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

CC Judging Teams place at Ft. Worth

The Clarendon College judging teams traveled to the Fort Worth Livestock Show this past week, and both teams had members who placed high overall.

In the meat judging competition Caleb Crosswhite was the high overall individual, Thomas Shumate was the second high individual, Josh Kroegar was fourth high individual, and Britany Boxwell was seventh high individual.

In the meat judging alternate's division, Jacob Edmond was first high individual, Brant Shores was second high individual, and Kasey Kinney was 14th high individual.

The livestock judging team placed seventh out of 18 teams.

Josh Hasty placed second in the beef division, and Drew Turner placed third in the horse division.

Spanish Club V-Day flowers now on sale

The Clarendon High School Spanish Club are selling flowers for delivery at all the Clarendon school campuses on February 14.

Flower sales began February 4 and will continue through February 13. Each elementary student will be bringing home a letter with more information.

This is a fundraiser for the Spanish Club, and it enables them to attend cultural performances and exhibits.

The red roses will cost \$5, and the peppermint colored carnations will cost \$3.

If you need an order form, contact the high school office 874-2181. All orders must be paid at the time of order.

Miss Irish Rose now taking applications

Once again, Shamrock, Texas, will be hosting their annual Saint Patrick's Celebration on March 14 - 16, 2008.

One of the many highlights of this celebration is the crowning of Miss Irish Rose. This Scholarship Pageant is open to all young ladies who are between the ages of 16 through 18 and enrolled in high school.

The contestants do not have to reside in Texas, nor do they need to be currently holding a title or reigning.

The 2008 Miss Irish Rose, along with her three runners-up and Miss Congeniality, will be receiving a scholarship to the college of her choice.

For further information, call either Betty Lee at 806-334-0929, Dana Hosack at 806-662-5405, or the Chamber of Commerce Office at 806-256-2501.

Deadline nearing to donate BoxTops

The deadline for donating BoxTops to Clarendon Elementary is February 15.

For more information about this program, contact the elementary office.

Car tax refund deadline April 1

You may be entitled to a tax refund.

Thanks to action taken by Texas voters last fall, some self-employed taxpayers may be able to exempt their vehicle from being subject to personal property taxes. The exemption begins with the 2007 tax year; and if you've already paid your 2007 taxes, you could be eligible for a refund.

The passage of Proposition 6, which amended the state constitution under House Bill 1022, provides for an individual to one

passenger car or light truck from personal property taxes if the vehicle is used for both business and personal reasons.

"We're calling it a multi-use exemption," said Donley Appraisal District Chief Appraiser Paula Lowrie.

Citizens must fill out an application to receive the exemption, and people who want that exemption to apply for the 2007 tax year must fill out the form at the appraisal office by April 1, 2008.

Lowrie said HB 1022 was

passed after real estate agents in the state pushed for it.

"These are vehicles that would usually be taxed as business personal property, but they (real estate agents) got this exemption passed because they also drive their vehicles for personal use," she said.

Lowrie said her office initially thought the law would not affect Donley County because, unlike many of the areas of the state, most local entities here tax vehicles for personal use.

"It kind of threw us for a loop,"

Lowrie said. "It was apparently oversight that they didn't exclude this exemption in places that tax these vehicles on the personal side."

As it is, Lowrie says there are a lot of small businesses that are eligible for this exemption.

To qualify for the exemption individuals need to fill out an application form from the appraisal office that includes such basic information as the owner's name, the vehicle identification number, the name and description of the business. **See 'Car Tax' on page 3.**

Candidates can sign up on Monday

While races for county offices are already well underway, a whole new field for local candidates will open next week.

Starting Monday, citizens wishing to serve on any one of seven local boards can sign up for a place on the ballot.

The City of Clarendon will hold an election to choose three aldermen for two-year terms. Those positions are currently held by Aldermen Tommy Hill, Janice Knorpp, and Chris Ford.

The City of Howardwick will elect three aldermen. The terms of Aldermen Rod Donaldson, Sam Grider, and Lee Ann Cook are up for election this year. These officers each serve two-year terms.

Hedley's election will select a mayor and two members of the board of aldermen for two-year terms. Those seats are now held by Mayor Janie Hill and Aldermen Ricki Baker and Leon Ward.

Two positions on the Clarendon ISD Board of Trustees are up this year. Those seats are currently held by Weldon Sears and Lance Thornberry and are three-year terms.

Hedley ISD has two full three-year trustee positions and one unexpired position open this year. Those seats are currently held by Blain Burton, Kelly Patton, and Rex Morris. The top two vote getters will get the full terms, and the number three vote getter will serve the unexpired term.

The Clarendon College District will choose three members for the Board of Regents. Three full six-year terms expiring this year are currently held by John Howard, Bill Sansing, and Jack Moreman. College officials say each of those regents has expressed their intention to run for reelection.

The Donley County Hospital District will select four two year positions on its board, now held by Gene Hommel (Place 4), Carolyn Moffett (Place 5), Mark C. White (filling the unexpired term of the late Onita Thomas) (Place 6), and Bright Newhouse (Place 7).

Local offices are elected at-large, but hospital board candidates must sign up for a specific place.

Sign up continues through March 10, 2008; and elections for these offices will be held May 10.



Ben Pollard presents the Patriot Award to Lori Howard and the staff of the Clarendon Family Medical Center. Also shown here are Connie Woods, Debbie Howard, Tammy Owen, Janice Bennet, Marsha Bruce, Devah Pittman, David Dickinson, and Chandra Holman.

Local clinic receives Patriot Award

Clarendon's doctor may be half way around the world, but his thoughts are certainly on home and the friends and family who are carrying on in his absence.

This week those thoughts were evidenced by the presentation of a unique honor bestowed upon the Clarendon Family Medical Center - the "Patriot Award" Certificate of Appreciation from the National Committee of Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR).

Dr. John Howard nominated his wife and office for the award, and ESGR volunteer Ben C. Pollard made the presentation Monday morning.

"When you're over there, one of the things you worry about is what's going on at work at home,"

Pollard said. "But Dr. Howard said he has not had to worry about that."

Howard is a Commander in the Naval Reserve and was called to active duty last spring to serve with a squadron of Marines in Iraq.

Pollard said Howard particularly commended the efforts of physician assistants David Dickinson and Devah Pittman for caring for his patients while he is away.

Howard's wife, Lori, said he is doing well in Iraq and should be coming home soon.

"He hopes to be back in April and back to work in May," she said.

Mrs. Howard also credited the hard work of those working at the clinic in the doctor's absence.

"It's a group effort for sure," she said. "And we want to be sure to

thank Dr. (Mike) Henderson, too."

Henderson is a physician in Childress who is acting as the Clarendon clinic's supervisor while Howard is gone.

The Employer Support for the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) is a Department of Defense organization. It is a staff group within the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs (OASD/RA), which is in itself a part of the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

The nation's Reserve components (referring to the total of all National Guard members and Reserve forces from all branches of the military) comprise approximately 46 percent of our total available military manpower.

The current National Defense Strategy indicates that the National Guard and Reserve will be full partners in the fully integrated Total Force. Our Reserve forces will spend more time away from the workplace defending the nation, supporting a demanding operations tempo and training to maintain their mission readiness.

The Patriot Award is presented by the ESGR on behalf of the Department of Defense. All members of the National Guard and Reserve forces are eligible to nominate their employers for the certificate.

The nomination is subsequently used by the local ESGR Committee as the basis for consideration to receive higher level awards.

Texas achieves cattle brucellosis-free status

Texas beef and dairy cattle producers, cattle feeders and markets operators achieved a long-sought victory Friday, February 1, when the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced that Texas has achieved cattle brucellosis-free status.

For nearly 50 years, Texas cattle producers battled brucellosis, or "Bangs Disease," the bacterial disease that is caused by *Brucella abortus*. The disease can cause cows to abort, deliver weak calves, or produce less milk.

