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

City aldermen receive update on two grants

The Clarendon Board of Aldermen met in regular session April 24 in the Board Room of City Hall.

Fees at the city's recycling center were discussed, but the issue was tabled pending further investigation.

City Clerk Jeannie Molder reported on grant applications for park improvements and downtown revitalization. Outlook for the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department grant is very positive. The grant would be for \$18,000, and the city would match \$18,000 with in-kind work.

The Texas Department of Agriculture grant for downtown has the city at 80 percent on the point scale, and the application deadline is in June. The city's match would be \$33,000, which would go for the engineering services.

City Secretary Linda Smith reported that the backhoe would be paid off in October. The trash truck would be paid off in November, and the city needs to purchase a new one.

Early voting underway for state, local ballots

Early voting began Monday in this year's spring elections.

Clarendon voters can cast early ballots for mayor and two aldermen at the Donley County Courthouse Annex.

County residents can vote early for this spring's state constitutional amendment election at the Donley County Courthouse, and voters in the Hedley School District can cast early ballots at the school.

Early voting ends May 8. Election day will be Saturday, May 12.

School to raise funds for victims of tornados

Clarendon Elementary School is holding a fundraiser during the week of April 30-May 4 for the victims of the April 21 tornados in Tulia and Cactus.

The school will donate the monies to each town in a bank that has an account set up for donations.

For more information contact Mrs. Ham or Mrs. Frausto at Clarendon Elementary.

Immunization clinic to be held here May 15

The Texas Department of State Health Services will hold an Immunization Clinic May 15 in Clarendon at the state office in the Community Services Building at 5 Medical Drive.

The local clinic will be open from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. and from 1 to 3:30 p.m. All clinic times are subject to change or cancellation due to weather conditions or scheduling conflicts.

A Conversation With Lauraine Paul Candidate for Mayor of Clarendon

Lauraine Paul wants to be Clarendon's new mayor.

A native of Pennsylvania, Paul has family roots in Clarendon through four generations. She graduated from General McLane High School in Edinboro, Penn., and earned a degree in psychology from Edinboro University. Since then, she's gotten her master's degree in secondary education from the University of Phoenix and is pursuing her doctorate in Educational Leadership.

The candidate moved here in 2003 and currently works for Clarendon College as an Education Instructor. She sat down Tuesday morning with the ENTERPRISE to talk about her view of the city and what needs to be done to give it more "pizzazz."

ENTERPRISE: What prompted you to run for mayor?

PAUL: One of the classes I'm taking put the idea in my head about initiating change, and I see a lot of potential for the town. Then recently a high school student talked to me about wanting to leave town — not just leave home but leave town. I noticed then that we don't offer a lot for our youth. I can't imagine having your roots here and not wanting to stay here. There's a lot we can offer. It's just a matter of tapping that potential. One of the ideas I have to just get us out of the survival mode and to encourage people to make this a better place. Let's bring the life and the zing back to what Clarendon should be.

ENTERPRISE: In the four years that you've lived here, can you point to some accomplishments that the city has made?

PAUL: It's not that things haven't happened. They've got the streets done on the west side of town, and things are moving. They've got grants that they're working on. But people don't seem to want to call and complain because results aren't fast enough. When people call, they are almost hassled sometimes instead of getting a responsive answer. The result is that people don't call.

ENTERPRISE: So the city needs to work on being more responsive and receptive when people call?

PAUL: Yes. And we need to educate individuals about the steps it takes to make things happen.

ENTERPRISE: You mentioned grants. The city is working on a downtown revitalization grant and a grant for the park. What do you think of those?

PAUL: I think they can do better. I understand one of those we have a \$33,000 match for. I think we can get 100 percent money. I don't know all of the city finances yet. If you need to buy a



Lauraine Paul

new trash truck, you may need that \$33,000 for that. The projects definitely need to be done though.

ENTERPRISE: The personal property tax has been the subject of a lot of debate lately. What are your personal thoughts about that issue?

PAUL: I go both ways. There is no state tax, and since there is none, you have to bring that money in from somewhere. But you're getting taxed on everything; and when the tax on your vehicles adds up to more than the tax on your property, you scratch your head. The personal property tax pays for so much. I think a lot of people are upset because we're one of the only counties that collect it, and I think it's upsetting when people move their vehicles around to avoid the tax.

ENTERPRISE: Is there a way that you as mayor could lessen the burden of that tax?

PAUL: Again, educating individuals to know where the tax is

going. Teach people the trickle down effect if you freeze taxes on senior citizens. The money comes from somewhere. I would be curious to see where the money goes. It's all about informing and educating the people.

ENTERPRISE: In the last few years, there has been some discussion at City Hall about publishing the list of who owes delinquent taxes. What are your feelings on this?

PAUL: I teeter-totter on that one. People just don't understand what their taxes are going for. I agree with getting people to pay their taxes though.

ENTERPRISE: As you look into the future at Clarendon 10 or 15 years down the road, what do you see?

PAUL: A beautiful town. Change does not happen overnight or in a month. It takes a long time. Some things can happen quickly

—educating the public, for example. But I see more individuals here and more movement forward. I can see more of the town preserved and more excitement and pizzazz.

ENTERPRISE: Why should the people of Clarendon vote for you over your opponent?

PAUL: For the idea of change and moving forward. Mark White has a lot of great ideas and has done a good job. But you need to be proactive. It's the idea of bringing fresh ideas to the city.

ENTERPRISE: What would be your final message to the voters?

PAUL: Don't vote for an individual and their vision. Vote for the person you think will take care of your concerns and will make the decisions you care about.

Next week: A conversation with Mayor Mark White and profiles of the candidates for Clarendon aldermen.

Student recants rape story

It was all a lie.

The assailant, the dorm room rape, and the entire story given to authorities last month by a Clarendon College student was all a complete fabrication, according to Donley County Sheriff Butch Blackburn.

The 18-year-old accuser had claimed that on the afternoon of Sunday, April 15, a man dressed in dark clothing and wearing gloves and a ski mask had entered her room in Knorpp Hall, brandished a gun, and forced her to have sex before fleeing.

"We were somewhat leery from the start due to a lack of physical evidence from the rape exam," Blackburn said. "And also, the description of the assailant was something you'd see on TV at night."

Still the sheriff's office gave its full attention to the alleged attack, devoting three officers to working on it eight hours a day for a week, Blackburn said.

Last week, the sheriff turned the accuser's written account of the attack over to former Carson County sheriff and handwriting analyst Loren Brand, who determined that the young woman was lying in her report. An analyst with the Texas Rangers made the same determination.

Blackburn and Texas Ranger Alvin Smit traveled to the accuser's home in Brownfield last Friday to interview the student again.

"She gave a full retraction and told us (the story) was totally false," the sheriff said.

Blackburn said a full report of the case will be given to the District Attorney's office to determine whether charges should be filed against the student.

"I can tell you my office will not pursue charges in this case," Blackburn said.

In a prepared statement, Clarendon College officials said, "...anytime a student reports an incident of this nature on campus it will be taken seriously. If there is any good to come out this situation it is a heightened and renewed commitment to the safety of our students and to a safe learning environment at Clarendon College."

The statement went on to thank the sheriff and his office for "their tireless efforts in working to resolve this matter" and members of the community who offered to help CC students over the last two weeks.

Blackburn also thinks some good can come from the case.

"It's brought up issues that needed to be addressed at the college, such as security at the dorms, and I hope the college will follow through with plans to tighten security," the sheriff said. "It scared a lot of people. It could happen here just like in any big city, but luckily this time it didn't happen."

CC President Myles Shelton told the ENTERPRISE Monday morning that the college will continue to review its safety and security procedures, and that any changes would hopefully be in place by the start of the fall semester.

CC Regents okay increasing room, board fees

The Clarendon College Board of Regents approved higher room and board rates during their regular meeting last Thursday, April 26.

Room and board rates for students living in CC residence hall have not increased since 2003; but since that time, the college's electric bills have gone up 23.7 percent, and natural gas has increased 67.8 percent, President Myles Shelton said.

The board approved raising all room rates by \$75 per semester. Food

charges will increase \$50 per semester due to higher costs in the college's contract with Great Western Dining.

In other college business, regents approved hiring Debra Kuhl as the new dean of instruction to start in July.

Wendy Pachas-Bauza was hired as the new enrollment services counselor at Pampa, and Rusty Kennedy will return as the women's basketball coach.

Regents accepted the resigna-

tion of Doak Elledge as an RFO instructor and approved a sabbatical for the 2007-2008 academic year for instructor Michael Tibbets.

The board approved contract renewals for 2007-2008 for the following instructors: Jennifer Black, Charla Crump, Gene Denney, Pam Denney, Russell Estlack, Scarlet Estlack, Cynthia Ewing, Skip Frazier, Jan Haynes, Bill Huey, Jack McCarty, Melissa McCoy, Kent Miller, Jimidene Murphey, Phyllis

Norton, Darryl Perryman, Jonea Rima, Carolyn Smith, Chad Smith, Tony Starnes, Peggy Stewart, Robert Taylor, Johnny Treichel, Laban Tubbs, Frank Vance, Matt Vanderburg, Larry Wiginton, and Ken Wilson.

