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

Man in jail after brandishing knife

A local man remained in jail this week after wielding a knife around Hedley last week.

The Donley County Sheriff's Office was alerted Friday night that Jeremy Blackwell was brandishing a knife.

After law enforcement arrived and investigated, a search uncovered Blackwell hiding in the back seat of a Chevrolet Tahoe at his grandmother's house. He was armed with a knife and an ax handle at the time of his arrest.

Blackwell was subsequently booked into the Donley County Jail for aggravated assault with bond set at \$5,000.

The accused was previously arrested on October 31, 2008, for aggravated sexual assault of child and jailed with a bond of \$50,000. He had remained in jail until last Monday when his lawyer petitioned the court and got Blackwell's bond reduced to \$25,000. Whereupon he made bail and was released.

Scholarship set up to honor Houston

The Clarendon College Ex-Students Association has created a scholarship fund in memory of CC alumna and Dickey Library Director Jewel Houston.

Those wishing to make a contribution to the fund can do so at Clarendon College, PO Box 968, Clarendon, TX 79226.

EMT classes begin later this month

The Associated Ambulance Authority, in conjunction with Clarendon College, will be offering an EMT Basic class beginning the week of March 23, 2009, and ending approximately the last week of July. Classes will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday. There will be no cost for the class. Students will be responsible for the cost of books, insurance, and uniform.

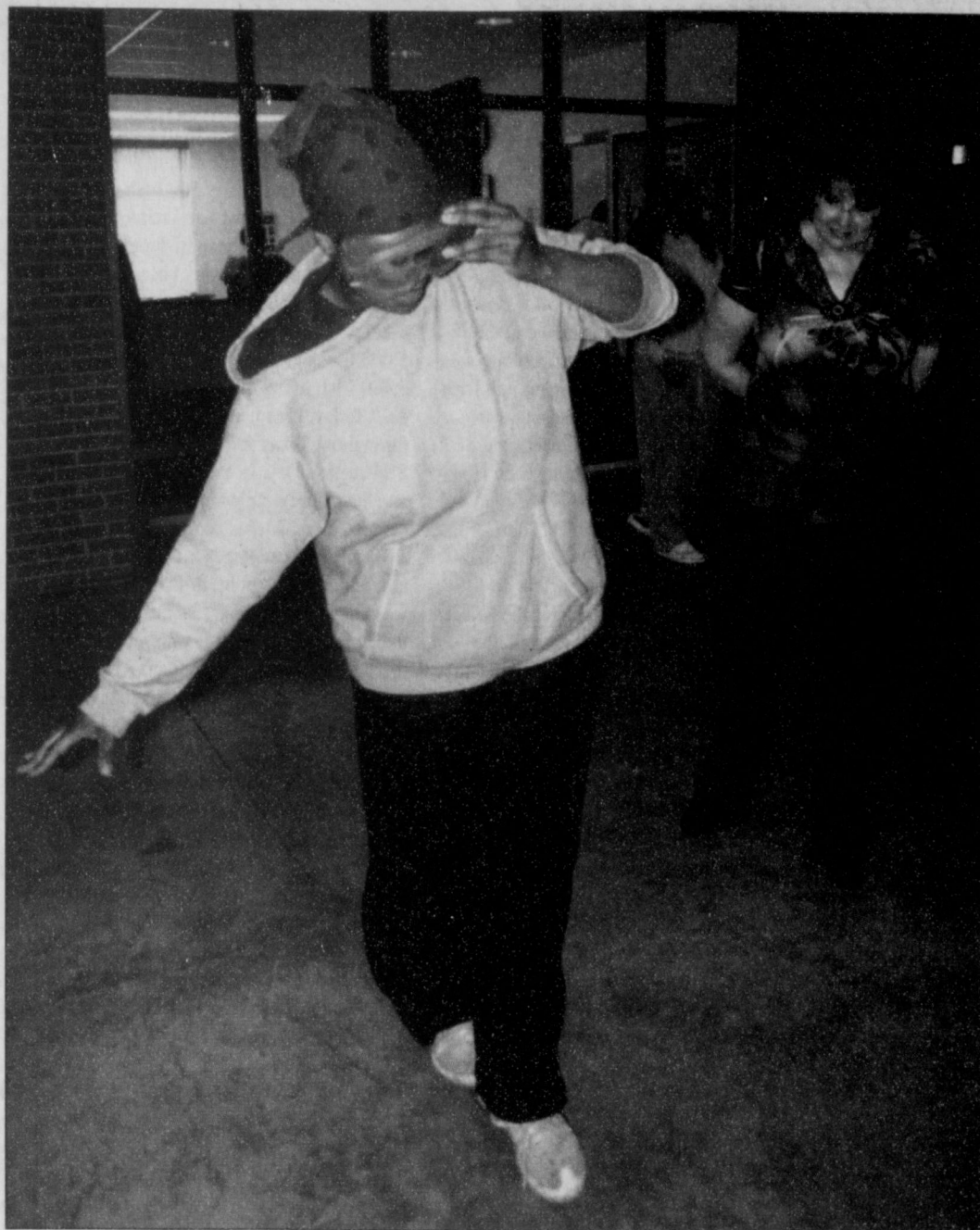
If interested, stop by the Associated Ambulance Authority office, Three Medical Center Drive in Clarendon to reserve your place; or call Anna Howard LP, Director of Operations at (806) 874-2233.

CC Judging Team wins Houston Show

The Clarendon College Meats Judging Team placed first at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo this weekend.

Jerra McMath placed 2nd high individual, Clayton Gardner placed 5th high, and Sean Garcia placed 9th high.

Ten teams competed in the contest.



Walk the line

Clarendon College freshman De'Quasia Franklin of Arlington tries to stay on the straight and narrow with her vision impaired to mimic the effects of alcohol Tuesday morning as TxDOT's Barbara Seal (right) watches. Representatives of the Texas Department of Transportation were on campus to handout bags, pencils, and other goodies to entice students to sign a pledge that they would buckle up and would not drink and drive during spring break next week.

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Deputy resigns after break-in investigation

A break-in at the historic Bugbee House last week turned out to be anything but routine mischief and has cost the Donley County Sheriff's Office one deputy.

Sheriff Butch Blackburn said his office received a report of the security alarm going off last Thursday about 9 p.m. When authorities arrived, six college-age young women were at the house and were taken in for an investigation into the break in.

But as the investigation continued last Friday, new light was shed on the case.

"After a thorough investigation, it was decided no charges would be filed on the girls," Blackburn said. "Also through that investigation, it was learned that some of the policies of the sheriff's office had been compromised, which has resulted in the Donley County Sheriff's Office's being short one deputy."

Blackburn confirmed that the deputy in question resigned immediately at 11 p.m. last Friday.

"The deputy in question used poor judgment that led to the girls' being at that location at that time," Blackburn said.

The sheriff would not identify the deputy for the record.

The Bugbee House northwest of Harold Dow Bugbee, one of the greatest Western artists of the 20th century, Bugbee, whose works are

in collections everywhere from local homes and businesses to the Smithsonian Institution, died in 1963 and left everything to his widow, Olive Vandruff Bugbee, and to the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum (PPHM) in Canyon.

Mrs. Bugbee was an acclaimed artist in her own right whose patrons included President Lyndon Johnson and Governor Dolph Briscoe. She carefully maintained her husband's estate, kept detailed records on everything, and then also bequeathed all her belongings to the PPHM when she died in January of 2003.

Since that time the museum has been working to catalog the possessions in the house and move the valuables to Canyon.

Blackburn said Tuesday that the head of the PPHM was in agreement with his office that no charges be filed on the girls. The sheriff's office is now working to expunge the records of the girls.

"Unfortunately it takes longer to clean up a mess than it does to start it," Blackburn said. "We are going to work diligently until the records are clean."

Blackburn also issued a warning about those who might be interested in tampering with the house.

"This does not give a green light for kids to trespass at the Bugbee House," the sheriff said. "It is monitored, and trespassers will be arrested."

Four boards to hold contested elections in May

Four local governments will hold elections this May following the last day of filing for office Monday.

Two candidates have emerged to run for mayor of Clarendon. Incumbent Chris Ford filed for re-election, and Alderman Tommy Hill also is running for the city's top spot.

On the Board of Aldermen, a four-way race for two seats has developed. Alderman Terry Noble withdrew his earlier candidacy for mayor and re-filed to run for the

board. Alderman Ann Huey is also seeking re-election. Nobel and Huey are being challenged by Larry Hicks and Jeff King.