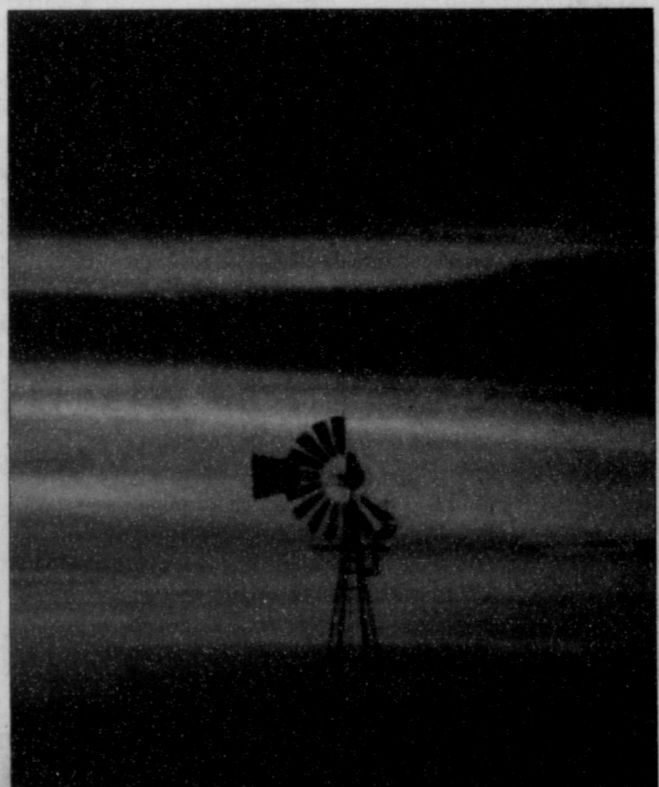
All other states in the United States are classified brucellosis-free, some for more than 25 years.

"Texas was the last state to achieve the 'free' status. We have more herds and more cattle than any other state - 14 million at last count. We also had more brucellosis infection to fight. In 1959, when Texas officially joined the national eradication program, we had more

than 20,000 of the country's 100,000 infected herds," said Dr. Bob Hillman, Texas' state veterinarian and head of the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock and poultry health regulatory agency.

"This victory for the cattle industry did not come easily or without hardship," said Dr. Hillman. "For many cattle producers in the early days of the program, it meant losing a herd with only salvage value payment, or having the herd under quarantine and being unable to sell animals for long periods of time. Some producers' herds became re-infected. In recent years, infected herds were purchased from owners and depopulated whenever possible, to quickly wipe out infection."

"Hearing the words 'cattle brucellosis-free' is music to the industry's ears," said Mr. Ernie Morales, Chairman of the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC).



Panhandle sunrise

A broken windmill stands as the lone sentinel of the plains recently as dawn breaks over the Panhandle along US 287 between Clarendon and Goodnight.

COURTESY PHOTO / SANDY SKELTON

State holding online voting for new plates

AUSTIN - For the first time in the Lone Star state's history, Texans can vote online for a new general-issue license plate.

From noon Monday, February 4, until noon the following Monday, February 11, Texans can go to www.txdot.gov to vote for one of four new license plate designs or to keep the current general-issue plate.

All of the plates feature the state name on the top and "The Lone Star State" on the bottom. They are divided into four categories, a representation of how Texans see the state:

Traditional Texas. The plate features blue highlights with a gold Lone Star, and bold, red "TEXAS."

Lone Star Texas. A white Lone Star stands out in the top, left-hand corner of the plate. Wide brushes of red and blue punctuate the Texas sky on the top half of the plate along with a low-lying mountain range on the bottom.

Natural Texas. The entire plate is covered with wildflowers.

New Texas. This red, white and blue plate features a composite of modern landmark buildings from several Texas cities.

My Texas. This is the current **See 'Plates' on page 3.**

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guest commentary

Two parties set traps for US economy

By Alan Reynolds, Cato Institute

House Democrats and White House Republicans have conspired to set a bear trap for the next president: Whatever goosing of the economy their "stimulus" bill achieves will come at the expense of next year's growth.

Indeed, the winner this November could face two traps, because key parts of the Bush tax cuts are scheduled to expire at the end of 2010. That would be an illusory hit of speed for the economy in late 2010 — at the expense of a vicious hangover in 2011.

The GOP '08 candidates seem to sense the danger — most want to make the Bush cuts permanent, at a minimum, and few show any enthusiasm for any one-year quick fix. The Democrats, by contrast, seem eager to leap into both the tax-timing traps awaiting in 2009 and 2010.

Start with the stimulus plan now on the table. This would encourage consumers and businesses to spend more this year and less in 2009. The initial plan (before the Senate adds billions for spending giveaways) would send a check for \$300 to \$1,200 to 117 million households.

The point of doling out borrowed money, whether via checks to many or benefits to a few, is to encourage brief shopping sprees at Wal-Mart, Best Buy and McDonald's. Similarly, businesses could write-off a big chunk of the cost of new equipment if they buy it this year, not next year.

To the extent such ephemeral gimmicks might work, they do so at the expense of next year. Consumers aren't really expected to buy more cell phones or plasma TVs than they need — just to stock up this year rather than the next. Businesses aren't expected to buy more office equipment than they need — just to purchase it this year, instead of the next.

The administration hopes to bribe households and firms to rush out and buy anything, like restaurant meals or imported gadgets, but hurry up and do it quickly before President Bush leaves office. That may make his tenure look better — at the price of making his successor's economy look more grim.

The second trap is even more pernicious. It too involves what economists call "intertemporal substitution," which means people change the timing of activities to take advantage of changing tax incentives. A famous example was when Arkansas attorney Hillary Clinton requested that her bonus be paid in December 1992, rather than the following January — because she knew tax rates would be higher when Bill became president.

The 2009 trap involves shifting spending forward, from 2009 into 2008. The 2010 trap is similar yet different. It involves shifting income and stock sales forward, from 2011 into 2010, to dodge the threat of higher tax rates in 2011.

A fascinating example of how Democrats think about such matters was provided by Leonard Burman of the Tax Policy Center, an economist who worked in President Clinton's Treasury.

Burman argued in The New York Times for repealing all the Bush tax cuts in 2009 rather than 2011. Why? Because, he says, "If they were repealed in a year, the Bush tax cuts could spur a burst of economic activity in 2008.

"If people knew that their tax rates were going up next year, they'd work to make sure that more of their income is taxed at this year's lower rates. Investors would likewise have a giant incentive to cash out their capital gains now to avoid paying higher taxes later."

In other words, let's encourage people to live high right away before the party ends — to heck with what that means for the future.

But if people are induced to shift income into one year to avoid taxes in the next, that process shifts abruptly into reverse in the following year. The shifting of income and stock-sales into the year before a big tax increase can bring a brief flurry of activity in that earlier year — but clearly becomes a nasty depressant, once that tax hike kicks in.

Under the now-planned end of the Bush tax cuts (an end that Democrats ardently support), this time bomb starts ticking at an accelerating pace throughout 2010 — and then suddenly blows up in 2011.

If the Bush tax rates on top salaries, capital gains and dividends are allowed to expire at the end of 2010, then incomes of entrepreneurs, professionals and investors will indeed appear to surge at the end of 2010. But that will be instantly followed by a steep slump in the economy and tax collections in 2011.

Taxes from realized capital gains would likewise surge in 2010, then collapse. If investors expect the tax on dividends to rise from 15 percent to 39.6 percent in January 2011 (as Democrat candidates propose), there will be mass liquidation of blue-chip stocks in 2010. The result could be ugly for investors and pensioners even before tax rates go up.

Presidential hopefuls from the Democratic Party seem surprisingly eager to leap into two treacherous tax-timing traps waiting for them in 2009 and 2010. Perhaps Hillary Clinton, John Edwards and Barack Obama believe a Republican is going to win the presidency. Why else would Democrats be trying so hard to make the economy look better under George Bush and worse under his successor?

Alan Reynolds is a senior fellow at the Cato Institute; his latest book is Income and Wealth.

I just don't get the kids these days

To supplement my pitiful income as a graduate assistant, I have started substitute teaching on my days off.

An automated phone system calls you in the evening and lets you know what jobs are available for the next day.

The first few calls were to fill in for kindergarten. I declined them all. What if a kid throws up, or I forget and leave them on the playground? I don't want to be responsible for losing 25 five-year-olds on my first day.

The phone system lets you choose a reason for declining: press one for personal illness, press two for personal business. What do you press for "scared stiff of personal liability?"

So I waited a week or two until something opened up at the high school. I took my very first job last Tuesday substituting for Pre-AP Chemistry.

