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THIS WEEK

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- 3 A local bank takes another step in its merger with an East Texas institution.
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- 7 And eight Broncos make the all-district team.

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

Candidates to start signing up Monday

Filing begins next Monday for seven county offices that will be up for election next November. The positions are currently held by Sheriff Butch Blackburn, County Attorney Landon Lambert, County Tax Assessor/Collector Wilma Lindley, Precinct 3&4 Constable Anthony Sellars, and Precinct 1&2 Justice of the Peace Connie Havens, Pct. 1 Commissioner Ernest Johnston, and Pct. 3 Commissioner Andy Wheatley.

Havens, Blackburn, Sellars, and Johnston have told the ENTERPRISE they each plan to run again. One incumbent definitely will not run again, however. Wilma Lindley has announced that she will not run for re-election next year and will instead retire when her term of office ends in January 2009. Lindley will have served as Donley County's Tax Assessor/Collector for 22 years when she steps down. Also of local interest, the terms of District Judge David McCoy and District Attorney Stuart Messer are also up next year. Messer said Monday that he will seek another term in office.

Candidates can file for the election in the County Clerk's office from December 3, 2007, through January 2, 2008.

Firebelles seeking help with gift drive

The Clarendon Firebelles are planning their annual Christmas Gift Drive for the youth of Donley County, and they are asking for the help of everyone in the community.

If you give a monetary donation, new toys, or clothing, take or send them to Hillary McAnear, P.O. Box 1515, Clarendon, TX 79226.

If you know of a family who needs help making Christmas special for a child 0-13 years old, ask them to pick up a form at THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE and fill it out and send it to the above address by November 30, 2007.

They need to know the child's name, age, sex, and a few items they would like for Christmas. If clothing is one of the items, include sizes. Also include the parent's name, phone, and address, along with the name and phone of the person submitting the request.

Gifts may be picked up at the Fire Station on December 15 from 10 a.m. - Noon. Gifts are to be picked up by parents only; please leave children at home.

Tickets on sale now for Museum party

The annual Saints' Roost Museum Christmas Party will be held Saturday, December 1, at the Clarendon Community Center. The evening will begin with a barbecue dinner at 7:30 followed by music and dancing and, of course, the chance to win \$5,000.

Tickets are available at Henson's.

Nursing home sale progressing

The sale of the Medical Center Nursing Home is still on, but the process isn't moving very fast.

More than one month has passed since the Donley County Hospital Board accepted a \$1.25 million bid from Community Care Management of Denton, and still no contract has been signed on the sale.

Administrator Vicky Robertson says the matter is in the hands of attorneys for the district. A Dallas-based attorney is looking into how the sale pertains to the revenue bonds that financed the remodeling of the nursing home several years ago, and

another law firm is handling the contract of sale.

According to conditions set when the board accepted the bid to buy the facility, the hospital district must receive approval for the deal from its financial advisor, bond counsel, and the company that sold the bonds before the sale can be finalized.

District officials hope to have a contract to sign by the end of the week, but a called meeting to do so has not been scheduled.

One project that is moving along, however, is the \$373,000

expansion of the nursing home that will add four semi-private rooms to the west wing of MCNH.

Robertson reports that the slab is down, the sewer lines are laid, and the contractor expects to start laying block this week.

"They're talking like it's possible it could be in the dry by the year's end, possibly even Christmas," she said.

In other district news, the hospital board met in regular session November 20 with a busy agenda.

Robertson reported the census for the nursing home at 51 residents

with one in the hospital, and she said the ambulance service had 76 calls in October.

The board directed chairman Alan Fletcher to contact the local banks regarding a line of credit to finance the construction at the nursing home.

The Ambulance Authority was reported to have received a grant that will be added to another grant to total \$10,000 to purchase another power cot.

The board voted to purchase gift cards for all employees for the holidays.

The nursing home residents' Christmas party will be on December 17.

In the indigent care report, Holly Eads said two new applications were denied, one client became ineligible, and no outstanding liabilities were reported. One large claim is expected, however, from Northwest Texas Hospital for a current client. Total indigent care expenses for October was \$7,058.38.

The board considered and approved the contract for tax collection from the Donley Appraisal District.



Laying stones

Brad Shepherd of Alaska, prepares a stone for the wall of the Fellowship Hall at Clarendon's Assembly of God. Shepherd is a member of the Mission America Placement Service (MAPS) ministry of Assemblies of God, a group of volunteers who travel around the country helping churches. Pastor Matthew Stidham says the expanded and remodeled facility will be a multipurpose center for use as both a Fellowship Hall and for youth activities. The interior of the hall will be ready for the Assembly's December 16 banquet.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

Study shows CC serves kids well

Clarendon College stacks up well when compared to other institutions its size and is particularly good when it comes to serving students, according to recent a recent study.

CC President Bill Auvenshine says information from the National Center for Education Statistics shows Clarendon is doing several things well.

"I think Clarendon College measures up very well with other schools our size," Auvenshine said.

Tuition and required fees at Clarendon College is considerably less when compared to other similarly sized colleges. CC students pay about \$1,656 per academic year, while students at comparable colleges pay an average of \$2,550.

Graduation rates at CC exceed the comparison group, particularly for blacks and other minorities. And while CC awards fewer associate's degrees than the comparison group median, it awards more than twice as many one-year program certificates and more than five times as many certificates for programs less than one year.

The data also shows that Clarendon College serves its students while keeping costs below other colleges in every category, having fewer staff and administrative positions

than other colleges, yet having more instructors than the median.

"We're spending less, but our students measure up," Auvenshine said. "Our kids are pretty good kids and better than most."

Auvenshine said that recent information from Austin shows a profile of community college students in which 75 percent need developmental studies and graduation rates need to be improved. By comparison, last year it was estimated that 40 percent of CC students would be academically disadvantaged, but only 36.31 percent tested as such, he said.

CC also had a higher than expected rate of kids who met the TSI obligation in remedial classes. Only thirty-nine percent were expected to pass, but 51.73 percent actually did pass, the president said.

"The caliber of students at Clarendon College is higher than the state average," Auvenshine said.

For the study, the National Center for Education Statistics compared CC with 20 other public colleges serving rural populations in the Southwest, Rocky Mountains, and Far West, including Frank Phillips College at Borger, Texas State Technical College at Sweetwater, Ranger College in Ranger, and Western Texas College in Snyder.

Shoppers can win big during Late Night Shopping

Downtown Clarendon is the place to be Thursday as Late Night Shopping gets underway this week, and \$100 in Christmas Cash is up for grabs.

Several merchants on Kearney Street will be staying open until 8:00 p.m. for your holiday shopping convenience, and prizes from 24 local businesses will be on the wheel in addition to the jackpot money.

The Chamber of Commerce is providing the \$100 in Christmas Cash each Thursday between now and Christmas. Five lucky winners will be drawn; and if no one hits the

big money, the pot rolls over and will continue to do so until the final night of Late Night Shopping on December 20 when someone will win the money.

Shoppers can register to spin the wheel all day until 7:45 p.m. at any participating merchants, and the drawing will be held at 8 p.m. You must be 18 years old to register, but no purchase is necessary.

Among the other activities that will be going on downtown Thursday night, the Donley County Chapter of the American Cancer Society will be set up in the old Eads

Furniture building with refreshments and information about next spring's Relay For Life. Teams can even begin signing up now for the April event.

Late Night Shopping will continue December 6, 13, and 20.

Holiday shopping at home is easy and affordable with all three local banks again teaming up to provide zero-percent interest "Christmas Cash" loans this year. For the 13th year, anyone can make application for a loan up to \$3,000, interest free with Community Bank, the Donley County State Bank, or

Herring Bank.

Christmas Cash may be spent like US currency toward new purchases of products and services (excluding Lottery tickets, gasoline, and tobacco products) at all of the participating businesses.

This year's participating merchants are: Ace Hardware, Bronco Burger, Clarendon Auto Sales, Clarendon Outpost, Clarendon Steakhouse, Clarendon Veterinary Hospital and Vet Supply, Community Bank, Cornell's Country Store, Country Bloomers Flowers & Gifts, Every Nook & Cranny, Floyd's

Automotive Supply, Henson's, Herring Bank, Hitchin' Post, J&W Lumber, Lowe's Family Center, McKinney Motor Company, Mike's Pharmacy, Nuttin' Fancy Café, Sam Hill BBQ, Sonic Drive-In, Saye's, Stavenhagen Video, and THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE.

Your local merchants support your local schools, youth groups, and charitable organizations. Support the businesses who support your community by shopping at home this holiday season, and watch for their Christmas specials in the pages of the ENTERPRISE.

Dry conditions sparking concerns about wildfires

AMARILLO - Dangerous. That's the one word fire officials and rangeland management specialists use to describe the combination of heavy grass growth and dry conditions.

"We have the potential for brush fires every year, but what's made it real extreme this year is the large amount of grass growth from all the rains," said Dr. Jim Ansley, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station rangeland ecology researcher in Vernon.

"And because of the high-fuel loads and the weather fluctuations, the serious situation is expected to remain through March, in spite of the occasional bouts of moisture," said Dr. Wayne Hanselka, Texas

Cooperative Extension range specialist in Corpus Christi.

"An inch of rain won't last no time," Hanselka said. "We would need good soaking moisture to minimize the danger, and even then between the rains the fuel will remain dry."

Communities surrounded by pastures and heavy grass growth need to take note and take action, Ansley said.

"(In) the smaller communities that don't have a lot of concrete and asphalt as buffers in terms of roads and parking lots, it would be a real good idea for community leaders to have a planning meeting quickly to assess their situation," he said.

This could be an emergency sit-

uation this year, Ansley said. Many communities have gotten away from thinking about fire dangers and long-term planning in the past 10 years because of the severe droughts that have left the fuel supply short.

But smaller communities, such as Ringgold near Wichita Falls that was heavily burned in Jan. 1, 2006, are surrounded by rangeland and need to be taking action, he said.

"I think it is important for the citizens to take the initiative on this," Ansley said. "Ask city leaders and see if meetings are planned or if there is a game plan at all."