The City of Howardwick has only one candidate for mayor, Dell Essary, but drew three candidates for two positions on the Board of Aldermen. Incumbent Gene Rogers will be joined on the ballot by Norm Haygood and Louise Popplewell.

Five candidates will vie for two positions on the Hedley School

Board, and none of them are incumbents. Travis Thomas, Shelby Shipp, Carole Ward, Gwynne Howard, and Lana Wright have all filed to run for the Board of Trustees.

Two positions on the Board of the Donley County Hospital District will be contested, and a third is uncontested. Billy Ray Johnston and Jennie Owens are running for the Place One position, and Tammy Owen and Bright Newhouse III are running for Place Two. Those posi-

tions are currently held by Don Thornberry and Alan Fletcher, neither of whom is running for re-election. Incumbent Melinda McAnear is the only candidate for Place Three on the hospital board.

Two other local governments did not draw enough candidates to have contested races and will likely cancel their elections this year if no write-in candidates emerge.

Clarendon ISD had two positions up on its Board of Trustees,

and only Wes Hatley and incumbent Wayne Hardin filed to run.

The City of Hedley had three positions open on the Board of Aldermen, and all three incumbents - Bruce Howard, Travis Ruthardt, and Colleen Owens - filed for re-election.

All local offices are elected at-large, but hospital board candidates must sign up for a specific place. Elections will be held Saturday, May 9.

Remains in Memphis park reveal clues about prehistoric life in area

CANYON - The story of a Native American man from the distant past is unfolding.

Dr. Matthew Taylor, Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum Assistant Curator of Archeology and physical anthropologist, is examining the human remains from an ancient burial site found in a sand quarry in Memphis.

While the skeleton was not complete, a large percentage was recovered. The remains are from an adult male, 55 years or older, according to Taylor.

"The whole point is to reconstruct life by finding out how he lived from what his bones tell us."

Also found at the burial site was a conch shell used as a pendant on a necklace and several snail shell beads. Conch shells the size of the

one found are native to Florida, thus substantiating how much trading was a part of life long ago. While this conch shell may not have been a status symbol, it was certainly of value because of its rarity on the plains. Conches have been found in other contexts on the Panhandle Plains, again providing evidence that trading was widespread.

More than 40 snail shells with a hole drilled into them were found at the site. The identification of the snail species is an ongoing process and once found will give further evidence to where they originated.

While recovering the remains, PPHM archeologists also tested for a larger site, but found no other cultural items in the area. Testing involved visual inspection of the area and screening soil near the

burial site.

In analyzing the life of this man, Taylor will measure the bones and study their structure. In order to determine the time period in which he lived, the artifacts recovered will serve as a diagnostic tool; however, if a specific time or age cannot be determined by this method, an organic sample may be sent off for radiocarbon dating.

A report on the remains will be submitted to the Department of the Interior. Consultation with the Department of the Interior, Native American tribes, the Texas Historical Commission, and the City of Memphis will determine the final disposition of the remains.

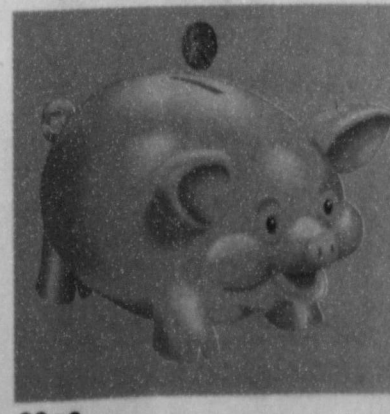
Searching for artifacts on public land is illegal and a violation of the Texas Antiquities Code.



Strike a pose

Mathew Williams and Brandi Harriss perform an interpretive dance with their youth group from the Nazarene Church during the eighth annual Clarendon Public School talent show Monday night at the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Center.

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guest commentary

Pssst, They're Stealing from You. Again.

By John W. Whitehead, Rutherford Institute

"We are going to ban all earmarks, the process by which individual members insert pet projects without review." — Barack Obama, Jan. 6, 2009

Foreclosures, which are spreading by epidemic proportions, now affect nearly one in every eight American homeowners. The labor market is deteriorating at an even faster rate, with the jobless rate jumping to 8.1 percent in February. People who felt safe and secure at their jobs and in their homes are seeing their very livelihoods threatened or destroyed, and the bread lines are forming.

But while more and more are finding it difficult, if not impossible, to just get by, our so-called representatives in Congress are playing games with our hard-earned taxpayer dollars. The more these politicians talk about change, however, the more things stay the same. The \$410 billion Omnibus spending bill, which will supposedly keep the government running for the next fiscal year, is a case in point.

Despite our president's pledge to ban all earmarks, this piece of legislation is loaded with ridiculous, wasteful projects that have absolutely nothing to do with keeping the federal government operating. The politicians use these pork projects, earmarks (also referred to as Christmas tree items) and WAMs (walking around money) to benefit their constituents or campaign contributors. Earmarks (the term originated back when cows and pigs had their ears marked to identify their owners) have been tacked onto just about every major appropriations bill that has made its way through Congress in recent years, and this year is no exception.

As Michael Grunwald reports for Time: When it comes to Congressional earmarks, it's hard to decide who's the biggest hypocrite. The current media favorite is President Obama, who sought earmarks as a senator, criticized earmarks as a candidate, and now plans to sign a spending bill stuffed with nearly 9,000 earmarks. But what about earmark-addicted Republicans, who oversaw an unprecedented explosion of earmarks when they controlled Congress, resisted efforts by Obama and other Democrats to inject accountability into the earmark process, and even grabbed over 40 percent of the earmarks in the current bill, yet have the gall to blast Obama's cave-in?

At a staggering 1,132-pages, this spending bill is so cumbersome and the mountain of bureaucratic doublespeak so obscure that it's difficult to separate the good from the bad. And the listing of pork projects, which are worth approximately \$7.7 billion, is so huge that it is nearly impossible to sift through. With so many inane, wasteful items to wade through, you're forced to give up before reading them all. The following are just a tiny fraction of what's included:

- \$1.7 million for pig odor research in Iowa
- \$2.1 million for the Center for Grape Genetics in New York
- \$1.9 million for the Pleasure Beach water taxi in Connecticut
- \$1.7 million for a honey bee factory in Weslaco, Texas
- \$1 million for Mormon cricket control in Utah
- \$819,000 for catfish genetics research in Alabama
- \$650,000 for beaver management in North Carolina and Mississippi
- \$951,500 for Sustainable Las Vegas
- \$2 million for the promotion of astronomy in Hawaii
- \$167,000 for the Autry National Center for the American West in Los Angeles
- \$238,000 for the Polynesian Voyaging Society in Hawaii
- \$200,000 for a tattoo removal violence outreach program to help gang members or others shed visible signs of their past
- \$209,000 to improve blueberry production and efficiency in Georgia
- \$280,000 for alternative uses for tobacco
- \$190,000 for the Buffalo Bill Historical Center in Wyoming
- \$400,000 to combat bullying in Montana
- \$6.6 million for termite research in New Orleans
- \$4.5 million to conduct research and development into new wood products in Duluth
- \$500,000 for a biking pedestrian trail in Indiana
- \$250,000 for the Idaho Sage Grouse
- \$1.2 million for the Wolftrap Performing Arts Center trail

Then there's \$3.5 million for Koochiching, a county in Minnesota with large tracts of privately-owned forest land. The government, allegedly in the interest of conservation, has been paying a private land developer large sums of money in return for its agreement to not sell, divide or develop the land. At a time when real estate prices are taking a nosedive, it's a pretty sweet deal (for the developer, not the taxpayer); not only does the development company retain ownership of the land, but it continues to make money from logging the land.

If the government cannot pass a bill without packing it full of inane projects, then the government has broken down. It doesn't work anymore. Grunwald was right: "Earmarks are the grimy political grease that helps our spending motor run. They're not completely innocuous — \$7.7 billion is real money — but the real problem right now is the motor. It's as inefficient as Georgia blueberries."

It's up to President Obama to live up to his campaign promises and clean up this mess. He can start by holding firm to his pledge to take the pork out of government spending. We don't need vague promises to fix this problem in the future. The country's in trouble now.

And there is something "we the people" can do as well — use our constitutional rights to protest and present our grievances to our representatives. If you're not already outraged and angry, then you'd better get mad.

John Whitehead is a constitutional attorney.

Profiling the Irish-Texan heritage

As it did for many settlers of all backgrounds, Texas offered a land of opportunity, freedom, and independence to the first Irish settlers. In Texas, Irish immigrants finally found land they could cultivate as their own after fleeing the political and religious persecution they had suffered in their homeland under the English for more than 300 years.