A contract extension through December 2007 was also approved for Lydia Menke.

Bids on surplus vehicles were opened, and two were accepted. The others were rejected for being below

fair market value.

A lease agreement was approved off the state bid board for a new Canon copier to be supplied by Danka.

Bids on delinquent tax property were approved as presented by the Donley County Appraisal District.

The board discussed the renovation of the gym floor and approved a motion to bring in a third party to inspect the floor before making the final payment on the work.

guest commentary

Yeltsin went freedom's way

By Andrei Illarionov

Boris Yeltsin lived and died a free man.

The most important things he did in his life he accomplished on his own, right from the banya he built one log at a time with his own hands for his grandfather as a young man, to giving up his place in the Kremlin on the last day of the 20th century. This kind of independence is the mark of a free person.

Yeltsin answered for his deeds. Both for his great accomplishments – the victory over communism, the peaceful dissolution of the empire, the liberation of the economy and the introduction of a democratic constitution – and for his gravest mistakes – Order 1400, which dissolved the parliament in 1993, the first war in Chechnya and the falsification of the State Duma elections in 1996. He didn't hide behind anyone or try to shift the blame. He didn't just talk about taking responsibility – he took it. Not only for his own errors, but for those of others. He didn't try to hide moments of incompetence, make excuses for his weaknesses or resort to meanness in blaming others. He took all of the responsibility on himself. Whether it was for those who lost their lives defending the White House, for hyperinflation and economic decline or the horrors of war, he took the heat for others, and paid for it with a fall in his own support and popularity.

To be able to shoulder responsibility and bear up under its weight is the sign of a free person.

Yeltsin made mistakes and, in keeping with his character, they were enormous. But he turned out to be the rare Russian politician who wasn't afraid to admit to them and, when possible, fix them. From the demolition of the Ipatiev house in Yekaterinburg where Tsar Nicholas II and his family were executed came the erection of a monument on the same site. He began the first Chechen war and brought it to an end. As he left office, he apologized to the Russian people.

The ability to accept responsibility for your errors is a sign of real strength, and this kind of strength can only belong to a free person.

Despite his strong political instincts, Yeltsin could be remarkably naive. He could believe sincerely in the invulnerability of the ruble on the very eve of the 1998 devaluation, for example. But no matter how mocking, grinding and baseless the attacks in the press became, he never targeted them with a word of political rebuke or tried to restrict the activities of journalists.

Freedom of speech is only understood and valued by a truly free person. The idea of freedom of speech was central for Yeltsin.

Yeltsin loved and clung to power. It's hard to imagine anyone who fought so hard to achieve power and then to retain it. For him, it was a rare and valuable instrument. Its value was in what it could be used to achieve, and not just for itself. He didn't become a slave to power. He was greater than power.

Yeltsin needed power to use it for Russia. It was as if there was nothing he wasn't willing to do for the country. In striving for its freedom and prosperity, he performed great feats and made tragic mistakes. He clung to power and then surrendered it for Russia. He pulled the country out of communism, out of empire and out of its past – for the future. He pushed it forward, toward civilization, openness and freedom.

Every person creates in his own image, and it is impossible for an unfree person to create a free society. Russia is free because Yeltsin and those around him in 1991 were already free.

No slave can be a patriot. A slave belongs to money, assets, corporations, friends or power itself. A patriot belongs only to his country. Patriotism is in the character of a free person.

Yeltsin spent his whole presidency looking for a successor – not to defend Yeltsin's interests, but those of the country. The choice was made and Putin was given everything: power, resources, emotional support and so on. Most of all, he was given one important and heartfelt command: "Take care of Russia."

But initial doubts eventually turned to questions, and these questions ultimately turned into objections. Yeltsin reacted painfully to the betrayal not of himself, but of Russia. But there was nothing he could do to halt the march backward. His private concerns and his public appeals were cut off quickly. It had turned into his biggest mistake.

All that had been done in those years, in the course of an immense struggle that claimed so many victims, was lost. Everything created by Yeltsin in the name of Russian freedom has been systematically and methodically destroyed.

What could he do once the awful mistake had already been made? When nobody was guilty aside from Yeltsin himself? When he no longer had the power, health, time or even the opportunity to speak out and try to reverse the error. What could he do? Could he just sit back and listen to, tolerate and resign himself to what was happening? Could he have reconciled himself to it and, by his silent agreement, sanctioned the destruction of the free Russia he had created? That would have meant fighting for freedom all your life and, at the end of it all, helping bury it. Not a chance. Yeltsin refused to play along. Trapped at a dead end, Yeltsin found a way out – the exit for a free person.

Yeltsin made the most important decision in his life himself. His heart couldn't stand the pain of today's Russia.

So he left.

As a sign of protest.

As a sign of refusal.

As a sign that he would not accept what was happening to the country.

He never surrendered his freedom to anyone. He remained free. Forever. A free man of a free Russia.

Andrei Illarionov, former economic policy advisor to President Vladimir Putin, is a senior fellow at the Cato Institute.

Immigration necessary but is not easy

By US Sen. John Cornyn

The U.S. Congress has an opportunity this spring to resolve one of the most urgent issues facing our nation. Virtually everyone agrees our immigration and border security systems are broken and must be repaired.

My hope is that we will be able to achieve real, workable solutions in the next few months. Otherwise, we run the risk of this critical issue becoming bogged down in 2008 presidential election politics.

Over the past two years, with Congress in Republican hands, some border security measures were approved. But overall, we dropped the ball. Now Congress is under new management, and the need for progress on broad reforms is even more urgent.

In our post-9/11 world, securing America's borders is critical to our national security. Yet thousands of illegal immigrants continue to stream across our borders every month, creating an unacceptable threat in these times.

Any new immigration policy must start with concern about keeping America's homeland safe from those who wish to do us harm. The first step in regaining control over our immigration system is controlling our borders.

So far, the federal government has not devoted adequate funds, resources, or man-

power to fully enforce our laws. Last year, I introduced a measure to provide \$3.9 billion in emergency funding for new agents, detention beds, employer verification, and strategic barriers that had been previously authorized – but not funded – by Congress.

Unfortunately, that measure did not pass. Authorizing border security measures is meaningless unless we put the funds and resources behind them.

A second key element is eliminating the magnet of illegal employment. The single most effective way to reduce illegal immigration is to restore credibility to our workplace regulations. But current laws are largely unenforceable. Even the most honest employers are unable to determine whether their employees are legal. We must devise an effective electronic system that will allow employers to verify immediately a worker's identity and authorization to work in the United States.

Once we have such a system in place, we must then give officials sufficient resources to conduct worksite enforcement actions – not to penalize legitimate businesses, but to deter employers who deliberately violate the law by hiring illegal workers.

Finally, we must eliminate the identity theft and document fraud that facilitates this situation. Any documents that can be used for identity and employment verifica-

tion must be secure, tamper-resistant, and counterfeit-proof, and include biometric features for verification.

These measures will be costly. But any reform effort must be grounded on a system of laws that can be enforced and respected.

Texans are on the front lines of this national immigration debate. Our state and our nation have always welcomed immigrants, and then been enriched by their energy, their work ethic, and their culture. This will continue to be the case.

But as we accommodate legal migrants, we must ensure that our reformed immigration system furthers the goals of America and serves the needs of our economy. We must also make certain that we know who is entering our country and do our best to eliminate those who would do us harm.

For far too long, Washington has ignored the flaws in our nation's immigration policy. If anything, the situation has deteriorated in recent months. Special interest groups on both ends of the spectrum now dominate the debate, employing scare tactics to scuttle reforms that do not comport with their narrow views.

I will continue doing what I can this year to push toward a solution. Reform will not be easy, but the status quo is unacceptable. Doing nothing is not an option.



Bill boosts American economic edge

Rising powers like China and India are threatening America's economic prominence, and we must refocus our efforts to address this threat head-on. I recently joined with many of my Senate colleagues to meet this challenge by passing the America COMPETES (Creating Opportunities to Meaningfully Promote Excellence in Technology, Education, and Science) Act. This bipartisan bill increases research, education and innovation to strengthen America's long-term economic competitiveness.

A report published by the National Academies in 2005 titled "Rising Above the Gathering Storm" illustrated my concerns about how precarious our economic leadership is. The United States graduates about 70,000 engineers annually, yet more than half come from overseas. India matriculates far more engineers each year (around 250,000), and in China, the number is even greater. If this trend continues, within a few years approximately 90 percent of all scientists and engineers in the world will live in Asia.