Determine where the prevailing winds will come from and see if there are any short-term plans that can be implemented to provide extra

firebreaks in the potential danger areas, he said.

"It's a stop-gap situation right now, but there might be some key areas that could be plowed, shredded, or mowed."

Individuals also need to take some responsibility and exercise caution, Ansley said. Be careful lighting any outdoor fires, including barbecue grills or outdoor welding, which could spark the next wildfire.

"Be careful if you are driving on rangeland or off-road to not leave your car idling over dry grass and broomweed," he said. "The catalytic converter could produce enough heat to start a fire."

The same warning goes out to hunters, Ansley said. They should

avoid fires and try to avoid off-road-ing if at all possible.

"We emphasize preparedness," Hanselka said.

In communities where four or five acres are surrounding houses, homeowners need to secure their homesteads and facilities against a wildfire, he said. Make sure all water hoses and firefighting tools work; make sure sprayers have water in them.

"Having the facilities and tools there, properly placed, can make a difference," Hanselka said.

Larger landowners need to think in terms of mitigation, fuel management, and prescribed burning. Hanselka and Ansley both said.

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commentary

Contestable conclusions

By Patrick Basham and John Luik, Cato Institute

The World Cancer Research Fund's new report proclaims three truths about cancer, fat, and food. First, it asserts that being fat increases our risk for cancer; second, it claims that eating certain foods gives us cancer; and, third, it suggests that cancer is "mostly preventable."

Before we condemn red meat, alcohol, sodas, shakes, chips, and other such "bad" foods to the realm of the inedible, it's worth looking at the scientific evidence to see whether it really supports the claims.

The report's authors tell us that they looked at over half a million studies, and then concentrated on the 7,000 that were most relevant. That is not quite true — actually they refer to slightly fewer than 2,500 studies on diet and disease. More importantly, they conveniently omit many major studies that don't support their three truths theory.

Crucially, they almost exclusively refer to epidemiological studies, which inherently cannot establish that being fat or that eating red meat gives you cancer, as that's not what this type of study does. Indeed, the very nature of epidemiological studies means that the margin of error arising from the nature of the data exceeds the supposed relationships that the study has found.

What about the headline-grabbing claim that being fat gives one cancer? The report actually claims that being overweight or obese increases your risk for six cancers — cancers of the oesophagus, pancreas, colon/rectum, breast, endometrium, and kidney. However, when you look at the report's support for this conclusion, the evidence is extremely thin.

Take pancreatic cancer, for example. The report cites 20 case control studies, but only three show a statistically significant association between obesity and pancreatic cancer. Similarly, of 42 cohort studies on colorectal cancer, only 13 show a link with obesity.

Of the 16 studies that the report documents on the relationship between breast cancer and obesity, only three are statistically significant, while eight actually show a decreased risk of breast cancer for those who are obese. Even for oesophageal cancer, the increased risk was largely confined to the morbidly, as opposed to the moderately, obese.

With endometrial and kidney cancers, the relative risks were below two. According to the U.S. National Cancer Institute, such risks are so small that they may be due to "chance, statistical bias or the effects of confounding factors."

The just-published Million Women Study from the U.K., which examined the evidence for a link between 17 of the most common cancers and Body Mass Index (the conventional yardstick for measuring overweight and obesity), found a similar pattern of results.

In this study, ten of the cancers do not show a statistically significant association with either higher levels of overweight or obesity. Of the remaining seven cancers, the association between overweight and the cancer is nonsignificant in four, and where the results are significant, the risks (except for endometrial and oesophageal cancer) are never stronger than two, except among the obese.

Are these anomalous findings? On the contrary. Consider, for example, the American Cancer Society's 2001 study of diet and stomach cancer, which looked at 436,000 men and women, and found no increased risk of stomach cancer associated with eating processed meats. What that study did find, by contrast, was an increased risk of stomach cancer in women who consumed more vegetables!

Finally, the report claims that cancer is "mostly preventable." This is perhaps the most curious claim of all — since there is massive evidence of the best kind that suggests precisely the opposite.

The Women's Health Initiative Dietary Modification Trial is the most recent, and one of the largest, and most expensive, randomized, controlled studies of the effect of diet and weight on breast cancer, colon cancer, heart disease, and stroke. It studied 49,000 American women over an eight-year period. The women in the intervention group ate diets that were low in fat and high in fiber, with six servings of grains and five of vegetables and fruits per day.

There were no statistically significant differences between the intervention group and the control group in the incidence of breast cancer, colon cancer, strokes, or heart attacks. Ironically, the women following the 'healthy' diet designed to reduce cancer and heart disease didn't even weigh less than they did at the beginning of the study, or even weigh less than the women in the control group who continued to eat as they always had.

Unlike the epidemiological studies cited in the World Cancer Research Fund report, this gold standard, randomized, controlled intervention, found no evidence to support the claim that there is a connection between eating certain foods, being a certain weight, and preventing cancer.

This study is not unique. A new study published in the Journal of the National Cancer Institute analyzed data from 14 studies involving 756,000 men and women who were followed from six to 20 years. The study found that fruit and vegetable intake was not associated with a reduced colon cancer risk. Some cancer prevention, indeed.

Contrary to recent media headlines, the World Cancer Research Fund report does not prove there is a causal connection between cancer and being fat, or cancer and eating certain foods, or diet and cancer prevention. Rather, the report merely demonstrates that, as epidemiologist Petr Shrabaneck observed, "People who eat, die."

Today's energy needs top priority

"The major obstacle to the development of new supplies is not geology but what happens above ground: international affairs, politics, investment and technology."

-Daniel Yergin, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of "The Prize: The Epic Quest for Oil, Money, and Power."

With oil prices soaring to record highs, currently over \$90 per barrel, and Americans increasingly feeling the impact, Congress can choose to magnify the problem or be part of the solution.

In response to skyrocketing energy prices, caused largely by greater worldwide demand and static supply, new energy legislation passed in each house of Congress is, in fact, bereft of real energy. It would jeopardize our national security, threaten our economic stability, and indeed raise the very obstacles to which Yergin alludes.

The only way to address our national crisis is to increase the supply of energy. However, legislation proposed in Congress would actually lead to reductions in energy supply and target the oil and gas industry with \$16 billion in new taxes.

The assumption is that American consumers will not be affected by increased corporate taxes. In reality, punitive tax hikes will lower exploration and production and increase prices. Therefore, Congress' "solution" will lead us into a greater crisis.

This is particularly true in the case of refining capacity. Gas prices spiked in the wake of Hurricane Katrina primarily because we were not able to replace production of refineries that were taken off-line. Tax and energy policies had discouraged construction of new refineries in America for over 30 years.

Two years ago, Congress established incentives to spur investment in additional refining production, leading to major announcements of refining expansion.

Congress has now proposed repealing these incentives, delivering a tre-

mendous and unexpected setback for companies investing billions of dollars in refinery expansion or new construction projects.



capitol comment

by sen. kay bailey hutchison

This is part of a larger problem that CEOs consistently bring to my attention — specifically, that Congress' constant meddling in the tax code puts America at a competitive disadvantage, encouraging companies to relocate assets to other countries, where the tax code and regulatory process is more predictable and stable.

Perhaps of greatest concern, this legislation will threaten our national security by increasing our dangerous dependence on foreign oil. Today, the U.S. imports nearly 60 percent of our oil from other countries — and many of those countries are hostile to our interests. Making strides toward an energy-independent America should be at the forefront of our legislative priorities.

The mistake of increasing taxes on oil would be a repeated one. The "windfall profits" tax of 1980 laid waste to the oil industry, detrimentally impacted consumers, and imperiled our national security.

In the six years following the law's enactment, U.S. oil production fell 1.26 billion barrels, and imports of foreign oil rose 13 percent. The windfall profits tax was a catastrophe — which is precisely why it was repealed. This is not a lesson we can afford to learn twice.

Yergin has observed: "The starting point for energy security today, as it has always been, is diversification of supplies and sources." As part of any rational plan, renewable energy — such as wind power, solar power, and nuclear technology — will be a critical part of our portfolio.



Congress should reform earmarks

By Leslie K. Paige, Citizens Against Government Waste

Just before Congress recessed for its two-week Thanksgiving break, members passed three appropriations bills: Defense, Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education (Labor/HHS), and Transportation, Housing and Urban Development (THUD). President Bush signed the Defense bill, vetoed Labor/HHS, and stated that he will also veto THUD, citing excessive spending as the main reason.

CAGW's analysis of these bills shows a significant reduction in congressional pork from the most recent year in which the respective appropriations bills contained earmarks. In all three, earmarks were down both in numbers and dollar amounts. In Defense, the overall number of earmarks was reduced by 21 percent and the dollar amounts were down by 38 percent from 2007. In THUD, still in limbo awaiting a presidential veto, the reductions were 23 percent and 55 percent, respectively, from 2006. In Labor/HHS bill there was a 26 percent reduction in the number of projects and a 35 percent reduction in dollar amounts from 2005.

Taxpayers can be pleased that the pressure they brought to bear on Congress to shut down the "favor factory" is having an impact, but the struggle is far from over. These bills amply demonstrate why it is important not become fixated on simply cutting earmarks by a random number, such as 50 percent,

which was the purported goal of House Appropriations Committee Chairman David Obey (D-Wisc.) after the Democrats ascended to leadership in January.

The appropriations bills passed so far may herald a reduction in congressional earmarks, but the nation's 12 spending bills continue to be vehicles for egregious pork-barrel spending. Mitigating the cost of earmarks has not led to overall spending restraint. The President's budget called for a 6.4 percent increase in discretionary spending more than twice the rate of inflation but that was not enough for the high-rolling majority in Congress.

Tens of millions of dollars in non-competitively awarded giveaways have been surreptitiously parceled out to private, for-profit corporations. Millions of tax dollars are being spent on bike paths, parking garages, museums and theatres that are of local interest only and should be paid for by taxpayers in those states and localities. A favorite honey pot for pork are the "economic development initiative" grants, which have come to serve as nothing more than feel-good handouts and photo-ops for members of Congress trying to buy votes.