One of the first Irishmen to leave an indelible mark on Texas history was Hugo Oconor (O'Connor), a native of Dublin. As a young man, Oconor fled Ireland to Spain to join his cousins in service in the Spanish Army. He was later transferred to serve in Cuba and Mexico, and in 1767, he was sent to Texas to investigate reports of corruption within the ranks of the colonial administration. Soon after uncovering the root of the corruption, Oconor was appointed acting governor of Texas. During his tenure as ad-interim governor, Oconor was dubbed the "Red Captain" by local Indians because of his classically Irish, fiery-red hair. Upon assuming the position of governor, the province was in disarray because of the constant clashing between local Indian tribes and raids on San Antonio by the Apaches. The Red Captain is remembered for his success in reinforcing San Antonio against the Apaches and bringing order to the region.

James Hewetson, a native of Thomastown, Ireland, came to the U.S. as a young man and set his sights on making his fortune in Mexico. His plans were temporarily diverted when he met Stephen. F. Austin in St. Louis. Hewetson struck up a friendship with Austin and accompanied him on his first visit to Texas in 1821. In Bexar, Hewetson

parted ways with Austin's party and made his way to Mexico, where he started several enterprises and gained influence in the Mexican government.

He was eventually drawn back to Texas, however, and he and James Power established the Power and Hewetson Colony (Refugio Colony) in 1826 along the Texas coast between the Lavaca and Guadalupe rivers, which was later extended from the Guadalupe to the Nueces River. The Refugio Colony was largely inhabited by Mexicans and Irish Catholic families from the southeast coast of Ireland. James Power would later be influential in seating Sam Houston at the Convention of 1836.

In 1828, two Irishmen, John McMullen and James McGloin, established the town of San Patricio de Hibernia on the north side of the Nueces River, in tribute to Saint Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland. McMullen and McGloin contracted with the Mexican government to obtain 80 leagues of land for the settlement. They recruited 200 Irish Catholic families to settle in San Patricio, which legally became the Municipality of San Patricio in the Mexican state of Coahuila and Texas in 1834. During the beginning of the Texas Revolution, San Patricio was ensnared with fighting. Residents from San Patricio did their part to aid the Revolution — sending representatives to every convention, except the first. In December of 1835,

men from San Patricio helped Captain Ira Westover and his troops from Goliad capture Fort Lipantitan. The colonies of San Patricio and Refugio endured some of the harshest conditions experienced by early Texas settlers.

In addition to these four Irish empresarios, Hewetson, Power, McMullen and McGloin, many Irish settlers played significant roles in the Texas Revolution. History tells us 11 of the Texans who died defending the Alamo were Irish natives, and nearly 100 Irish natives fought in the Battle of San Jacinto.

After the war, those Irishmen who did not remain in the army became artisans and merchants, while some pursued politics. The 1850 census in Texas listed 1,403 Irish, and by 1860, there were 3,480 Irish living in Texas.

Today, Irish heritage is celebrated throughout Texas and especially on St. Patrick's Day. In Shamrock, Texas, revelers participate in an annual beard contest, along with sheep-dog shows and a Miss Irish Rose Pageant. In San Antonio, which at one point in Texas history was known as the Irish Flat because of the large number of Irish who settled there, they dye the San Antonio River green on St. Patrick's Day. Organizations in Abilene host a St. Patrick's Day dance and a Painting of the Shamrock ceremony. And in Dallas, the North Texas Irish Festival has become so popular, it draws crowds of more than 20,000 each year — the largest Celtic festival in the southwestern United States.

Our state's first Irish settlers embodied independence and endurance. Texans are proud to continue that legacy and celebrate the rich contributions of the Irish people.



texas times
by sen. john cornyn



Little Dribblers should focus on kids

The Clarendon Little Dribblers organization has been around a long time. In its prime, it helped the youth learn the rules and gain the skills to play basketball while building self confidence. Every kid was given the opportunity to learn and play. It has instilled the love of the game in many Clarendon students and helped them succeed in basketball programs in our junior high and high school.

Over the years, the basketball games became more of a fighting match between parents than playing the game with the kids. More focus was made on just winning the game not playing the game.

This year the program promoted change. Parents were told more focus was going to be emphasized on fundamentals and skills. But at the end of a very short program, a lot of kids and parents were left out in the cold. Not every kid was given the opportunity to show what they had learned or participate in games that parents, grandparents, and other family members could come and watch.

We would like to see our kids play and show off what they have learned. We want to see all the kids play in an environment that is healthy, instead of one where the parents have only negativity. We want to see them compete and have fun while learning to play a little basketball. We would gladly support and help with a program that would do that.

With the experience of what happened this year, we hope the parents will come together and help form a good program that will benefit everyone and not just the selected few. We want to be a part of that and hope others will sup-

port it too.

Kevin and Cheryl Johnson,
Clarendon

America is faltering

A great editorial (March 5, 2009) but also a terribly depressing one.

I must say that I truly fear for America under its current regime. Ruinous policies paired with messianic intolerance of dissent pose the greatest threat in your history to the great American promise. The United States has long been the stellar example of excellence, achievement, and generosity.

Unfortunately, a bare majority of voters have chosen to sacrifice your personal freedoms for the illusory promise of kumbaya safety and security. As a result, your countrymen's talent for excellence and achievement will be punished, and your capacity for generosity will be withered.

I am reminded of a quotation by Abraham Lincoln: "America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we

falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves."

As an admiring neighbor, and as one with American ancestry, I do pray that America, the idea, will survive long enough to save America, the country.

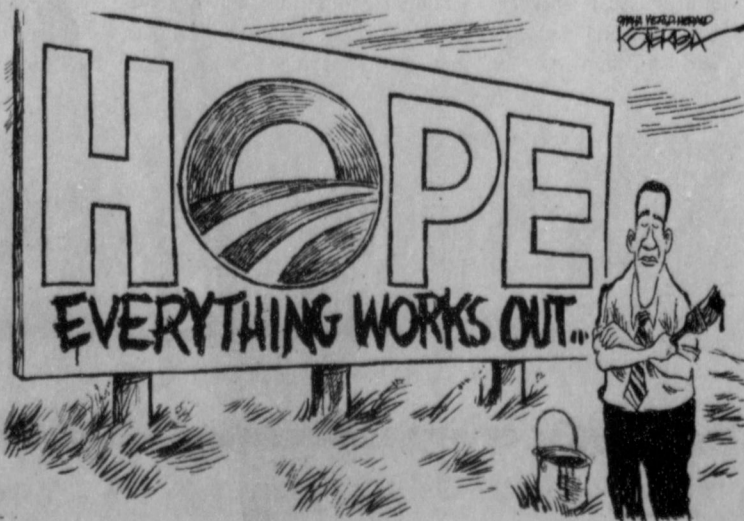
Lee Cutforth
Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada

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I would like to express my sincere gratitude for all of the thoughts, prayers, and well wishes throughout my deployment. A very special word of thanks should be extended to the elementary class of Mrs. Frausto, the junior high reading class led by Mrs. Pigg, and the Friends of the Burton Memorial Library.

The terrific people of Donley County certainly make my service here worthwhile and make me proud to call Clarendon my home.

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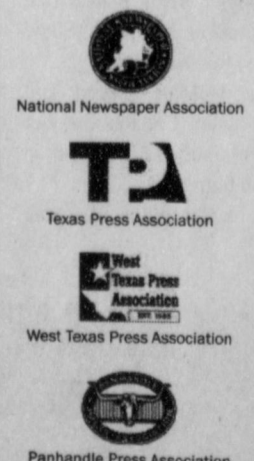
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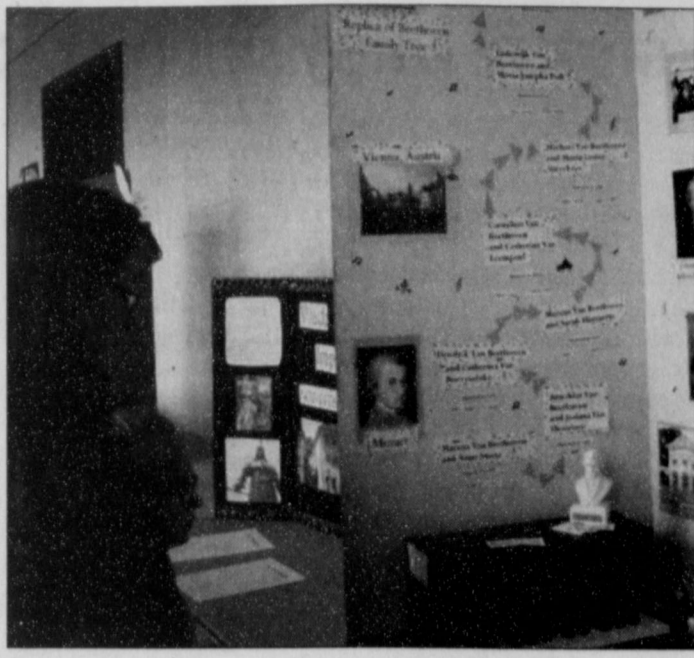
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Clarendon students ready to go to Austin for History Day

Winners from the Regional History Day competition held Saturday, March 7, at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon are gearing up for an appearance at the state History Day competition May 8-9 at the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum in Austin.