We are already starting to see the consequences of our lack of focus, because fewer innovators result in fewer innovations. In the 1990s, U.S. patent applications grew at an annual rate of 10 percent, but since 2001, their growth rate has

slowed to less than three percent. By not replenishing America's well of innovations, we are seeing a fundamental – and detrimental – shift in the global economy. In particular, our trade balance in high-tech products has turned upside down. China has passed us as the world's largest exporter of information-technology products, while we have become a net importer of such products.

Many of the recommendations for remedying the current trend are included in the America COMPETES Act.

First, we would increase research investment by doubling the authorized funding levels for the National Science Foundation (NSF) and substantially increasing funding for the Department of Energy's Office of Science. NASA, in particular, is one of our premier research institutions, and we have created a framework to provide increased NASA funding to support basic research and spur new innovation.

Second, we have focused on improving education, specifically in the vitally

important fields of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and critical foreign languages. We have authorized competitive grants to states to promote stronger curricula in elementary and secondary schools so that the next generation of Americans has the skills to succeed in college, the workforce, and in the U.S. Armed Forces. It strengthens the skills of thousands of math and science teachers by supporting the NSF's Teachers Institutes for the 21st Century Program and providing grants for teachers to earn master's and doctoral degrees in math or science.

Finally, our bill focuses on innovation. From the Franklin Stove to the grain reaper, from the telephone to the television, from the space shuttle to the Internet, America has been the world capital of technology. Economic studies show that as much as 85 percent of the measured growth in per capita income is due to technological change, and our bill ensures that both NASA and NSF are able to expand their strong traditional roles in fostering technological and scientific excellence.

With this landmark legislation, we will have a better-educated workforce, increased research, and ground-breaking ideas that will recharge our competitiveness and raise our overall standard of living.



capitol comment

by sen. kay bailey hutchison

Illegals should have to conform to US laws

This past week our Legislature in Austin was considering the following:

To register to vote, a person must show proof of citizenship. To vote, a person must show a photo ID. Increasing penalties for voter fraud. Give the Attorney General jurisdiction over election and campaign violations. Require a Deputy Voter Registrar to be a citizen and registered voter. On a national basis the same party is against making English the official language. One political party is against all the above.

We talk about cleaning up the political process and leading the country to higher standards in business and government. Why should illegals who don't conform to the law of the land be allowed to vote and collect benefits from this country? Think about that.

Tom Stauder, Clarendon



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CHS students win top award in Austin

AUSTIN, Texas — Jill Cornell and Amelia Taylor, students at Clarendon High School, won top honors at the 28th Annual Texas History Day, a weekend-long history fair for students in grades six through twelve. By winning first and second place awards at this statewide competition, they have now qualified to advance to National History Day, the national history fair in June 2007.

“Winning top awards at Texas History Day is an amazing achievement,” said Stephen Cure, Director of Educational Services for the Texas State Historical Association, a sponsor of Texas History Day. “Thirty thousand students across Texas compete at the local level to win the opportunity to participate in this contest, and 912 students made it to the state contest in Austin. These student winners faced tremendous competition.”

Cornell’s project was titled “The Triangle Shirtwaist Fire: Triumph and Tragedy at the Asch Building” and Taylor’s project was titled “Earhart: Piloting the Feminist Movement”. Also, the students received a special award: The C. M. Caldwell Memorial Award for Texas History.

The 2007 Texas History Day took place on Friday, April 27, and Saturday, April 28, at the Bob Bull-

ock Texas State History Museum and The University of Texas at Austin. Students from all over Texas traveled to Austin to compete for awards with their outstanding exhibits, performances, documentaries, interpretive websites, and historical essays prepared on this year’s “Triumph and Tragedy” theme.

Texas History Day activities culminated with an awards ceremony on Saturday evening, where Texas State Historian Dr. Frank de la Teja presented the awards. Top winners will now advance to National History Day, the next round of competition, held at the University of Maryland College Park on June 11 through 14, 2007.

“Qualifying to participate in both the state and national contest is quite a rigorous process,” said Cure, “but the students’ enthusiasm is matched only by the strength of each History Day entry. That is why year after year Texas makes such a strong showing in the National History Day competition.”

The Texas State Historical Association sponsored Texas History Day in cooperation with the Center for American History at The University of Texas at Austin. The Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum co-hosted this year’s event.



the lion's tale *by roger estlack*

The Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting May 1 with Boss Lion Jim Shelton in charge.

We had 21 members and three guests present: Deb Higgins, guest of Lion Jerry Woodard; Jeff Tucker, guest of Lion Steve Hall; and Ashlee Estlack, guest of Lion Roger Estlack.

The new heating and cooling system is installed, and a work day is being planned to clean the Lions Hall.

Lion Myles Shelton reported that the Bulldog baseball team is headed to the playoffs May 12, and Lion Monty Hysinger updated the club on high school boys and girls playoffs, state UIL contests, and the state track meet this week.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

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Wed	25	74°	46°	-
Thu	26	60°	40°	-
Fri	27	72°	40°	-
Sat	28	77°	43°	-
Sun	29	79°	49°	-

Total precipitation this month: 1.58"
Total precipitation to date: 7.11"
Total precipitation in Apr. last year: .35"
Total YTD last year: 2.83"

weekend forecast

	Friday, May 4 Mostly Sunny 84°/53°
	Saturday, May 5 Mostly Sunny 83°/56°
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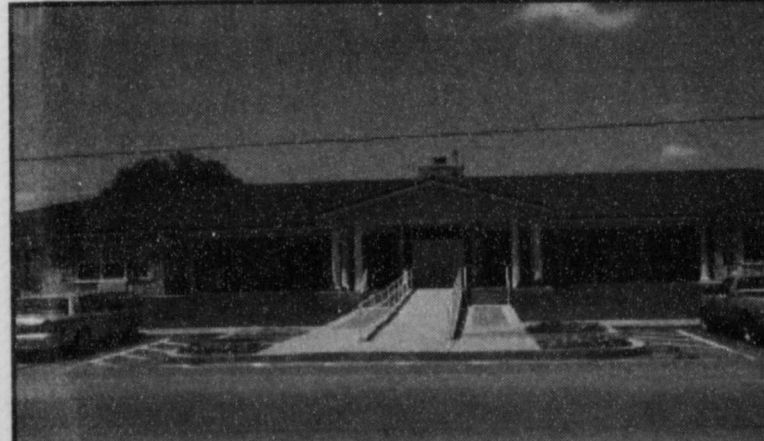
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May 3
Broncos v. Boys Ranch • Dumas • 6 p.m.

May 4
Clarendon College RFO Graduation • Harned Sisters Auditorium • 1:30 p.m.

Broncos v. Boys Ranch • Caprock High • 2 p.m.

Lady Broncos v. Clyde Eula • Double-header • Lubbock Monterey • 5 p.m.

Clarendon College Commencement • Harned Sisters Auditorium • 7 p.m.

May 8
Last day to Early Vote

May 12
Clarendon Masonic Lodge Chicken BBQ • Call 874-2259 to order

Election Day

May 13
Mother's Day

May 25
CHS & HHS Graduations

June 1
Saints Roost Museum Members Appreciation Dinner • Museum grounds

June 16
Trash To Treasures Citywide Garage Sale • Watch for details to come

June 17
Father's Day

Community Menus

May 7 - 11

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Smothered pork chops, hominy casserole, green peas, pineapple with cottage cheese, blueberry muffins, bread
Tue: Meatloaf, potatoes with white sauce, corn, apricot salad, brownies, rolls
Wed: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes with gravy, glazed carrots, orange pineapple delight, vita pie, biscuits
Thu: Chili rellenos, fiesta corn, refried beans, garden salad, banana cream cake, tortilla chips and salsa
Fri: Philly steak sandwiches, French fries, macaroni salad, patries

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Philly steak sandwich, tater tots, asparagus, cantaloupe, brownie, hoagy roll
Tue: Roast beef & gravy, mashed potatoes, Harvard beets, 3 bean salad, lemon pie, roll
Wed: Cabbage/polish sausage, fried okra, pickled beets, jello w/ fruit, corn bread
Thu: Steak & gravy, baked potatoes, buttered carrots, tossed salad, strawberries & peaches, roll
Fri: BBQ beef on bun, chips, corn, sliced orange, cookie, buns

Clarendon CISD
Breakfast
Mon: No School
Tue: Sausage, biscuit, gravy, fruit, milk
Wed: Pancakes, juice, milk
Thu: Eggs, toast, fruit milk
Fri: Cinnamon rolls, juice, milk
Lunch
Mon: Frito Pie, beans, salad, fruit, milk
Tue: BBQ Pork, corn, salad, fruit, milk
Wed: Baked Ham, potatoes, green beans, cake, roll, milk
Thu: Chicken salad sandwiches, carrot sticks, salad, fruit, roll, milk
Fri: No School

Hedley CISD
Mon: Hot dog, chili, grated cheese, fries, bananas, milk
Tue: Enchiladas, grated cheese, refried beans, tossed salad, cinnamon crispies, milk
Wed: Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, cut green beans, frozen fruit bars, rolls, milk
Thu: Chicken taco casserole, corn, tossed salad, cinnamon apples, chips & salsa, milk
Fri: Corn dog, waffle fries, baked beans, orange quarters, chocolate chip cookies, milk

Many historical events related to May Day

By MaryRuth Peacock, County FCS Agent

At the oddest times I remember things that happened in my childhood. I was sitting on the front porch listening to the birds who are so full of song and flight and this picture came. Children holding ribbons and weaving in and out lacing the large flag pole with color at our school. I was one of those children, and the day is remembered with fondness and joy.