A superior approach to addressing the epidemic of earmarking is to fix the broken congressional spending process by eliminating the secrecy, cynical gamesmanship, and rampant parochialism that has gripped Congress under both the Democrats and their Republican

predecessors over the last decade. The congressional appropriations process should be governed by the fairness and openness that taxpayers deserve and that inspires confidence in our elected officials, as quaint as that may sound. It is almost certainly the case that something as minor as the imposition of an observable paper trail, which for the first time forced members have to attach their names to their pet earmarks, may already be paying dividends, at least with members who still cringe at being exposed and forced to rationalize their pork.

Hard-core earmark apologists, like Sens. Robert Byrd (D-W.Va.) and Ted Stevens (R-Alaska), will not be swayed. But for those still capable of reform, CAGW's lobbying arm, the Council for Citizens Against Government Waste, recently introduced the Earmark Reform Pledge. The Pledge is a ten-point platform, including promises to fully disclose all earmark requests, not to insert earmarks or targeted tax benefit provisions into conference reports, not to introduce earmarks to fund projects outside one's state, and to support legislation that would delink earmarking from campaign contributions.

Some in Congress want to increase the renewable fuel standard, or RFS, from 7.5 billion gallons by 2012 to 36 billion gallons in 2022. Of this total, 15 billion gallons will be corn-based ethanol, and 21 billion gallons will be advanced cellulosic ethanol.

Superficially this proposal is tempting, but a closer look reveals that it is impracticable without some flexibility.

Nearly all our domestic corn and grain supply would be needed to meet this mandate, effectively robbing the world of one of its most important sources of food. Any realistic solution must include a mechanism to reassess yearly requirements. Ultimately, such a policy would help ensure the annual increases are technologically achievable.

The repercussions of this bill on our economy and our national security are far-reaching and could impact Americans for years to come. The Department of Energy estimates that by 2030 the U.S. will consume 28 percent more oil than we do today. China and India also will increasingly strain supplies, with their combined energy use expected to increase by almost 150 percent by 2030.

We must prepare for that demand now. This will require us to produce more oil and natural gas within our own borders, while developing renewable sources of energy to increase supply. By taking measures such as these, we can help strengthen our economy, safeguard our environment and reduce our dangerous dependence on foreign oil.

Energy diversification is a noble goal, but Congress should not kill the energy sources available today while pursuing technology and innovation for the future.

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Pilgrim's Community acquisition complete

The parent company of Clarendon's Community Bank took another step down the Pilgrim path last week.

Pilgrim Bank CEO Lanny Brenner announced last week that the acquisition of Community Bank parent company City Bancorp, Inc. by NETEX Bancorporation was completed November 14, 2007.

NETEX is the parent company of Community Bank.

"We are very pleased to announce this transaction," Brenner said. "Pilgrim Bank has a strong commitment to both growth and quality; and this acquisition is a logical move forward for us."

"Both Pilgrim Bank and Community Bank share the same philosophy of working to provide the very best service to our customers. By combining strengths, our customers

will benefit from the comprehensive array of services and products as well as increased lending limits.

"Community Bank's management and staff are exceptional, and the bank has an excellent history of serving their markets in Sulphur Springs and in the Texas Panhandle. We look forward to building on their success. They will continue to be served by their local bankers," Brenner said.

While the purchase is complete, the merging of operations will not take place until early March 2008. At that time, new signage reflecting the name of Pilgrim Bank will be installed, and customers will have the added convenience of conducting their banking at any of Pilgrim Bank's financial centers in Pittsburg, Mt. Pleasant, Sulphur Springs, Wellington, and Clarendon.

Shot clinic to be held here December 11

The Texas Department of State Health Services will hold an Immunization Clinic on December 11 in Clarendon.

The immunization clinic will be at the TDSHS office at Five Medical Drive from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

All clinic times are subject to change or cancellation due to weather conditions or scheduling conflicts.

CHS to present series of plays next week

Clarendon High School presents "Shorts" A Series of Short Plays, Thursday, December 6 and Saturday, December 8 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, December 9, at 2:00 p.m. Admission is \$4 for adults, \$3 for children, students, and senior citizens.

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Tues	20	85°	52°	-
Wed	21	54°	35°	-
Thur	22	47°	25°	-
Fri	23	39°	19°	-
Sat	24	34°	27°	.07°
Sun	25	43°	23°	-

Total precipitation this month: .07"
Total precipitation to date: 21.73"
Total precipitation in November last year: .19"
Total YTD last year: 18.15"

weekend forecast

	Friday, Nov. 30 Mostly Cloudy 42°/22°
	Saturday, Dec. 1 Iso. Rain Showers 41°/23°
	Sunday, Dec. 2 Partly Cloudy 44°/24°

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

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Think about fuel management - shred it, graze it, burn it down - to keep from getting in a situation where fire can do significant damage, Hanselka said.

One action ranchers or large landowners might want to take is to make sure the roadside ditches are mowed adequately along their property line, Ansley said.

With the increased grass growth this year, some ranchers may be considering prescribed burning to manage brush, Ansley said. But in this type of year, landowners need to first see if their county is in a burn ban.

Pre-burning between the parallel dozer lines creates a black line, Ansley said. This black line should be burned early in the morning or late in the evening when the humidity is increasing - to reduce the intensity of the fire because the goal is just to get it black and remove the fuel source.

"You have a much better chance of keeping the prescribed burn under control if it burns up to the black line," he said. "It would be very risky under these conditions to try to light

a back-fire off a single dozer line in a large pasture and try to send a head fire into that back fire and keep it all contained."

Hanselka warned that going through the procedure of making sure a prescribed burn is out completely is also important.

"No cow patty left smoldering," he said.

If someone wants to do a prescribed burn, it is important to follow proper procedures, both Hanselka and Ansley said. Laws and other prescribed burn information can be found at <http://www.tamu.edu/ticc/prevention.htm> and <http://www.tamu.edu/ticc/prevent>.

"It is critical to contact local authorities, make sure you check the weather forecast on that day, and make sure weather variables - temperature, humidity and wind speed - are measured at the site before deciding to burn," Ansley said.

"Know the conditions when it is not safe to burn," he said. "Also make sure you have a written burn plan that includes a map and have it with you during the burn."

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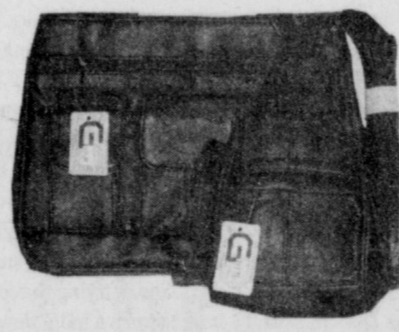
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★ ¿Qué Pasa? Community Calendar

November 29
Nazareth High School Basketball
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November 29 - Dec. 20
Late Night Shopping • Every Thursday

November 30
College Fall Choir Festival • First
United Methodist Church • 7:30
p.m.

December 1
Saints' Roost Museum Party • Com-
munity Center • 7:30 p.m.

December 2
"Lighting in the Park" • Howardwick
• 7:00 p.m.

December 3
"Pack the Gym" • CC v. Frank Phillips
• Women - 5:30, Men 7:30 p.m.

December 4
Clarendon v. Silverton • In Clarendon
• Girls 6:30 p.m., Boys 8 p.m.

December 6
Clarendon Elementary presents "12
Days of Christmas" • 6:30 p.m. •
Clarendon College Harned Sisters
Auditorium

Clarendon College Nurses Graduation
Pampa • 7 p.m.

December 6 - 7
Clarendon High School presents
"Shorts" • 7:30 p.m. • CHS audi-
torium

December 7
Deadline for Santa Letters • 5 p.m.

December 8
Clarendon High School presents
"Shorts" • 2 p.m. • CHS auditorium

December 11
CC Winter Session begins

December 13
Burton Memorial Library Open
House

December 25
Christmas

★ Menus

December 3 - 7

Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Beef and vegetable stew,
cheese sticks, carrot/raisin
salad, cookies, cornbread.
Tue: Chicken pot pie, steamed
broccoli, okra salad, coconut
cake.

Wed: Cheeseburger,
trimmings, tater tots, lemon
pie, hamburger buns.
Thu: Spaghetti, meat sauce,
green beans, salad, banana
pudding, garlic toast.
Fri: Beef fajitas, refried beans,
Spanish rice, fruit salad,
pastries.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Chicken strips, potato
soup, fried okra, pea salad,
chocolate pudding, corn
bread.
Tue: Mexican casserole, rice,
beans, tossed salad, peaches,
strawberries, chips, crackers.
Wed: Steak, gravy, mashed
potatoes, Harvard beets,
Waldorf salad, cake, roll.
Thu: Chili, pinto beans, tater
tots, cucumber/onion salad,
tapioca pudding, corn bread.
Fri: Catfish, French fries,
brussel sprouts, coleslaw,
brownie, corn bread.

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 stew, cornbread,
fruit, milk.
Tue: BBQ pork, pinto beans,
corn, fruit, milk.
Wed: Oven fried chicken,
potatoes, green beans, fruit,
roll, milk.
Thu: Chicken casserole, salad,
refried beans, fruit, milk.
Fri: Hot dog, oven fries, carrot
sticks, fruit, milk.

End of semester activities underway at CC

Registration for the winter ses-
sion and spring semester is underway
at Clarendon College.

Our winter session classes will
begin December 11, and all the
courses offered during the winter
session are Online. A complete list
of classes is available on the web at
www.clarendoncollege.edu.

If you are interested in attending
this coming spring, please contact us
at 874-3571 or stop by anytime. We
are now accepting applications
and are able to get you lined up to
meet with a counselor to make out a
schedule. Our course offering for the
spring session is also available on
the web at www.clarendoncollege.edu,
or you can stop by and pick up a
schedule anytime.

We have one final continuing
education course coming up. Holi-
day Gift Wrapping will be taught
by Chriss Clifford and will meet on
Monday, December 3, and Monday,
December 10, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
The tuition for this class is \$20. Call
874-3571 and sign up today for this
class.

The Fall Choir Concert will be
held Friday, November 30, at 7:30
p.m. at the First United Methodist
Church. We invite everyone in the
community to come out and support
the choir at this free concert.

