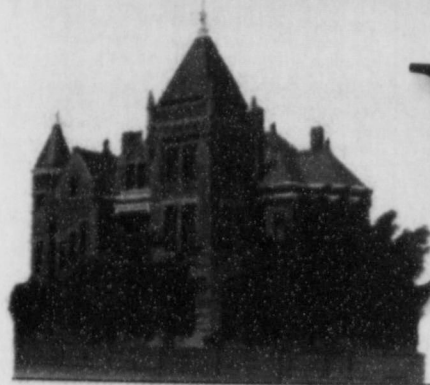


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All this and much more as The Enterprise reports in this week's amazing edition!

### Service to be held to honor Robertson

The Clarendon Church of the Nazarene would like to invite everyone in the community to attend a special service to honor our beloved friend, Patsy Robertson. She has been such a Godly influence to all of us and will truly be missed by all.

The service will begin at 6 p.m. on Sunday, June 15, at the church located at Third and Hawley. Please come and honor our precious sister, friend, and loved one.

### CC schedules Quick THEA exam July 22

Clarendon College will be offering the Quick THEA test on June 22 at 9 a.m. in the Instruction Center.

The cost of this test is \$49 with \$20 payable to Clarendon College and \$29 payable to NES in the form of a check or money order.

If you would like to sign up or have any questions, please contact Brandi Havens at 874-3574, ext. 107, by the July 14 deadline.

### CC set two dates for Bulldog Days

New students this fall are invited to attend a Bulldog Days weekend this summer at Clarendon College.

Students will have the opportunity to tour the campus, meet with academic advisors and financial aid counselors, and register for classes.

This year the college is offering two sessions to choose from, and the dates are June 27-28 and July 25-26.

The cost of the event is \$25 and includes three meals and a Clarendon College t-shirt. Parents and guests are welcome to attend with the new students.

For more information please call Brandi Havens at 874-3571, ext. 107.

### Square House hosts new Slesick exhibit

Ginny and Len Slesick return to the Carson County Square House Museum in the Hazlewood Gallery; and a new artist, Ralph Duke, will be installed in the Purvines Gallery in the Square House Annex with a photographic display.

The exhibits will be displayed through June and July. A reception and a book signing for Len's book, *The Keeper of Time*, will be held for the artists, Sunday, July 13, from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. Come by, see the beautiful art, and visit with these extraordinary artists.

For further information, please call (806) 537-3524.

## Trash to Treasures features 38 garage sales

Bargain shoppers will be in for a treat during the third annual "Trash to Treasures" garage sale event to be held in Clarendon and nearby communities this Saturday, June 14.

Thirty-eight individual garage sales are scheduled to be held. A complete description of each sale is printed in this week's Big E Classifieds, and a map of the sales is on the last page of this week's ENTERPRISE.

From badminton sets to bowling balls, this weekend's sales will feature hundreds of treasures just waiting to be uncovered at bargain prices.

"We hope to attract several people from out of town to shop at the sales and to patronize our local businesses," ENTERPRISE publisher Roger Estlack said. "We're also happy to see some non-profit orga-

nizations taking advantage of the opportunity that 'Trash to Treasures' presents."

"Trash To Treasures" began in 2006 and was the idea of Ashlee Estlack of THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE and Chriss Clifford of A Fine Feathered Nest. The sale was intended to be strictly a "citywide" event in Clarendon, but demand that first year led the ENTERPRISE and

A Fine Feathered Nest to expand the event to other communities in Donley County.

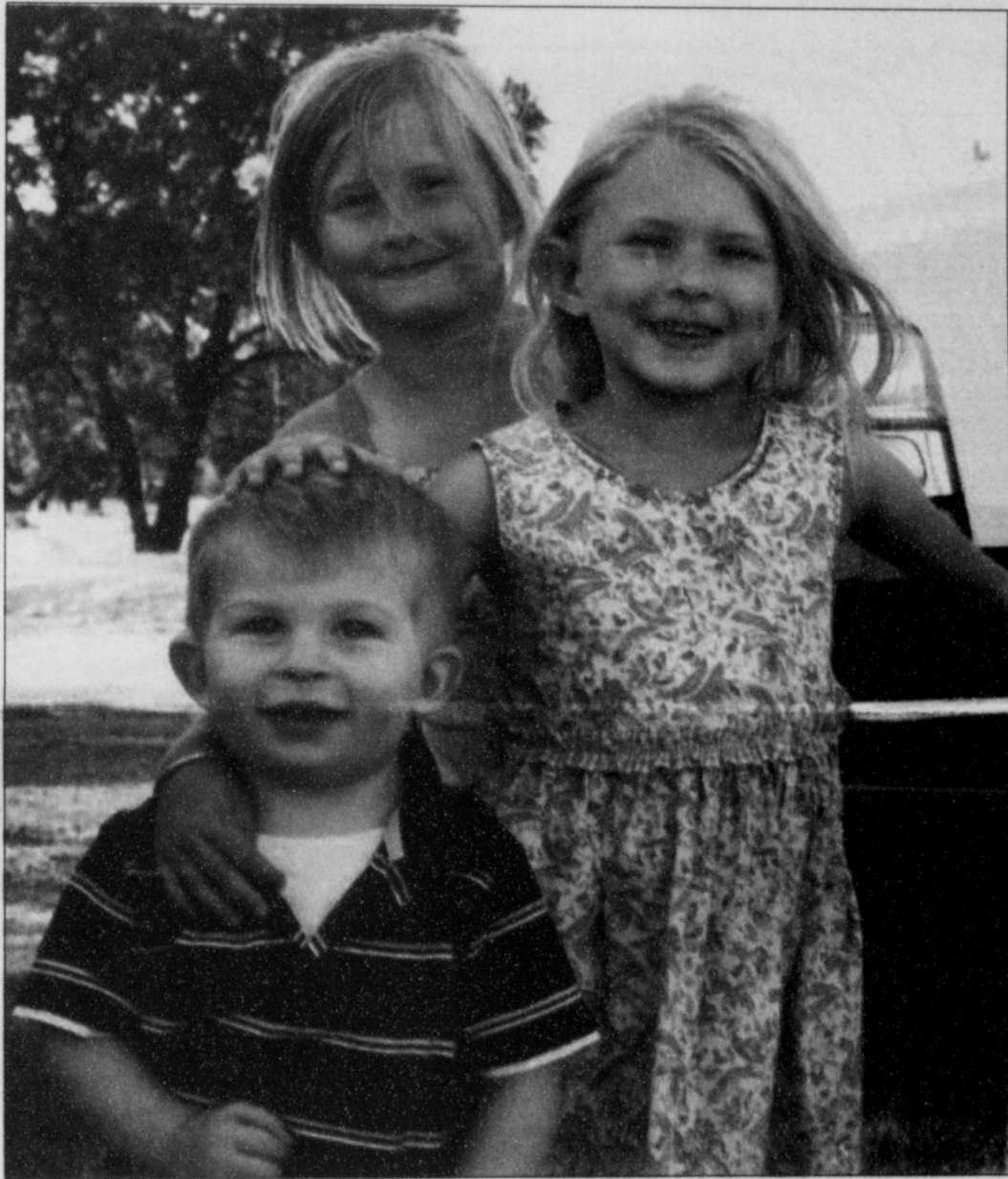
This year's event includes sales in Howardwick, Hedley, and Lelia Lake.

The number of sales being held in Howardwick this year may mean changes for next year's event.

"If we see another year with a large number of sales in How-

ardwick, we will probably start publishing a separate map for that community," Estlack said. "I'd love to see us get 35 or more garage sales in Clarendon and about a dozen in Howardwick."

"Trash to Treasures" is being promoted in several area newspapers and with airtime on KEFH and KLSR radio; and many people from neighboring counties attend.