What is significant about Mayday or May 1st? International Workers' Day (a name used interchangeably with May Day) is a celebration of the social and economic achievements of the international labor movement. In 1904, the International Socialist Conference meeting in Amsterdam called on "all Social-Democratic Party organizations and trade unions of all countries to demonstrate energetically on May First for the legal establishment of the 8-hour day, for the working class.

The First and Second Red Scare on May 1 is of major importance in Communist countries, and it ended May Day as a mass holiday in the United States. The US instead celebrates the working class on Labor Day, the first Monday of September. However, in 2006, May 1 was chosen by immigrant groups in the United States as the day for the Great American Boycott, an general strike of immigrant workers and supporters to protest.

Another May Day tradition is the giving of May baskets, small baskets of candy and/or flowers, usually left anonymously on neighbors' doorsteps. When you ring the bell, you are supposed to run away. If you are caught, then the other person gets to kiss you.

What else happened on May Day?

1840 - The Penny Black, the first official adhesive postage stamp, was issued in the United Kingdom.

1893 - The World's Columbian Exposition, a World's Fair to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the discovery of the New World by Christopher Columbus, opened in Chicago, United States.

1923 - Frederick Stanley or "Big Johnson" Mockford was asked to come up with a word that would alert others that a situation in which a vessel, aircraft, vehicle, or person is in grave and imminent danger and requires immediate assistance. Examples of "grave and imminent danger" in which a Mayday call would be appropriate are fire, explosion, or sinking.

1927 - Hawaii, May Day is also known as Lei Day and is normally set aside as a day to celebrate island culture in general and native Hawaiian culture in particular. While it was invented by a poet and a local newspaper columnist in the 1920s, it has since been adopted by state and local government as well as by the

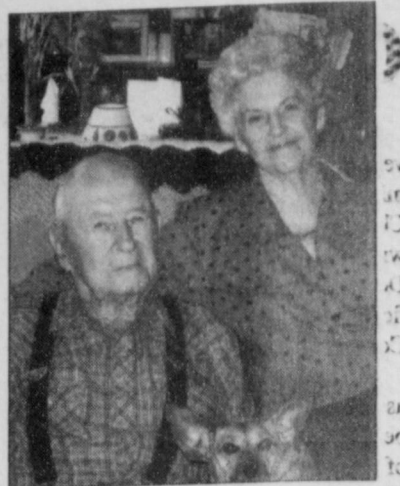
residents and has taken on a sense of general spring celebration there.

2005 - Bill was signed to give free access by each individual to information relating to his or her health and well-being; and the right of each individual to make decisions about his or her own health, with the freedom to choose which kind of prevention and treatment they prefer.

Walk Across Texas teams are going strong. The Mileage Makers have added 207 miles to their walk. First Steppers walked a total of 115 miles, Burton's Bustle walked 145 miles, and Walk-a-holics have walked 117.5 total miles; individuals Virginia and Bonnie have walked 14.5 each.

Coming up May 8 at 6:00 p.m., walkers are invited to meet at Subway for a "healthy meal", and then the group will walk to the city park and back.

This is dutch treat meal; your presence is welcome.



Mr. & Mrs. J.T. Lamberson

Lambersons to celebrate anniversary

Helen and J.T. Lamberson were married May 1, 1933, in Vashti, Texas. J.T. was 20 years old, and Helen was 16. This week they mark 74 years of marriage.

They met when J.T. was visiting cousins of his that were related to Helen's family, and he saw her walking across the street with a sack of bananas. He told his cousin, "That's the girl I am going to marry." Of course, he broke his first girlfriend's heart, but they did get married.

Their first children was a set of twin girls who were born six weeks prematurely and lived until they were nine months old. They have two sons, Buddy Lamberson of Hedley and J.T., Jr., from Houston. Helen and J.T. live in Hedley on Buddy's place.

J.T. is 94, and Helen is 90 years old. She still weeds and hoes her garden and is a member of the Lioness Club of Hedley, the Hedley Methodist Church and the Hedley Senior Citizens. J.T. still checks his cattle, and they both feed their cattle and do things around their place.

J.T.'s secret to a long life and a long married life is "live every day one day at a time and let Helen have anything she wants."

These are two very remarkable people and an inspiration to married people everywhere.

Columnist standing ready to brag on your relatives

More rain for the farmers and ranchers, boat landings are opening as the lake comes up, Jim's bluebonnets and irises are beautiful and the mesquite and mimosa are beginning to leaf out. What a difference from last spring, and thank you Lord for your blessings!

As a first grade student in Esteline in the 1940's, May Day was a big celebration. A May pole was set up in the gym with colored paper streamers, crowns were made of braided crepe paper for each girl and boy, and weeks were spent practicing the dance. On May Day girls wore pretty dresses with their crowns, boys laughed and teased each other; and when the music started, the teacher hoped the skipping and weaving of streamers would result in a pretty pattern and not a big mess.

By the time my children started school, May Day celebrations were a thing of the past, but I often wondered just what it meant. The Roman festival of Flora, goddess of fruit and flowers, marked the beginning of summer and was celebrated between April 28 and May 3. One ritual was gathering greenery and flowers to decorate houses before sunrise to bring good fortune for the year.

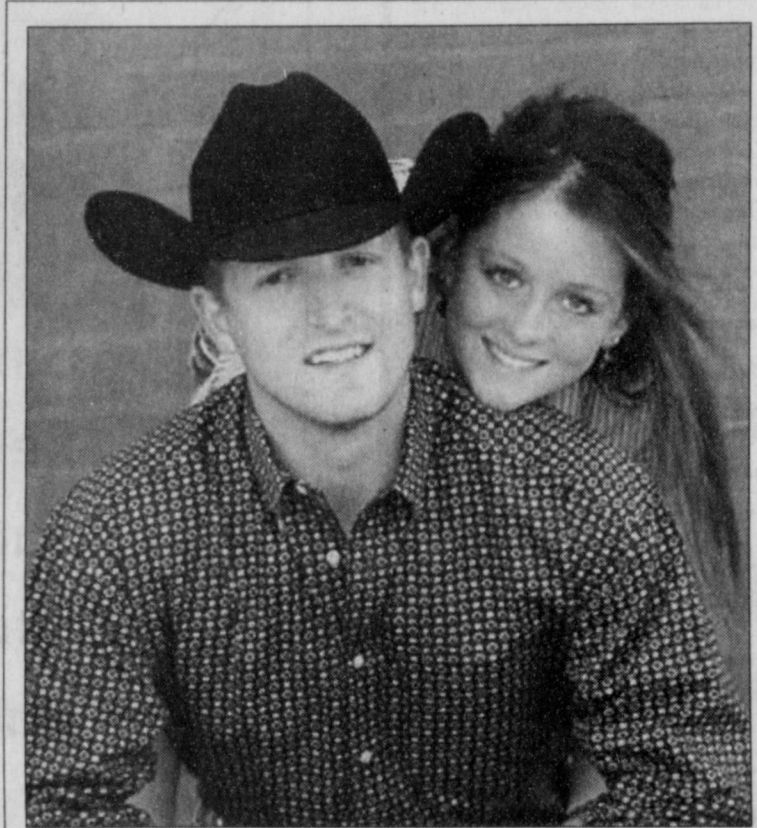
Young girls washed their faces in the early morning dew to make themselves beautiful. The flower crowns or garlands and the May pole seem to be just expressions of joy that summer is here, and I can understand that. It's nice to get together and celebrate something as simple as summer. I guess Memorial Day has replaced May Day.

On December 27, 2006, Kay Couch was diagnosed with type 4 cancer of the throat. After four months of intense treatment, the doctors at Harrington Cancer Center have said the cancer is gone. What an answer to prayers, but keep the prayer line open because C E Bills has been diagnosed with cancer and will begin treatments soon. He will receive both chemo and radiation and has a long fight, so please pray for him.

The brag book is open once more. If you have a graduate let me know at 874-2886, and I'll get the name in the paper.



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T.C. Stipe and Vanna Holton

Holton, Stipe plan June nuptials

Van and Pattye Holton of Clarendon, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Vanna Holton of Lubbock.

The groom-elect, Tyler "TC" Stipe of Lubbock, is the son of

Gary and Connie Stipe of Gail, Texas.

The wedding is scheduled to be held Friday, June 8, 2007, and will be held at Trinity Church in Lubbock.