It was easy. We watched the episode of Mythbusters where they try all the remedies for skunk smell, and then they spent the rest of the class working on study guides they already had.

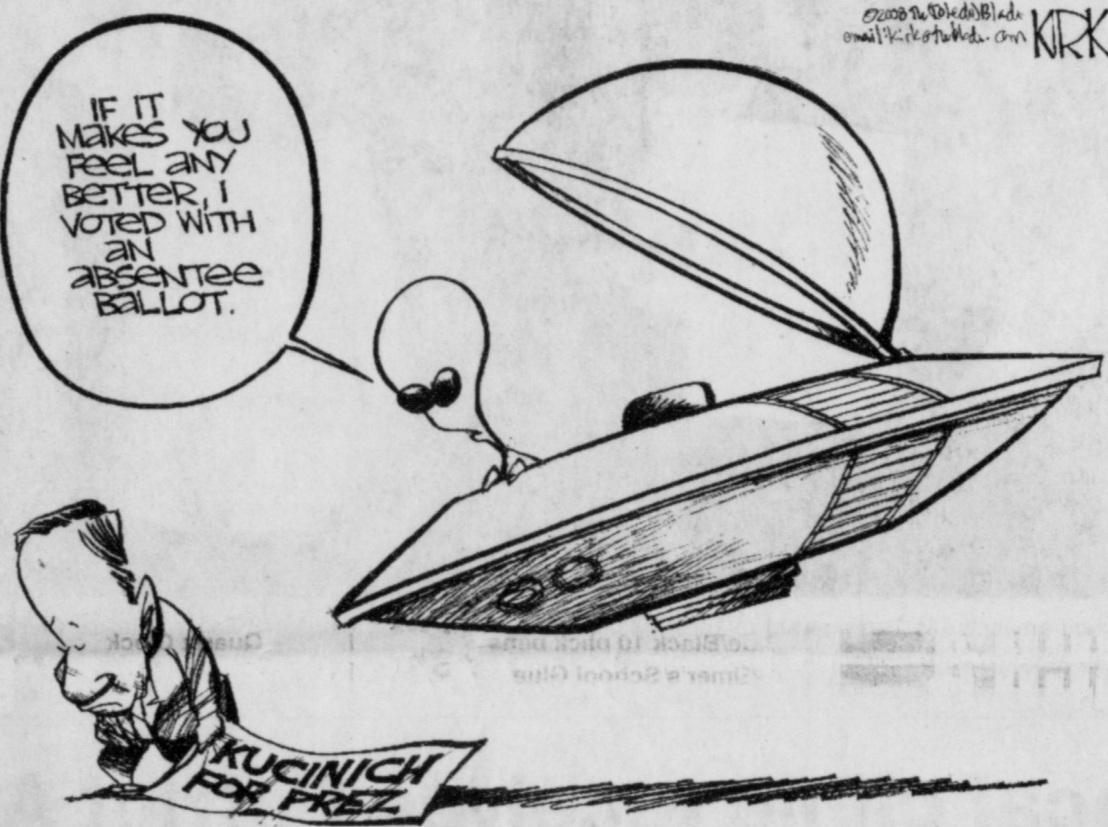
Rinse and repeat five times. Needless to say, I had a lot of free time to observe. I was struck by how different high school is now from how I remember it.

There were girls who were reap-

plying eyeliner to the already thick black raccoon circle at 9:00, only one hour after they left the house. I saw compacts flying all day long. As soon as the film was over, they asked me if they could listen to their iPods. They texted each other from across the room with iPhones and Blackberrys and PDAs I will probably never be able to afford. I had nothing to do but stare and drink water, so between every class, I went to the bathroom where I saw graffiti that could rival any truck stop or dark alley. Four or five times I met the same very cute little girl who was probably seven or eight months pregnant. I do believe in cliques, but these guys were walking clichés. The athletes wore running shorts, team sweatshirts, and tennis shoes. The student council kids wore matching shirts and glasses. The punks wore skinny pants and skater shoes. Their seats were assigned in alphabetical order; but as soon as they saw



life's lessons by carrie tippen



Bigger isn't always better for health

In Texas, we are known for bragging, "Bigger is better." From our pickup trucks, to our linebackers, and to our cuts of beef, our state holds a premium on size. Health, however, is where this trend stops. More and more, we are faced with the reality that excess weight can take a heavy toll on a person's health, leading to debilitating and often deadly illnesses, such as diabetes. With obesity on the rise, healthcare costs skyrocketing, and the wellness of our children at stake, diabetes is one of the major problems we face.

Diabetes is a devastating disease that can deteriorate an individual's health, causing a lifetime of complications, including blindness, heightened susceptibility to infection and sickness, heart disease, and, in many cases, premature death. In our state, diabetes is the sixth leading cause of death. It can also adversely affect a person's quality of life, due to increased disabilities, lost wages, and diminished access to care. In 2006, the indirect cost of diabetes in Texas reached \$4.3 billion. When added to the \$8.1 billion in health care dollars associated with the illness, the total cost of diabetes in Texas soared to \$12.46 billion.

On a broad level, Texas is leading research efforts to find a cure for diabetes. Last week, the National Institutes of Health designated the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston as a Diabetes and Endocrinology Research Center. Renowned for its worldwide leadership in the study of diabetes, the center will be one of 17 in the country and the only one in Texas. The work of this and other research institutions is critically important to Texas, which has a climbing obesity rate.

Trust for America's Health (TFAH), an advocacy organization that monitors health conditions in each state, recently placed Texas twelfth nationwide in obesity, reporting that approximately one in four adults in the state is considered clinically obese. It is projected that our state's obese population will rise to a

staggering 35.8 percent by 2040. And as Texans' waistlines expand, so will the diabetes epidemic in our state.



capitol comment by sen. kay bailey hutchison

A new and alarming trend in diabetes is the rise in cases of type 2 diabetes among children. Formerly known as "adult onset," the diagnosis of type 2 diabetes in individuals under 20 has increased from less than 2 percent to as much as 45 percent over the last 20 years. In addition to fragile health and the potential for lifelong medical problems, children with diabetes are negatively impacted in other areas of their lives.

Diabetic children are frequently absent from school, are more likely to have learning difficulties, and demonstrate poor academic performance over the course of their education. Since Texas ranks sixth nationwide in the percentage of obese youth (ages 10 - 17), we are faced with the major challenge of ensuring that the next generation of Texans is fit and healthy.

In Texas, we are not taking this challenge lightly.



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Car tax: Some don't meet qualifications for exemption

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ness, and a short description of how the vehicle is used for the production of income.

"There are two main questions to answer," Lowrie said. "Do you use this vehicle in the production of income? And do you use it for personal reasons?"

The law allows for one vehicle tax exemption per individual, so Lowrie said a husband and wife who both work for their own small business could exempt two vehicles total.

Certain situations are not eligible for the exemption.

"If you work for someone else, that's the main eliminating factor," Lowrie said.

People who used their vehicle to commute to and from work, are not eligible.

A retired person with no production of income is not eligible.

A vehicle that is registered in

a business' name and is used exclusively for business purposes is not eligible.

Lowrie said people who fill out an approved exemption form for 2007 and who have already paid their 2007 taxes will be issued a refund of that portion of their taxes in about 30 days.

The appraisal district does not yet know how much the new exemption will cost the local taxing entities in terms of revenue already collected or future revenue. That will not be known until after the April 1 deadline passes.

For taxing years 2008 and beyond, exemption applications must be filed between January 1 and April 30 each year. It is not automatically renewed.

Application forms are available at the appraisal district office at 307 S. Sully Street in Clarendon.



the lion's tale
by roger estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting February 5, 2008, with Boss Lion Pro Tem Cameron Word in charge. We had 20 members, Sweetheart Abby Patton, and three guests this week - Greg Collins, guest of Lion Delbert Robertson; Ashlee Estlack, guest of Lion Roger Estlack; and Debra Sue McDonald, guest of the club who presented our program.

McDonald is retired school teacher from Vega, who recently became director of the Texas Plains Trail Region. She gave a pop quiz on Donley County trivia and discussed the efforts her office to promote travel and tourism in this region.