### Lookin' good

Chardy Craft, age 7, and her five-year-old sister, Izzy, take time to smile for the camera with 19-month-old Benjamin Estlack during the member appreciation dinner at the Saints' Roost Museum last Friday. A good crowd braved the windy evening to see the museum's new exhibits and enjoy a brisket dinner. S.J. Johnson won the drawing for the handmade spurs.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

## Clarendon makes plans for annual July 4th activities

The Clarendon Chamber of Commerce will be meeting this Thursday to finalize plans for the 131st annual Saints' Roost Celebration, which is now just three weeks away.

Most of the event calendar is pretty well in place for the celebration on July 2-5, said Chamber Executive Director Judy Burlin.

A ten-team junior rodeo will kick things off this year for kids 16 and under on Wednesday, July 2, at the COEA Arena. The event will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Action begins ginning up downtown on Thursday, July 3, with the Merchants' Western Days Street Sales all day and a Depression Lunch beginning at 11 a.m. That night the fun continues at the rodeo arena at 7:30 with a 20-head bronc ride.

Also on July 3, a blood drive will be held at Stanley Chevrolet, and participants will receive a free American flag T-shirt. Hot dogs and drinks will also be available.

The biggest day of the celebration will be Friday, July 4, with the Country Craft Fair and Senior Citizens Bake Sale beginning at 10 a.m. on the Courthouse Square. The Old Settlers Reunion starts at 10:30, and the Al Morrah Shrine Club's Annual BBQ begins at 11 a.m. and continues until the food

runs out.

The Kids' Bicycle Parade begins at 1 p.m. followed by the annual Western Parade at 2 p.m. The Lions Club Cow Patty Bingo will follow the parade.

To sign up for the parades, contact the Chamber office at 874-2421. For booth space at the Country Craft Fair, contact the Donley County Extension Office.

The annual COEA Ranch Rodeo will open at 7:30 Friday night with 20 teams competing and an outdoor dance to follow. The rodeo follows the same schedule Saturday night.

During the day Saturday, downtown merchants will have their street sales going again; and concessions, wagon rides, and other games will be available downtown.

Henson's famous annual Turtle Race will be held at 3 p.m. at Third and Kearney. Turtles can be registered for the race now.

Henson's is also accepting entries for its second annual Turtle Art Contest now through Thursday, July 3.

More information will be printed as soon as it becomes available. Contact Judy Burlin at the Chamber office if your organization is having an event during the celebration.

## Winds cause two wrecks

By Ashlyn Tubbs, Clarendon Enterprise

High winds caused two wrecks last Thursday.

The first wreck occurred around 1:49 p.m. when Garrett Carlton, age 33, from Wilburton, Okla., was driving a pickup eastbound on US 287, towing a camping trailer.

DPS Trooper Chad Simpson said high winds blew Carlton's light weight trailer to the north, and it started whipping back and forth. Carlton lost control of the vehicle, and it slid sideways into the south ditch and rolled over along with the camper trailer.

No citations were issued, and Carlton experienced no injuries.

The second wreck happened around 3:56 just over the Armstrong County line. Richard Keese, age 54, of Bushland, was driving a truck/tractor semi trailer westbound on US 287, pulling an empty trailer.

Simpson said strong winds blew the trailer to the north, and Keese lost control and jackknifed his vehicle. The jackknifed vehicle slid into the center median, where it came to rest.

Keese also was not injured, and did not receive a citation.



Wind caught the trailer pulled by this truck. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ANNDRIA KIDD

## FSA 2008 county committee nominations start June 15

Bruce Ferguson, Executive Director for USDA's Farm Service Agency in Donley County, today announced farmer and rancher candidate nominations begin June 15 for local Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committees. The nomination period continues through August 1, 2008. Elections take place this fall.

"I encourage all producers to participate in the county committee election process by nominating candidates by the August 1 deadline,"

said Ferguson. "We are counting on as much participation as possible because county committees are an important link between the agriculture community and the U.S. Department of Agriculture."

"We have seen a trend in recent years of increased nominations of minority and women producers, and we hope that trend will continue."

Between 2003 and 2006, the number of minority and women farmers and ranchers nominated

as candidates to FSA county committees nationwide increased 35 percent. Additionally, the number of African American producers nominated as candidates tripled during the same period.

To be eligible to serve on an FSA county committee, a person must participate or cooperate in a program administered by FSA, be eligible to vote in a county committee election, and reside in the local administrative area in which the

person is a candidate.

Producers may also nominate themselves, and organizations representing minority and women can nominate candidates. To become a nominee, eligible individuals must sign form FSA-669A. The form and other valuable information about FSA county committee elections are available online at: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>; click on News & Events, then County Committee

See 'Committee' on page 3.

## Experts urging caution about fresh tomatoes

COLLEGE STATION — Just when the summer heats up and a fresh tomato sliced on a plate whets the palate, consumers are being urged to consider the source.

Reports this week of Salmonella linked to tomatoes making people in several states ill are causing food specialists to warn about consumption.

"People are concerned about where they can purchase fresh tomatoes that are OK to eat and how to use those that are in the markets," said Dr. Al Wagner Jr., Texas AgriLife Extension Service food processing specialist. Wagner said tomatoes from farmers markets, cherry tomatoes, those with the stems attached or home-grown should be fine, provided they are washed before eating.

"What happens is that Salmonella is usually on the surface, so a regular wash will get it off and you're good to go," Wagner said. "But if Salmonella gets into the wash water at a packing plant, and certain conditions of temperature of the fruit and water are met,

See 'Tomato' on page 3.

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guest commentary

Responsibility that of buyers and of lenders

By Alex Epstein, Ayn Rand Institute

Throughout the housing crisis, we have heard demands from spokesmen for desperate homeowners, banks, and investors for every variety of government bailout. But there is one group from whom the nation has not heard: the millions of Americans who, like me, had nothing to do with the crisis, who entered into mortgage contracts they could meet or who refused to buy at exorbitant prices, but who will be forced to pay the bills for these bailouts.

"Dear Struggling Borrowers and Lenders, Every day, the government is offering a new intervention for your sake: to protect the borrowers among you from foreclosure, to protect banks and investors from ruinous losses, and to protect all of you who bought houses during the boom from declining home values.

"The government is allowing taxpayer-backed, trouble-ridden Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to add even more risky subprime loans to their trillion-dollar portfolios while holding even less cash in reserve. It is 'guaranteeing' more and more risky mortgages with taxpayer money through the Federal Housing Administration (FHA). Through the Federal Reserve, it is continuing to inflate the currency to give cheap money to struggling banks. And it is floating several proposals to allow courts to slash valid mortgage contracts, assaulting the sanctity of contract.

"All of this is profoundly unfair to those of us who will pay the price for your bailout.

"It is universally recognized that when you invest in stocks, you are taking a risk – and just as you deserve the profits if the investment goes well, so you must accept the losses if it doesn't.

"The same holds true for real estate. Whether you are an investment bank holding mortgage-backed securities, a borrower with an adjustable-rate mortgage facing foreclosure, or an 'underwater homeowner' who owes more than your home is worth, the essence of your situation is the same: you chose to enter into a real estate transaction that has gone bad. And just as you had every right to any gains that might have ensued – so you must bear full responsibility for your losses.

"Taking responsibility does not necessarily mean resigning yourself to foreclosure or to huge, irreversible write-downs. You should do everything possible to make the best of the situation by making voluntary offers to other market participants. A borrower can seek refinancing, a bank with a large mortgage portfolio can try to find a buyer, lenders and borrowers can renegotiate loan terms that are cheaper than foreclosure. But what is intolerable is to force us to bail you out – which is exactly what the government is doing more by the day.

"Your representatives blithely ignore the injustice of their bailout schemes, claiming that the health of the entire financial system is at stake – just as they did with Long-Term Capital Management in the '90s and Savings and Loans in the '80s. But if the financial system ever does need these bouts on government life support, it is only because of decades' worth of government interventions that have radically distorted private investments and camouflaged and shifted risks. To unwind these uneconomic policies and practices will be disruptive. But it is the only way to restore genuine financial health.