Local girls receives achievement award

The United States Achievement Academy announced this week that Trevela Dronzek from Clarendon, has been named a United States National Award Winner in English.

This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes fewer than 10% of all American high school students.

Trevela Dronzek, who attends Clarendon Jr. High, was nominated for this national award by Carrie Moss, a teacher at the school. Trevela will appear in the United States Achievement Academy's Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens of the United States Achievement Academy.

Trevela is the daughter of Dan and Teresa Dronzek from Clarendon. The grandparents are Tex and JoAnn Selvidge of Clarendon and Anne Dronzek of Willoughby, Ohio.

Awareness week focuses on food allergies

FAIRFAX, Va. - The focus of this year's Food Allergy Awareness Week, which runs from May 13-19, will be on learning how to help the 12 million Americans who have the condition avoid suffering a potentially fatal reaction. The slogan is "Learn how to Be a PAL: Protect A Life from Food Allergies."

According to the Food Allergy & Anaphylaxis Network (FAAN), which sponsors Food Allergy Awareness Week, food allergy is the leading cause of anaphylaxis (a severe and potentially fatal allergic reaction) outside the hospital setting and results in more than 30,000 emergency room visits each year. Eight foods account

for 90 percent of all allergic reactions in the U.S.: milk, eggs, peanuts, tree nuts (walnuts, almonds, cashews, pistachios, pecans, etc.), wheat, soy, fish, and shellfish.

"Over the last 10 years, we've seen a doubling of the incidence of food allergies in children," says Anne Muñoz-Furlong, FAAN CEO and founder. "Until there's a cure, it's critical that we all work together to protect these children."

Because most allergic reactions to food occur as a result of eating something that was believed to be safe, it is especially important to learn how to "Be a PAL." All it takes is five easy steps:

- Never take food allergies lightly.
- Don't share food with friends who have food allergies.
- Wash hands after eating.
- Ask what your friends are allergic to, and help them avoid those foods.
- If a friend who has food allergies becomes ill, get help immediately.

- When it comes to food allergies, anyone can "Be a PAL," says Muñoz-Furlong. "Food allergies impact every American; and if we work together, we can save lives."

Food Allergy Awareness Week comes on the heels of a mass visit

to Washington, D.C., May 1-2, by more than 100 youth who have food allergies. They will be coming from across the nation, accompanied by their families, for the FAAN Kid's Congress on Capitol Hill. They will meet with legislators to get support for food allergy legislation, such as the Food Allergy and Anaphylaxis Management Act, which calls on the federal government to create national guidelines for managing students with food allergies. You can find out more about the FAAN Kid's Congress, Food Allergy Awareness Week, food allergy legislation, and food allergy in general by visiting FAAN's Web site, www.foodallergy.org.

Esteline plans Ozark Trail BBQ to benefit Child Protective Services

Esteline would like to welcome everyone to attend the Ozark Trail BBQ cook-off on May 5 to benefit Child Protective Services.

There will be live music Friday and Saturday. Saturday there will be a giant slide for kids, face painting, hair streaking, temporary tattoos, and a dummy roping, along with many other activities for kids of all ages.

The festivities will kick off with teams registration on Friday at noon. Music on Friday will begin at 4:00 p.m., consisting of "Slightly 420'd", Northwest Texas Sing Band at 6:00 p.m. and Memphis' own Blues Boy Will playing at 8:00 p.m.

There will be a cooks appreciation dinner on Friday night, beginning at 7:00 p.m. for all the cooks

entered in the competition at the Old Post Office at the north end of the square, off HWY 287.

Saturday will begin with the cook-off with registration from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Head Cook meeting will begin at 9 p.m., chicken judging at 12 p.m., ribs judging at 2 p.m., and brisket judging at 4 p.m.

Awards from all three categories

will be presented at 5:30 p.m.

Music for Saturday will include "The Josh Weathers band", "Slightly 420'd", "Rusty and Bunky", "Chancey Berson", and others.

This cook-off event will be sanctioned by Lone Star BBQ Association. For full details and rules, visit www.ozarktrailbbq.com or call Jane Farmsworth at 806-259-3068.

Correction:

Last week's photo caption from the Clarendon College Alumni Reunion incorrectly identified Pat White as a member of the golden anniversary class of 1957. The lady should have been identified as Pat Lane. The ENTERPRISE regrets this error and any confusion it may have caused.

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Child identification kits to be provided

In recognition of child abuse prevention month and the prevalence of missing children, the Donley County Child Welfare Board is teaming up with the Donley County Sheriff's Department to provide child identification kits for children in Donley County.

"The board is pleased to be assisting local law enforcement in being proactive concerning the safety of our local children," said Ann Huey, member of the child welfare board. "We want every parent to take advantage of this service that is being offered. The identification kits provide a vital link between parents and law enforcement."

The kits, which include a photo, fingerprint, and DNA sample, will be available at 9 a.m. May 10 at Clarendon Elementary School and May 15 at Hedley Elementary School. Parents will be receiving permission slips that must be filled out prior to the dates for each school.

Child abuse is a sickness that gnaws at the very fabric of our society; and as with any disease, prevention is far more effective than a cure. The Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) and its many community partners urge all Texans to make preventing child abuse a priority.

To help parents deal with stress-

ful situations that may trigger abuse, DFPS is distributing 100,000 "Parent Puzzle" calendars full of helpful tips. Electronic copies are available at www.itsuptoyou.org.

We can all reduce child abuse's terrible toll by listening to children, recognizing the signs of child abuse, and taking action. Don't assume someone else will do it. Report suspected abuse or neglect to the Abuse and Neglect Hotline, 1-800-252-5400 or online at www.txabusehotline.org.

Last year, 227 Texas children died from abuse or neglect at the hands of their parents or guardians. 67,737 children were confirmed victims of abuse or neglected and 17,536 children were removed from their homes. Some can never safely return home and so become available for adoption. The number of children awaiting adoption is growing.

Child abuse is a problem all across Texas, in communities big and small. In 2006 in Donley County, Child Protective Services conducted 28 investigations and found nine confirmed victims of child abuse.

"Folks in many of our smaller communities might think child abuse can't happen there, but unfortunately, abuse is a problem everywhere," said Greg Cunningham, DFPS spokesman. "Whether it's one victim or 1,000, we all need to come together

to protect children."

Not every child who is being abused is found by authorities, however. According to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, nearly 800,000 children were reported missing in one year by a recent U.S. Department of Justice study.

"Why Not Me?"

Finding and protecting abused children is not always enough. Sometimes, abused children cannot return home and need a new family to love them and protect them. That's why the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) is launching a new adoption; campaign during Child Abuse Prevention Month called "Why Not Me?"

Some 4,000 abused and neglected children in Texas are awaiting adoption, almost half of them are older than 9. The older the child, the longer they wait for adoption and each day they ask themselves, "Why Not Me? Why can't I have a family?"

Now DFPS is asking Texans, "Why Not You?" Why not adopt an older child?

"We're asking responsible, caring Texans to step up and adopt abused or neglected children," said Joyce James, DFPS Assistant Commissioner for Child Protective Services. "Whether they are 7 or 17

years old, children never outgrow the need for parents."

To get this message to potential adoptive families the Texas Association of Broadcaster (TAB) is helping DFPS distribute high quality TV and radio public service announcements, in both English and Spanish, to its member stations. TAB is urging stations to run the spots from April-June and again from September-November. These spots are available to view at anytime at www.AdoptChildren.org. This website also lets prospective adoptive parents view and read about children waiting for adoption.

The "Why Not Me?" campaign was made possible by a federal grant, awarded to Texas for increasing adoptions more than any other state in 2005. "That was just the beginning," said James. "We are determined to increase adoptions yet again, so that as many children as possible find stable, nurturing families of their very own."

To that end, DFPS is spending 2-million dollars this year on foster/adoptive parent recruitment and other outreach efforts. That includes the cost of producing and distributing the TV and radio spots, 30,000 campaign brochures, as well thousands of fact-sheets, bookmarks, and other materials designed to help recruit adoptive parents.

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Terry graduates with bachelor's in Oklahoma

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the largest commencement ceremony ever held at USAO.

Feaver issued 98 bachelor of science degrees, 36 bachelor of arts degrees, and eight bachelor of fine arts degrees. Among those receiving bachelor of science degrees was Marcia D. Terry of Clarendon.

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Rev. Rob Seale
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 7 p.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.

Church of Christ
300 S. Carhart • 874-2495
Minister: Eddie Stegall
Sun. Bible Class: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.

Church of Nazarene
209 S. Hawley • 874-2321
Pastor: Bill Hodges
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.

Community Fellowship Church
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Rev. Roger Smith
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.

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120 E. Third Street • 874-3212
Sunday Service: 11:00 a.m.

Church of Christ
110 E. Second St.
Minister: Bright Newhouse
Sun. Bible Class: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.

