Co. Memorial Post #7782 of the VFW** Stated meeting: First Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. J.D. Hopper - Commander. Bill Holden - Quartermaster. Post Home Phone No: 874-VETS. Bingo - Saturdays, 7:00 p.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Saints' Roost Museum**  
610 East Harrington  
Winter Hours  
Saturday, by appointment only  
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Sunday, 2 to 5 p.m.

**HIGH SPEED INTERNET** is now available in Clarendon. Wireless service up to 50 times faster than dial-up. No phone line is needed. Contact the Enterprise for details. 874-2259. 2-tfc

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YARD SALE: 100 Dawn, Howardwick. Saturday 9:00-? if weather permits. King-size bed, brass headboard, large white dresser with mirror, color TV, sewing machine, lots of material, pattern cabinet with many patterns, fishing tackle, sweaters, clothing, household items, silver plate, stuffed animals, decorative light fixture, apartment size range, misc. stuff. 11-1tp

**FOR SALE**  
STEEL BUILDING, 40x21 was \$5,590 must sell \$2,990. 1-800-292-0111. 11-1tp

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**HEALTHCARE WORKERS NEEDED:** Part/full time. Hedley, Starting April. Send letter to PO Box 2382, Snohomish, WA 98291. Pat McCathern or 425-338-3690 or patsy@premier1.net. 9-6tp

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We would like to thank everyone for the flowers, prayers, and all the acts of kindness we received during the loss of our loved one.

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**CARPENTER WORK** - Large or small jobs. Call Dickie Bennett at 874-2362. 33-ctfc

### LEGAL NOTICES

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
The City of Howardwick will be accepting sealed bids for the sale of a 1976 Chevrolet 16 foot grain truck, inspected January 22, 2002. This truck will be sold as is and can be seen at the maintenance shop in Howardwick, Texas. Bids will be accepted starting February 27, 2002, to 5:00 p.m., March 26, 2002. Bids will be opened at the council meeting March 26, 2002, at 7:00 p.m. The city reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Please mark "Sealed Bid" on the envelope and send to: City of Howardwick, HC 2 Box 2230, Clarendon, Texas 79226. 10-2tc

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### FOR SALE

**CLARENDON - HOUSE**  
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**NICE BRICK** - 2 bedroom (plus basement for optional third bedroom), 1 bath, nice kitchen, with built-ins, dining, living, central heat & air, unattached garage with opener, also nice 1-car carport, fenced back yard, yard sprinklers, on curbed lots, all well maintained and ready to move in at 618 S. Gorst for \$62,500.

**2252 SQ FT BRICK** with attached oversized 725 sq ft garage, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, kitchen, utility, large living room with wood burner fireplace, office, well/city water option, front yard sprinkler, 2 car garage, 2 nice storage buildings, 5th wheel port, choice location at 604 W. 5th for \$99,800. REDUCED TO \$95,000.

**LOOKING FOR HOME & LARGE SHOP?** Nice 2 bedroom, 1 bath, kitchen with dishwasher and range, living, NEW central heat and air, large unattached 1,040 sq. ft. shop/garage with auto door openers and work bench, fenced back yard with dog kennel at #10 E. 3rd for \$44,500.

**LARGE HOUSE & SHOP BUILDING** - 4 bedroom, 2 bath, modern kitchen with built-in Gen-air cook top and double oven, dishwasher, utility, large den/living/dining area with wood burner fireplace, concrete cellar, well or city water option, 121 sq. ft. storage/well house bldg., 1,200 sq. ft. shop all on 3 lots at 203 S. Wells for \$54,900. **FOR QUICK SALE, DRASTICALLY REDUCED TO \$48,000.**

**GREAT PRICE** for this 2 bedroom, 2 bath, kitchen with dishwasher and range, dining, living, central heat & air, carport, fenced backyard on two lots at 519 S. Goodnight for only \$9,500.

**3,128 SQ. FT TWO STORY IN WEST CLARENDON** - 3 bedroom and 1 bath up, 1 bedroom, bath, kitchen, living, dining, living/den & foyer down; high ceilings, some hardwood floors, nice quality lot, but needs extensive update and repair. On 4 1/2 choice lots at 602 S. Bugbee for \$49,000.

**RECENTLY TOTALLY REMODELED** - 2 bedroom, 1 bath, kitchen, dining, living, utility, central heat & air, metal siding, 1 car garage, 1 car port, cellar, fenced back yard, storage building, @ 610 W. 3rd for \$57,500. REDUCED TO \$49,500.