"The question we face today is: Do we let the market function, penalizing primarily those who made bad investments – or do we unfairly foist damage on those who did nothing to cause it, while gifting boomer borrowers and lenders with propped-up housing prices, lower mortgages, and easy credit?

"There is no conflict between individual responsibility and a functioning housing market; to the contrary, the second requires the first. If we let the market function, home values would fall to some market bottom, new buyers would eagerly seize on lower home prices, borrowing from lenders who would have learned to lend rationally – and mortgage-backed securities would be valued accordingly.

"The bailout policy, on the other hand, is creating indefinite uncertainty about home values and mortgage-backed securities, exposing taxpayers to trillions of dollars in future risks, further devaluing our savings through inflation, encouraging more irresponsible behavior in the future, and creating destructive new government interventions that destroy the vital protection of contracts.

"Clearly, the just and the American solution is for all of us to tell the government that we will take responsibility for our decisions, and that no one has the right to make anyone else pay for his mistakes."

Alex Epstein is an analyst at the Ayn Rand Institute, focusing on business issues. The Institute promotes Objectivism, the philosophy of Ayn Rand – author of "Atlas Shrugged" and "The Fountainhead."



Right solution to lower gas prices

By US Sen. John Cornyn

I like to describe Washington as 68 square miles of logic-free environment surrounded by reality. But the antics of Congress this month make that appear an understatement.

Gas prices are now hovering near \$4 per gallon. High fuel costs are causing disruption in our society, prompting layoffs in some industries. Yet Congress is doing virtually nothing to address the problem. In fact, it's talking about ways to make the problem worse.

In my view, the solution is straightforward. We need more energy. Government should get out of the way, let the free market work, and allow more domestic energy production. This would reduce gas prices even in the near-term, expand job opportunities in Texas – a world energy leader – and reduce our dependence on foreign oil.

But earlier this month, the Senate actually considered a massive climate tax bill that headed in the exact opposite direction. This massive \$6.7 trillion Rube Goldberg scheme proposed by Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., would undermine our economy and likely lead to \$10 per gallon gasoline. It could well

eliminate some 330,000 Texas jobs, sending them to places with limited regulation like China and India.

How can this be explained? After blocking American energy production and oil independence, Congress pursues bigger government, added taxes, and higher energy costs – with no guarantee of actually improving the world's climate.

It is vital that we be the best possible stewards of the environment. Fortunately, improved technology has enabled us to take advantage of America's own abundant natural resources in an environmentally sensitive way. Yet the U.S. remains the only country in the world that refuses to develop many of its natural resources.

America is aggressively moving from fossil fuels to more diverse energy sources, including wind, nuclear, solar, and clean coal. We need all of this supply. The government and private industry are both investing to promote and expedite this transition, and using steps such as increasing vehicle fuel-efficiency standards.

In the short term, however, oil, gas, and coal will remain our dominant

sources of energy. The free market could provide significant additional supplies – but Congress continues to prevent that.

Some of my colleagues are pushing a novel plan to address the energy crisis. They want to tax, sue, and investigate our way out of it. But boosting taxes on American companies and pursuing phony price gouging inquiries are proven losing strategies – and might even make the situation worse.

These approaches would not produce a single drop of additional oil and would actually increase our dependence on countries like Saudi Arabia and Venezuela.

As demand for energy increases, prices go up. Congress cannot repeal the law of supply and demand. But it can repeal the unnecessary government restrictions that prevent exploring additional American energy supplies.

I will continue advocating for removal of government barriers to increasing the supply of energy, from traditional to alternative sources. There is no instant solution to the problem we've helped create. But we should not wait any longer to take the first steps to provide Texans relief at the gas pump.



Keep tech-savvy kids safe online

The long summer days ahead will bring more than bike rides and trips to the neighborhood swimming pool for today's technology-savvy kids. Many children and teenagers will fill idle time surfing the Internet and logging on to social networking sites to stay connected to their friends.

Unfortunately, for some, the Internet is not merely an information source, a communication tool, or even a means of entertainment. For sexual predators, it is a vast, unregulated space in which they can lure and victimize innocent children. So, when our kids get on the Internet, it's hard to know just what – or whom – they will encounter.

Along with many parents across Texas, I was disturbed to learn of a Cedar Creek school bus driver who solicited and sent sexually explicit materials to a minor online. The "minor" in this case was actually an undercover investigator posing as a 13 year-old girl. But in many other instances, the victim is just what the aggressor is seeking – a vulnerable child or teen.

I believe that there are two important ways we can keep young Americans safe when they venture into cyberspace.

First, we must place every possible barrier between deviant individuals and the websites our children visit. In May, the Senate passed a measure I cosponsored to build on the successful efforts of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act by expanding its reach to the Internet. The Keeping the Internet Devoid of Sexual Predators (KIDS) Act would mandate convicted sex offenders to register email addresses, instant messaging screen names, or other identifiers used to communicate over the Internet. The measure would also require the U.S. Attorney General to maintain a system that enables commercial social networking sites to identify users who are listed in the National Sex Offender Registry.

So, when that Cedar Creek bus driver, who is required by law to register as a sex offender, completes his four-year prison sentence, social networking sites like Friendster, Xanga, MySpace, and others, that cater to children

and teens, will have the capability to deny him access to the site – and to our children. I hope this legislation will prevent websites frequented by our kids



capitol comment by sen. kay bailey hutchison

from becoming fertile ground for known pedophiles and other sexual deviants. But even with these safeguards, we can never completely eliminate the danger.

The fact is, many kids will at some point find themselves in a risky situation online. A study on teen Internet behavior by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children found that, among youth between ages 13 and 17, 71 percent have been contacted online by a stranger. Forty-five percent of teens have been asked to share personal information, and an alarming 30 percent have considered meeting someone in person whom they know only from the Internet. Thus, it is vitally important that our kids' ability to recognize risks online keep pace with their growing aptitude for technology.

The second way to keep our children safe online is to educate them so they do not become the vulnerable victims that Internet perpetrators target.

The Protecting Children in the 21st Century Act creates an Online Safety

and Technology Working Group, comprised of business community leaders, public interest groups, and appropriate Federal agencies, to evaluate activities promoting online safety. The working group would assess current parental control technology, blocking and filtering software, and age-appropriate labels for content. The bill would also require schools receiving funding from the federal Universal Service program to offer age-appropriate online behavior education in the classroom. The goal is to help school-aged children safely navigate the Internet and teach them how to respond to cyber-bullying and online solicitation. Lastly, the legislation calls on the Federal Trade Commission to carry out a nationwide program to raise public awareness. That measure also passed the Senate in May.

Finally, and most importantly, it is crucial that mothers and fathers be just as aware of online dangers as their children. Parents should acquaint themselves with the websites their children visit, and know with whom their children communicate online.

To learn ways to keep children safe, visit the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children website, which has helpful resources for parents: www.missingkids.com.

Through tougher laws, educated children, and increased parental involvement, we can make Texas a safe place for our kids.



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**Obituaries**

**Robertson**

Patsy

Darlene Wallace "Mamaw" Robertson, 71, went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Saturday, June 7, 2008, at her home in Clarendon, which she loved very much.



Robertson

Mamaw was born September 17, 1936, to Leo Leniel and Ima Poovey Wallace in Heald, Wheeler County, Texas. She attended schools in Ashtola and Clarendon and graduated from Clarendon High School in 1953.

She married Delbert Wayne Robertson on August 8, 1953, in Clarendon. She was a co-owner of Robertson Funeral Directors since

1977.