We will Pack the Gym on
Monday, December 3. The cafeteria
will serve dinner for the students
at the gym from 5 to 6:30, and the
women will take on Frank Phillips

at 5:30. The
men will play
Frank Phil-
lips at 7:30.
The first 250
people in the
gym will get
a free t-shirt.
We invite
everyone to
come out
and pack the
gym and support
our teams.



**happenings
on the hill**
by ashlee estlack
cc marketing coordinator

on Tuesday, December 11, in the
cafeteria. The event will be from 9
to 10:30 p.m. Every year the faculty
and staff feed the students this meal
to kick off finals week. The menu
will be pancakes, sausage, and all the
trimmings.

If anyone is interested in
needing to take the Accuplacer for
the spring, please contact Wendy
Altman, Enrollment Services Coun-
selor, to schedule a time for before
the Christmas holiday.

The campus will be closed
from December 17 to January 3 for
the Christmas holidays. Anyone
needing to take care of anything at
the college before the holiday break
should come by and see us in the
next few weeks.



New arrival

Madison Nichol Thompson was
born to Chelsea Nichol Thomp-
son of Houston on October 19,
2007. She is the great grand-
daughter of Pamela J. and
Randy C. Casteel, who recently
moved from Hedley to Humble.

Visitors flock to visit families in Hedley for Thanksgiving

Hi Folks, welcome to my
second article. I want to report the
news of Hedley with a little bit of
everything. First I want to thank Our
Savior for all the blessings we have
and the opportunities He gives each
and every one of us. This article will
start with my favorite scripture - John
3:16 - "For God so loved the world
that he gave his one and only Son
that whoever believes in him shall
not perish but have eternal life."

I don't know about you folks,
but I want eternal life with my Lord
so I am trying very hard to be a good
girl. It's tough, I know, but I am
trying.

Okay, now, let's get down to
some good old home news. There
seems to be a lot of folks in Hedley
celebrating family time on Thanks-
giving.

The Hedley Baptist Church
served a wonderful Thanksgiving
dinner to anyone who wanted to
come by. They served approxi-
mately 50-60 people and sent out
about 15 homebound plates. It was
a wonderful meal and fellowship.
Mom and I along with Uncle Don
had a very nice dinner.

I saw Dot Messer there, and it
was the first time since she fell and
broke her arm on August 6 and had
surgery on August 7 that I got to talk
to her. She is doing better and living
in an apartment in Clarendon. If you
need a good house in Hedley, her
home is for sale. Talk to Delores and
Larry Crump. Dot also told me that
Marie Bland broke her hand about
a month ago, and she seems to be
doing better.

I also talked to Dustin Knowles,
and he is working at Texas Tech
Physicians as a Clinic Supervisor. Way
to go, Dustin!

The White House had a house
full. Tanya, Gary and Renee Shields
and their bunch; Shauna and Tim
with their bunch along with Court-
ney and Bob and Pat and all their
bunch. I hope they found a big
enough turkey!

Mariah Couch came home
from college. Debra and R.J. Mar-
shall went to Roaring Springs to
Deb's mother's house. Othel Bolin
had visits from Tony Winn and his

daughter and
her family
from Dallas.
Mary Farris
and Cecil
along with
Otis and
Cayton were
there. Sandy
Taylor and
her family
from Amarillo
were also there.
Buford and
Geraldine Hol-
land had
lunch with
Cliftie and
Mike Johnson.
Glyndol, Kathy
and Whitney
came by to
see them, and
so did Johnny
and Gail Hill.



**chatty
kathy**
by kathy spier
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Carol and Leon Ward had a
house full with a bunch of Wards
and Hills celebrating with them,
including Loretta and John Hall, Justin,
Tisha, Rustin, Rance and Reagan
Ham, Johnny and Gail Hill, Junior
Hill, Amanda Elliott and Addie, and
David Ward. I am sure other families
had a great Thanksgiving also, but I
just have not heard from them.

We want to send get-well
wishes to Faye Naylor. She had a
stroke on Thanksgiving Day and is
in ICU at BSA. Word is she is doing
much better and has a possibility of
coming home Monday if things go
right. Say a prayer for Faye and her
family and send her your get-well
wishes. Also, Patsy Spier has been
sick with the cold/flu stuff all week-
end. She is trying to feel better. It's
hard to keep a mom down.

If you want to spread some
Christmas Spirit, here is a place
you can help. Miss Holli White
lives in the Avondale Group home
in Amarillo, and she works at Advo
Workshop for Handicapped Adults.
As you may know, their building
burned down a while ago, and they
are temporarily in the MHMR Build-
ing. Amarillo National Bank has set
up a fund for their program, which
employs 63 handicapped adults.
They need our help. By donating
to the fund you not only help Holli
but also 62 other people who really
need a new building to work out of.
Come on, folks; let's help Holli and
her friends. Of course Holli is one of
my favorite people. I can't help it;
she is family and very special.

H-wick to light up this Sunday

Someone forgot to tell Mother
Nature it isn't winter yet. She hit us
with the first snow of the season on
Friday after record-breaking heat
Tuesday. Life in the Texas Pan-
handle!

Next weekend, December 1 and
2, will be busy in our little commu-
nity. Saturday the Fire Department
is having their garage sale in the
Canteen across from City Hall, and
Sunday the Beautification Club will
sponsor "Lighting in the Park" at
7:00 p.m. followed by caroling and
cocoa at City Hall. Plan to come
out, spend some money Saturday at
the big garage sale, and come back
Sunday to see the lights in the park
then warm up with cocoa.

The Fire Department, Buster
Baird, Justin and Natalie Arney, Ann
Purvis and husband, and others could
have used some cocoa last Saturday.
That was the date set to assemble
and put up the displays in the park.
Snow was on the ground when they
began, but the sun came out and
helped warm them up. Nancy Davis
has made and put out Christmas
flags. Roy Monroe has the "Peace on
Earth" sign up and ready, and a new

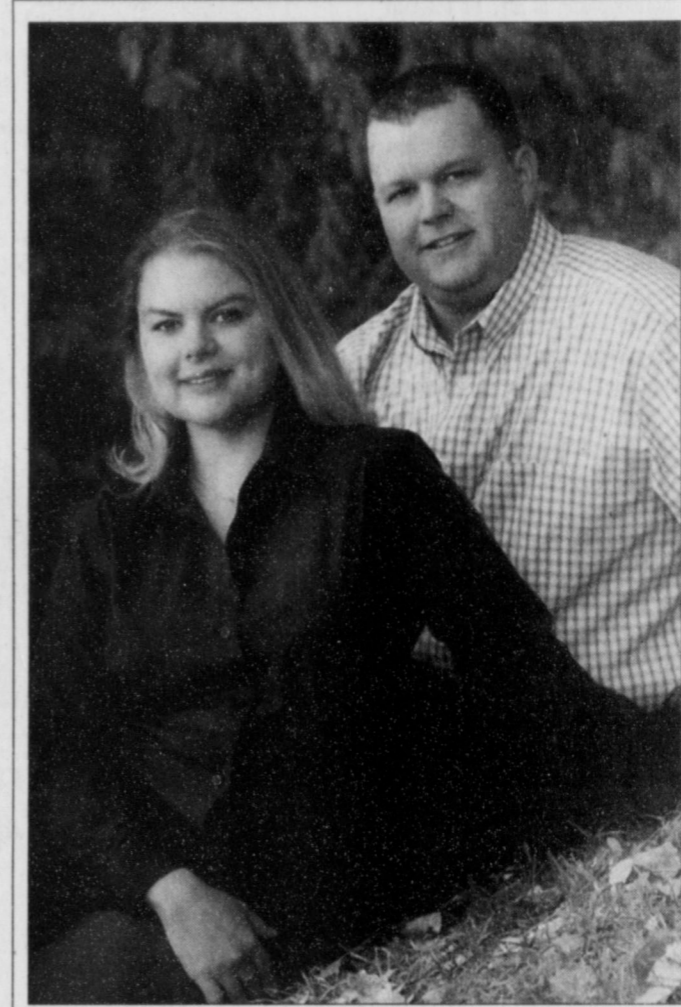
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lighted deer
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at the sign,
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Billy and Lois
Woods. This
is becom-
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community
project, and
the Beautification
Club is thankful
for the help.



**'wick
picks**
by peggy cockerham
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Lois Woods found a dog and a
deck don't mix. She fell and broke
her ankle in three places and will be
in a cast for a while. A broken ankle
doesn't keep a good girl down. She
continued the plans for a big Thanks-
giving dinner, and maybe Billy did
the cleaning up.

I had a wonderful time Thanks-
giving with my daughter and family
in Amarillo. The best happened
Sunday, November 25 with the birth
of our fifth great grandson, Avery
Jonah Franklin, son of Rachel and
Matt Franklin of Lexington, Ken.
He weighed in at 7 lbs., 5 oz., and
in his mother's words "is as perfect
as possible."



Leslie Fangman and Jason Ham

Fangman, Ham to exchange wedding vows next January

Teddy and Shirley Fangman
of Friona are proud to announce
the engagement of their daugh-
ter, Leslie Ann Fangman, to
Jason Kristian Ham. Jason is the
son of Loretta and John Hall of
Clarendon.

Leslie is a 1997 graduate of
Friona High School. In 2001 she
graduated from Clovis Commu-
nity College with an Associate of
Science in Computer Information
Systems and an Associate of Art in
Liberal Arts. In 2003 she graduated
from Angelo State University with
a Bachelor of Science in Animal
Science. She is employed by La
Plata Transport in Hereford.