**CLARENDON HOUSE & 9.3 ACRES** - 2 bedroom, 1 bath, living, kitchen, attached 2 car garage, concrete cellar, well with sub. pump, various out buildings & storage bins - joins city on South. Originally \$55,000. REDUCED TO \$48,500.

**LELIA LAKE - HOUSE AND 2 1/2 ACRES** - 1,681 sq. ft., stucco, 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, living, dining, garden room, unattached garage, like-new metal roof, well with submersible pump, acreage is fenced, reasonably priced at \$35,000.

**THE PERFECT SETTING FOR A RANCH HOME OR HUNTING RETREAT** - 572.5 acres of ranch land with an unobstructed view overlooking the adjoining historical JA Ranch and the adjoining High Card Ranch. All native grass except for just the right amount of cultivated acres for seeding wheat or similar plants most enjoyed by the many deer and game birds that frequent the ranch to feed. Paved road to the entrance and only 8 miles from Clarendon for \$400 per acre. **(OWNER WILL CONSIDER SELLING ONLY SOUTH 1/2, MORE OR LESS).**

**CLARENDON - HUNTING RANCH** - 615 acres m/l, 5 miles south of Clarendon, enter from paved FM road, includes small acreage on rim of canyon for possible building sites with beautiful unrestricted view, all grass on rolling to rough terrain, DEER, QUAIL, AND TURKEY frequent the installed feeders and drink from two wells, one with submersible pump and one with windmill. Will not be available long at \$325 per acre.

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**CLAUDE** - 972 acres 6 miles west, 1/2 miles frontage on paved FM 1151, 193.8 acres in CRP (\$6,074.00 annual income), balance in grass, 3 domestic wells (owner would sell 655 acres only or sell all together) - a good investment at \$375.00 per acre.

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**LELIA LAKE - ALL GRASS** - 160 ACRES South of Lelia Lake - surrounded by ranch land on 3 sides, good for hunting deer, turkey, quail, and dove. Financing negotiable - for \$69,000.

**LELIA LAKE FARM/RANCH** - 120 Ac. cultivated, 40 Ac. grass - South of Lelia Lake, 6" irrigation well, 1/4 mi. underground pipe, 2 - 1/4 mi. side rolls, 292 Chev. engine negotiable, domestic well with sub. pump, joins major ranch making for very good deer, turkey, quail, and dove hunting. Financing negotiable - for \$106,000.

**GREENBELT - VERY NICE AND READY TO MOVE IN** - 3 bedroom, 2 bath, kitchen/dining/living, utility, central h/a, (some furniture and appliances will remain with house), carport, fenced back yard, RV pad with hookup, 4 storage buildings, all on landscaped lot at 182 Angel for \$40,000.

**GREENBELT** - Split-level: Up - living/den with wood burner fireplace, kitchen, 1 bath, 1 large bedroom, enclosed porch, central heat. Lower - 1 bedroom, 2 car garage. Good location in Country Club Central. OWNER RECEPTIVE TO REASONABLE OFFER.

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**CHS Band students compete in UIL Solo, Ensemble Contest**

Clarendon High School Band members competed in the UIL Solo/Ensemble Contest in Amarillo on Saturday, March 2. The contest was held at Amarillo College.

Receiving Superior ratings and advancing to the State Solo/Ensemble Contest are: Megan Roberts, marimba solo; Chantelle Kelly, clarinet solo; Ottis Scrivner, oboe solo; clarinet choir of Chantelle Kelly, Brandi Lockhart, Samantha Vargas, Sarah Depew, Andrea Findley, and Richard Anderson; Saxophone trio of Jeremy Ray, Kelsey McQuien, and Stephanie Fowler; and Woodwind Trio of Andra Helms, Ottis Scrivner, and Sarah Depew.

These students must play a Class 1 solo memorized to advance to state or play in a Class 1 ensemble.

Those students receiving a Superior rating were: Valerie Taylor - Bassoon Solo; David Corder - Baritone Solo; Cierra Benavidez - Clarinet Solo; and Meghan Gribble - Clarinet Solo.