She was a Sunday school teacher for approximately 50 years. She was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene in Clarendon. She was a loving wife, mother, and Mamaw.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 10, 2008, in the First Baptist Church in Clarendon with Rev. Bill Hodges, Pastor of the First Church of the Nazarene, and Rev. Matthew Stidham, Pastor of the First Assembly of God, officiating. Burial followed at Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon. Services were under the arrangement of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a daughter-in-law, Edie Robertson; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Survivors include her husband, Delbert of Clarendon; a daughter, Debbie Thompson and husband Michael of Clarendon; a son, Patrick Robertson and wife Vicky of

Clarendon; three grandchildren, Greg Collins of Howardwick, Tifanie Word and husband Cameron, and Chuck Robertson and wife Lindsey, all of Clarendon; four great-grandchildren, Abi and Maci Collins of Ponchatula, LA; Gavin Word and Aiden Word of Clarendon; and a special grandson, Brayden Phillips of Clarendon; and numerous cousins

Casket bearers were Jerry Asher, Jerry Morris, Bob Kidd, Dean Cook, Jim Lovell, and Joe Lovell.

Honorary bearers were the Clarendon Fire Department, Clarendon Firebelles, other Donley County Firefighters, and the Clarendon EMS.

The family requests that memorial contributions be made to the donor's Church of choice, to the Clarendon, Howardwick, or Hedley Volunteer Fire Departments, or to Clarendon EMS.

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| Wed  | 4    | 105° | 81° | -    |
| Thur | 5    | 106° | 78° | -    |
| Fri  | 6    | 96°  | 52° | -    |
| Sat  | 7    | 97°  | 65° | -    |
| Sun  | 8    | 99°  | 75° | -    |

Total precipitation this month: .01"  
Total precipitation to date: 3.72"  
Total precipitation in May last year: 5.54"  
Total YTD last year: 12.65"

**weekend forecast**

Friday, June 13  
Mostly Sunny  
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Saturday, June 14  
Isol'd T-Storms  
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Elections. Nomination forms for the 2008 election must be postmarked or received in the local USDA Service Center by close of business on August 1, 2008.

FSA county committee members make decisions on disaster and conservation programs, emergency programs, commodity price support loan programs, and other important agricultural issues. Committee members serve three-year terms. Nationwide, there are more than 7,800 farmers and ranchers serving on FSA county committees. Com-

mittees consist of three to five members who are elected by eligible local producers.

FSA will mail ballots to producers beginning November 3. The voted ballots are due back to the local county office either via mail or in person by December 1.

Newly elected committee members and alternates take office January 1, 2009.

For more information on FSA County Committee nominations, contact the Donley County office at 806-874-3561.

**Tomato: Continued from page one.**

then the Salmonella can actually enter into the tomato through the end where the stem had been - or any place the fruit has been punctured."

Wagner said the large, stemless tomatoes and Roma tomatoes that have been suspected in this outbreak can still be used if they are cooked first.

The cause of this Salmonella outbreak is not known at this time, but consumers should follow proper washing and handling procedures. If in doubt, cook it or throw it out, he said.

"Wash water has to remain properly chlorinated and at the proper temperature," Wagner added.

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- June 14**  
Flag Day
- Trash to Treasures Garage Sale Event
- June 15**  
Father's Day
- July 2 - 5**  
Saints' Roost Celebration
- July 4**  
Independence Day

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**Menus**  
June 16 - 20

**Donley County Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Chicken salad, squash casserole, cottage cheese/pineapple, cookies, bread/crackers  
Tue: Sliced ham, broccoli au gratin, salad, brownies, biscuits  
Wed: Roast/brown gravy, scalloped potatoes, salad, fruit cobbler, rolls  
Thu: Chicken strips/gravy, mashed potatoes, celery sticks/cheese dip, cantaloupe, bread  
Fri: Cheeseburger/trimmings, tater tots, pickle slices, chips, pastry day

**Hedley Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Catfish, onion rings, spinach, coleslaw, pudding, hush puppies  
Tue: Chicken salad, fried squash, California blend vegetables, cantaloupe, ice cream, sliced bread  
Wed: Steak & gravy, baked potato, Harvard beets, tossed salad, cake, roll  
Thu: Chicken strips/gravy, tater tots, corn, potato salad, lemon pie, roll  
Fri: Cheeseburger, French fries, lettuce, tomato, onion, pickle, cookies, bun

**Old Mobeetle sets Hoedown June 28**

The Old Mobeetle Texas Association is finalizing the plans for the Old Town Hoedown to be held on Saturday, June 28, on the grounds of the Old Mobeetle Jail Museum. The activities will begin at 3:00 p.m. with a chuckwagon supper being served at 6:00 p.m. and lots of fun in between.

This year's event is packed with historical performances. The Panther City Regulators of Dallas will be making their first appearance at the festival. This group will entertain guests with Old West shootouts and western skits. The Panther City Regulators are dedicated to providing education and entertainment of the west in the late 1800's. The troupe prides itself on historically correct costumes, weapons, customs, and situations in their presentations.

The Frontier Regiment of the High Plains will bring to life the cavalrymen that once served at the Fort Elliott army post in the late 1800's. Colonel Jimmy Northcutt leads this fearless reenactment and living history group. The Regiment is dedicated to accurately portraying the 1870's Indian Wars era, specifically the period that the U.S. Army operated in and around the Texas Panhandle.

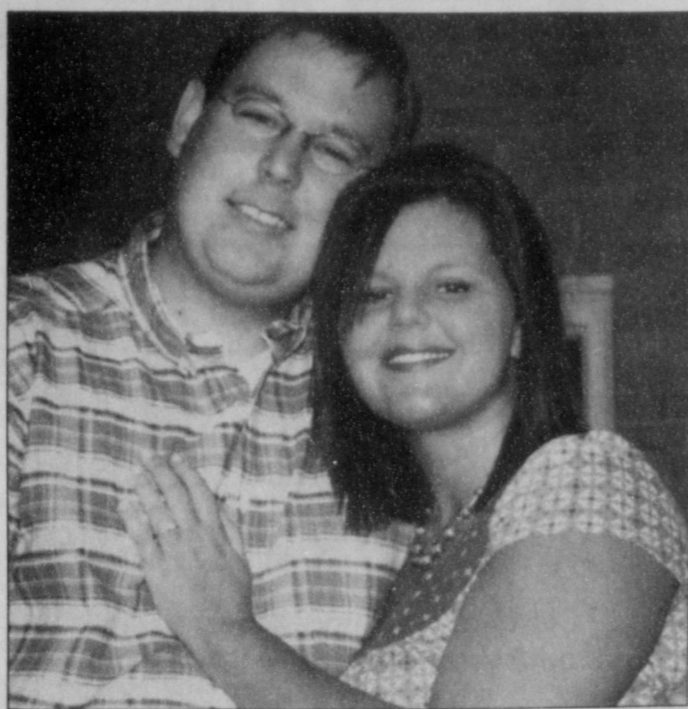
During the Red River War of 1874-1875, as many as 20 engagements between the U.S. Army and the Southern Plains Indians took place across the Texas Panhandle region. The performers' uniforms, equipment, weapons, and saddle gear are period replicas and/or authentic originals.

Visitors will also get to see authentic reenactments of metal forgers, gunsmiths, artists, and woodworkers. The event will once again feature the fun for the little cowpokes, like the popular arrow-head hunt, cork gun shooting, tow sack races, and horseshoes.

The evening meal will be prepared by Kevin Romines on an open fire behind a chuckwagon.

Admission to the event is \$12 for adults; \$6 for children ages 6-12; and those 5 years old and younger are free. With admission, visitors are entitled to the delicious evening meal of Fajita's prepared by the chuckwagon and all the entertainment you can stand. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go to the upkeep of the Old Mobeetle Jail Museum.

The Old Mobeetle Texas Association is dedicated to the preservation of the County's early history, specifically Fort Elliott and Old Mobeetle - the oldest town in the Panhandle of Texas. For more information, contact Tonya Finsterwald at 806-375-2168 or 806-845-2028.