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First Baptist Church
222 Sherwood Blvd. 874-3326
Reverend: Dave Stout
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 6 p.m.

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First Assembly of God
501 McClelland • 874-9090
Pastor: Matthew Stidham
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:50 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church
300 Bugbee Ave • 874-3833
Rev. Lance Wood
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:55 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. GA & Team Kid Ministry
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Youth Study
9:00 p.m. College Ministry

First Presbyterian Church
Fourth & Parks • 874-9269
Pastor: Rev. Robin Gantz
Fellowship: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11:00 a.m.

First United Methodist Church
420 S. Jefferson • 874-3667
Pastor: Tom Garmon
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Sunday: 8:30, 10:50 a.m.

Clarendon Family Christian Center Church
511 E. 5th St.
Pastor: R.W. Ellerbrook
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.

Hedley
First Methodist Church
200 N. Main St.
Pastor: Gary Boles
Sunday Service: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.

Martin
Martin Baptist Church
US 287 W • 874-2025
Pastor: Darrell Burton
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.

Old Paths Primitive Baptist Church
416 S. Kearney • 874-5374
Pastor: Lyman Little
Sunday Services: 10:30 a.m.

St. John The Baptist Episcopal Church
Rev. Jim Aveni
301 S. Parks St. • 874-2511
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Corner of Montgomery & McClelland
Fr. Jose Palathara
Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.

St. Stephens Baptist Church
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Pastor: Melvin Brooks
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sun. Service: 11:15 a.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. (weather permitting)

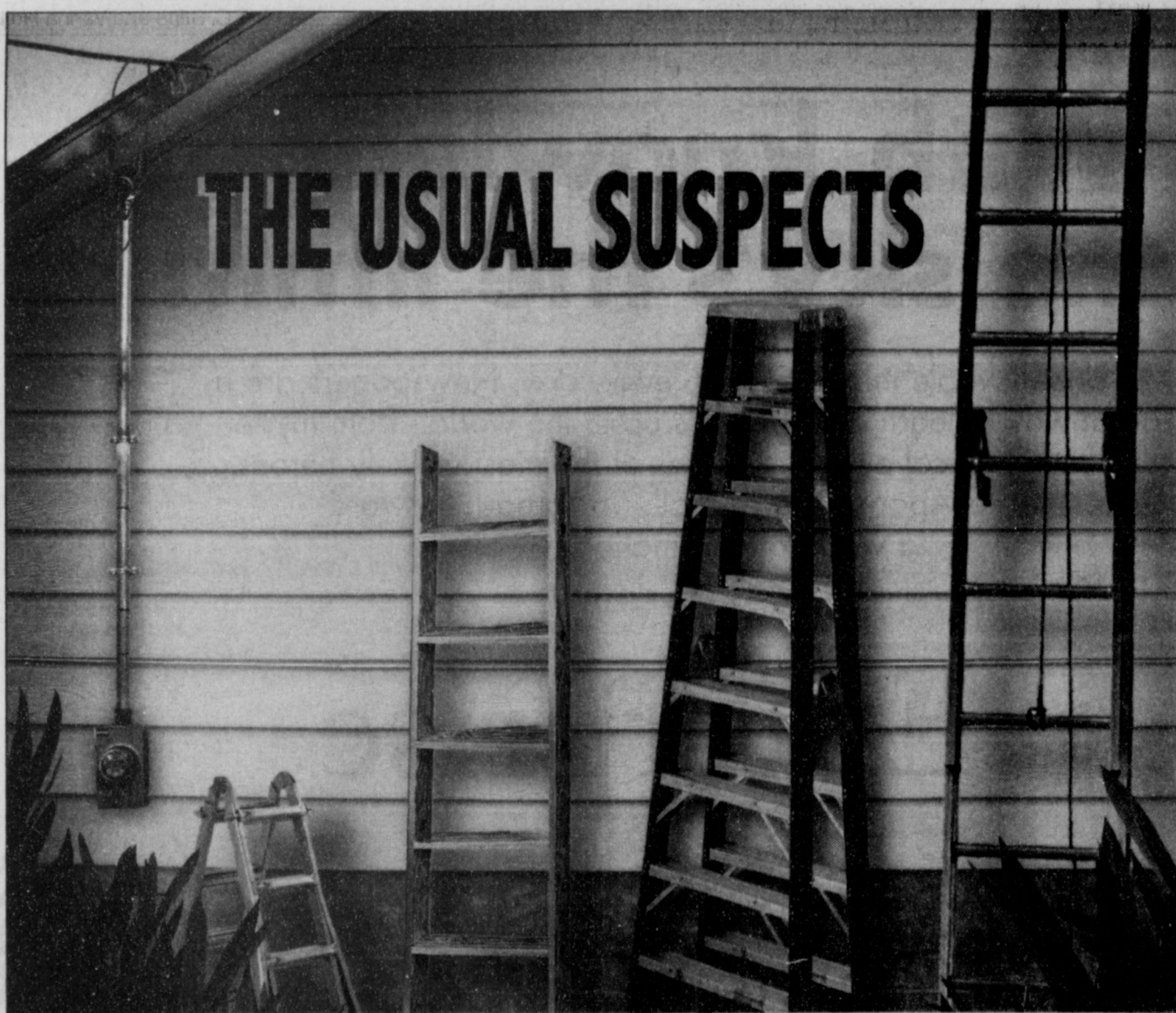
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Wednesday: 7 p.m.

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Sunday Services: 3 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.

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Obituaries

Russell

Wilford Lance "Bill" Russell, 69, died Thursday, April 26, 2007, in Clarendon.

Services were held at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 29, 2007, in Robertson Chapel of Memories with Rev. Darrell Burton, Pastor of Martin Baptist Church in Clarendon, officiating. Cremation was held on Tuesday, May 1. Services were under the arrangement of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Mr. Russell was born March 28, 1938, in Westwood, California, to Lee Dean and Bernice Vogel Russell. His family settled in Red Bluff, CA, where he lived until joining the US Navy in 1965. His life with the military took him to many countries, and he was decorated for his participation with a commendation and Purple Heart in Vietnam. He married the former Jacqueline Morrow on December 8, 1967, at Bremerton, Washington. They were residents of Canton, OH, before moving to Clarendon 14 years ago. His move to Clarendon was beneficial for the more relaxed lifestyle and friends who helped make the transition from a hectic pace where he was a



Russell

newspaper editor up north to a slower pace in Texas. He had worked for newspapers in Clarendon and for the Amarillo Globe News. Prior to his illness, he was employed at the Clarendon College Library. He was very much loved by all and will be missed dearly.

Survivors include his wife, Jackie; 3 sons, Dan, Dave and Grey and their spouses; 2 daughters, Vicki and Julie; one brother, Lee; one sister, Beth; 11 grandchildren; and 3 great grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Odyssey Hospice in Amarillo.

Kerr

Dale L. Kerr, 56, died Wednesday, April 25, 2007, in Claude, Texas.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 28, 2007, in the First Baptist Church in Claude with Rev. Jess Little, Pastor, officiating. Interment was held at Claude Cemetery. Services were under the arrangement of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Mr. Kerr was born September 9, 1950, in Amarillo to Billy Joe and Imogene Doyle Kerr. He was a lifetime resident of Claude. He married Jessie Faye Miller on May 21, 2005,



Kerr

at Claude. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Claude.

Mr. Kerr was preceded in death by his father in 1988 and his mother on October 19, 2001.

Survivors include his wife, Jessie of Sulphur Springs; a step son, Trent Miller of Sulphur Springs; a step daughter, Trina Yoho of Sulphur Springs; a brother, Ronald Kerr of Amarillo; a sister, Gwen Kerr of Moore, OK; nieces & nephews reared as children, Chris Montgomery and Rhada Montgomery both of Moore, OK; Julie Roberts-Collins of Wellington, Tim Roberts of Claude, and Holly Roberts of Amarillo; other nieces and nephews, PerryLyn Kerr Combs of Rockwell, Kean Kelly Kerr of Ft. Worth, and Katy Kerr Melo of La Porte; 2 grandchildren.

The family requests that memorials be to American Diabetes Association, First Baptist Church of Claude, or Claude Cemetery Association.

Knight

Zakery Knight (James Harold Williams), age 41, born March 30, 1966, and left this world to be with his parents Norma Fetter Williams and Robert Lee Williams Saturday, April 21, 2007, at approximately 10:15 P.M..



Knight

Jim also joined his grandparents Victoria and Adam Fetter of Palmyra and Dora and Hughey Williams of Mt. Auburn.

Jim, or Zak as he had changed his name to, left behind a fiancée, Denise Connors of Springfield. He also left a brother Robert Williams of Illiopolis, an uncle Eddie Williams of Mt. Auburn, an aunt Ruth Aebischer of Clarendon, an uncle and aunt Harold & Wanda Stouffe of Corsicana, along with many cousins, a niece Tonya, a nephew Robbie and great-nieces and nephews.