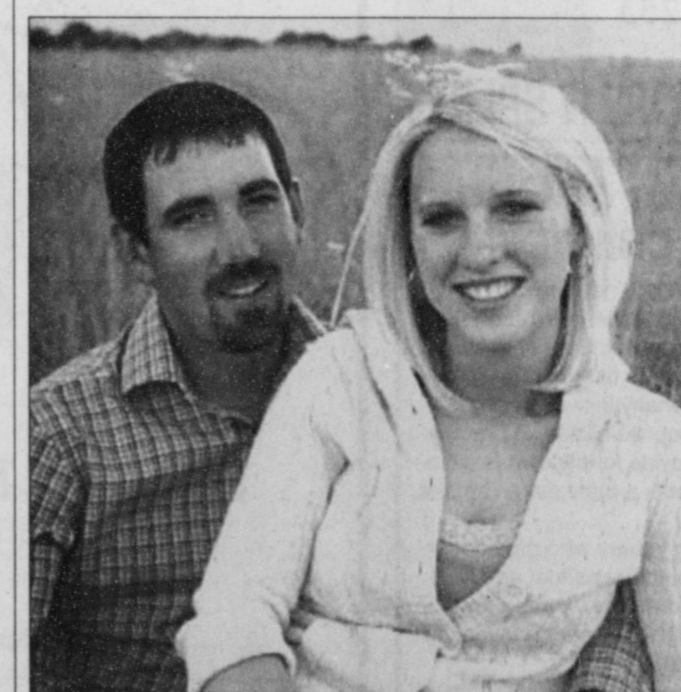
She is the granddaughter of
the late Walter and Helen Fang-

man of Friona and Josie Schulte-
Schmucher and the late George
Schulte of Hereford.

Jason is a 1995 graduate of
Clarendon High School. He is an
Army Veteran. Jason graduated
from Amarillo College in 2007
with his Aerospace Manufac-
turing Certification and an Aviation
Maintenance Technology Certifi-
cation. He is employed by Ama-
rillo Gear in Amarillo.

He is the grandson of John
Hill and the late Martha Hill of
Hedley, and the late C.M. "Shorty"
and Peggy Ham of Groom.

The couple plans to exchange
vows on January 12, 2008, at St.
Anthony's Catholic Church in
Hereford.



Derek Shields and Julie Funderburg

Funderburg, Shields to wed

Tommy and DeAnna Funder-
burg of Hedley along with Earl and
Susie Shields of Lelia Lake are
proud to announce the engagement
of their children, Julie Funderburg
and Derek Shields.

Julie is the granddaughter of

Mary Staggs of Memphis and Sue
Lane, also of Memphis.

The wedding will be held
December 15, 2007, at 6:00 p.m.
in the First United Methodist
Church of Clarendon with a recep-
tion to follow.

Sparks completes his basic training

Former
Clarendon
resident and
student, Pri-
vate Donald
Sparks, son of
Rhonda
"Young"
Evans of
Amarillo has
recently completed his basic training
in South Carolina as of August.

Donald, along with a few others,
was chosen to sing our National
Anthem at his graduation service.
Donald has received his G.E.D. and
completed medical training with a
certificate of E.M.T. merit. His plans
are to continue his studies to become
an Army Combat Medic.

His family is proud of Donald's
accomplishments as a member of the
U.S. Army Military group and his
dreams of future endeavors.

Donald voluntarily enlisted in
June knowing the status of the war
at that time. His family appreciates
Donald and all of the armed forces
for their unselfish acts of bravery.

Donald is a father of a six-
year-old son, Levi; a three-year-old
daughter, and his wife, Destiny, is
due in February with twins, a daugh-
ter Malory Dawn and a son Zachery
Don.

Your friends' and family's
prayers and hearts are with you,
Donald, as you and others possibly
leave for Bagdad as soon as the first
of the year.

Anyone interested in contacting
Donald may do so at this address,
P.V.T. Donald Sparks, F.Co. 232
LEM.BN, Class #16-07/5th P.O.T.,
2950 Koeler Rd. Scc 1350, Fort Sam
Houston 79234.

Hedley Senior Citizen Center plans sales

By Patsy Spier, Director
The Hedley Senior Citizens
and the Memphis Meals on Wheels
are going together for a "Bake &
Craft Sale." We will be at Memphis
Thriftway on December 8 (from 9
a.m. until everything is gone) and
at the Hedley Senior Citizens on
Thursday, December 13 (from 9:00
until 2:00).

This will be the last fund raiser for
the year for both organizations. If
anyone would like to donate bakery
items or homemade craft items,
please contact either Patsy Spier at
Hedley (856-0143) or Kathy Spier
at Memphis (259-3212) or our home
phone is 856-5302. Call either Patsy
or Kathy to make arrangements to
bring these items by.

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mas to all.

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Program aims to improve town

By MaryRuth Bishop, County Agent

"Adopt a Building: Make It Happen" is a new endeavor of Donley County Extension and Donley County Chamber of Commerce. Realizing that first impressions are important, these two groups decided to work together to help create renewed interest in local businesses. By using storefront decorations we want to encourage travelers, newcomers, and residents to "Stop, Shop, Stay" which will ultimately develop into additional sales revenue.

Your attitudes toward shopping at home can be positive or negative, and our goal with your help is to "Make It Happen." Projecting a positive public image of the county can happen because of storefronts.

Chamber and Extension volunteers started with the building at the corner of Kearney and Hwy 287. The old t-shirt factory windows experienced a little bit of Christmas cheer over the Thanksgiving holiday.

Chamber members Jan Ferris, Rhonda Shaw, Chamber Executive Director Judith Berlin, and County Extension Agent MaryRuth Bishop worked on the north and east windows of the building and created some Christmas cheer. Window washing was postponed due to snowy weather, but that didn't stop these elves from their decoration activities. The plan is to continue to

update and change the storefront so that individuals are encouraged to stop, shop, and stay.

The aim is to raise awareness of local businesses. To do this we have to work as a team that includes business owners, Chamber members, Extension personnel, and you. The goal is working together to make our county more inviting and thus, more sustainable. By increasing visibility, raising awareness and educating our community a positive environmental impact will occur.

Community development is a very appealing idea. Time and again in Texas and across the nation, community development has been prescribed as a popular means of improving the social, economic, and environmental quality of life for residents of a community. As encouraging as the notion of community development sounds, the practice of community development suffers from a lack of clear understanding of what the community is and how it develops.

In order for community development strategies to be viewed as a useful and practical means of improving community well-being in Texas, especially in rural areas, community developers and business personnel must enhance their knowledge and understanding of community and the ways in which communities develop and persist in

a society characterized by increasing urbanization, globalization, and demographic change.

(1) Community development is purposive. It is the intentional consequence of people interacting to initiate and maintain community.

(2) Community development is positive. The purposive intentions revolve around a shared commitment to improving their community.

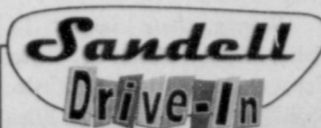
(3) Community development is structure oriented. The purposive and positive actions of actors are direct attempts to establish and/or strengthen the community as an interlinking and coordinating structure of human relationships.

(4) Community development exists in the efforts of people and not necessarily in goal achievement. Simply stated, community development is purposive action undertaken with positive intentions at improving community structure.

In short, the essence of community development lies in the doing - the working together toward a common goal - not in the outcome. Trying to purposively alter the community-field in a positive manner is enough to qualify as community development.

From this point of view, community development refers to the creation and maintenance of community. Donley County a fine place to call Home.

Shop at Home with Christmas Cash.



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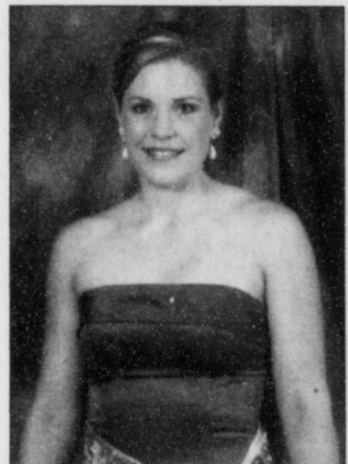
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NEWSPAPER NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on October 29, 2007, Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO), a regulated electric utility company and a subsidiary of American Electric Power Company, Inc. (AEP), filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission or PUC) for regulatory approvals pursuant to PURA §§ 14.101, 39.262, and 39.915. The docket number and style of this application are Docket No. 34960, *Application of Southwestern Electric Power Company for Regulatory Approvals Pursuant to PURA §§ 14.101, 39.262, and 39.915*. The application reflects that the ownership of SWEPCO will be transferred from AEP Utilities, Inc. (a wholly-owned subsidiary of AEP) to AEP once Commission and certain other regulatory approvals are obtained. No modification to SWEPCO's rates or services is being sought as a result of the proposed transaction. A copy of the application is kept at SWEPCO's office at 400 West 15th Street, Suite 1520, Austin, Texas 78701. If you have any questions concerning this filing please contact Nancy Napolitano at (512) 481-4543.

Any persons wishing to intervene in this proceeding or comment upon the action sought, should mail their requests to intervene or their comments (along with 10 copies of your letter) to: Public Utility Commission of Texas, Central Records, Attn: Filing Clerk, 1701 N. Congress Avenue, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. The deadline for intervention in this proceeding is December 13, 2007 and a letter requesting intervention should be received by the Commission by that date. To obtain additional information about this case, contact the Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136.



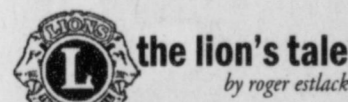
Rebekah Howard

Howard honored during Ozark's '07 homecoming

Rebekah Howard, daughter of Bruce and Gwyne Howard, participated in College of the Ozarks' 2007 Homecoming Coronation.

Rebekah is a 2004 graduate of Hedley High School.

More than 40 C of O club and organizations nominated the young lady it believed would best represent the College, and then votes by the student body determined the top 20 finalists. A panel of judges chose the top 10 finalists after a round of interviews and each of those ten ladies answered a question on stage during the Coronations. The judges chose the queen and her court based upon their answers. Other factors taken into consideration in the judging process were poise, personality, and stage presence.



The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting November 27, 2007, with Boss Lion Richard Sheppard ringing the bell.

We had 20 members, Lion Sweetheart Abby Patten, and one guest - Ashlee Estlack, guest of Lion Roger Estlack.

Past District Governor Bill Auvenshine presented the program and spoke about the Texas Lions Camp at Kerrville, which serves crippled children and diabetic children. A portion of our dues goes to support the camp. Lion Auvenshine challenged the members to visit the camp, saying "If you ever get to go, you'll be a Lion the rest of your life."

The treasurer reported that the Pancake Supper was a huge success this year, and the club voted to help support the Saints' Roost Museum with its fundraiser next month.