Students from around the panhandle devised exhibits, wrote papers, made documentaries and performed skits relating to the 2009 theme "The Individual in History". Winners at Regional History Day were: Senior Individual Website: 1st-Maegan Hysinger - Clarendon High School, Title: Beatrix Potter; Senior Historical Paper: 2nd-Audrey Jones - Clarendon High School, Title: Sandra Day O'Connor; Senior

Individual Performance: 1st-R. J. Nino - Clarendon High School, Title: Fray Bartolome de Las Casas; Senior Individual Exhibit: 1st-Joe Hall - Clarendon High School, Title: General George Patton: The Greatest Leader of WWII; 2nd-Chelsea Covey - Clarendon High School, Title: Beethoven; Senior Group Exhibit: 1st-Deidre Lewis, Cominique Brady - Clarendon High School, Title: Arbeit Macht Frei: The Story of Elie Wiesel; Senior Individual Documentary: 1st-Amelia Taylor - Clarendon High School, Title: Mr. Marshall Makes His Decision; and Senior Group Documentary: 1st-Morgan Hysinger, Abbie Massingill, Niki Roberts - Clarendon High, Title: Grace Kelly



Two visitors at the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum look at Clarendon High School student Chelsea Covey's, Senior Individual Exhibit 2nd place winner, exhibit on Beethoven.

the lion's tale

by roger estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting March 10, 2009, with Boss Lion Cameron Word ringing the bell.

We had 21 members and two guests this week - Matt Stidham and Eloy Comacho, guests of Lion Chuck Robertson.

Our program this week was presented by Lion Debra Kuhl, and she discussed the upcoming kids' college program that Clarendon College will be holding for youngsters, giving them the opportunity to participate in many fun activities.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

weather report

Day	Date	High	Low	Prec.
Mon	2	56°	22°	-
Tues	3	67°	31°	-
Wed	4	74°	32°	-
Thur	5	90°	41°	-
Fri	6	87°	50°	-
Sat	7	79°	52°	-
Sun	8	80°	38°	-

Total precipitation this month: 0.00"
Total precipitation to date: 0.63"
Total precipitation in Feb. last year: 0.62"
Total YTD last year: 0.64"

weekend forecast

Friday, Mar. 13
Few Showers
48°/30°

Saturday, Mar. 14
Few Showers
54°/31°

Sunday, Mar. 15
Partly Cloudy
67°/37°

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Good agricultural practices help ensure quality produce

AUSTIN — Amid rising consumer concern about food safety, Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples announced today that the Texas Department of Agriculture awarded \$92,000 for the development of manuals that will assist farmers in becoming certified in nationally recognized Good Agricultural Practices (GAP). The voluntary program will be implemented in conjunction with the Texas AgriLife Extension Service.

"Texas farmers are leaders in growing the safest and most abundant food supply in the world," Commissioner Staples said. "By standardizing best practices, our farmers continue their commitment to making Texas produce stand out as the best."

The standard operating procedure (SOP) manuals, which are created for individual farms, will serve as guidelines to farmers of edible fruits and vegetables who wish to implement safe growing practices as established by national standards. Once these practices are defined for

each operation, producers are in a better position to pass a private audit that will lead to GAP certification by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

Currently USDA does not require certification; however, many retailers are starting to purchase the majority of their produce from GAP certified farmers. Commissioner Staples plans to help offset the cost of future audits to producers.

"This is an excellent voluntary opportunity for Texas farmers to enhance their operations," Commissioner Staples said. "With current funding, we will assist Texas farmers in creating the necessary procedures for good agricultural practices; next, we will seek funding from USDA to make the GAP audits for certification more affordable, garnering higher participation."

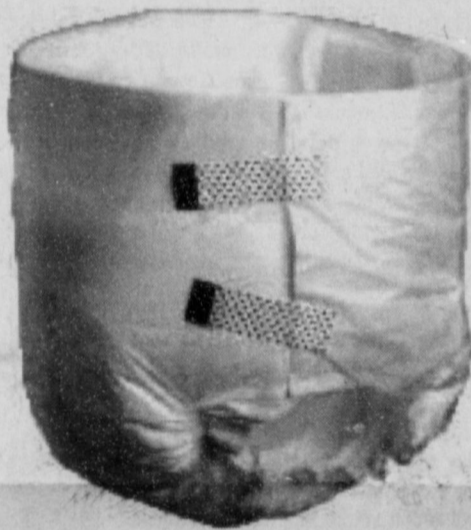
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March 13
Lady Bronco Softball v. River Road • 4 p.m. • Lady Bronco Field

Bronco Baseball v. Vernon Northside • 4:30 p.m. • in Vernon

March 16-20
Spring Break

March 17
St. Patrick's Day

March 19
Lady Bronco Softball v. Perryton • 4 p.m. • Lady Bronco Field

March 20
Lady Bronco Softball v. Booker • 4 p.m. • Lady Bronco Field

Bronco Baseball v. Wellington • 4:30 p.m. • McClellan Field

April 4
Chamber Banquet • Hats & Hearts • 6 p.m. • Bairfield Activity Center

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Menus

March 16 - 20
Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Lasagna, green beans, corn salad, banana pudding, garlic toast.
Tue: Roast/brown gravy, baked sweet potatoes, marinated zucchini salad, blueberry pound cake, Texas toast.
Wed: Hot steak, toast/gravy, onion rings, cucumber salad, fruit bowl.
Thu: Spaghetti/meat sauce, fried okra, tossed salad, jello/whipped cream, garlic toast.
Fri: Chicken salad, baked potatoes, macaroni/tomatoes, strawberry cake, bread.

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Baked ham, broccoli/rice casserole, buttered carrots, cucumber/onion salad, baked apples, biscuits.
Tue: Stuffed bell peppers, tater tots, corn, beet pickles, peaches/strawberries, roll.
Wed: Steak & gravy, scalloped potatoes, green peas, jello salad, coconut pie, roll.
Thu: Lasagna, corn nuggets, okra & tomatoes, tossed salad, butter-scotch pudding, garlic toast.
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FUMC starts new food pantry mission

A new food pantry mission called "Share Your Blessings" has been started in Clarendon involving the Wednesday Night Bible Study Youth of the First United Methodist Church as a "Faith in Action" ministry.

During the second week of each month, requests for food donations will be hung on doors in a section of town by the youth. The request explains the mission and also provides a grocery bag. Requests are hung on doors on Monday evenings, and then the donations are picked up the following Wednesday evening.

Donations that are picked up are then distributed between our Community Food Pantry, Senior Citizens Center, and the FUMC Food Pantry. This is an on-going ministry to help those community services who provide food for those in need. It is also a mission to help our citizens to "Share Your Blessings."

If you have any questions, you may contact the church office or Janet Carter at 874-9049.

Methodists to hold combined services

The First United Methodist Church will hold its Fifth Sunday Combined Service this Sunday.

Worship and children's church will be at 9 a.m., Sunday school will be at 10 a.m., and brunch will be at 11 a.m.

Hedley folks stay busy with social events

The first week of March was a busy week for Hedley.

I reported last week about the birthdays for Margaret Holland, Wilson Stephens and Wilson's great-grandson. Tuesday, March 3, the Baptist Church held the Senior Citizens Banquet, and it was a huge success.

We enjoyed BBQ Brisket, green bean casserole, and baked potato along with some wonderful homemade desserts. Everyone received a door prize and enjoyed good fellowship. Bruce Howard and some of the kids sang songs to us.

Thursday, March 5, the Lioness Club held their meeting. Katherine Monroe, Helen Lamberson, and Louise Stewart were the host-

esses, and we enjoyed Taco Soup and corn bread along with dessert.

On Saturday, March 7, we held Patsy Spier's 80th. Birthday party. We enjoyed about 75 to 100 people for cake and punch. She received over 100 birthday cards, Pat Boone sent her an autographed picture, and her favorite Romance writer, Jodi Thomas, sent her a beautiful autographed book bag.