Carey Wann and Brandi Betts

**Betts, Wann plan August wedding**

Grett and Renée Betts of Clarendon and Danny and Jennie Wann of Roscoe are proud to announce the engagement of their children Brandi Betts of Clarendon and Carey Wann of Roscoe.

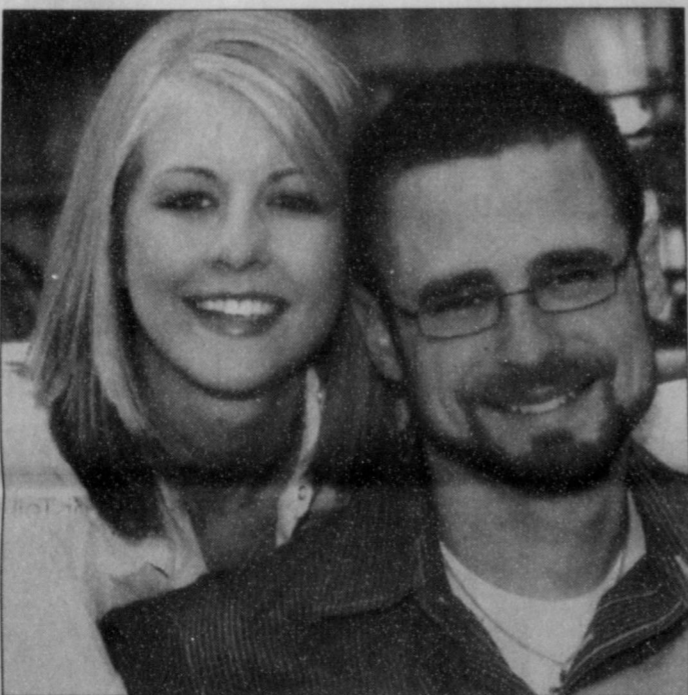
The wedding is to be held August 2 at the First Baptist Church in Clarendon.

The bride elect is a 2003 graduate of Clarendon High School, a 2005 graduate of Clarendon College with an Associate of Arts degree, and a 2008 graduate of WTAMU

with a Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies. She is currently employed at Sweetwater ISD teaching first grade at Eastridge Elementary.

The groom elect is a 1999 graduate of Roscoe High School and a 2005 graduate of Amarillo College with an Associate of Applied Mortuary Science. He is currently employed by the city of Sweetwater in Code Enforcement.

Betts and Wann will live in Roscoe with their daughter Maloree.



Treva Rowland and Kyle McKinney

**Rowland, McKinney plan to wed**

Mike and Linda Rowland of Howardwick announce the engagement of their daughter Treva Rowland to Kyle McKinney. Grandparents of the bride elect are Don and Treva Fulton of Howardwick and Bette Rowland of Roswell, NM.

McKinney is the son of Greg and Boycene McKinney of Amarillo. Grandparents of the prospective groom are Boyce and Becky Bruce of Memphis and Louise McCune of Amarillo.

The couple plans to wed August 16 at the Saints' Roost Museum in Clarendon.

The bride elect is a 2004 graduate of Hedley High School. She graduated in 2007 from WTAMU with a Bachelor of Science in Biology. She is attending the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston to receive her doctorate in Physical Therapy.

The prospective groom graduated in 2002 from San Jacinto Christian Academy. He graduated in 2007 from West Texas A&M with a Bachelor of Science in Math and a Secondary Teaching Certification.

**'Micro-inequities' cause problems in workplace**

By MaryRuth Bishop, AgriLife Agent

Imagine you're at work, at the grocery store, downtown store, or courthouse working to be successful and a good employee. In meetings or conversations, you find you are often interrupted-you feel your voice isn't heard.

You receive an e-mail and notice you've been left off of an e-mail chain that goes back weeks to the rest of the group. Then you notice the entire group has gone to lunch without you. You feel excluded, devalued.

You are experiencing the impact of micro inequities. According to Brigid Moynahan, founder of the Next Level, a leadership training firm, micro inequities are the small, subtle behaviors that devalue other people.

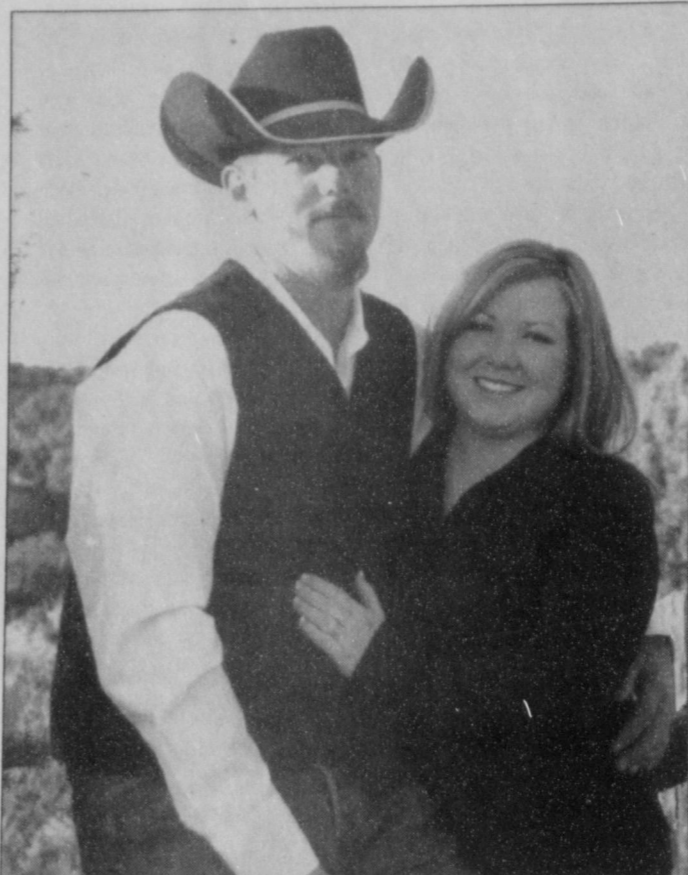
"What's the difference between rude behavior and micro inequities?" she asked. "They become micro inequities when it happens consistently enough to start really walling the person out. They're subtle, and they're often semiconscious, which makes them unbelievably powerful

because we often don't know why we're feeling that the climate we're in is cold, or we're feeling demotivated, or we're feeling like we don't have any creativity. We're developing attitude problems, and we don't know that what's happening are subtle discounts that are building inside and making us feel like we don't have value."

The term "micro inequities" was originally coined by Mary Rowe in 1973. The classic example of micro inequities was having one's name left off a list or a supervisor that would go around the room giving out assignments who skipped the one nontraditional person in the room.

Favoritism obviously distorts a superior intellect, and micro-harassment, micro aggressions, and micro inequities are a negative distortion. Anytime a very good person is deflected or loses confidence or decides to leave or is just undermined, then, theoretically speaking, your business will lose.

Working with diverse groups there may be a lack of understanding



Aaron Shahan and Nikki Hefley

**Hefley, Shahan to exchange vows**

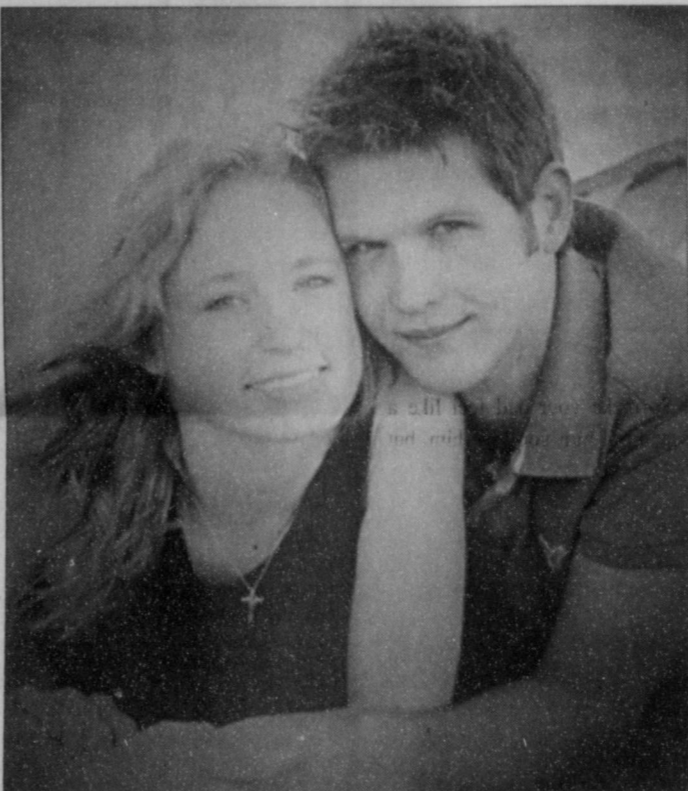
James and Charlotte Hefley of McLean and Rusty and Debbie Shahan of Elmdale, KS, are proud to announce the engagement of their children Nikki Hefley and Aaron Shahan, both of Clarendon.