Lion Judy Burlin reported on Chamber activities and updated the club on the Cowboy Christmas planned for December 15.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

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Bulldogs racking up wins

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon College Bulldogs are racking up the wins for the 2007-2008 season and just recently suffered their first loss of the season to Seward County.

The Bulldogs participated in the Seward County Tournament held in Liberal, Kansas November 16-17. CC took on Pratt College and defeated them 115-101. Four players scored in double figures that aided in the win. Chris Smith racked up 24, Kevin Harris had 14, Justin Wallace put in 12, and Brent Taylor helped with 11.

The Bulldogs went up against the host team on the January 17 and fell short at 85-101. Harris and Dameron Abram pumped in 16 each, and Maurice Abraham helped with 15, while Wallace had 14.

Earlier in the week, the Bulldogs hosted powerhouse Garden City. The game was called due to a slick floor prior to overtime and ended in an 85-85 tie.

Harris had 14, Abram put in 13, Calvin Hall had 12, and Smith added 11.

"Garden City is a top 20 talented team," coach Tony Starnes said.

The next home game will be December 3 against Frank Phillips College in a conference battle.

Lady Owls beat state-ranked Roby

By Tangelia Copelin

The Hedley Lady Owls started out the 2007 season with a bang. The girls came out during the first quarter to outscore Roby but fell short the second quarter. With renewed determination, the Lady Owls came out of the locker room determined to outplay the Roby Lady Lions, and they did just that, winning the game 42 to 35.

Scoring during the game were: Haley Hall 14, Kelby Shields and Kaylee Shields each had 10 points apiece, Julie Woodard and Kristen Dwight 3 points each, and Shandy Koetting had 2 points for the game.

The second game the girls had this season was against the Darouzzet. The girls quickly overcame their opponents, winning the

game 78 to 20.

Scoring: Jasie Sargent 17, Hall 14, Kelby Shields 12, Skyler Conatser 10, Dwight 8, Kaylee Shields 6, Woodard 5, Jenni Allen 4, and Sydney Shipp 2 points.

From there, the Lady Owls took on the Lady Mustangs from Wheeler. Once again the Lady Owls came out to outscore their opponents in the first half and never looked back, winning the game 56 to 37.

Scoring: Hall 28, Woodard 15, Dwight 8, Haley Chambless and Shandy Koetting each had two points apiece, and Sargent had one point this game.

The next game the Lady Owls played was against the Paducah Lady Dragons. This gem the girls

were not able to execute their offense as well and only won the game by a narrow margin of 47 to 44.

Scoring: Hall 10, Kelby Shields 8, Sargent 7, Koetting, Woodard, and Dwight all had 6 points each, and Kaylee Shields had 4 points this game.

In Monday night's game against Holy Cross, the Lady Owls once again dominated the court, quickly ousting their opponents 59 to 19.

Scoring: Jasie Sargent 13, Hall and Kaylee Shields each had 10 points apiece, Haley Chambless had 8, Dwight and Koetting each had 5, Kelby Shields 4, and Woodard and Conatser each had two points for this game.

Hedley Owls beat Holy Cross

By Tangelia Copelin

The 2007 Hedley Owl boys basketball team began their first week of basketball last week. The boys played some tough ball with the bench consisting of mainly freshman to start this year's season.

The boys played Wheeler for their first game but came up short narrowly losing the game 51 to 58.

Scoring were: Brandon Montgomery 16, Tyler Pepper 11, Peter Howard 10, Braden Montgomery 6, Isaias Rameriz 5, and Kolby Foard 3.

The second game they played last week had them pitted up

against the Paducah Dragons and the young team was unable to execute their offense and fell short by several points.

Scoring this game were: Pepper 13, Howard 10, Brandon Montgomery 9, Ramirez 7, Braden Montgomery 4, Reid Copelin 3, and Dylan Pettit 1.

Monday night's game had the Owls playing Holy Cross with the home court advantage the Owls pulled the game out with a 74 to 63 win.

Scoring: Brandon Montgomery 22, Pepper 17, Ramirez 12, Copelin 9, Howard 8, and Braden Montgomery 6.

Lady Bronco JV win

The Lady Broncos JV got back on track against Childress at home Tuesday, November 20, and got a big 50-12 win. They fired hard right away and took a huge lead at the first of the game. They continued with their dominance the entire game, which got fairly physical.

Scoring: Deidre Lewis 12, Jill Luna 10, Haleigh Lewis 8, Ellisa Holland 6, Emily Clark 5, Chelsea Covey 2, Lauren Shelton 2, Ashlyn Tubbs 2, Caitlin Christopher 2, and Brandi Mays 1.

The Lady Broncos will participate in the Highland Park JV Tournament November 29-December 1 and will play at home December 4 against Silvertown beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Bronco JV wins 36-25

The Bronco junior varsity handled the Bobcats very easily in their first game of the season that ended at 36-25.

After the first quarter of play, it looked as if it would be a close game; but the Broncos took control in the second period of play and continued to build on their lead until the buzzer.

Scoring: Johnny Ballard 7, Josh Krumweide 7, Ryan Hill 5, Chris Crump 4, Mike Crump 4, Brayden Phillips 3, Justin Schilling 3, Dylan Wright 2, and Billy Ceniceros 1.

The Broncos will compete in the Highland Park JV Tournament November 29-December 1 and will play Silvertown at home December 4 beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Colts dominate WD

Both Colt teams racked up big wins on the road against White Deer Monday night. The seventh grade blew the Bucks away at 53-18, and the eighth grade won 30-25.

The seventh grade jumped on the Bucks early on and held them to under 10 points in the first half of play and only allowed 18 total points for the game. Scoring: Forrest Yelverton 20, Cole Ward 8, Cody Wood 6, Diego Santos 5, Trevor Cobb 4, Tyler Burch 4, Jonah Sell 2, Dusty Rice 2, and Adam Topper 2.

The eighth grade Colts led after one quarter but slipped to trail by one point at the break. A huge third quarter allowed them to regain the lead to get the win.

Scoring: Devonta Hardaway 8, Chris Blackburn 6, Jayson Pigg 4, Jerami Johnson 4, Brady Clark 4, Jacob Pigg 2, and Charleston Harris 2.

Both Colt teams will take on Shamrock at home December 3 beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Lady Colts post wins

Both Lady Colt teams rolled to their second victory of the season with big wins over White Deer at home Monday, November 19. The seventh grade Colts won 36-30, and the eighth grade won 26-16.

After playing the first quarter to a 6-6 tie, the Lady Colts trailed by one at the break. But a second half surge gave them the dominance to turn the game around and get the win.

Scoring: Jentry Shadle 14, Anna Ceniceros 8, Jency Burton 4, McKayla Cartwright 4, Maci White 2, Audrey Shelton 2, and Kenzie Perryman 2.

Also playing on the Lady Colt team: Elizabeth O'Rear, Amanda Powell, Bryce McCary, and Savannah Harkness.

The eighth grade got fired up from the beginning and took a four-point lead into the break. They opened the game up in the final period to get the 10-point win.

Scoring: Trevela Dronzek 14, Marquenda Gaines 6, Cheyenne Kosechata 4, and Amber Keelin 2.

Also playing for the Lady Colts: Kristin Watson, Ashley Smith, Chandace Ritchee, McKala Shadle, Jerah Luna, Kae Hewitt, Cynthia Medina, and Shantel Newsome.

The Lady Colts will travel to Shamrock December 3 beginning at 5:00 p.m.

HHS JV girls 2-1

The Hedley Lady Owls JV girl's team began their first game of the season against Roby in a tough game that pushed the Ladies to the limits of their abilities. The girls started out sluggish and had trouble shooting the ball. With this type of setback, the team was unable to pull out a win.

Scoring for the Lady Owls were: Jenni Allen 6, Kallie Verstuyft 5, Brook Martin 4, and Brittney Netterville, Kallee Burton, and Marlee Sargent had 2 points each.

The second game the girls played was against Wheeler, and the girls took control quickly and never looked back, beating the Mustangs 32 to 27.

Scoring in this game were: Martin 12, Skyler Conatser 7, Netterville 4, Sargent 3, and Verstuyft, Alex Sharp, and Timber Burnam all had 2 points.

The Lady Owls also took on the Paducah Dragons in a match up where they quickly took command of the court to outscore their opponents 36 to 18.

Various Lady Owls popping the net were: Allen 13, Haley Chambless 13, Sharp 3, and Verstuyft, Tamra Burnam, Conatser, and Martin all had 2 points.

HJH opens season

The Hedley Owl Junior High teams started the 2007 season against the Valley Patriots. The Junior High girls team was slow and unable to catch up with their opponents in the end.

Junior High girls putting points up were: Addy Monroe, Sierra Shelp, Deborah Howard, Sierra Wheatly, Stariette Valles, and Carly Hancock all had 2 points apiece; Marienna Glover and Cassidy Burton each added one point to the board.

The Junior High boys did not fair much better than the girls. With only one 8th grader playing on the team, the Owls were unable to overcome the height difference and lost this first game.

Those Owls scoring were: Coltin Kingston 5, Brady Montgomery 5, Joey Allen 2, and Bryan Evans and Seth Ruthardt each had one point a piece.

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Eight Broncos make All-District team

By Sandy Anderberg

Eight Broncos share offensive and defensive honors on the 2007 3-1A All-District Team, according to athletic director Gary Jack.

Junior Alton Gaines earned a spot as Defensive Co-MVP for his play on defense and was also named to the offensive side as a running back. Offensively, Gaines had 174 carries for 861 total yards and seven touchdowns. As a receiver, Gaines snagged 15 passes for 239 yards and three touchdowns. Defensively, Gaines racked up 95 tackles, which included seven sacks, five caused turnovers, one fumble recovery, and one punt return for a touchdown.