She also received fresh flower arrangements - one from her employees at the Senior Citizens, one from Frank and Ruleen Howard (friends from Claude), one from the White Kids (Tanya Gibson & girls, Renee Shields and family, Shauna Herbert and family and Bob White and Family), and one from the

Max McCoy family from Longview, Texas (who has been a wonderful supporter of the Hedley Senior Citizens). Her son's family

from Burleson was here, Jack, Shirley, Chris Spier and Jennifer and Roscoe Harris along with Emory, Dasia and Amiya Harris (her 3 great-granddaughters). She really enjoyed the whole day. She said she partied all week long.

Recipe: Salisbury Steak: 1 (10.5 oz) can condensed French



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onion soup, 1½ pounds ground beef, ½ cup dry bread crumbs, 1 egg, ¼ teaspoon salt, 1/8 teaspoon ground black pepper, 1 Tablespoon all-purpose flour, ¼ cup ketchup, ¼ cup water, 1 Tablespoon Worcestershire sauce, ½ teaspoon mustard powder. In a large bowl, mix together 1/3 cup condensed French onion soup with ground beef, bread crumbs, egg, salt and black pepper. Shape into 6 oval patties. In a large skillet over medium-high heat, brown both sides of patties. Pour off excess fat. In a small bowl, blend flour and remaining soup until smooth. Mix in ketchup, water, Worcestershire sauce and mustard powder. Pour over meat in skillet. Cover, and cook for 20 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Obituaries

Houston
Jewel Austin Houston, 48, died Thursday, March 5, 2009, in Clarendon.

Memorial services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 14, 2009, in the First Baptist Church in Memphis with Elder Jeff Riles, Pastor of the True Church of God in Christ of Clarendon, officiating. Private burial was held in Fairview Cemetery in Memphis. Services are under the arrangement of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Jewel was born on December 26, 1960, in Memphis to Pink Wesley and Odessa Cooper Austin. She grew up in Memphis and graduated from Memphis High School. She received her Bachelor's degree in Library Science from Texas Women's University, and later achieved her Master's degree in Library Science from the University of North Texas. While in college, she was a big part of the Big Brothers/Big Sisters organization. She married Billy Houston on March 23, 2002, in Clarendon. She was a member of the True Church of God in Christ in Clarendon where she served as secretary, board member, and head of the youth ministry. She was the Sunday school field rep for the Berger District COGIC. She was also the Texas NW COGIC Editor of Newsletter.

She was the library director for Clarendon College for many years; then later at Frank Phillips College in Berger, and then again at Clarendon College until her death. She was also very involved in the Adopt a Student Ministry at Clarendon College.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and a sister, Margie Montgomery.

Survivors include her husband, Bill of Clarendon; a stepson, Bill Houston, Jr. of Dallas; a niece/adopted daughter, Aleisha Dickson of Amarillo; three brothers, Kenneth Wayne Austin of Amarillo, Travis Austin of Denton, and Willie Earl McDonald of Dallas; five sisters, Cleola Johnson and Robbie Jackson, both of Memphis, Zetta Riles and Etta Austin, both of Amarillo, and Vernell Scott of Dallas; four grandchildren, Vanessa Houston, Jazmine, Zamiyah, and LaKenzie Dickson; and many nieces, nephews, family, and friends.

The family will be at 201 West 4th in Clarendon.

The family request memorials be to the True Church of God in Christ Youth Ministry, PO Box 1433, Clarendon, Texas 79226.

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Walk Across Texas to kick off at health fair

By MaryRuth Bishop, County Agent

Come and walk across Texas with us! Walk Across Texas (WAT) is a program created by Texas Cooperative Extension to help you establish the habit of regular physical activity.

From border to border, you and/or your team, can walk 830 miles across the state, seeing your progress across the state on-line or on a Texas road map!

Donley County will kick off a Walk Across Texas program at the health fair this year, March 27. There will be a sign up table at the fair for you to pick up a packet, sign up for a team, or get some additional information. Teams will meet at the Clarendon College track at 2:00 p.m. that afternoon to walk the first mile. You can continue walking or visit with other team members. Bring your lawn chair or blanket and enjoy the fun.

Another benefit of WAT is a traveling trophy. If your team has the

top miles, your team will be granted to hold the traveling trophy for one year. Your team name and the year will be engraved. Last year's trophy is held by Lowes Family Center.

Many people tell me they "walk" already for their health. Then you are the individuals who can help other team members. Your already in a rhythm of walking; and by starting a group of friends on a team, then your friends will become healthier. Doing Walk Across Texas with people you know is a great way to help you keep going when you feel like quitting. A map will be displayed at various businesses in Clarendon throughout the eight-week program to track our team's progress.

Start by walking as a member of a team of eight for eight weeks at work or with another type of group such as your church or social group. Team members do not have to walk together. Some prefer walking outside, while others walk on a tread-

mill. You may even choose to bike, swim, or dance across Texas by using mileage equivalents included in your sign up packet.

Walk Across Texas is NOT a walk-a-thon NOR is it an event to raise money. While teams do compete to walk across the state first and/or to accumulate the most miles during the eight weeks, the main point is to get moving and keep moving after Walk Across Texas ends. After Walk Across Texas ends, you may want to continue on walking by yourself to see how long it takes you to walk across the state all by yourself.

According to Physical Activity and Health: A Report of the Surgeon General: Physical inactivity is a serious nationwide problem. It is a public health problem because it is linked to unnecessary illness and premature death.

More than 60 percent of Americans are not getting enough physical

activity to receive health benefits from it. Twenty-five percent of adult Americans report no physical activity in their leisure time. Regular physical activity can substantially reduce the risk of developing or dying from heart disease, diabetes, colon cancer, and high blood pressure. Regular physical activity can reduce the symptoms of depression and anxiety, improve mood, and enhance the ability to perform daily tasks.

The great thing about Walk Across Texas is that almost anyone can do it, older people, kids, families, business people, rural residents, middle-income families, low-income families—just about anyone with a pair of walking shoes can experience the benefits of Walk Across Texas!

For more information, please contact MaryRuth Bishop, CEAFCS at Donley County Extension 874-2141 or Frances Smith at 874-9222.

H-wick firefighters compiling cookbook

Friday afternoon I thought I heard a big truck outside my door, but it was thunder and guess what, we had some rain. Well, it may be called "heavy dew" or a "shower" in other places, but I say "rain" because that word sounds so full of promise. Thank you, Lord, for our less-than-0.10in-of-rain, but please give us more.

With a maiden name of McCracken, I count myself as one of the 35,000,000 Irish descendants in

the US so I'm interested in St Patrick's Day. This day is celebrated in Ireland as a religious feast day as the anniversary of his death on March 17 in the 5th century. Even though it is an Irish holiday, the first parade honoring St Patrick was by Irish soldiers serving in the English military and marching through New York City on March 17, 1762. The tradition continued with many small parades until 1848 when several decided to unite and form one giant parade. Today,

the NYC parade is the world's oldest and the largest in the US with over 150,000 participating each year. Chicago turns the river green but if you want to get an early start, plan to go down 1-40 to Shamrock on March 14. The



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parade starts at 10:30; there is a carnival for kids and a dance that night. Just wear something green. After all, we all have some Irish blood in us.

I'm always bragging about our good cooks. Now is the time to share that knowledge with the rest of the world because the Fire Department is calling for recipes to compile into a community cookbook. Forms are available at City Hall, so pick up several and let's show our support for the Fire Department.

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CHS team does well at science bowl

Clarendon High School students participated in the 18th annual Pantex Science Bowl Saturday, February 28, at West Texas A&M University.

Thirty-three teams representing 18 high schools participated in the competition, including 4A and 5A schools and schools that specifically emphasize math and science training.

The Clarendon team qualified for the afternoon double elimination tournament by winning three of their four matches in a round robin competition earlier that morning. They won against Randal Silver, Heritage Blue, and AACAL Black teams before losing to Palo Duro White.