The club voted to accept Phil Frazier as our newest member.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

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Wed	30	45°	25°	.02"
Thur	31	64°	19°	-
Fri	1	44°	18°	-
Sat	2	67°	26°	-
Sun	3	60°	37°	-

Total precipitation this month: 0.02"
Total precipitation to date: 0.02"
Total precipitation in Feb. last year: .26"
Total YTD last year: 1.45"

weekend forecast

Friday, Feb. 8
Mostly Sunny
51°/24°

Saturday, Feb. 9
Mostly Sunny
60°/25°

Sunday, Feb. 10
Mostly Sunny
61°/29°

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

Plates: State to transition to seven-character format

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general-issue license plate that was introduced in 2000. It features icons of the state, including a horse, space shuttle, and oil derrick.

All of the plate designs were created by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT).

"We're excited that the Internet makes it possible for Texans to help choose the next general-issue license plate," said Rebecca Davio, director of Vehicle Titles and Registration, the TxDOT division that oversees the manufacturing of the state's license plates.

Even if Texans choose the current plate design, they will see something new in early 2009 when the state changes to seven-character,

alpha-numeric plate patterns.

"By the end of this year, we will be out of license plate combinations for the three letters and three numbers that we currently put on the general-issue plate," Davio said. "Because we need to change the plate, we thought it was the perfect time to invite Texans to participate in a design selection."

By law, the Texas Transportation Commission must give final approval to any new general-issue plate design. If Texans select the current plate design, no further action is needed by the commission.

For more information, contact Kim Sue Lia Perkes at (512) 302-2076, or kperkes@dot.state.tx.us.

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- February 14 Valentines Day
February 18 Presidents' Day
March 1 Chamber of Commerce Banquet
March 4 Democratic and Republican Primary Elections
March 17 St. Patrick's Day
March 17-21 CISD Spring Break
March 17-21 CC Spring Break
March 27 Health Fair

Menus

February 11 - 15 Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Lasagna, corn, salad, brownies, garlic toast.
Tue: Beef stew, veggies, cheese fingers, salad, pudding, cornbread.
Wed: Mexican casserole, Spanish rice, salad, custard pie, chips, hot sauce.
Thu: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, green pea salad, fruit cobbler.
Fri: Cheeseburger, trimmings, tater tots, pickle slices, chips, cookies.

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Chicken strips, potato soup, fried squash, pea salad, sliced peaches, corn bread.
Tue: Mexican pile-on, Spanish rice, beans, lettuce, tomato, onion, cookies, chips.
Wed: Steak, gravy, baked potato, German cabbage, pickled beets, coconut pie, roll.
Thu: Spaghetti, meat sauce, corn nuggets, steamed broccoli, tossed salad, baked apples, garlic toast.
Fri: Turkey, dressing, sweet potatoes, green beans, fruit salad, pumpkin pie, rolls.

Clarendon CISD
Breakfast
Mon: Cereal, toast, pears, milk
Tue: Sausage, biscuit, gravy, peaches, milk
Wed: Pancakes, juice, milk
Thu: Eggs, toast, jelly, apricots, milk
Fri: Cinnamon rolls, juice, milk

Lunch
Mon: Beef nachos, cheese, salad, pinto beans, fruit, milk.
Tue: Chicken spaghetti, corn, salad, fruit, milk.
Wed: Baked ham, pineapple, potatoes, green beans, fruit, roll, milk.
Thu: Chicken salad, tomato, carrot sticks, apple, milk.
Fri: Pizza burger, chips, salad, fruit, milk.

Hedley ISD
Mon: Hot dog, chili, grated cheese, fries, bananas, milk.
Tue: Enchiladas, grated cheese, refried beans, tossed salad, cinnamon crisps, milk.
Wed: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, cut green beans, frozen fruit bars, rolls, milk.
Thu: Salisbury steak, corn, tossed salad, cinnamon apples, wheat rolls, milk.
Fri: Hamburger, hamburger salad, baked beans, pickles, onions, olives, crispy rice treat, milk.

Firebelles seeking supplies donations

As wildfire season is upon us, The Clarendon Firebelles are asking for assistance to restock their emergency supplies for our volunteer firemen.

If a large wildfire should start, the Firebelles will need drinks and supplies to take to the firemen while they battle the blaze. Their supplies are running low at this time, and they are asking the community to donate bottled water, Gatorade, or soft drinks. If you would like to donate any of these items, or give a monetary donation, please contact Hillary McAnear at (806) 874-5152 or Rhonda Howell at (806) 205-1027.

Also, if you are aware that the firemen are on a fire call, and you would like to bring individually wrapped non perishable snacks to the fire station, there will be someone there to collect these items. Your donations and assistance are always greatly appreciated; and thanks to the community support over the years, the Clarendon Firebelles are able to continue providing for our volunteer firemen.

Know signs of heart attacks and strokes

By MaryRuth Bishop, FCS Agent

Knowing the signs of a heart attack or stroke can help you to act quickly in the event of an emergency and save someone's life. Every second matters when it comes to a heart attack or stroke, so dialing 911 at the early onset of symptoms is important.

Realize that not all heart attacks and strokes will present the same symptoms in everyone, but if you suspect a heart attack or stroke, call 911. It is better to be safe than sorry. Many heart attacks begin slowly with minor pain and discomfort before they turn into what we would often picture as a heart attack.

Here are a few signs that may point to a heart attack, which is when the blood flow to the heart is interrupted:

- Chest discomfort that may last a few minutes or comes and goes. It may feel like a pressure, fullness, or pain.
Discomfort in other areas of the body including one or both arms, the back, neck, jaw, or stomach.
Shortness of breath may occur with or without other symptoms.
Cold sweat, nausea, or lightheadedness.
Symptoms of cardiac arrest, which is when the heart no longer pumps blood around the body, may

occur suddenly and without warning. Symptoms include:

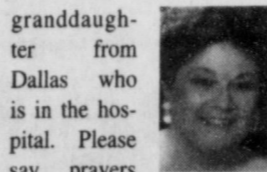
- Sudden loss of responsiveness.
No sign of normal breathing.
A stroke occurs when the blood flow to the brain is interrupted. Warning signs include:
Sudden numbness, weakness, or paralysis of the face, arm, or leg. It usually occurs on only one side of the body.
Sudden trouble seeing out of one or both eyes.
Sudden confusion or difficulty speaking and understanding.
Sudden difficulty walking, dizziness, and loss of balance or

coordination. Quick onset of a severe headache.

The most important thing you can do if you think you or someone around you is experiencing a heart attack or stroke is to act quickly. Dial 911 so that treatment may begin before irreversible damage occurs. For more information on the warning signs of a heart attack and stroke, please visit: www.heart.org, www.stroke.org, and http://fcs.tamu.edu/health/index.php. Texas AgriLife Extension Service and Texas Cancer Council remind you to be prepared to act in an emergency.

Hedley woman's grandson graduates from boot camp

Betty Dwight went to watch her grandson, Christopher Dwight, graduate from Boot Camp in California on February 1. He is the son of Paul Dwight from Logan, Utah, and Pam Dwight of Canyon. He is also the great grandson of Lois Lair of Clarendon (by way of Hedley).



chatty kathy by kathy spier Hedley • 856-5302

Betty said that Christopher will start Infantry training at Camp Pendleton on February 19. They enjoyed Family Day with Chris; and, of course, they had to "Shop till they Dropped." They are so proud of Christopher, as are we.

Thought for the Day: Romans 5:20 "...where sin increased, God's grace increased more."

We are glad to hear that Faye Naylor is home from the hospital and doing better.

Have you ever watched kids play that old playground game of whose daddy is the biggest? Or maybe it's whose bicycle is the fastest?

Last Thursday J.T. and Helen Lamberson had a little accident with a truck, but they are OK, nothing serious.

Then when we get older, it may be whose car is the fastest or the best looking. In our earthly battle with Satan, he would have us believe that our sin is so great that God couldn't possibly forgive us; and when we start believing that, Satan wins. By faith in Christ Jesus, we can say to Satan that God's grace is greater than any sin imaginable; and when we believe that, God wins, but we also win.

High winds on Tuesday knocked Patsy Spier down with an arm full of mail. She is a little stiff and sore, but okay. It took on a new meaning for "Air-Mail", so if anyone finds any mail addressed to us, let us know.