Fellow junior Nathan Gribble was named as the All-District Team quarterback. Gribble completed 80 passes for 1,303 yards and eight touchdowns. He was also given an Honorable Mention for his work on defense. Danzel Wilson and Derrick Shelton were named to both the offensive line and defensive line. Defensively, Wilson had 76 tackles, four sacks, three caused turnovers, two fumble recoveries, and one blocked punt. Shelton was also a force for the Broncos with 60

tackles, four sacks, two interceptions, two fumble recoveries, and one 55-yard kickoff return for a touchdown. Senior Stephen Fowler was named to the second team at center, and Scott Fowler received an honorable mention for his work on the line. Defensively, Stephen Fowler had 54 tackles and two sacks. Tré Brown received an honorable mention on offense. "Our offensive line consisting of Scott and Stephen Fowler, Tré Brown, Danzel Wilson, and Derrick Shelton did a great job all year," Jack said.

Senior TJ Brown was named to the All-District Team as a receiver on offense and named to the second team as a defensive back. Brown brought down 38 passes for 597 yards which included five touchdowns and a 75-yard kickoff return for a touchdown. Defensively, he had 41 tackles; two caused turnovers, and six interceptions. He was also named to the offensive second team as a punter. Aaron Gordon was named to the first team as kicker and received honorable mentions for both offense and defense. Gordon was also a receiver for the Broncos and grabbed 11 passes for 240

yards and defensively, and he had 33 tackles and three interceptions. "All of our receivers, Nathan Judd, Johnny Gaines, Aaron Gordon, TJ Brown, Stephino McCampbell, and Jesus Hernandez did a good job of blocking and catching the ball during the year." Gordon and Judd also received honorable mentions for their work offensively. McCampbell received an honorable mention for his work as linebacker, and he had 70 tackles, three sacks, and one caused turnover.

Johnny Ballard earned a spot on the first team defense as linebacker and, according to Jack, had 92 tackles, three sacks, two caused turnovers, one interception, two fumble recoveries, and one blocked punt which he recovered for a touchdown. Freshman Johnny Gaines was named to the first team as defensive back and racked up 82 tackles, two caused turnovers, three interceptions, and one fumble recovery. He also received an honorable mention for his offensive work.

Dylan Wright received a defensive honorable mention and had 57 tackles, one sack, one caused fumble, and four fumble recoveries.

Kaleb Shadle received an honorable mention for his defensive play in which he had 60 tackles and five sacks. Also receiving honorable mentions on offense were Chris and Mike Crump. David Roberts received an honorable mention for his work on offense.

Congratulations to all of the Broncos who received All-District Honors.

Rounding out the All-District First Team: Tevin Mitchell, Quannah was named offensive MVP; Tra Byrd was defensive Co-MVP; running back Charles Calloway, Shamrock; Eric Needham, Wellington; tight end Chase Horton, Wheeler; Center-Caleb Gaines, Wheeler; Offensive line-Stephen Morris, Memphis; Anthony Walker, Quannah; Gus Wilbur, Wellington; Layne Taylor, Wellington, Jordan McIntosh, Memphis; and Thomas Hunt, Shamrock; Receivers-Quenton Patterson, Wellington and Miguel Ramirez, Wheeler; Punter-Jeremy King, Quannah; defensive ends-Kevin Alexander, Memphis and Key Lloyd, Wellington; Defensive line-Stephen Morris, Memphis, Gus Wilbur, Wellington, Jay Brandon, Quannah, and Antonio Porras, Wheeler; linebackers-Tyler Richardson, Wheeler, Erick Needham, Wellington, Tevin Mitchell, Quannah, and Jonathan Bentley, Shamrock; defensive backs-Quenton Patterson, Wellington, Michael Henderson, Memphis, and Chase Horton, Wheeler.

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Drug-Releasing Stent Recommended for Approval

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Drug-coated stents were first approved in the U.S. for use by heart specialists in 2003. An advantage over bare-metal stents cited by manufacturers is that they can reduce the need for repeat procedures for clearing clogged arteries, thus lowering the risk of heart attacks. The stent is coated with a polymer that slowly releases the active drug into the artery wall. Delivery of the drug in this fashion is designed to keep scar tissue from forming and reclogging heart arteries. Drug-releasing stents already approved include the *sirolimus-eluting* stent (Cypher) and the *paclitaxel-eluting* stent (Taxus).



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Broncos head off Bobcats

By Sandy Anderberg

Making the transition from football to basketball isn't easy, but the Broncos fell right into place in their 75-58 win over Childress at home Tuesday night in their season opener.

The Broncos led by only one point at the end of the first quarter but opened it up to go up by 14 at the break. The second half was dominated by the Broncos on both ends of the court led by TJ Brown and Danzel Wilson, who both finished in double figures.

"It was really good to get started," coach Colby Waldrop said. "The kids did very well for the first game, and I was every proud of them."

Scoring: T.J. Brown 23, Danzel Wilson 19, Johnny Gaines 7, Derrick Shelton 7, Dalton Askew 6, Alton Gaines 3, Nathan Gribble 3, Stephino McCampbell 3, Tré Brown 2, and Jadon Thornton 2.

The Broncos will participate in the Nazareth Tournament November 29-December 1 and will host Silverton December 4 beginning at 8 p.m.

Lady Broncos win, 45-40

By Sandy Anderberg

Clarendon played hard for four quarters against Childress at home, and the payoff was a big win for the Lady Broncos.

The maroon and white began the game with intensity as they took a 15-9 lead in the opening period. After leading all of the game, the Lady Broncos slipped a little offensively and let the Lady Cats back into the game after they hit two big three-pointers. But Clarendon was patient and hit several free throws to seal the game in the final minutes.

"I thought our defense picked up the intensity," Coach Randy Yelverton said. "And for the most part, we executed our offense. Our kids played four quarters, and that has been one of our problems early in the season." Yelverton knows the Lady Broncos need to win a close game against a good team to gain some confidence. "We have 10 young ladies on varsity, and all ten contributed to the win," Yelverton said.

"They have wanted to win so much that they were fording things. They are such a great group of young ladies, and they really grew as players that night. Hopefully, we can continue that momentum from this game."

Scoring: Sade Cobb 10, Bailey Starnes 8, Jill Cornell 7, Abby Patten 7, Abbie Massingill 6, Erin Holland 4, and Cortnee Thornberry 3.

The girls will participate in the Nazareth Tournament November 29-December 1. They play Silverton at home December 4 at 6:30 p.m.

Bronco & Lady Bronco Basketball

Lady Broncos

3	Jenci White	Jr.
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.

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Broncos

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

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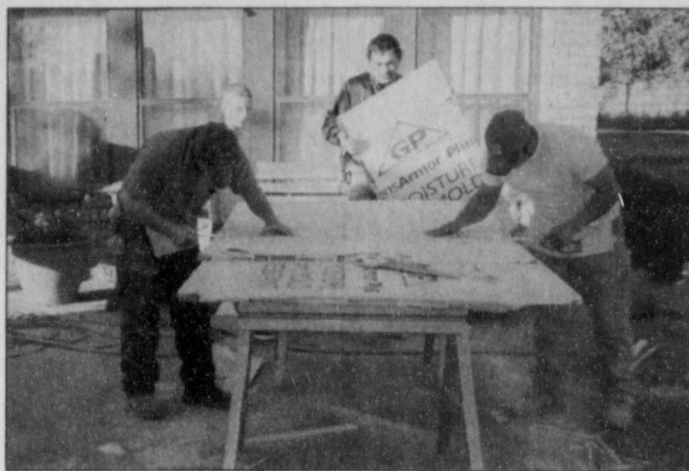
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Last week 12 people from three

different churches in Clarendon traveled to Hamlin to help with this repair. The men from Clarendon who gave of their time and energy to help others were: John Hall, Terry Noble, Jeff Hewett, Jacob and Wesley, Jason Hubert, Bobby Ellerbrook, Eddie Roys, Rodney Ellerbrook, Johnny Jaramillo, Sean Sanchez, and Ted Shaller.

Another group will be traveling to Hamlin on December 7-9 to do some more rebuilding. Any one who is interested in being part of that group can contact Ted Shaller for more details at 874-2471 or e-mail tshaller@centramedia.net



Clarendon volunteers working in Hamlin.

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ing winds. Also, in order to enhance wildlife habitat, add deciduous trees and shrubs.

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shrubs. The Donley County SWCD has a variety of seedlings for sale this year, to include several species of Evergreens, Hardwoods and also Wildlife Packets.

Prices do vary so if you are interested in purchasing seedlings or have any questions, contact Brenda Nowlin at the Donley County SWCD #127 located at 320 S. Sully in Clarendon or call 806-874-3561 Ext. 101.

All orders must be received on or by Thursday, February 28, 2008.

Hedley academic competitors do well at Lubbock festival

The Lubbock High School Fall Festival featured UIL academic competition in all events, and Hedley UIL competitors had a good showing at the large meet.

Out of 13 competing 1A-3A schools, the Hedley Science team placed second, the Social Studies team placed third, and the Calculator team placed fifth.

Leading the way for the sci-

ence team was Sam Lovely with a third place overall showing in the senior division, followed by Jonathan Edmonson (fifth) and Kristen Dwight (sixth).

Among the juniors, Peter Howard placed ninth to help win the silver trophy.

Jacob Widener placed fifth among competing freshmen.

Skylar Conatser again placed

high among juniors in the Calculator contest, winning a silver medal, and Amber Burnam placed fifth. Daniel West rounded out the team, placing ninth among freshmen.

The Social Studies team of Jasie Sargent, Kaylee Shields, and Reid Copelin placed third despite the entire team being composed of freshmen.

Other Hedley competitors were

Danielle Smith in Number Sense (fifth among seniors), and Laura Howard in Spelling and Vocabulary.

Hedley teams will compete in a UIL "A" meet in January, and a "B" meet in February, and at the Clarendon College Math/Science Meet February 23.

District competition will be March 28 at Frank Phillips College in Borger.

Obituaries

Row

Marjorie Row, 79, died Sunday, November 25, 2007, in Amarillo.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 28, 2007, at the Community Fellowship Church in Clarendon with the Rev. Roger Smith, Pastor, and Rev. Darrell Burton, Pastor of the Martin Baptist Church in Clarendon, officiating. Burial was at Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon. Services were under the arrangement of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Marjorie was born March 8, 1928, in Hall County to George and Clara Calhoun Elliott. She married Fred Lewis Row on June 27, 1946, at Memphis. She was an Avon representative for many years. She had been a resident of Clarendon since 1928. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Fred, on February 27, 1997; her parents; five brothers; and four sisters.