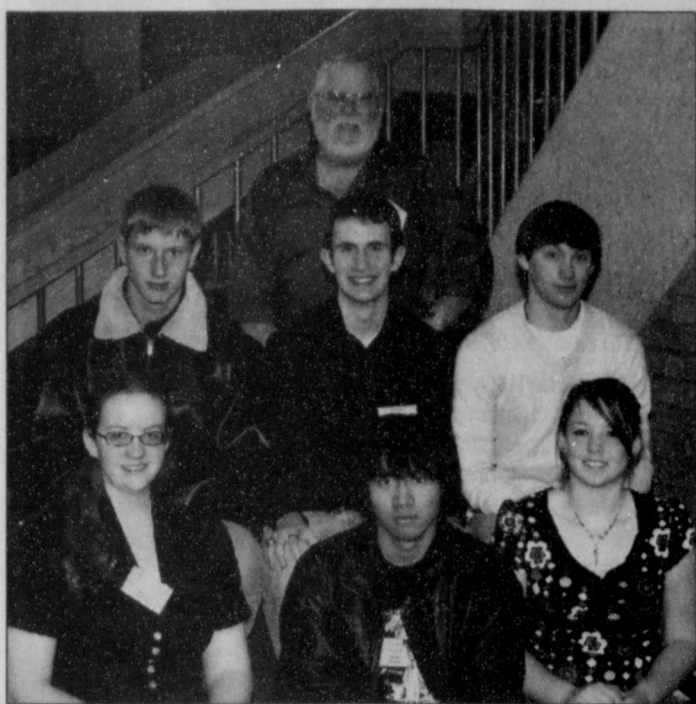
In the double elimination tournament, CHS won against Randall White and Lubbock Gold before losing to Lubbock Black and Randall Black, who later won the competition.

The Science Bowl is operated much like the popular television show *Jeopardy!* with the exception that students play on teams of four instead of individually. Each match consisted of two eight-minute sessions, and a total of 25 math and science questions were asked by moderators.

By the end of the ninth round, most small schools had been eliminated; and by noon, CHS was the only small school left in the contest. Clarendon finished the day in fifth place.

Members of the CHS team were Amelia Taylor, Tony Sisomsouk, Chelsea Covey, Joe Hall, Brett Strobel, and Garrett Bridwell.

Team coach David Lowrie expressed his appreciation to Pantex for sponsoring the science bowl, noting that it gives local students a rare opportunity to showcase their talent and hard work.



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Hedley Dribblers win tournament

By Shayne and Angie Branigan

The Hedley 3rd and 4th grade girls Little Dribbler team won the Hedley Little Dribbler Tournament on Saturday, March 7. The other participating teams included Memphis, Wellington, Childress, Quannah and Paducah.

The Owls began their quest for the championship on Thursday night against the Memphis Lady Dusters. The Hedley girls won the game advancing them Saturday to a match up against the Quannah Indians. The Owls lost the game against Quannah sending them to the loser bracket. This would be the only defeat the Hedley Owls received for the rest of the tournament.

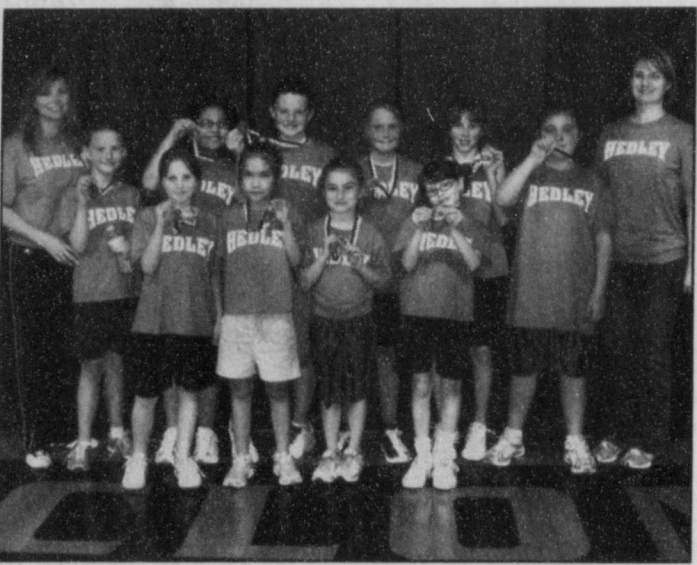
Next the Hedley girls defeated the Skyrocket team advancing them once again at a second chance for the championship. After a short 1 hour break the Lady Owls began an exhaustive march to the championship in 4 back to back winning games beginning with the Memphis Lady Dusters.

After defeating the Lady Dusters the team quickly hustled themselves back to the court to play the Quannah Indians, who had suffered an earlier defeat thus sending them to the loser bracket as well. The Owls won the Quannah game in overtime 14 to 12.

Tired yet focused the girls returned to the court immediately this time to play Paducah. The Owls overtook Paducah placing them in the championship game. In a final rally of this double elimination tournament the Owls mustered just enough strength to sweep past Paducah to win. The Hedley girls won the tournament with a 6-1 record.



The Hedley Little Dribbler Team: (back) Coach Patrice Wood, Kylie Wood, Hannah Branigan, Sara Monroe, Briley Chadwick, Madison Shelp, Hannah Howard, Coach Angie Monroe, (front) Dora Rebolledo, Cristal Ramirez, Makinzie Hinton, Erin Monroe



The Hedley Little Dribbler 3rd and 4th grade girls team, won the Memphis tournament held 2/26 through 2/28 with a record of 3 and 0. Participating teams included Memphis, Hedley, Valley, Wellington, Childress, and Quannah. Pictured back row, left to right: Coach Patrice Wood, Hannah Howard, Madison Shelp, Sara Monroe, Briley Chadwick, Kylie Wood, Hannah Branigan, and Coach Angie Monroe. Front row, left to right: Megan Wells, Dora Rebolledo, Erin Monroe, and Makinzie Hinton.



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Perry seeking emergency drought status for state

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"The drought has created an economic emergency because of losses suffered by many farmers and ranchers," Perry said. "The farmers and ranchers are unable to control the cause of their economic and physical losses, which exceed state, local and private sector assistance capabilities."

Dr. Allan McGinty, Texas AgriLife Extension Service range specialist at San Angelo, said in general, Texas rangelands have received little to no effective rainfall in months.

"Soil moisture is almost non-existent in a large majority of our counties, resulting in an absence of cool season forage plants for livestock," McGinty said. "Most ranchers are having to significantly reduce livestock numbers and heavily supplement those that remain on the ranch. Dry forage conditions, higher than normal daytime temperatures and wind have added the additional risk of wildfire across most of the state. As of March 5, more than 57,000 acres have already burned."

Dr. Travis Miller, AgriLife Extension agronomist at College Station, said if granted, the federal drought declaration from the U.S. Department of Agriculture would allow counties to apply for assistance for drought mitigation and to assist agricultural interests with USDA funds.

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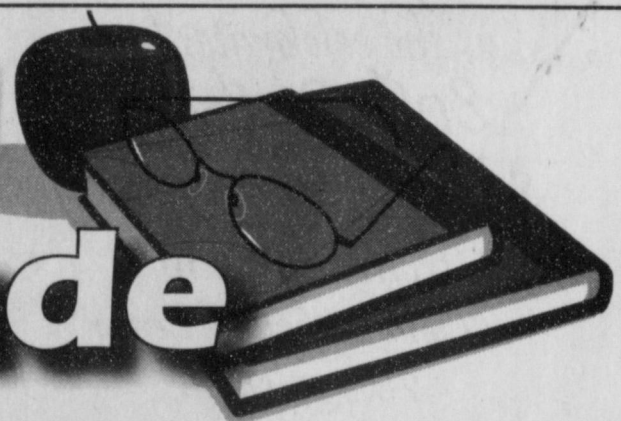
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Sargent. 12th Grade: Skyler Conatser, Peter Howard, Kelby Shields.

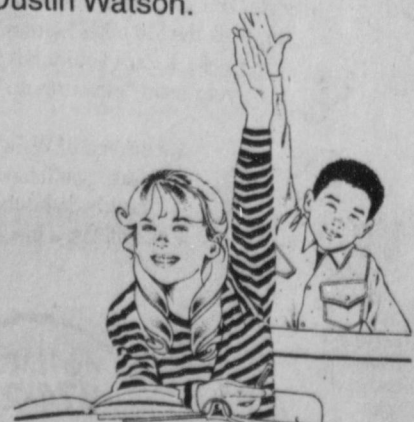
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Kristen Liner, Eric Monroe, Jake Owens, Seth Ruthardt, Bailey Wood. 8th Grade: Austin Adams, Brandon Evans, Caden Farris, Brandon Johnson, Coltin Kingston, Jamie Lollar, Sierra Wheatly. 9th Grade: Joey Allen, Cassidy Burton, Willy Lewis, Jacob Ramirez, Sierra Shelp. 10th Grade: JJenni Allen, Miriam Garcia, Katterinna Johnson, Kelsey Ramirez, Kaylee Shields, Kallie Verstuyft, Jacob Widener. 11th Grade: Brook Martin, Dylan Pettit. 12th Grade: Seth Altman, Liz Garcia, Lauryn Kellas, Isaias Ramirez, Britenie Saitta, Dustin Watson.