Comments made in 1955: "If cigarettes keep going up in price, I'm going to quit. A quarter a pack is ridiculous."

My brother, Jack Spier from Burleson, will have his heart surgery February 20. Please say prayers and one for us for traveling.

Stuff about kids: There is only one pretty child in the world, and every mother has it.

Old Man Winter blows into Howardwick with wind, snow

The outside temperature was 50° at midnight Wednesday and 19° Thursday morning with blowing snow, better known as a white out. We may have gotten an inch of snow, but it was blowing so hard you it was difficult to measure. This led to a number of traffic accidents. Please slow down and use your seatbelt.



wick picks by peggy cockerham Howardwick • 874-2886

Well, I don't know if ole Punxsutawney Phil, the official groundhog, saw his shadow February 2, but our prairie dog saw his. According to weather lore, this means six more weeks of winter.

beaten. The only thing wrong with that plan was they forgot to tell the Giants, and they won 17-14. When the Giants outplayed and beat the Dallas Cowboys in December, they got my attention, and I wanted them to win the Super Bowl, and did not think they had a chance. Congratulations, Giants, enjoy your year because the Cowboys will be out for blood.

Since Easter is March 23 this year, my guess is we have about seven weeks of winter left. After all, everyone knows we always have cold weather on Easter - just look at your collection of Easter pictures and the jackets you are wearing.

We had a fire scare Tuesday. Winds were gusting up to 50 mph, which caused electric lines to blow down and start a fire on a vacant lot at Rick Husband and Dawn. It was quickly extinguished, and our small snow helped decrease the fire danger for a few days. Please be careful with all fires; we don't want to be in the headlines again.

I just watched an amazing football game, the Super Bowl. As anyone who is interested knows, the New England Patriots were undefeated, and all predictions were the New York Giants were going to be

THC accepting applications for preservation trust grants

AUSTIN - The Texas Historical Commission (THC) is accepting Texas Preservation Trust Fund (TPTF) Grant Program applications for fiscal year 2009.

a brief application form to the THC for review. The THC will select the highest priority projects from the initial applications and invite those applicants to move forward to the second step. Successful applicants will be asked to submit more detailed project proposals by Aug. 29, 2008, and full project proposals will be considered by the THC for final grant awards in October 2008.

The TPTF Grant Program is your opportunity to save and protect Texas' threatened historic structures and significant archeological discoveries. Grant awards are available for restoration work, architectural planning, archeological investigation, preservation planning, curatorial work, resource survey and heritage educational training.

The deadline for applications is 5 p.m. Friday, March 14, 2008. To learn more about TPTF grants, contact the THC's Architecture Division at 512/463-6094 or visit www.thc.state.tx.us to obtain an application form.



Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shields

Shields celebrate 50 years

Susie and Earl Shields of Lelia Lake celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a reception hosted by their children and grandchildren February 2, 2008.

retired in 2007 after 11 1/2 years serving as secretary of Clarendon Church of Christ, where they are members.

Shields married the former Susie Jones on January 15, 1958, in Lelia Lake, where they have lived for 48 years. They resided in Tacoma, Washington, from 1958 to 1960.

Children of the couple and their spouses are Rosilyn and Daylan Sellers of Seagraves, Derek and Julie Shields of Clarendon, Keenan and Sandra Shields, and Patrice Wood, all of Lelia Lake.

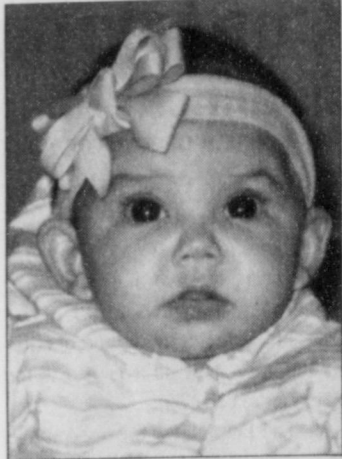
Shields has farmed in Donley County for 48 years and was manager of the Paymaster Gin in Lelia Lake for 37 years. He is manager of Donley County Gin in Lelia Lake. Mrs. Shields retired in 1994 from Paymaster Gin, where she was secretary and a cotton buyer for 17 years. She

The couple has nine grandchildren: Kensey and Glen Thompson; Tiffany Sellers; Wesley, Kelby, and Kaylee Shields; Morgan, Bailey, and Kylie Wood; and Braylee Shields. They have two great-grandchildren, Koltyn Shields and Zane Thompson.



Moore birth announcement

Nick and Kari Moore of Lelia Lake are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Berkeley Beth Moore, born October 8, 2008, in Childress weighing 6 pounds and 10 ounces. She was 19 3/4 inches in length. Maternal grandparents are Butch and Paula Blackburn of Clarendon. Paternal grandparents are Charlie and Cindy Moore of Estelline. Great grandparents are Gladys Blackburn and the late Charles Blackburn of Clarendon, Golden and Nelda Currie of Canyon, Pauline Branum of Amarillo, Kenneth and Evelene Moore of Estelline, Jackie Condron and the late Claude Ray Condron of Crowell.



New arrival

Janiah and Oren Shields' lives were blessed October 6, 2007, when their precious little angel Laleh Tru came into their lives. She weighed 7 pounds and 2 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches in length. Maternal grandparents are Joe and Jeanne Mondragon of Silver City, New Mexico. Paternal grandparents are Larry and Betty Watson of Washburn, and she has many great grandparents.

Plains Trail Board names new director

BORGER - The Plains Trail Region board recently named Deborah Sue McDonald to the position of regional coordinator.

The heritage region is part of the Texas Historical Commission's (THC) Texas Heritage Trails Program, the award-winning regional tourism initiative that helps Texas communities promote tourism, revitalize local economies, and foster community leadership through historic preservation.

McDonald will assist with heritage tourism development and promotion in the heritage region's 52 counties, which include: Armstrong, Bailey, Borden, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Cochran, Collingsworth, Cottle, Crosby, Dallam, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Donley, Floyd, Foard, Gaines, Garza, Gray, Hale, Hall, Hansford, Hardeman, Hartley, Hemphill, Hockley, Howard, Hutchinson, Kent, King, Knox, Lamb, Lipscomb, Lubbock, Lynn, Mitchell, Moore, Motley, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Scurry, Sherman, Swisher, Terry, Wheeler and Yoakum.

McDonald was formerly a teacher in Vega for 27 years. She serves on the Oldham County Cemetery Board of Directors and was the organizer of the Oldham County Round-up Parade from 2005-2006. She holds a bachelor's degree in education from West Texas State University, now West Texas A&M University.

"I am so excited to get the Texas Plains Trail region blazing with enthusiasm," McDonald said. "I have an advanced degree in life experience with a passion that will hopefully take me a long way in my endeavors to encourage others to explore the unique and fascinating places in our region."

For additional information on the Texas Plains Trail Region, contact McDonald at 806/273-0920. For more information about the Texas Heritage Trails Program, contact Janie Headrick, state coordinator, at 512/463-5754.

For additional information on Texas travel events and vacation destinations, visit www.TravelTex.com or for a free Texas State Travel Guide call 1-800-8888-TEX.

The Texas Historical Commission is the state agency for historic preservation. The agency administers a variety of programs to preserve the archeological, historical and cultural resources of Texas.

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College athletes keeping busy schedules

Spring sports are in full swing this week at Clarendon College.

The basketball teams took on Western Texas College at home January 31. The Lady Bulldogs won the game 66-50 while the Bulldogs lost 81-75.

The teams traveled to Borger to play Frank Phillips on Monday night, and both teams lost.

The ladies' score was 60-51 while the men's score was 97-76.

Both teams will have a bye this Thursday night and will travel to South Plains on Monday, February 11. The teams will return home Thursday, February 14, to take on Midland College.

The softball and baseball teams had their openers this weekend at

home.

The Lady Bulldogs took on Trinidad State Junior College and won 7-1 in the first game and lost 8-2 in the second.

The Bulldogs took on Wayland Baptist and won both games, 21-0 and 2-1.

The Softball team traveled to Vernon on Monday, February 4, and lost both games 3-5 and 0-4.

The baseball team will travel to Lubbock on Friday, February 8, at 1 p.m.