Survivors include a daughter, Brenda Lee and husband Joey of Clarendon; a son, Ricky Row of Clarendon; six grandchildren, Robert Lee and wife Kilyn, Ernie Lee, Jason Lee, Desirae Row, and Braeden Lindsey; two sister-in-laws, Ruby Elliott, and Ruth Sharp.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Local Housing Authority of the City of Clarendon, TX (hereafter referred to as "the Authority") does hereby give notice of a Public Meeting of said Authority, to be held Monday, January 14, 2008, at 1:30 p.m. Said meeting will be concerning the Authority's Annual and Five Year Plan. The hearing will be at the Authority's office, located at 103 E. 4th Street in Clarendon, TX. For further information or to view the plans, please contact Tammy Christopher, Executive Director, P.O. Box 945, Clarendon, Texas 79226 or you may call (806)874-2458. 50-1tc

CLARENDON CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS - INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE - WIRED & WIRELESS
Clarendon Consolidated Independent School District is deploying a 1-1 computing initiative in the Fall of 2008. To support this initiative, the network infrastructure must be improved and a wireless local area network with 802.11n standard must be deployed. Clarendon CISD expects to deploy up to 450 wirelessly connected computers. The wireless infrastructure must be adequate for this volume of traffic. Clarendon CISD is soliciting proposals for support components to develop the District's Local Area Network that will support this initiative. Proposals will be received at the CLARENDON Consolidated Independent School District Administration Building, 416 S. Allen, PO Box 610, Clarendon, TX 79226. Each proposer shall identify his proposal by typing on the outside of the envelope: "Clarendon CISD Infrastructure Upgrade", RFP December-2007. Proposals received by hand

delivery or mail after 10:00 A.M. December 13, 2007, will be returned unopened. The required components of the Local Area Network are to include: wireless infrastructure, cabling, security measures, network equipment, and existing equipment (functionality). All design, configuration, testing, documentation, and 1 year of support must be included. Awarded vendor must follow all state, local, and federal requirements. Vendors are required to provide the total cost for equipment including mounting materials, installation and configuration cost including site surveys and wireless security, and warranty periods for all equipment and materials. For questions regarding the specifications AND to receive a copy of the RFP packet, contact the Administration Office at 806-874-2062. Proposals should address all of the questions/issues that have been requested in the RFP packet. Failure to adhere to these procedures or to obtain approval for deviations may result in an incomplete evaluation of your proposals. Clarendon CISD reserves the right to negotiate with any or all proposers at any time, before or after submission of a proposal. Clarendon ISD reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive technicalities.

WAIVER OF CLAIMS: BY TENDERING A RESPONSE TO THIS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL, THE PROPOSER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT HAS READ AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMITTING A RESPONSE, AND THE PROCESS USED BY THE OWNER FOR SELECTING A CONTRACTOR. FURTHER, BY SUBMITTING A RESPONSE, THE PROPOSER FULLY, VOLUNTARILY AND UNDERSTANDINGLY WAIVES AND RELEASES ANY AND ALL CLAIMS AGAINST OWNER OR ANY OF THEIR TRUSTEES, OFFICERS, AGENTS AND/OR EMPLOYEES THAT COULD ARISE OUT OF THE ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, OR RECOMMENDATION OF ANY PROPOSAL SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO THIS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL.

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• 703 S. Carhart - Brick, 2 bed, 2 bath, CH/A, fireplace, carport, water well, metal fence. Huge native pasture, 5 1/2 acres. \$69,000.

• 404 W. 5th St. - Brick, 2 bedroom, 1 Full, 3/4 & 1/2 baths, large kitchen with breakfast nook, formal living and dining rooms, with two face fireplace, large den, central h/a, updated appliances, nice patio, aprox 3462 total sq ft. Nice yard and landscaping. \$189,000.

• 4 lots @ 415 W. 7th. Three bed, 2 bath, steel siding, screened in front porch, CH/A, large carport, covered patio \$89,000.

• 3 lots @ 802 W. Allen St. Brick, 2 1/2 bed, 2 baths, CH/A, attached 2 car garage, basement, fireplace, large storage lot. \$100,000

COUNTRY PROPERTIES
• 100 acs. North of Hedley. 2 wells, cross fenced. Love grass, Hwy frontage. Trailer house.

• Donley County- 200 acs. 1 well, 2 dirt tanks (fish), deer & quail, some new fence.

• Gray Co. near Mobeette, 632 acres + or -, two wells, 3 dirt tanks, two miles new fence, excellent cattle ranch. \$550 per acre.

• 640 acs. + or - north of Hedley close to Red River, 2 bed, 1 bath brick home, nice metal barn, metal corrals, 1 well & 1 seep pond. Lots of trees & thickets, very gamey.

• 640 + or - South of Hedley, old home, barn & pens. Deer, & birds. Water wells, Lots of cover for the game. Good location.

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Sheriff's Report: Caller says kids driving

November 19, 2007

1:45 a.m. - Stranded motorist, Hwy. 70 N.
 9:18 a.m. - To jail, 1 male in custody; DWI.
 4:19 p.m. - Non injury accident, McLean St.
 5:24 p.m. - At ag barn.

November 20, 2007

12:48 a.m. - Welfare check, 200 Blk. S. Goodnight St.
 12:54 a.m. - Back to residence, 200 Blk. S. Goodnight St.
 7:09 a.m. - 1000 Blk. E. 3rd St., juvenile refusing to go to school.
 7:30 a.m. - 1000 Blk. Barcus St., see caller.
 9:58 a.m. - At courthouse annex.
 1:27 p.m. - 600 Blk. W. 2nd St., male sub. panhandling.
 1:53 p.m. - Non injury accident, Hwy. 287 at Hwy. 70 S.
 4:35 p.m. - Missing male juvenile.
 4:51 p.m. - Juvenile male located, safe and unharmed.
 5:25 p.m. - Stopped vehicle, leaking unknown fluid; only water.
 8:26 p.m. - Hwy. 70 N., abandoned vehicle; window busted out.

November 21, 2007

3:07 a.m. - Have located stalled semi, Hwy. 287 between Midway and Goodnight e/b is impeding traffic flow. Will stay on scene until Arm. Co. unit arrives.
 4:15 a.m. - With stranded motorist, 7m. E. Hwy. 287.
 5:29 a.m. - Transported motorist to hotel, vehicle secured; will be towed after daylight.

3:36 p.m. - Away from vehicle, have cell phone.
 4:32 p.m. - Check Martin area, caller reporting smoke.
 10:49 p.m. - See caller, Orpe St.

November 21, 2007

8:31 p.m. - Observed reported vehicle; no problems.
 12:19 p.m. - Kearney + St., caller reporting 2 males 9 - 10 years of age driving.
 2:23 p.m. - Welfare check, 900 Blk. W. 3rd St.
 6:51 p.m. - Accident, vehicle v. cow, Hwy. 287 at Lelia Lake.

November 23, 2007

3:15 a.m. - Check area for reported DWI with child < 15 years of age. Left. Res. 600 Blk. Collinson St.
 6:15 a.m. - Removing debris from roadway 10 - 12m. W. 287.
 7:05 p.m. - Jr. High building, reported poss. trespass.

November 24, 2007

3:30 a.m. - Made contact with driver who left passenger behind, is returning to Clarendon.
 4:41 p.m. - In Howardwick, serving legal papers.
 7:37 p.m. - Check reported errant driver, W. Hwy. 287 W. bound.
 7:53 p.m. - UTZ reported spot lighters, n/w of Clarendon.

November 25, 2007

3:34 p.m. - EMS assist, 600 Blk. W. 3rd St.

Arrests - 2 EMS - 11

WWII project to air December 7

KACV-TV will present the premiere of *World War II: A Panhandle Project* Friday, December 7, at 7:00 p.m. This locally produced program features a selection of stories gathered as part of the Texas Panhandle World War II Stories project.

When KACV created "Texas Panhandle World War II Stories," the goal was to honor the memories of local residents who experienced the war at home and on the front lines. Hundreds of stories have been gathered, and more are being added every day. "World War II: The Panhandle Project" will feature a selection of these interviews that highlight the significant impact of

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World War II: A Panhandle Project is part of KACV's Winter Membership Drive. The Membership Drive is generously sponsored by Blackburn Shaw Funeral Directors, John Chandler Ford, Gilliland Family Foundation, Texas Cattle Feeders Association, and Barnes & Noble and is December 1-9.

For more information, visit www.kacv.org/war or call KACV at 371-5222 or 1-800-999-9243.

ALT to present 'Christmas Carol'

Seasonal sounds and sights will seep through Amarillo Little Theatre beginning Nov. 29 with a lavish musical production of "A Christmas Carol."

ALT director Allen Shankles is as openly enthusiastic about the Christmas classic as the ill-tempered Ebenezer Scrooge was lacking in his holiday spirit.

"I want people to know that this is a newer, fresher version of this classical story, full of big musical productions," Shankles said of the Broadway show, produced in the mid-1990s and scored by Alan Menken and Lynn Ahrens.

"This fabulous team has collaborated on such shows as 'Beauty and the Beast' and 'Ragtime,'" Shankles said.

Don Shipman as Ebenezer Scrooge once again leads the largest cast of veterans and newcomers in ALT history. Primary roles are held by Amber Burton, Annika Johansson, Devlon Jones, Josh Bates, Scott Royster, and Jonathan Moble, and Ben Knight returns as Tiny Tim. ALT Academy children will comprise the "Angel Chorus." Jim Gardner is music director, and Shawn Walsh and Anne Lankford assist with choreography. Art DeMar is assistant to the directors.

Performance times and dates are 8 p.m. November 29, 30, December 1, 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15 and 2:30 pm December 9 and December 16.

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- A planned gift to the Clarendon College Foundation to support the PEAK scholarship program
- or perhaps in the spirit of this holiday season, give a gift from the heart, a gift to Clarendon College in the name of a loved one.

2008 Funding Priorities:

- New Vocational Building
- Livestock and Equine Center Completion

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