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TOUGH TIMES BRING OPPORTUNITIES

The economy is on our mind a lot lately. People are seeing their retirements and savings diminish with no end in sight. What is a person to do? It is rather hard to maintain focus and our faith when times are hard, but there are always opportunities to serve God and usually more when there are perilous times.

My family and I lived in Mississippi during hurricane Katrina. We saw homes and businesses destroyed. We were without power and water for weeks. We saw the best and worst in people, mostly best. During these awful days, I saw churches that had split years before, not only work together but come back together under the same roof. We saw people who weren't very religious begin to seek out God. Acts 17:27ff. tells us that many people are looking for God, but He is always near. Often it takes tough times for some to find God. The attack on 911 comes to mind. A lot of people God hadn't heard from were lifting their voices to Him.

The point is, in the days to come, the economy may worsen. People may lose their jobs. It is during these times that we should either seek this opportunity to become close to God or to help others so that we might glorify Him (1 Peter 2:12).

There are many people in this community who love God and it is evident as they help passing motorists, the elderly, and their neighbors. My family and I hope to always live in a community such as Clarendon, where God is never far. May we all continue to seek the proper relationship with God as He has defined it in the Bible.

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Lady Broncos whip Tigers

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos came back from a one run deficit after three innings to dominate McLean in their District opener at home.

Clarendon defeated McLean 8-1 in the first game of a double-header. The second game was called because of darkness in the bottom of the fourth inning with the Lady Broncos ahead 10-5. The game will be completed at a later time. Danielle Ford (2-0) was on the mound, and Dominique Mason was behind the plate.

After going scoreless in the first inning, McLean struck first when they scored one run in the second. The Lady Broncos did not score until the fifth inning when they put four runs on the board. They added another four runs in the sixth to secure the win.

"It was nip and tuck most of the way until we finally broke through in the fifth," head coach Gary Jack said. "I knew if we would get some people on base, we could get going. They started making a few mistakes, and we were able to score because of them."

Jack said several players had good hits.

"Trevela Dronzek, Jenci and Janae White, Dominique Mason, Brandi Mays, and Elissa Holland had good hits for us. Caitlin Christopher made some good plays, and Elissa Holland had a few really good catches."

McLean is in their first year of softball according to Jack, and they joined our District late last year.

"They are in their first year of softball," Jack said. "They have a few pretty good players, and their pitcher is probably the best we'll face. She is only a sophomore, but she can pitch and hit."

Previously, the ladies played Amarillo High Junior Varsity and won 12-2. Ford was on the mound again, and, according to Jack, the Lady Broncos played solid for their first game.

"We did fair," Jack said. "It was a fast game, and we made a couple of errors; but overall we played well. Jenci, Janae, Trevela, Brandi, and Elissa had some good hits for us. It was a good start."

The Lady Broncos will play River Road at home March 13 at 4:00 p.m.

Lady Broncos run in Pantex Relays

The Lady Broncos competed in their first track meet of the year at Sanford Fritch with good results. The 400-meter relay finished second with a time of 54.43 and those running on the 400 relay were Macy Shadle, Kia Bryley, Haley Hall, and Janae White.

Individual results: 100-meter dash: Bryley 5th 13.02; 200-meter dash: Bryley 3rd 26.98; 100-meter hurdles: Hall 5th 17.76; shot put: Deidre Lewis 3rd 32'10½"; discus: Lewis 5th 85'3"; high jump: Amber Keelin 3rd 4'8".

The Lady Broncos will participate in the Tulia track meet March 13.

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Broncos hang on for 7-6 win over Claude Mustangs

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos struck early in the first inning to take a 1-0 lead and increased that lead to five at the end of the fourth inning. The Mustangs began their comeback in the fourth as well and scored two runs.

The sixth inning was disastrous for the Broncos when Claude scored three runs, but they were able to hold on for the win.

"We got out to an early lead and were able to hang on in the end," coach Brad Elam said. "The basketball guys are out now, and that makes a big difference for us. They are still a little behind on some things, but we will continue to improve."

Elam was respectful of Claude's ability despite the win.

"They are a playoff team from last year and should be competing for a district title in their district this year," Elam said.

The Broncos played good enough to get the win, but Elam knows it is early in the season.

"Our pitching was decent, but we walked too many," Elam said. "Defensively, we played a good game, and Devin Noble showed some range early in the game. Johnny Gaines and David Roberts played well on the left side. Offensively, we still have a little work, but we did enough to get the job done, and we were aggressive on the bases. Johnny Gaines hit his first homerun on his first bat of the year, and he also singled and scored two runs."

Alton Gaines had a big double for the Broncos and scored two runs, according to Elam, and Troy Chambless had a big RBI.

The Broncos will be on the road and play a double-header at Vernon Northside Friday, March 13, beginning at 4:30 p.m.

Bronco JV edges out Childress

The Bronco junior varsity baseball team had only practiced a short time as a complete team, but they had enough talent to gain a one-run victory over Childress at 7-6.

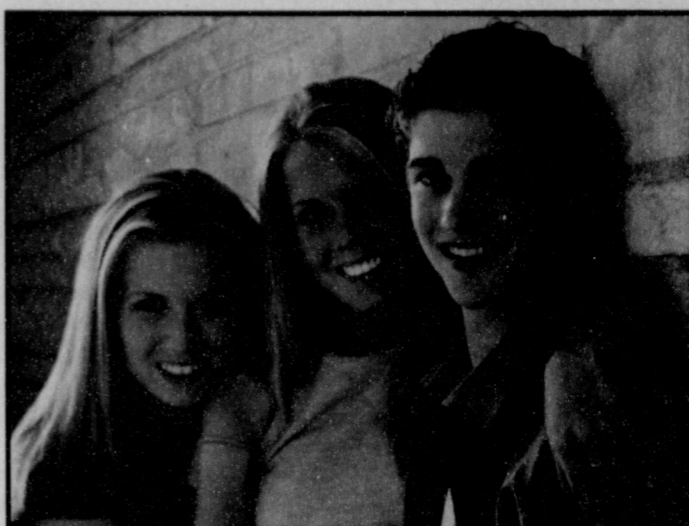
According to head coach Brad Elam, some of the Broncos had not practiced at all, and he felt they were a little rusty.

"Bradley Watson pitched a really good game, striking out 16 in 7 innings," Elam said. "He also scored a run and reached back three times."

Elam went on to say that Josh Krumwiede had two hits and scored two runs while Mike and Chris Crump both scored runs.

"Matthew Thomas drove in two runs and scored a run."

The Broncos will take on Childress at home March 23 at 4:00 p.m.



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Broncos v. Vernon Northside in Vernon, 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 19

Lady Broncos v. Perryton in Clarendon, 4 p.m.

Friday, March 20

Lady Broncos v. Booker in Clarendon, 4 p.m.

Broncos v. Wellington in Clarendon, 4:30 p.m.

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2	Danielle Ford	So.
3	Jenci White	Sr.
4	Morgan Wood	Jr.
5	Haley Hall	Jr.
6	Emily Clark	So.
7	Miranda Miller	So.
8	Macy Shadle	Sr.
9	Brandi Mays	Jr.
10	Jill Luna	Jr.
12	Janae White	Sr.
15	Erin Moore	So.
16	Chelsey Covey	So.
24	Trevela Dronzek	Fr.
25	Dominique Mason	Jr.
33	Caitlyn Christopher	Jr.
44	Elissa Holland	Jr.

Head Coach: Gary Jack
Asst. Coach: Kasey Bell
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Broncos

	Devin Noble	Sr.
	Derrick Shelton	Sr.
	Billy Cenicerros	Sr.
	Alton Gaines	Sr.
	Josh Krumwiede	Jr.
	Stephino McCampbell	Jr.
	Dylan Wright	Jr.
	Dustin Ford	Jr.
	Matt Henderson	Jr.
	Matthew Thomas	Jr.
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Broncos finish big in first track meet

By Sandy Anderberg

The Bronco track team put it all together at Sanford-Fritch and earned a huge win with 141 points overall. Several Broncos finished first in their events, and many of the Broncos placed in more than one event.

"I was very proud of the varsity," coach Johnny Nino said. "It was the first time in I don't know how long that a Clarendon boys track team has won a meet. It says a lot about how hard they have been working; not just this year, but in years past. They were very excited after the meet when they found out they had won it."

The 400-meter relay placed fourth at 46.25 and was run by Glenn

Weatherton, Stephino McCampbell, Mike Crump, and Alton Gaines. The 800-meter relay took 4th place as well and was run by Ryan Hill, Johnny Gaines, M. Crump, and Chris Crump in a time of 3:47.49.