The wedding is to be held on August 30 at the High Card Ranch in Clarendon.

The bride elect is a 2002 graduate of McLean High School and a 2004 graduate of Clarendon College.

She received a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture Business & Economics degree from WTAMU in 2006. She is currently employed at Knorrp Insurance Agency.

The groom elect is a 2001 graduate of Chase County High School, and a 2002 graduate of the Clarendon College Ranch & Feedlot Operations Program with an Associate of Applied Science in 2004. He is currently self-employed.



Kelly Lemley and Tyler Battey

**Lemley, Battey planning July wedding**

Joe and Rose Lemley of Clarendon and Jerry and Abby Battey of Floydada are proud to announce the engagement of their children, Kelly Lemley and Tyler Battey, both of Canyon.

The wedding is to be held on July 26, 2008, at the Amarillo Botanical Gardens in Amarillo. The bride elect's grandparents are Glenn and Jeanne Brannan of Fritch, Midge Lemley of Hedley, and the late Troy Lemley; Battey of Floydada are proud to announce the engagement of their children, Kelly Lemley and Tyler Battey, both of Canyon.

The groom elect's grandparents are Buddy and Barbara Hendricks and Jerry Sr. and Pat Battey, all of Floydada. Great-grandparents are Alice Cornelius of Corpus Christi and Wayne and Naomi Battey of Paris, TX.

**Hedley Seniors look for needed money**

The Hedley Senior Citizens will soon start writing letters to ask for donations. If you are interested in sending a donation,



**chatty kathy**  
by Kathy Spier  
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please send to Hedley Senior Citizens, Box 216, Hedley, TX 79237.

Also, if anyone knows of anyone or a company that we can write for help, please send names and addresses. We need all the help we can get.

Recipe: BBQ Chicken Salad: 2 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves, 4 stalks celery, chopped, 1 large red bell pepper, diced, 1/2 red onion, diced, 1 (8.75oz) can sweet corn, drained, 1/4 cup BBQ sauce, 2 Tablespoons fat-free mayonnaise. Directions: Preheat grill for high heat. Lightly oil grate. Grill chicken 10 minutes on each side, or until juices run clear. Remove from heat, cool and cube. In a large bowl, toss together the chicken, celery, red bell pepper, onion and corn. In a small bowl, mix together the BBQ sauce and mayonnaise. Pour over the chicken and veggies. Stir and chill until ready to serve. Prep Time: 15 min., Cook Time: 20 min., Ready in 50 min., Yields 4 servings.



Courtney Shade

**Locals' granddaughter graduates with honors**

Courtney Kristine Shade, daughter of Larry and Kristie Shade, granddaughter of George and Marilee Self, and great-granddaughter of Mary Jane Smith, graduated *magna cum laude* from the Peabody College at Vanderbilt University on May 10 in Nashville, Tennessee.

She received degrees in child studies and cognitive studies and was presented the Excellence in Cognitive Studies Award by the Department of Psychology and Human Development. This is awarded annually to the graduating senior who most clearly exemplifies the goals of the Cognitive Studies Program.

Courtney is continuing her education with a doctoral fellowship at Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio. She will receive a Ph. D. in social psychology in five years.

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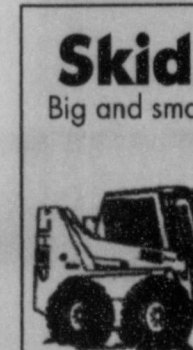
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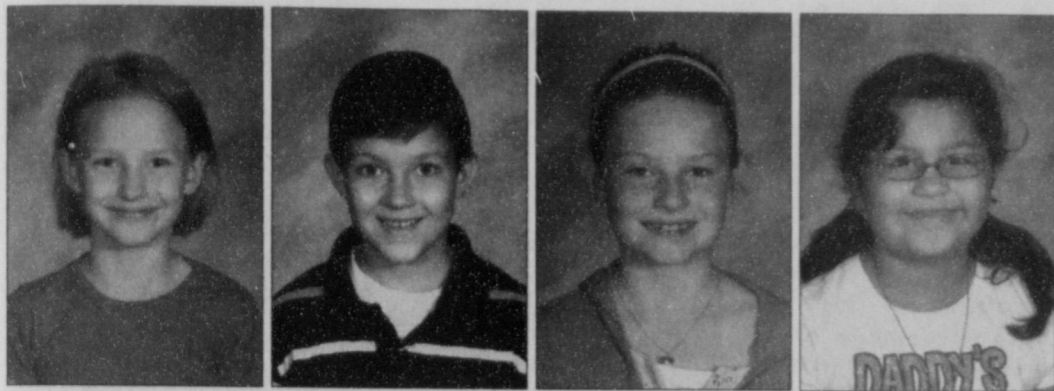
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**Outstanding students**

Hedley School would like to recognize its Outstanding Third Grade Students for achieving Com-mended Performance on their Reading TAKS test. School officials are very proud of them and would like to apologize for overlooking them at the annual awards ceremony. The Outstanding Third Grade Students are: Sarah Monroe, Clay Koetting, Madison Shelp, and Hannah Howard. Congratulations to these fine students.

**HISD plans summer food service program**

Hedley ISD announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program.

Meals will be provided at the Hedley ISD Cafeteria.

Breakfast will be served from 9 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., and lunch will be served from 12 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Meals will be provided Monday through Friday beginning June 9, 2008, and ending June 27, 2008.

There will be no charge for children through the age 18.

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**Wind, heat welcome travelers back home**

When have you spent a week on the beach? Jim and I were privileged to do just that last week with our son and daughter-in-law in a condo on Galveston Island.

The balcony overlooked the beach, and what a sight! We always knew when the tide was coming in because the gulls and pelicans put on such a show. Also, a small lagoon next to our condo was home to those strange pink flamingo. We even saw a waterspout that looked exactly like a tornado. No one else was nervous about it while these landlubbers were thinking about shelter.

We went on a dolphin hunt and saw several, and we did some serious shopping in great old stores, ate fresh seafood, and enjoyed the gulf breeze. It took two car washes to get that gulf mist off the car, and our day was planned around traffic. There were eight to ten lanes of bumper-to-bumper traffic for the ninety miles from our son's house in Katy to the beach and back.

We have found traveling Highway 6 from Quanah south takes us directly to his house with less stress on us. You travel through small towns much like Clarendon and Hedley. Some are prospering; some are not. But the traffic is sparse, and we enjoyed the trip. The most

we spent per gallon of gas was in Clarendon; in fact it was twenty-five cents a gallon cheaper in Memphis. It was good to be home, but we had temperatures of 108, 104, 104, 100 with wind howling day and night, making it feel like an oven. We finally got some rain - about half an inch Sunday night after a noisy display of lightening, thunder, and wind. This brings our total rainfall for the year to 4.40, or about half our normal total.