Jim attended school in Illiopolis, graduated from the School for the Visually Impaired in Jacksonville, IL. After attending classes at Lincoln Land Community College, Springfield College in Illinois, and University of Illinois at Springfield, he was to graduate in May to start his career as a Counselor. He worked at both the Decatur Herald newspaper and the Jacksonville Journal Courier newspaper.

Jim was a weight lifter attempting to lift the most weight for his age bracket in Illinois and worked out almost daily. He had been working out at the YMCA in downtown Springfield for two hours; and as he walked to the bus stop, he experienced a cardiac arrest that took his life 10 days later.

Graveside services were held at Oak Hill Cemetery, Palmyra, Ill., Sunday, April 29. Donations should go to the family.

Foundation reactivates disaster relief fund

In response to the recent damaging tornados in the Panhandle, the Amarillo Area Foundation has reactivated the Panhandle Disaster Relief Fund with a \$50,000 donation from the Pete and Wanda Gilvin Fund, a component fund of the Foundation.

The Foundation encourages others to make donations to the fund to assist with recent tornado damage. Jim Allison, President and CEO of

the Amarillo Area Foundation, stated that distributions from the fund will focus on both the temporary housing issue for those whose homes were destroyed and to address permanent housing issues for the future.

In 2006, the Amarillo Area Foundation worked in conjunction with the Texas Cattle Feeders, the Southwest Cattle Raisers, and the Panhandle Producers and Roy-

alty Association to distribute over \$600,000 to assist ranchers and farmers who suffered severe losses from the wild range fires.

Allison stated that, "We know that over 300 homes were destroyed by tornadoes and these families need assistance now and in the future. We plan to work with donors, and community and business leaders to address this problem."

To assist with the Panhandle Disaster Relief Fund, make checks payable to the Amarillo Area Foundation for the Panhandle Disaster Relief Fund and mail to 801 S. Fillmore, Suite 700, Amarillo, TX 79101. Visa and Mastercard will be accepted online at www.aaf-hf.org. For information on donating, please contact Charlotte Rhodes at (806) 376-4521 or charlotte@aaf-hf.org.

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 During the 2004-2005 flu season, an experimental flu vaccine produced by an alternative method was studied in over 400 persons. The vaccine was produced by genetic engineering techniques that used yellow striped caterpillars instead of the conventional specially harvested hen eggs. Researchers published results of the study in the Journal of the American Medical Association. More than two-thirds of people who received the higher vaccine dose in the trial experienced a strong immune response. Further, none of these people got the flu. The lead investigator reported that this is the first time protection from the flu has been demonstrated using this method of flu vaccine preparation.
 The conventional method of producing flu vaccine involves eggs from hens. Live viruses are injected into the eggs and are grown. The viruses produced are then taken from the eggs and are treated through a number of steps to make vaccines. The entire process takes about nine months. With the alternative production, a flu virus gene is injected into caterpillar worms, followed by the production of flu viruses. The production process takes only about a month.
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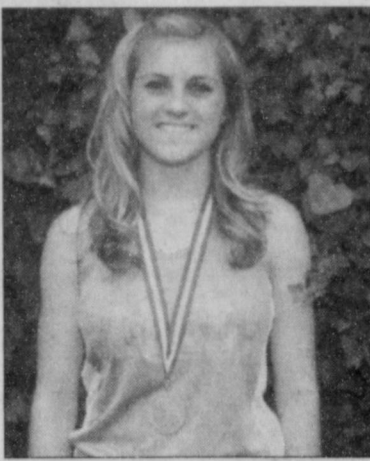
Broncos finish second in district

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos have finished their regular season and are heading for post-season play after finishing 17-3 for the year and 8-2 in district play. The Broncos had a great regular season despite two losses at the end of the season. Their only losses in district came from Memphis, who finished as District champions. The Broncos lost early in the week to Colt Molloy and Memphis at 0-10. According to Coach Brad Elam, they were in it until the fifth inning. "They put the game away in the fifth with a grand slam," Elam said. "We struggled early and made some defensive mistakes that cost us. I thought their pitcher pitched a better game against us this time. I did think

the kids were ready for the game. We just got outplayed." Their next loss came at the hands of West Texas High at home 10-11. "It was our second loss in a row," Elam said. "We were not ready for this game, and we struggled defensively for the second game in a row." According to Elam, the Broncos committed 10 errors on the game. "We did have some kids playing out of position," Elam said. "And offensively, I thought we hit the ball pretty well, but we made way too many base running mistakes that cost us." WT was able to connect on a grand slam in the game that helped them to seal the win. "We had only given up one homerun all year until the last two

games," Elam said. We are struggling a little bit going in to the playoffs, and that is not where we need to be. We should be starting to peak, but I think we might have turned a corner." Elam gave credit to several players. "I thought Alton Gaines pitched a pretty good game, and Austin Howard came in and pitched the best he's pitched in the last three or four games. Offensively, David Gordon and Dalton Askew hit the ball well." The Broncos will play their first play off game against Boys Ranch on Thursday, May 3, in Dumas at 6:00 p.m. Their second game will be at 2:00 p.m. on Friday in Amarillo at Caprock, and if needed they will play a third game immediately following the second game.



State bound

Hedley senior Jaci Copelin is going to state in the 300 hurdles after winning at regionals with a time of 46.31. This is her fourth trip to regionals and her first trip to state.

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Lady Broncos compete well in regional track contest

By Sandy Anderberg

Four Lady Broncos participated in the Regional Track Meet at Levelland April 27-28; but despite competing well, no one advanced to the State Meet. Katie Askew qualified in two events at the meet. She placed fourth in the shot put with a distance of 34'0" and was seventh in the discus with a throw of 103'9". Kia Bryley participated in the 100-meter dash and the 200-meter dash. She finished in sixth place in each of them and ran a time of 13.71 in the 100 and 28.4 in the 200. Erin Holland nearly missed qualifying for the state meet in the pole vault at 8'6". Her best jump was 8'0" which placed her in seventh. Jill Cornell finished eighth in the long jump at a distance of 32'10 1/2". "The girls performed well all year," Coach Steve Myatt said. "I couldn't be prouder of the kids from Clarendon in the way they compete and the way they comport themselves on trips to represent their school."

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Bronco Baseball & Lady Bronco Softball

Sell, Gordon bound for state

Brad Sell will have the opportunity to make it two in a row as he prepares to head back to the state track meet. His vault of 14'0" was good enough to win the Regional meet and give him the opportunity to make the trip to Austin one more time. Fellow senior David Gordon also qualified for the State meet in the high jump. Gordon claimed first place at Levelland with a leap of 6'4". LaDez Captain also participated in the Regional meet but failed to qualify for the state meet in the triple jump. Captain's best jump was 40'3". Sell and Gordon will compete in Austin May 11-12.

Thursday, May 3

Broncos v. Boys Ranch
at Dumas, 6:00 p.m.

Friday, May 4

Broncos v. Boys Ranch
in Amarillo at Caprock, 2:00 p.m.

If Needed
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Friday, May 4

Double Header
Lady Broncos v. Clyde Eula
at Lubbock Monterey, 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 5

If Needed
Lady Broncos v. Clyde Eula
at Lubbock Monterey, 10:30 a.m.

Lady Broncos

- 2 Jessi Howard Sr.
- 3 Jenci White Soph.
- 4 Erin Holland Jr.
- 5 Abby Patten Jr.
- 6 Erica Depew Sr.
- 7 Abbie Massingill Soph.
- 8 Macy Shadle Soph.
- 9 Brandi Mays Fr.
- 10 Zan Burks Jr.
- 12 Janae White Soph.
- 15 Niki Roberts Soph.
- 16 Sarah Scrivner Sr.
- 23 Sade Cobb Jr.
- 24 Jill Cornell Jr.
- 25 Dominique Mason Fr.
- 33 Caitlyn Christopher Fr.
- 44 Elissa Holland Fr.

Ad/Head Coach: Gary Jack
Asst. Coach: Kasey Bell
Stats: Trisha Hewett

Broncos

- 1 Devin Noble Soph.
- 2 Alton Gaines Soph.
- 3 Nathan Gribble Soph.
- 6 Trevor Leeper Jr.
- 7 David Gordon Sr.
- 8 Aaron Gordon Soph.
- 10 Austin Howard Jr.
- 12 Dalton Askew Jr.
- 13 Stephen Fowler Jr.
- 14 Jon McGlaun Sr.
- 17 LaDez Captain Sr.
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Lady Broncos defeat Borger girls by one

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos took on the Lady Bulldogs at home and showed why they are the District champs by defeating Borger 7-6. Sade Cobb was on the mound, and Jessi Howard was behind the plate.

The game began with the Lady Broncos in control as they held a 5-2 lead at the end of three innings. Borger took advantage of a couple of Clarendon defensive plays and were able to tie the game after five before the Lady Broncos sealed the win in the next inning.