Individual results: 100-meter dash: Weatherton 2nd 11.59, M. Crump 3rd 11.60; 200-meter dash: A. Gaines 23.77, Weatherton 5th 24.81; 400-meter dash: Matt Henderson 4th 55.25, C. Crump 5th 55.64, Hill 6th 57.28; 800-meter run: Hill 1st 2:11.90; 1600-meter run: Henderson 2nd 5:14.21; 3200-meter run: Henderson 4th 12:10.88; long jump: A. Gaines 3rd 19'6 3/4", M. Crump 4th 19'6 1/4"; shot put: Tre Brown 1st 40'7", Danzel Wilson 2nd 40'5 1/2";

discus: Wilson 1st 127'11", Brown 2nd 10'4"; triple jump: J. Gaines 1st 40' 3/4", McCampbell 3rd 39'5 3/4"; high jump: Aaron Gordon 1st 6'4".

The junior varsity competed in the meet as well and finished second with 230 points.

"The JV went out and competed well and finished second in a 2A meet," Nino said. "That says a lot about how hard they compete."

The 400-meter relay came in fourth with a time of 48.60 and was run by Charleston Harris, Devonte Hardaway, Wes Williams, and Brayden Phillips. The 800-meter relay was also fourth and was run by Trent White, Bradley Watson, Hardaway, and Jerami Johnson.

Harris, Williams, Hardaway, and Phillips also ran the 1600-meter relay in a time of 4:05.09 for fifth place. 100-meter dash: Williams 1st 11.68; 200-meter dash: White 4th 25.92; 400-meter dash: Harris 1st; 800-meter run: Mason Lowrie 1st 2:24.84, Bradley Watson 4th 2:44.15; 1600-meter run: Lowrie 2nd 5:48.18; 3200-meter run: Monty Holland 3rd 13:10.44; long jump: Williams 1st 19'8 1/2", Harris 4th 17'9 1/2"; triple jump: Phillips 1st 37'2 1/4"; high jump: Phillips 3rd 5'6"; Pole vault: Watson 1st (fewer misses) 9'6", Mathew Thomas 2nd 9'6".

Both Bronco teams will compete in Tulia March 13.

Lady Colts compete in Sanford-Fritch

The seventh and eighth grade Lady Colts began their track season with a meet at Sanford-Fritch Friday, March 5, and finished in sixth place with 44 and 34 points respectively.

The 800-meter relay turned in a time of 2:06.09, which was good enough for second place. Those running on the relay are Haley Ferguson, Ryann Starnes, Jacy Hill, and Glory Bryley. The 400-meter relay took sixth in a time of 1:04.70. Members are G. Bryley, Sarah Luttrell, Camra Smith, and H. Ferguson. The 1600-meter relay also finished sixth at a time of 5:22.07 and was run by Luttrell, Phara Berry, Ana Luna, and Jessica Ceniceros.

100-meter dash: G. Bryley 1st 13.77, Starnes 4th 14.41; 200-meter dash: G. Bryley 5th 30.49; 400-meter dash: Hill 5th 1:16.60; long jump: Ferguson 3rd 13'6".

The eighth grade Lady Colts finished sixth in both the 800-meter

and 1600-meter relays with times of 2:14.42 and 5:13.28. Members of the 800 relay are Amanda Powell, Maci White, Bryce McCary, and McKayla Cartwright. Running the 1600 relay are Cartwright, Audrey Shelton, McCary, and Sam Sanderson.

100-meter dash: Jentry Shadle 2nd 18.05; 300-meter hurdles: Shadle 2nd 58.82, Sanderson 3rd 1:00.03; long jump: White 6th 12'11 3/4"; shot put: Cartwright 3rd 29'2"; discus: Shelton 6th 61'2"; triple jump: Jency Burton 27'6".

March 12 the Lady Colts will participate in the Tulia track meet.

Colts win track meet

The eighth grade Colts stifled their opponents in the season opening track meet at Sanford-Fritch last Friday. They accumulated 169.5 points in their win.

The 400-meter relay finished second with a time of 49.90 and was run by Cody Wood, Trajen Johnson, Forrest Yelverton, and Corey Barker.

The 800-meter relay came in sixth at 1:56.40. Members of that relay are Cole Ward, Trevor Cobb, Tyler Burch, and Jonah Sell. The mile relay took third place with a time of 4:10.42 and was run by Diego Santos, Wood, Yelverton, and T. Johnson.

"The junior high did very well," coach Johnny Nino said. "The eighth grade really competed well, and I am proud of the way they competed. It was the first meet ever for the seventh grade, and I expect them to get better. They really competed hard, and I was proud of them."

300-meter hurdles: Chance Roland 3rd 52.96; long jump: T. Johnson 1st 17'11", Yelverton 2nd 17'6", Wood 4th 16'11"; shot put: Ward 2nd 35'8 1/2", Tanner Chambliss 4th 34'8 1/4"; triple jump: Barker 2nd 34'9", Burch 32'9", Santos 6th 32"; high jump: Yelverton-Johnson tied for 1st 5'6"; 100-meter dash: T. Johnson 2nd 12.37, Yelverton 3rd 12.55, Barker 6th 12.90; 200-meter dash: Barker 3rd

26.75, Wood 4th 27.10; 800-meter run: Santos 1st 2:24.80, Burch 3rd 2:31.96; 1600-meter run: Santos 1st 5:33.98, J.D. Baxter 3rd 5:56.78, Ward 4th 6:00.27.

The seventh grade Colts finished 7th with 23 points. The 400-meter relay finished 4th at 56.96 and was run by Cody Harjo, Chance McAnear, Ashton Smith, and Terance Wilson. Shot put: Tres Hommel 4th 27'6 1/2"; 200-meter dash: McAnear 1st 28.34; 100-meter dash: Harjo 6th 13.84.

Both Colt teams will travel to Tulia March 12.

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March 2, 2009
 8:43 a.m.-At district court.
 8:58 a.m.-At courthouse.
 9:00 a.m.-Dispatched to business; 800 Blk. W. 2nd St.
 1:18 p.m.-See caller; Hwy. 70, Milepost 124.
 5:04 p.m.-Out at business; 400 Blk. S. Kearney St.
 6:45 p.m.-S. Parks St.; disturbance—fireworks.

March 3, 2009
 1:46 a.m.-Welfare check; 700 Blk. S. Johns St.
 6:22 a.m.-Unable to locate reported pick up speeding back & forth; W. 3rd St. between Bugbee & College—setting off vehicle alarms.
 2:04 p.m.-Out at residence; 700 Blk. S. Johns St.
 3:55 p.m.-Transport to Pavillion, Amarillo.
 5:54 p.m.-Disturbance; 500 Blk. W. 5th St., loud music.
 8:17 p.m.-To college; subject on dirt bike, causing problems with horses at equine center.

March 4, 2009
 6:19 a.m.-EMS assist; 13000 Blk. FM 2471.
 2:19 p.m.-At annex.
 5:50 p.m.-Check reported weapon in vehicle; college.
 10:41 p.m.-To Hedley; check reported disturbance.

March 5, 2009
 4:05 a.m.-Transport to TDC, Gatesville.

10:45 a.m.-Vehicle accident; Hwy. 287 at South Koogle St.
 4:48 p.m.-See caller, County Road 13.
 6:08 p.m.-200 Blk. W. 4th St., unattended death.
 8:59 p.m.-Business alarm, Hwy. 70 N.
 9:08 p.m.-To jail; 6 in custody, burglary of building.

March 6, 2009
 9:08 a.m.-Unable to locate smoke, Hedley.
 10:35 a.m.-Business alarm; 700 Blk. W. 2nd St.
 7:56 p.m.-To Hedley; reported disturbance, weapon involved.
 8:13 p.m.-Subject in possession of weapon, attempting to evade.
 9:21 p.m.-To jail, 1 male in custody.
 10:21 p.m.-To jail, 1 male in custody.

March 7, 2009
 12:46 a.m.-Out with pedestrian; Hwy. 70 north at bridge.
 7:55 a.m.-See caller, 700 Blk. W. 2nd St.
 2:31 p.m.-To jail, 1 female in custody; JP warrants.

March 8, 2009
 12:34 a.m.-Disturbance, 6th & Goodnight Sts.
 1:07 a.m.-Female in parking lot; 300 Blk. S. Kearney St.
 7:14 p.m.-To parking lot; 600 Blk. W. Kearney St., fight reported in progress.
 11:21 p.m.-Check area, 300 Blk. Faker; possible trespass.

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