A big weekend is coming up. Saturday is Flag Day, so proudly fly your flag and check out the city wide garage sales. Then Sunday celebrate Father's Day with your dad.

The first Father's Day was celebrated in Spokane, Wash., on June 19, 1908, followed on July 5 in West Virginia. It was usually celebrated on the 3rd Sunday in June, and in 1966 President Lyndon Johnson made it official.

So make your dad feel like a king and tell him you love him, but make him grill cause he loves it.



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**Drugs in the News**

**Drug Protects Against this Significant Lung Problem**

Pulmonary fibrosis (PF) is a medical condition in which the body's lung tissue becomes scarred, causing the tissue to become thick. This makes it difficult, or in some cases impossible, for the affected person to breathe. Without the ability to breathe, the transfer of vital oxygen to the blood stream does not take place. One reference indicates that approximately 125,000 people in the US have been diagnosed with PF. If the condition is diagnosed as idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF), the condition is usually fatal within less than three years. IPF is a progressive and devastating condition for which there is virtually no treatment available.

According to recent research findings presented at a meeting of the American Thoracic Society, daily use of drug called pirfenidone improved lung function and improved the survival of persons diagnosed with IPF. High doses caused less deterioration of lung capacity and resulted in a slowing of IPF progression. Results of a larger study of this drug in Europe and North America are expected later this year.



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**ORDER PROHIBITING CERTAIN FIREWORKS IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF DONLEY COUNTY, TEXAS**

WHEREAS, the Texas Forest Service has determined that drought conditions exist in Donley County; and

WHEREAS, on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008, the Commissioners Court of Donley County has determined that the normal danger of fire in the unincorporated areas of Donley County is greatly enhanced by the extremely dry conditions now existing;

NOW THEREFORE, the Commissioners Court of Donley County adopts this Order prohibiting the use of restricted fireworks in the unincorporated areas of Donley County.

A. No person may detonate, ignite, or in any way use fireworks classified under 49 C.F.R. part. 173.100(x)(2) (10-1-86 edition), as "skyrockets with sticks" and "missiles with fins" in any portion of the unincorporated area of Donley County.

B. This Order does not prohibit:

1. common fireworks, small in size classified as Class C explosives;
2. large fireworks devices designed primarily to produce visible or audible effects by combustion, deflagration, or detonation and classified as Class B explosive by the U.S. Dept. of Trans. (Tex. Occ. Code, Chapter 2154).

C. A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally violates a prohibition established by this Order. An offense under this order is a Class C misdemeanor.

APPROVED THIS 9<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2008, BY THE DONLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT.

*Jack Hill*  
 COUNTY JUDGE

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## USDA announces CRP permitted use for livestock

Bruce Ferguson, Executive Director of USDA's Farm Service Agency in Donley County today announced that USDA has authorized certain acreage enrolled under the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) to be available for hay and forage after the primary nesting season ends for grass-nesting birds.

"This action will provide much needed feed and forage while maintaining the conservation benefits from the nation's premier conservation program," said Ferguson. "Eligible farmers and ranchers will be able to plan for harvest of forage after the end of the primary nesting season this summer."

Prices for most field crops have advanced to record or near record levels in recent months, reflecting

strong demand, tight supplies and competition for acres. The increased demand for commodities and resulting higher prices has impacted the livestock industry in particular.

More than 24 million acres of land enrolled in CRP will be eligible for this critical feed use program. USDA estimates that this program will make available up to 18 million tons of forage worth \$1.2 billion.

"In authorizing this critical use of CRP acres for forage, USDA is also taking strong measures to preserve CRP's environmental benefits," said Ferguson.

Eligible land may not be hayed or grazed until after the end of the primary nesting season.

Also, some of the eligible land or forage of the land must be

reserved for wildlife and any land that is used under this authority must have a conservation plan. In many instances, the removal of some of the grass cover will increase the diversity of the stand and provide long-term benefits for wildlife. Further, the most environmentally-sensitive land enrolled in CRP will not be eligible. The land will be subject to a site inspection to ensure compliance with the conservation plan. No rental payment reduction will be assessed on contracts being utilized for this critical use. However, a \$75 fee will be charged to process the required contract modification.

Signup for interested CRP participants began June 2, 2008, at local Farm Service Agency (FSA) offices. This modification for critical

feed use is only for 2008. All forage use must be completed no later than November 10, 2008.

Under CRP, farmers and ranchers enroll eligible land in 10- to 15-year contracts with USDA's Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC). FSA administers CRP on behalf of CCC. Participants plant appropriate cover such as grasses and trees in crop fields and along streams. These plantings help prevent soil and nutrients from running into regional waterways and affecting water quality. The long-term vegetative cover also improves wildlife habitat and soil quality.

Additional details including Fact Sheets, Maps and statistics are available at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/> conservation.

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## SERVING BREAKFAST \$5 Donations

Donley County Senior Citizens will be serving breakfast burritos and other breakfast foods June 14 beginning at 7 a.m.

## Clarendon Church of Christ ENEMY BECAUSE OF THE TRUTH

(Galatians 4:16) Have I therefore become your enemy because I tell you the truth? Paul asked this question of his brethren who had pulled away from the true gospel to a perverted one. The Christians, who were former Jews, were trying to add to the requirements of the new covenant. They were wanting men to be required to be circumcized before they became a Christian. They hated Paul for correcting them.

Jesus had many enemies because He taught the truth. (John 15:18) "If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before it hated you." Because of His teaching truth that didn't set well with some, they came by night to take Him. (Matthew 26:55) In that hour Jesus said to the multitudes, "Have you come out, as against a robber, with swords and clubs to take Me? I sat daily with you, teaching in the temple, and you did not seize Me." Many who would protest truth are many times cowards. Jesus was pointing out that He was always within reach and not hiding Himself as He taught the truth.

I have been blessed to use this format to teach some Biblical truths. There will be times that some may not agree with what is written. I try to "speak the truth in love" (Eph. 4:15). If any would like to discuss some of the articles or things written, I would love to sit and have a study. Maybe we both would learn something. Recently someone disagreed with some of that written in the paper and left several messages on the church answering service. Most of the comments were not constructive and the caller would not leave his name and number. Matt. 7:12 commands us to treat others as we would like to be treated. I invite the caller to call back or even better come by and let's have a discussion. Truth should never be an enemy! John 8:32 tells us that the truth shall make us free. There is always an open invitation to study the Bible here at the Clarendon church of Christ. Please come visit us.

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## Cattle handling demos for beef short course

COLLEGE STATION - Cattle-handling, safety and chute-side work will be featured at the Texas A&M Beef Cattle Short Course Aug. 4-6 in College Station.

"The highlight of the Wednesday morning (Aug. 6) cattle demonstrations will be a discussion on low-stress cattle-handling principles and techniques by Curt Pate," said Dr. Ron Gill, Texas AgriLife Extension Service livestock specialist.

"He's a well respected stockman from Montana," Gill said. "He's a rancher that understands the importance of production efficiency and the economic benefit of handling cattle correctly."

The short course educational sessions will have a mix of informa-

tion, addressing current beef industry issues and providing fundamental information on basic cattle management, said Dr. Jason Cleere, AgriLife Extension beef cattle specialist and conference coordinator.

"Due to the recent spike in feed, fuel and fertilizer prices, many of the topics covered will focus on cutting beef cattle production input costs without sacrificing ranch profitability," Cleere said.

The three-day program, which will be held on the Texas A&M University campus, is sponsored by AgriLife Extension.

"One of the most exciting aspects of the short course each year is the cattleman's college," said Dr. Larry Boleman, associate execu-

tive vice president for operations at Texas A&M University and conference director.

"There will be 20 different cattleman's college sessions for participants to select from," Boleman said. "This year we have more than 70 hours of beef cattle instructional training through seminars, workshops and demonstrations taught by more than 50 different speakers."