"I feel like Sade had her best performance of the season," head coach Gary Jack said. "She only walked three hitters, and we took care of those that did get a hit. We hit enough early in the game to get us through the two errors that we committed."

"Janae White at third, Macy Shadle at shortstop, Erin Holland at second, Jessi Howard at catcher, and Abby Patten all made some heads-up plays for us. Borger is a 3A play off team, so it was a good win for us."

We're peaking at the right time."

The previous week, the Lady Broncos defeated Booker 21-6 in four innings. Sarah Scrivner was the pitcher, and Howard was behind the plate.

According to Jack, Macy Shadle hit the ball well and started off with an in-the-park homerun. That same week, the ladies defeated San Jacinto 28-5 with Cobb on the mound.

"The last two weeks we've played pretty good, and we're starting to come around," Jack said.

"We are getting to practice a lot more, and it is starting to show. We're able to have quality time on the practice field, and we are getting better."

The Lady Broncos will play defending state champions Clyde-Eula next Friday, May 4, at 5:00 p.m. at Lubbock Monterey. It will be the best two out of three games with the second game beginning approximately thirty minutes after the end of the first game. If needed, the third game will be played Saturday morning.



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Friday night scrambles begin at CCC

By Sandy Anderberg

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Friday night four teams competed for the top spot, and it was won in a putt-off by Jarad Lax, Sandy Anderberg, Michael Newhouse, Bob Kelly and Vernon Byars at four under par.

The other two teams came in at two under par. The winner of the previous week was the team of Lax,

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The winner of the weekly men's game was Dan Ashford with a 66. Ashford, who is 86 years old, shot a gross score of 82. R.O. Johnson and Redell Johnston tied for second with a 68. Maxine McLaughlin won the women's game on Thursday with a 70. Susie Dale shot a 71 for second, and Bonnie Crofford was third with a 75.

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Sheriff's Report: Officers investigate vandalism

April 23, 2007
 5:44 a.m. - 400 Blk E. 2nd St. Remove animal carcass from roadway.
 8:29 a.m. - 200 Blk W. 4th juvenile using a sling shot
 10:53 a.m. - Transport to Pampa 1 SF unit.
 11:32 a.m. - EMS assist on to NWT for follow up paperwork
 1:30 p.m. - 100 Blk W. 1st St.; see caller.
 4:39 p.m. - Out at Hedley location.
 10:14 p.m. - At Clarendon College
 10:21 p.m. - Welfare check 900 Blk E. Montgomery

April 24, 2007
 7:47 a.m. - Check stranded motorist Hwy 287 1 mile W. Lelia Lake.
 8:56 a.m. - At courthouse
 11:36 a.m. - Minor vehicle accident private property 500 Blk W. 2nd St.
 2:18 p.m. - Vehicle hit private property 600 W. 2nd St.
 5:30 p.m. - To Jericho welfare check.
 8:46 p.m. - 900 Blk W. 2nd St.; distur-

banche.
 9:02 p.m. - To jail 1 female in custody; Disorderly Conduct/PI.

April 25, 2007
 1:39 p.m. - At High School.
 1:57 p.m. - See complainant Medical Center Dr. reported disturbance.
 2:12 p.m. - At housing authority.
 3:01 p.m. - At Hedley High School
 3:34 p.m. - DA's office.
 4:24 p.m. - Clerk's Office.
 9:09 p.m. - 300 Blk S. Jefferson St. alley way.
 10:19 p.m. - 700 Blk W. 2nd St. vehicle accident semi v. semi
 11:00 p.m. - Patrol Hwy 70 N. stop and detain vehicle from Pampa; welfare check 2 juveniles in vehicle.

April 26, 2007
 2:12 a.m. - At Clarendon College.
 12:13 a.m. - Welfare check Hwy 70 N. Pedestrian.
 8:11 p.m. - EMS assist 900 Blk W. 2nd St.

9:53 p.m. - Hwy 70 N. search for sub. on foot; additional personnel dispatched.
 Lake; reported poss. assault.
 12:52 a.m. - Nocona Hills beach area. Several minors on scene in possession of alcohol. 1 male left on foot.
 1:49 a.m. - Continue looking for minor w/m.
 2:11 a.m. - To jail 1 male in custody, evading.
 4:18 a.m. - Checking Sandy Beach area at request of Panhandle PD officer.
 10:15 a.m. - See complainant Hwy 287 At Lelia Lake.
 10:20 a.m. - Continue interviews at 2nd location, 700 Blk W. 2nd St.
 11:10 a.m. - See complainant Methodist Church Hedley, vandalism.
 4:32 p.m. - E. 4th St., serve legal papers.
 6:56 p.m. - Welfare check Hwy 287 rest area Hedley.
 6:59 p.m. - JP dispatched Hwy 287 rest area Hedley.

April 27, 2007
 8:20 a.m. - Hwy 287 at Ashtola; Sedan v. deer.
 4:19 p.m. - Transport to Potter Co.

April 28, 2007
 9:51 a.m. - See complainant 500 S. Bond St.
 10:07 a.m. - At resident 600 Blk Amarillo St., Howardwick.
 10:19 a.m. - Transport to jail; EMS dispatched.
 11:50 a.m. - EMS assist 600 Blk S. Gorst St.
 1:51 p.m. - Dispatched to Sheriff's Office.
 2:52 p.m. - See complainant White St.
 11:32 p.m. - Out with hitchhiker 3 E. Hwy 287.

April 29, 2007
 12:01 a.m. - En route to Greenbelt

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Derby champs

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Thornberry votes 'No' on Iraq withdrawal bill

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Congressman Mac Thornberry (R-Clarendon) last Wednesday voted against emergency war-funding legislation that mandates U.S. troops largely withdraw from Iraq by March 2008. The legislation also ties the hands of military commanders by denying them the resources and flexibility they need to succeed in this critical phase of their mission. The conference report passed the House on a vote of 218 voting yes to 208 voting no, with 2 voting present.

"I voted against this legislation because it emboldens our enemies and sends a message to our men and women fighting the war on terrorism that they are doomed to failure. Many in Congress seem to be focusing more on politics and the latest polls than on our national security," Thornberry said. "The struggle in Iraq, and the larger war against radical Islamic terrorists, is the most pressing national security issue facing our country. To succeed we must bring to bear the full array of our national assets, including our military, our diplomats, our foreign assistance, and our ideas and ideals."

"There is broad agreement that

our troops can not, and should not, be in Iraq forever, and that Iraqis should bear the burden of their own security," observed Thornberry. "But put yourself in the shoes of our men and women going into battle in Baghdad. Does the passage of this bill encourage you or discourage you? Now put yourself in the shoes of those who do not want stability in Iraq, our adversaries. Does this supplemental encourage them or discourage them?"

"Mistakes have clearly been made in Iraq, and Congress should be part of a serious study to learn from them. There are many questions that need to be asked; we should ask those questions and devote serious, meaningful attention to developing a strategy to prevail over the radical Islamic terrorists and protect our people."

"Whatever we do here in Congress should be directed toward that purpose, a purpose that makes the United States stronger, a purpose that will help our troops be successful, and a purpose that we can explain and be proud of in years to come. I could find no such purpose in this legislation."

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If you cannot come and worship with us, but want to know our Lord and Jesus Christ, please send your name and address to Kathy Spier, P.O. Box 119, Hedley, Texas 79237 and she will put you on her list to receive a newsletter. We are waiting to worship with you.

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It all set me to thinking. There ought to be some way to put a positive spin on this. Yeah, I've got it! All that sinful behavior sure gives us Christians a good opportunity to feel superior, doesn't it? Makes it easy to stand up and declare, "...glad I'm not like that."

Think I'll work up a sermon on that topic. No, wait. It's already been done. If I could just remember who did it. Oh, now I recall. It was Jesus.

Some very pious fellows brought a woman to Jesus. She had been caught in adultery, in the very act, mind you. Now there's a sin we can get our teeth into. Most everybody can point a finger and wag their heads about that one. Like the crowd back then, we can feel pretty superior when it comes to adultery, huh? And those self-righteous guys wanted to stone her. It was the law after all.

Then Jesus said, "Let the one who has no sin cast the first stone." In one sentence He preached a whole sermon. He sort of set all their "lesser" sins equal to hers. For some reason they all got a little introspective. I can only imagine what they were thinking at that moment. It was probably something like, "Oh, piffle." You see, adultery was one of their favorite sins. But they turned and walked away.

Then the Lord dismissed the woman. He didn't wax eloquent about how she had transgressed. He didn't act superior. He encouraged her to "go, and sin no more." He wanted what was best for her. He didn't care if the episode made him "feel better about himself", or made him look morally superior. He simply wanted what was best for her.

Tell you what, let's all, each one of us, pick our favorite sin; the one we most enjoy pointing out in others. Then during our spate of self-righteousness, let's consider, are our motives, as we point and wag our head and pity the poor sinner more like that bunch with the rocks or more like Jesus?

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