Both teams will return home on Saturday, February 9. The softball team will play Garden City at 1 p.m. and the baseball team will take on Luna College at noon. Both teams will play a double header.

The judging teams traveled to the Fort Worth Livestock show this past week, and both teams had members place high.

Congratulations on a job well done. Complete results can be found on page one.

The Clarendon College Invitational Judging Contest will be held on campus Saturday, March 29. We would like everyone to mark their calendars as the college brings in almost 2,000 kids and their family members and coaches for this event.



happenings on the hill
by ashlee estlack,
livestock marking coordinator

Just in case you were wondering what's been going on at the Livestock and Equine Center on the weekends, team roping events will be held every Saturday in February. An open roping and a numbered roping will be held each day, and the event draws anywhere from 250 to 300 teams each day.

An exhibit on the signers of the Declaration of Independence will be in the Vera Dial Dickey Library on campus until the end of the month. This 20-panel exhibit of photographic images and captions presents an expanded look at the 59 men who brought modern Texas in to being. Everyone in the community is encouraged to stop by and see this traveling exhibit before it's gone.



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logical parents. In some situations, they are not able to return home and deserve a chance for a new life with adoptive parents who can teach them that family can be a safe place.

There is urgent need for more families to open their hearts and homes by becoming foster and adoptive parents. To learn more about fostering and adoption, attend an informational meeting the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. Meetings are held at the CPS office located at 3521 SW 15th in Amarillo.

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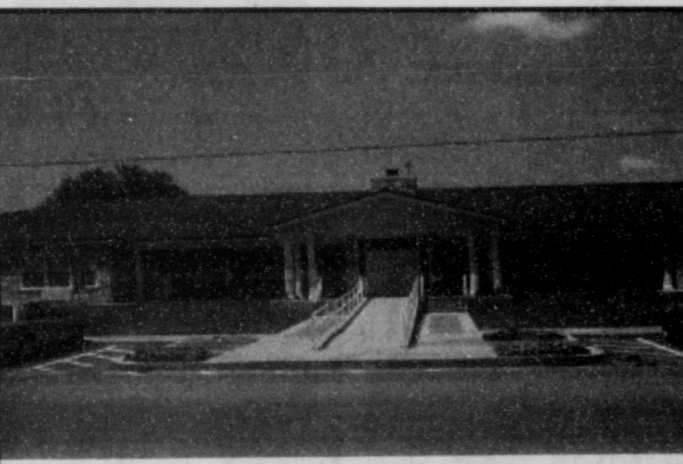
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- Agape Christian Church**
712 E. 2nd (Hwy. 287)
Minister: David Lowrie
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.
 - Calvary Baptist Church**
US 287 E • 874-3156
Rev. Rob Seale
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 7 p.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.
 - Church of Christ**
300 S. Carhart • 874-2495
Minister: Chris Moore
Sun. Bible Class: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.
 - Church of Nazarene**
209 S. Hawley • 874-2321
Pastor: Bill Hodges
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.
 - Community Fellowship Church**
12148 F.M. 2162 • 874-0963
Rev. Roger Smith
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
 - First Christian Church**
120 E. Third Street • 874-3212
Sunday Service: 11:00 a.m.
 - Church of Christ**
110 E. Second St.
Minister: Bright Newhouse
Sun. Bible Class: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.
 - First Baptist Church**
222 Sherwood Blvd. 874-3326
Reverend: Dave Stout
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 6 p.m.
 - First Assembly of God**
4th St. & Hwy. 70 South
Pastor: Matthew Stidham
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.
 - First Baptist Church**
300 Bugbee Ave • 874-3833
Rev. Lance Wood
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:55 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. GA & Team Kid Ministry
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Youth Study
9:00 p.m. College Ministry
 - First Presbyterian Church**
Fourth & Parks • 874-9269
Pastor: Rev. Robin Gantz
Fellowship: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11:00 a.m.
 - First United Methodist Church**
420 S. Jefferson • 874-3667
Pastor: Tom Garmon
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Sunday: 8:30, 10:50 a.m.
 - Clarendon Family Christian Center Church**
511 E. 5th St.
Pastor: R.W. Ellerbrook
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.
 - Church of Christ**
200 N. Main St. 856-5980
Pastor: Bruce Howard
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.
 - Old Paths Primitive Baptist Church**
416 S. Kearney • 874-5374
Pastor: Lyman Little
Sunday Services: 10:30 a.m.
 - St. John The Baptist Episcopal Church**
Rev. Jim Aveni
301 S. Parks St. • 874-2511
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
 - St. Mary's Catholic Church**
Corner of Montgomery & McClelland
Fr. Arokia Raj Samala
Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.
 - St. Stephens Baptist Church**
300 N. Jefferson St.
Pastor: Melvin Brooks
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sun. Service: 11:15 a.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. (weather permitting)
 - True Church of God in Christ**
301 N. Jefferson St
Pastor: Jeff Riles
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sun. Service: 11:15 a.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.
 - Jesus Name Apostolic Church**
720 E. Montgomery • 874-2388
Rev. Calvin Burrow
Sunday Services: 3 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.
- Hedley**
- First Methodist Church**
200 N. Main St.
Pastor: Gary Boles
Sunday Service: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.
- Howardwick**
- First Baptist Church**
222 Sherwood Blvd. 874-3326
Reverend: Dave Stout
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 6 p.m.
- Martin**
- Martin Baptist Church**
US 287 W • 874-2025
Pastor: Darrell Burton
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.
- Brice**
- Brice Deliverance Tabernacle**
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Wednesday: 6 p.m.

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TPWD unveils proposed regulation changes

AUSTIN - Expanded hunting opportunities for mule deer and pheasant in the Panhandle are among the proposed changes to the state's hunting and fishing regulations.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission's Regulations Committee, at its January 23 meeting, authorized agency staff to take these proposed regulation changes and others out for public comment and will make a final determination at its March 25-26 meeting.

Following is a rundown of the proposals that pertain to the Panhandle.

Expand Panhandle Mule Deer

Season: This proposal would consider adding Sherman and Hansford counties to the northern Panhandle mule deer season; and Gaines, Martin, and the eastern portion of Andrews counties to the southwest Panhandle season. These counties, wildlife biologists believe, have mule deer populations sufficient to allow the harvest of a few buck mule deer. Such a buck-only harvest would not have any effect on the overall population in those counties. Opening these counties will result in increased hunter opportunity.

Panhandle Pheasant Season Expansion: The proposal would

expand the season length to 37 days.

Quail Season Closing Change: This proposal would change the close of quail season to the last day in February.

Eliminate Bowhunting Minimum Draw Weight: This proposal would remove the requirement of a 40-pound minimum peak draw weight on bowhunting equipment.

Deer Proof of Sex Requirement Change: This proposal would allow special deer permit tags, including Managed Land Deer permits, Landowner Assisted Management Permitting System, antlerless mule deer, special public hunting, and

Antlerless and Spike Control, to satisfy proof of sex tagging requirements.

Lower Minimum Age for Hunter Education Certification: This proposal would lower the minimum age a student may receive hunter education certification from 12 years to nine years.

The public is urged to comment on these proposals during a series of public meetings scheduled across the state during February and March. Comment may be made by mail to TPWD Regulations Public Comment, ATTN: Robert Macdonald, 4200 Smith School Rd., Austin, TX

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Obituaries

Huval

Isaac Martin "Ike" Huval, 78, died Friday, February 1, 2008, in Clarendon.

Rosary was held on Sunday, February 3, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Clarendon. Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, February 4, 2008, in the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Clarendon with Rev. Arokia Raj "Raj" Samala, officiating. Burial was held at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Clarendon. Services were under the arrangement of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Ike was born July 15, 1929, in Pampa to Isaac Joseph and Olive Louisa Griffith Huval. He was a US Army veteran during peacetime. He received a Bachelor's degree from Texas Tech University and achieved a Master's degree from the University of Tulsa. He was a member of the American Petroleum Institute, Geological society, lodge member, NRA, Retired Seniors Volunteer Program for 10 plus years, Texas Gold, and a honorary member of Sigma Gamma Epsilon. He had been a resident of Miltias, California, before

moving to Clarendon 13 years ago. He was a member of the St. Mary's Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include two daughters, Monica Reese of Tulsa, Okla., and Terri Belote and husband Harold of Springdale, AK; two sons, Anthony "Tony" Huval and wife LouAnne of Sourlake and Neal Huval and wife Janet of Stillwell, Okla.; a step daughter, Nannette Garcia of Washington; a sister, Nancy Wilson of Lubbock; eight grandchildren; three step grandchildren; two nieces and nephews; and caregivers, Denise and Roy Bertrand of Clarendon.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be to St. Mary's Catholic Church, PO Drawer C, Clarendon, Texas 79226, or Donley County Senior Citizens.