Those students receiving Excellent ratings were: Branson Carter - Alto Saxophone Solo; Lydia Hartman



Clarendon Bronco Band members recently competed in the UIL Solo/Ensemble Contest in Amarillo on Saturday, March 2 at Amarillo College. Those competing were (first row) David Corder, Stephanie Pace, Brandi Martindale, Megan Roberts, Branson Carter, (second row) Brandi Lockhart, Andra Helms, Samantha Vargas, Kensity Morrow, Stephanie Fowler, Meghan Gribble, Cierra Benavidez, (third row) Sarah Depew, Kelsey McQuien, Vanna Holton, Ottis Scrivner, Austin Sears, Jordan Zehr, Drew Sell, James Williams, Jeremy Ray, Chuck Robertson, Richard Anderson, Valerie Taylor, and Andrea Findley.

- Xylophone Solo: Kensity Morrow  
- Clarinet Solo: Stephanie Pace  
- Flute Solo: Brass Ensemble of Vanna Holton, Drew Sell, Chuck Robertson, Austin Sears, Jordan Zehr, Brandi Martindale, and James Williams.  
The state contest will be held May 25, 2002, in San Marcos.

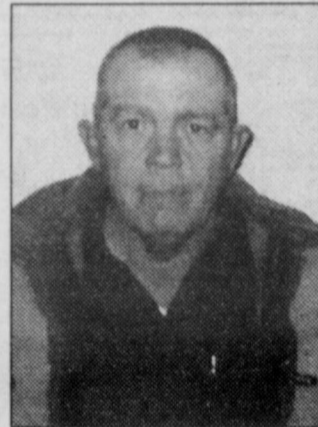
**Trees available at County NRCS office**

Most people enjoy the presence of songbirds, deer, and other wild creatures. In the Panhandle of Texas tree plantings can support wildlife that add beauty and pleasure to our lives. Wildlife are attracted to trees and shrubs because they provide the best cover in some areas.

Those species beneficial to wildlife that are sold by the Donley County Soil and Water Conservation District are: evergreens, red oak, spruce, little walnut, hackberry, osage orange, honey locust, Russian olive, shumard oak, caragana, lilac, bush honeysuckle, cotoneaster, plum, sumac, nanking cherry, and sand cherry. The District also offers wildlife packets that include a variety of trees selected to attract a particular type of wildlife. Each packet includes 100 trees (25 each of 4 different kinds). We have packets for quail, pheasant, squirrel, turkey, and deer.

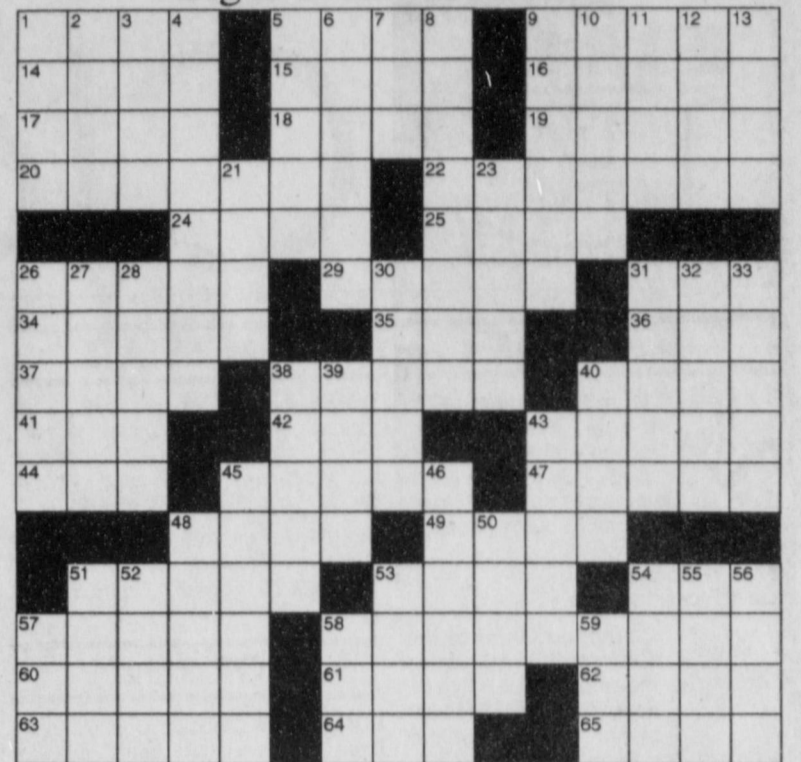
All trees sell out quickly so call Mike at 874-3576 ext. 101 or come by the NRCS office at 4th and Sully as soon as possible.