The Wednesday (August 6) morning sessions will provide hands-on demonstrations for participants, featuring cattle handling, chute-side manners, cattle selection, carcass quality, record keeping sessions and an opportunity to receive a private pesticide applicator's license.

A new feature this year will be

a tour of the College of Veterinary Medicine and the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory.

Short course registration is \$140 per participant (if registered by July 28), and includes admission to the conference, a copy of the short-course proceedings (a 300-page publication), trade show admittance, tickets to the special Aggie prime rib dinner, and additional meals and refreshment breaks.

Attendees can earn seven pesticide continuing education units, 15 veterinary credits and numerous Beef Quality Assurance credits.

For more information or to register, go online at <http://beef.tamu.edu>.

## No BS: Meeting explains benefits of feedlot manure

AMARILLO - The value of manure to area cropping systems will be explained at two July meetings sponsored by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service and Texas Cattle Feeders Association.

As commercial fertilizer prices continue to escalate, manure is becoming a more viable option for nitrogen, phosphorus, micro-nutrients and other organic matter, said Patrick Warminski, AgriLife Extension risk management specialist.

At the meetings, experts will present current information on the nutrient and economic value of feed-yard manure in irrigated and dryland cropping systems, Warminski said.

Both meetings will be on July 10: the first from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in The O'Laughlin Center, 502 S. Brandt, in Spearman; and the second from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Texas AgriLife Research Station north of Dumas near Etter.

The agenda will be the same for both meetings, and a meal will also be provided, Warminski said.

The two topics and speakers are: "Agronomic Benefits of Feed-yard Manure in the Texas High Plains," Sam Feagley, AgriLife Extension state soil environmental specialist from College Station; and "Economic Value of Manure Versus Commercial Fertilizer and Recent Manure Cost Survey," Warminski.

The meetings are free and open to farmers, ranchers, feedyard owners and managers, Warminski said.

Those planning to attend should contact Scena Snyder at Texas Cattle Feeders Association at 806-358-3681 or by e-mail at [scena@tcfa.org](mailto:scena@tcfa.org) so an accurate meal count can be made.

For additional details or specific questions, contact Warminski at 806-677-5600 or [plwarminski@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:plwarminski@ag.tamu.edu); or Ben Weinheimer at Texas Cattle Feeders Association, 806-358-3681 or [ben@tcfa.org](mailto:ben@tcfa.org).

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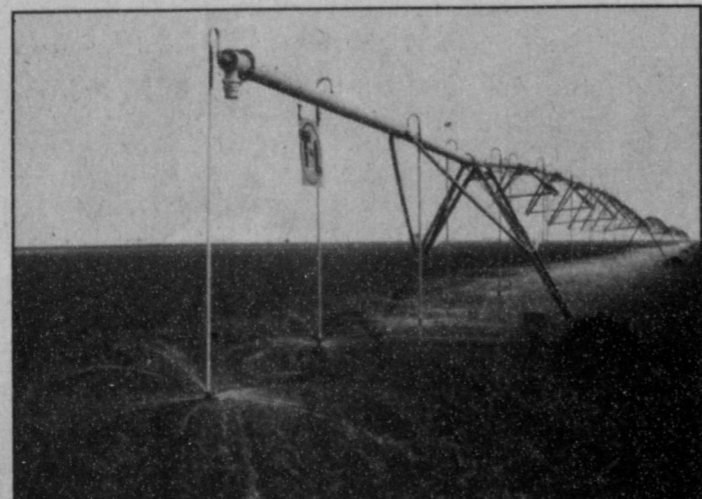


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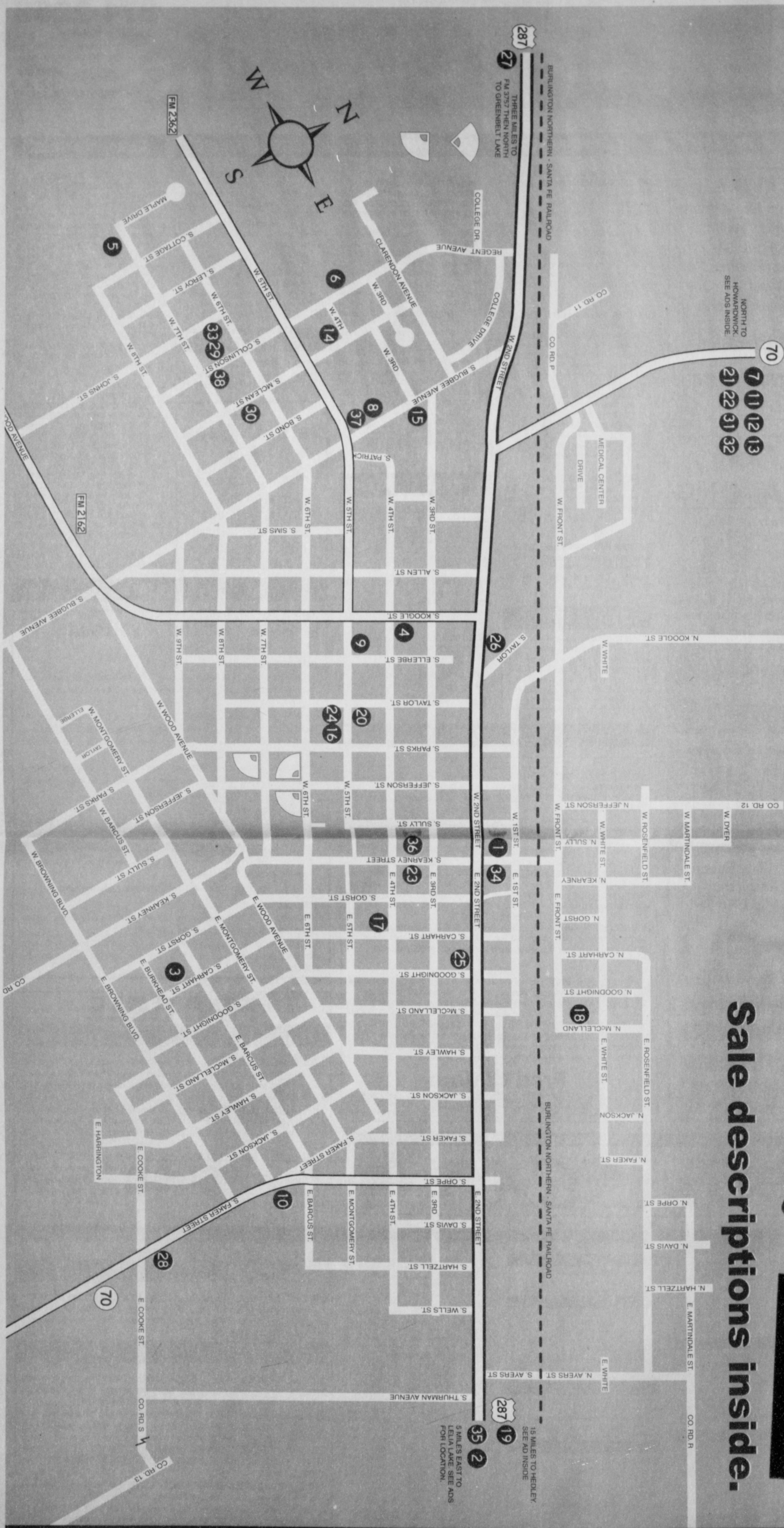
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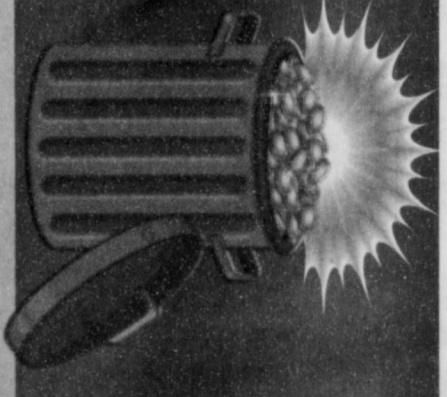






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