Sign our online guestbook at www.RobertsonFuneral.com.

Davis

Elva Livian Dishman Davis, 92, died Wednesday, January 30, 2008, in Amarillo.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, February 1, 2008, at the Trinity Baptist Church in Ama-

rilla with Rev. Robert Fields officiating. Burial was held at 2:00 p.m. at Rowe Cemetery in Hedley, Texas. Services were under the arrangement of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Mrs. Davis was born on November 13, 1915, in Rogers, Arkansas, to Simeon Perry and Isabell Whaley Dishman. She was a graduate of Hedley High School's class of 1933; and shortly after her graduation she married Frank Douglas "Skeeter" Davis on November 18, 1933, in Memphis, Texas. Before moving to Amarillo in 1978, Elva and her husband farmed and ranched north of Hedley until Frank's death in 1949. She was active in the First Baptist Church in Hedley and had been the Postmaster at the Hedley Post Office until her retirement. She was an avid reader, quilter, and most of all, loved to oil paint. She was a member of the Trinity Baptist Church in Amarillo.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Frank Douglas "Skeeter" Davis on August 29, 1949; one son Frank Douglas Davis, Jr.; three brothers, Elmer, Earl, and Edward Dishman; two grandchildren; and one great grandchild.

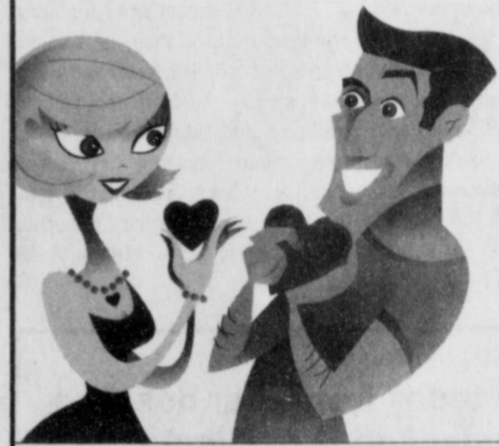
Survivors include five daugh-

ters: Barbara Chedester and husband L.D. "Red", Sandra Penn and husband Billy, Sharon Crews and her late husband Seth all of Amarillo; Linda Stephens and husband John of Sparta, Tenn., and Thava Merrett and husband Paul of Aztec, NM; a sister-in-law, Edna Dishman of Dallas; eight grandchildren: Scott Gray, Neil Hemelstrand, Cameron Gray, Douglas Stephens, Terry Stephens, Michael Stephens, Mitchell Stephens, Steven Hemelstrand; 18 great grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Rowe Cemetery Association.

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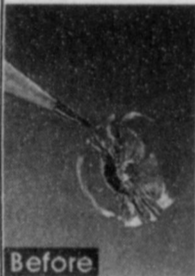
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Lady Broncos defeat Wheeler girls 58-39

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos hosted the Lady Stangs Tuesday night and defeated them 58-39.

Their aggressive play allowed them to dominate their opponent on both sides of the ball to get the win. Jill Cornell, Erin Holland and Abbie Massingill all finished in double figures to lead their team to the 19-point win.

Wheeler pulled within 10 points at the break, but the Lady Broncos came out strong in the second half of play.

Scoring: Cornell 11, Holland 10, Massingill 10, Bailey Starnes 9, Macy Shadle 8, Janae White 8, and Jenci White 2.

Friday night, the Ladies traveled to Claude and despite playing hard, fell short at 48-57. The final score of the game was not indicative as to the Ladies' play, and the game was much closer than the final score.

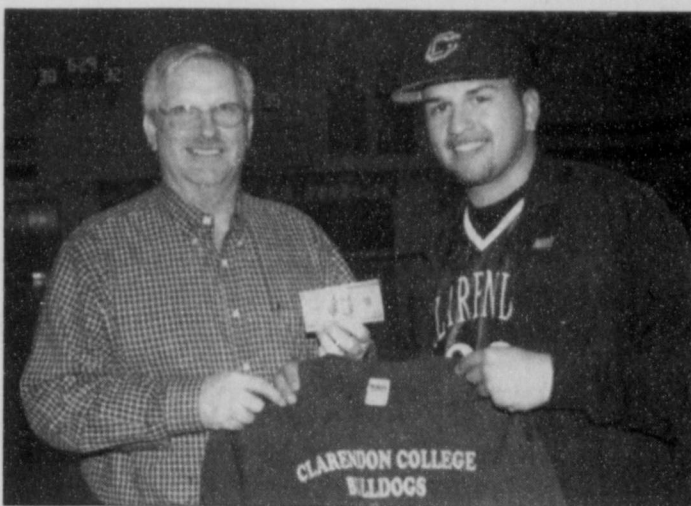
The Lady Broncos never gave up and played hard until the end.

"I thought we played as hard as we had all year," Coach Randy Yelverton said. "Our biggest problems were from the free throw line where we missed nine attempts, and we had too many unforced turnovers. We also missed some easy shots under the basket."

"I thought defensively we played with a lot of determination getting on the floor for loose balls and hitting the boards. I was proud of our kids for the effort they gave. We need to come back and play that way in the playoffs."

The Lady Broncos have secured a spot in the playoffs and will begin post-season play sometime next week.

Scoring: Shadle 24, Holland 5, Cortnee Thornberry 5, Kia Bryley 4, Massingill 4, Cornell 4, and Starnes 2.



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Herring Bank President Jerry Woodard presents \$100 to Clarendon College baseball player Jonathan Paez for making a half-court basketball shot during halftime at the Bulldogs game last week.

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Drugs in the News

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Fentanyl is a strong narcotic-type drug which is used to manage moderate to severe long-term pain. It can cause severe respiratory depression and death if the person using the patch receives too much drug. Since these patches may be affected by oral medications, remember to tell your doctor and pharmacist about other medications you are taking. The patch may also be affected by excessive heat, such as heating pads, electric blankets, or hot baths. The patch is designed to slowly release its medicine over 72 hours.



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Broncos smother Mustangs

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos had a very easy time defeating the Claude Mustangs on the road Friday night. A scoring rampage in the second quarter gave the Broncos the cushion they needed to secure their win over Claude.

Defensively, the Broncos crushed their opponent and kept them from finding any rhythm on the offensive side.

"I was proud of the way we played," Coach Colby Waldrop said. "We need to get our players healthy and ready for the play offs."

The Broncos have secured second place in their district, but have a chance to win the championship with a victory over White Deer. If they defeat White Deer, they will have a District Championship play off game; but if they do not defeat White Deer, they will be the District runner up and begin to prepare for the play offs, which will begin the following week.

Scoring: Johnny Gaines 21, Alton Gaines 15, Tré Brown 13, T.J. Brown 9, Derrick Shelton 8, Dalton Askew 6, Stephino McCampbell 4, Nathan Gribble 2, and Aaron Gordon 2.

Earlier in the week, the Broncos hosted Wheeler at home and defeated them 63-46. After a close first quarter, the Broncos found their rhythm and began to pull away from their opponent. Three players finished in double figures.

Scoring: T.J. Brown 19, Askew 12, J. Gaines 10, Shelton 8, A. Gaines 6, Tré Brown 4, Gordon 2, and McCampbell 2.

Ten Star All Star Basketball Camp

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Boys and girls ages 10-19 are eligible to apply. Past participants include: Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse, Grant Hill, and Antwan Jamison. Players from 50 states and 10 foreign countries attended the 2007 camp.

College basketball scholarships are possible for players selected to the All-American Team. Camp locations include: Commerce, TX; Prescott, Ariz.; Thousand Oaks, Calif.; Babson Park, Florida; Gainesville, Georgia; Champaign, Ill.; Glassboro, NJ; Lebanon, Tenn.; and Blacksburg, Virginia.