**Your Local Firefighter Profile #16**



**BENNY E. OSBURN**  
Benny has been a member of the Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department for 17 years and has been employed by the Texas Department of Transportation for 16 years. He is married to Annette, and they have one son, Blake.

**Big E Crossword Puzzle**



- ACROSS**
- 1. Stalk
  - 5. Extent of space
  - 9. Belief involving sorcery
  - 14. National capital of Peru
  - 15. Pillage
  - 16. Young woman
  - 17. Related by blood
  - 18. Young salmon
  - 19. Arthropod
  - 20. Dumplings with filling
  - 22. Opposite to
  - 24. Repel
  - 25. Value
  - 26. Conclusion
  - 29. Active
  - 31. Jamaican popular music
  - 34. Bravery
  - 35. No (Scottish)
  - 36. Vehicle
  - 37. Sour
  - 38. African title of respect
  - 40. Animal groups
  - 41. Small amount
  - 42. Paddle
  - 43. Wife of Abram
  - 44. Kwa
  - 45. Tugs
  - 47. National capital of Tunisia
- DOWN**
- 1. Stroke
  - 2. Kon
  - 3. Ruler
  - 4. Clergyman
  - 5. Trembling poplar
  - 6. African country
  - 7. Pinna
  - 8. Flural
  - 9. Flattened at the poles
  - 10. Be in contradiction with
  - 11. Ardour
  - 12. Charity
  - 13. Applies to nonhuman mammals
  - 21. Miscellaneous articles
  - 23. Part of Calyx
  - 26. Unsubdivided
  - 27. Parrot
  - 28. Star over
  - 30. Distortion
  - 31. Reject
  - 32. Language spoken in Southern China
  - 33. Unaccented syllable verse
  - 38. French market town
  - 39. Travel on foot
  - 40. Pope John
  - 43. Takes dictation
  - 45. Customs
  - 46. Clogs
  - 48. Hotel chain
  - 50. Nestling
  - 51. Be immobile
  - 52. A blue dye
  - 53. Emerald Isle
  - 54. Skin disease
  - 55. Motion picture
  - 56. Czar
  - 57. The compass point that is one point west of due south
  - 58. Asian country, abbr.
  - 59. Blue

**Sheriff's Report:**

**High winds, power outages trip alarms in town**

- Feb. 25**  
8:09 a.m. - Out at residence in 200 block of Jefferson St.  
9:50 a.m. - Emergency personnel dispatched to accident on US 287 at FM 1260 involving a semi and a van.  
9:55 p.m. - Taking statements on vehicle burglaries in the 800 block of W. 2nd St.
- Feb. 26**  
1:18 a.m. - Check for possible prowler in 300 block of S. Parks.  
2:54 a.m. - Out at residence in 100 block of S. Parks.  
4:45 p.m. - Out at residence at 2nd and Faker.  
8:23 p.m. - Out at residence on S. Oak in Hedley.
- Feb. 27**  
1:16 a.m. - Vehicle search on FM 2257.
- Feb. 28**  
6:13 a.m. - Responding with EMS to 800 block of S. Johns St.  
6:40 p.m. - Taking report from resident in the 1100 block of E. 3rd St.  
10:32 p.m. - Deputy meeting business owner in 800 block of W. 2nd St.
- March 1**  
12:07 a.m. - Checking on reported vehicle excessive noise on Sherwood St. in Howardwick.  
4:43 p.m. - Deputy advises he is out with subject of reported gas drive-off.  
10:37 p.m. - Responding to business alarm in 200 block of S. Kearney. Law enforcement responding to numerous alarms at businesses and residences due to strong winds and loss of power
- Feb. 28**  
7:18 a.m. - Dispatched to business alarm one mile W. on US 287.
- March 2**  
4:01 a.m. - Business alarm in the 800 block of Faker.  
10:35 a.m. - Out at Goodnight and 4th St.  
6:05 p.m. - Constable dispatched to CR AA for reported gun shots.
- March 3**  
11:55 a.m. - Dispatched to college dorm.  
12:25 p.m. - En route to non injury accident on E. 3rd at Hartzell St.  
10:25 p.m. - Assisting home owner in 500 block of McLean St.
- Summary**  
Arrests - 2  
Ambulance Calls - 5  
Fire Calls - 2

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