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| 10 | Erin Holland | Sr. |
| 11 | Jill Cornell | Sr. |
| 12 | Janae White | Jr. |
| 15 | Kia Bryley | So. |
| 20 | Abbie Massingill | Jr. |
| 21 | Cortnee Thornberry | Jr. |
| 22 | Bailey Starnes | Jr. |
| 23 | Abby Patten | Sr. |
| 24 | Sade Cobb | Sr. |
| 25 | Macy Shadle | Jr. |

Head Coach: Randy Yelverton
Assistants: Kasey Bell & Alton Gaines
Managers: Courtney Shillings, Dominique Brady, Tanita Gaser, Dominique Mason

Broncos

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| 2 | Alton Gaines | Jr. |
| 3 | Aaron Gordon | Jr. |
| 5 | Johnny Gaines | Fr. |
| 12 | Nathan Gribble | Jr. |
| 23 | Stephino McCampbell | So. |
| 24 | T.J. Brown | Jr. |
| 30 | Derrick Shelton | Jr. |
| 32 | Dalton Askew | Sr. |
| 33 | Jalon Thorton | Jr. |
| 41 | Danzel Wilson | Jr. |
| 42 | Tré Brown | So. |

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Extension expert says cashing in on crop prices may be limited by water availability

AMARILLO — Before they plant fencerow to fencerow to take advantage of high commodity prices, producers need to develop realistic expectations of their irrigation capacity, said a Texas AgriLife Extension Service expert.

Leon New, AgriLife Extension irrigation specialist, told producers at the High Plains Irrigation Conference held recently in Amarillo that there is only a certain amount of water available for commodity crops.

"We may want to plant all the wheat and corn we can and maybe some soybeans and cotton," New said. "One of the limiting factors may not be money, as in the past, but water."

There are a number of tools available that will help producers identify how much water they have

available and when to apply it to address peak water-use periods, he said.

"You need to know your seasonal irrigation capacity, and then you're going to make a decision on where your water is going," New said.

The Texas High Plains Evapotranspiration Network of weather stations can help producers determine how much water a crop needs throughout the growing season, as well as how much is being derived from rainfall, he said.

Corn may need 20 inches or more water from June to August. A 5.5 gallons-per-minute-per-acre well can only produce 17.5 inches running full-time during that period, so producers need some stored water in the 6-inch soil profile, New said.

"We want to do more with less,

but just how much can you do?" he asked. "You don't want to plant corn with only four gallons per minute per acre available from your well. You are better off with sorghum."

Sorghum requires 12 to 12.5 inches of moisture from mid-July to the end of August, and a four gallon-per-minute-per-acre well can produce somewhere between 9.5-10 inches, New said. That risk can be made up with a full soil-moisture profile. Also, grain sorghum will do without moisture longer than corn before it starts stressing.

Cotton is another option where water is limited, he said. A three gallon-per-minute-per-acre well can support the production of three to four bales per acre of cotton.

"Every crop-water-use chart indicates we don't have the water to meet the demand throughout the

growing season," New said. "What we try to meet is the demand during peak parts of the season."

"On most crops, you are betting on some free moisture in the form of rainfall, but you don't want a wreck."

Utilizing tools such as soil moisture probes and the weather station network, he advised, wait as long as possible, but be prepared to put on water to fill the six-inch soil profile for this year's crop.

"You know as well as I know, every year is different," New said. "Wait as long as you can. If you can only put on an inch a week, it takes six weeks to fill the soil profile. So keep that in mind when planning water for critical water-use stages."

"If you have to quit watering on one of these stages, it will hurt you at harvest," he said.

Sheriff's Report: Officer finds kid who left babysitter's

January 28, 2008

8:53 a.m. - Courthouse
11:43 a.m. - Business alarm, Co. Rd. 'R'.
11:58 a.m. - Away from vehicle.
12:57 p.m. - Courthouse.
4:19 p.m. - EMS assist, Co. Rd. 'U'; off Hwy. 70 S.
5:11 p.m. - Away from vehicle.
6:41 p.m. - Have located loose livestock, Hwy 70 S.; owner on scene.
9:57 p.m. - EMS assist, located not logged.
10:33 p.m. - Check update with crew working on city water tower; W. Clarendon.
11:58 p.m. - UTL reported, loud music; 3rd and Faker Sts.

January 29, 2008

8:59 a.m. - At Clarendon College, theft reported.
10:29 a.m. - Caller reporting small child, 3-4 years of age running across Hwy. 287 at Goodnight St.
10:48 a.m. - Child secure, have located parent.
12:58 p.m. - Standby grass fire, Rick Husband Dr. and Dawn Sts.; Howardwick.
1:31 p.m. - Out with semi, stopped in Roadway Hwy. 287 at S. Taylor St.
3:01 p.m. - Out at govt. apts., N. Sully St.
8:09 p.m. - Clarendon College Gym.

January 30, 2008

2:43 a.m. - See caller, 1000 Blk. E. 3rd St.
7:35 a.m. - Have picked up child, 3 - 4 years of age at business, 500 Blk. E. 1st St. Taking him to school, someone will know him.
7:37 a.m. - Child now with parent, wandered off from babysitter's res.; looking for his school bus.
3:53 p.m. - UTL pick with trailer, lost

2 tires from trailer.
5:01 p.m. - Check res. of Ten Bears Howardwick; possible break in.

January 31, 2008

5:13 a.m. - Trooper reports blowing snow, Donley Co. line W. coming our way.
5:14 a.m. - Calls for road conditions begin.
6:52 a.m. - Dep. Reports roads slick in town, not bad Hwy.
6:54 a.m. - Cont. calls, road conditions and updates.
7:50 a.m. - 1 vehicle slid into curb, S. Koogle and W. 3rd Sts.
4:51 p.m. - Clerk's office.
5:37 p.m. - Clarendon College Gym.
10:33 p.m. - To jail, 1 male in custody; made alcohol available to minor.

February 1, 2008

4:52 a.m. - Check for vehicle, east bound 287; caller reporting possible speed at 100 mph.
10:44 p.m. - Responds to residential alarm, 300 Blk. E. White St.
4:46 p.m. - See caller, Ten Bears Howardwick; possible theft.
5:54 p.m. - Out at location, S. Koogle.
8:59 p.m. - See caller, 700 Blk. E. Montgomery St.; theft.
9:20 p.m. - Continue investigation on theft, 700 Blk. E. Montgomery St.

February 2, 2008

3:56 a.m. - Securing building at School.
2:31 p.m. - See caller, 900 Blk. W. 2nd St.; possible assault.
3:36 p.m. - Away from vehicle.
7:35 p.m. - Check security, 200 Blk. S. Goodnight St.
7:48 p.m. - See caller, 900 Blk. W. 2nd St.
8:42 p.m. - EMS assist, 700 Blk. W. 9th St.

11:59 p.m. - Transport sub. to residence.

February 3, 2008

12:46 a.m. - Out at Clarendon College dorm.
5:37 p.m. - See caller, 900 Blk. W. 2nd St.; 3 males entered business started a fire.
5:45 p.m. - Out 900 Blk. W. 2nd St.
5:47 p.m. - On to 2nd location.
5:53 p.m. - Back to location, 900 Blk. W. 2nd St.
6:46 p.m. - EMS assist, Hwy. 70 N. at Howardwick entrance.
9:07 p.m. - Continue investigation of theft, 700 Blk. E. Montgomery St.
10:02 p.m. - Away from vehicle.
11:05 p.m. - EMS assist, Clarendon College dorm.

SUMMARY:

Arrests - 2
EMS - 12
FD - 2

Constable's Report

Tickets - 32
Calls - 8
Arrests - 1
Fire - 2

District Court Action

Danny W. Mullins: Evading arrest with a vehicle. Three years deferred adjudication. Court cost \$361; fine \$252.58; restitution \$1,247.42; 1/28/2008
Shirley Jean Hopkins: Possession of controlled substance. Four years deferred adjudication. Court costs \$361; fine \$2000; Restitution \$140. 1/28/2008
Tony Maxfield: Burglary of a habitation. Five years deferred adjudication. Court costs \$361; fine \$1000; restitution \$500.00; 1/28/2008

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