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## THIS WEEK

- 2 A reader reports that a local "family" is needing your help.
- 3 One Clarendon teacher stands out among her peers in Region 16.
- 6 The Broncos win three games in a row on the baseball diamond.
- 8 And a Hedley grad is making a name for herself.

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

## Early deadlines set for next two newspapers

Due to vacation schedules, deadlines for the next two issues of the Enterprise have been changed.

All news, photos, advertisements, and classifieds need to be in the office by Friday at noon for the next two weeks. Items submitted after Friday's early deadline will not appear until the following issue.

The office will be closed Monday, March 26, Tuesday, March 27, Monday, April 2, and Tuesday, April 3. Your cooperation and understanding is appreciated.

Regular deadlines and hours will resume the week of April 9.

## Lady Bulldog volleyball squad to be on stage

A Polynesian Night will be held Saturday, April 14, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Center.

The Clarendon College Lady Bulldog volleyball team will be showcasing the traditional dances and costumes that make up the cultures of the Pacific Triangle, which includes Hawaii, New Zealand, Samoa, Fiji, Tahiti, and Tonga.

Come see the diversity of the islands which is reflected in CC's volleyball team.

Contact coach Jonea Rima to purchase tickets. Tickets can also be purchased at the door. Admission is \$7 for adults and \$5 for students.

## Hedley One Act Play to be performed Thursday

Hedley One Act Play will present their UIL play "Dearly Departed" on Thursday, March 22, at 7:00 p.m. in the HHS auditorium. The cast and crew will offer dessert for \$3 a person in the cafeteria at 6:00 before the play's presentation. We appreciate all of your support.

## Former school workers will meet next Monday

The Donley County Retired School Personnel Association will meet Monday, March 26, 2007, at 6:00 p.m. at the Family Life Center, Clarendon Church of Christ.

An entertaining program will be given by the Clarendon High School Junior Historians. There will be a live auction to raise funds for our scholarship fund.

Please bring a snack and come support our local youth as they perform and our fundraiser to be able to give a worthy student a scholarship. Come and be informed as to what is happening about our retirement.

## Fire hydrants draw attention of city aldermen

The City of Clarendon is busy working on fire hydrants around town after fire department officials alerted the Board of Aldermen to problems with the plugs.

Fire Chief Delbert Robertson addressed the board last Tuesday and reminded the aldermen that not properly maintaining the hydrants could cause insurance rates to go up in the city.

"They have to do something so we can get to them," Robertson told the Enterprise this week, "and they should be flow tested every year."

Robertson said it appears the city took his department's recommendations to heart, noting that City Hall is bringing in an expert next Tuesday to make suggestions on what needs to be done.

Robertson said some new hydrants have replaced older ones, but the older plugs were left in place with no water going to them. Those non-functioning hydrants need to be removed altogether.

City Secretary Linda Smith said many of the fire hydrants are just plain old.

"Some of them are so old we can't get parts," Smith said. "Some were put in back in the 1920s."

Dirt has built up around some hydrants over the years to the point that they are now buried, and other hydrants just do not work at all.

City workers have been digging out hydrants this week, and Smith said the city will look at replacing a certain number of plugs every year.

"It will cost between \$3,500 to \$3,800 to replace a single fire hydrant," she said.

In other city business, Robertson

reported that the doors on the fire hall need to be insulated. He will bring a proposal to a future meeting.

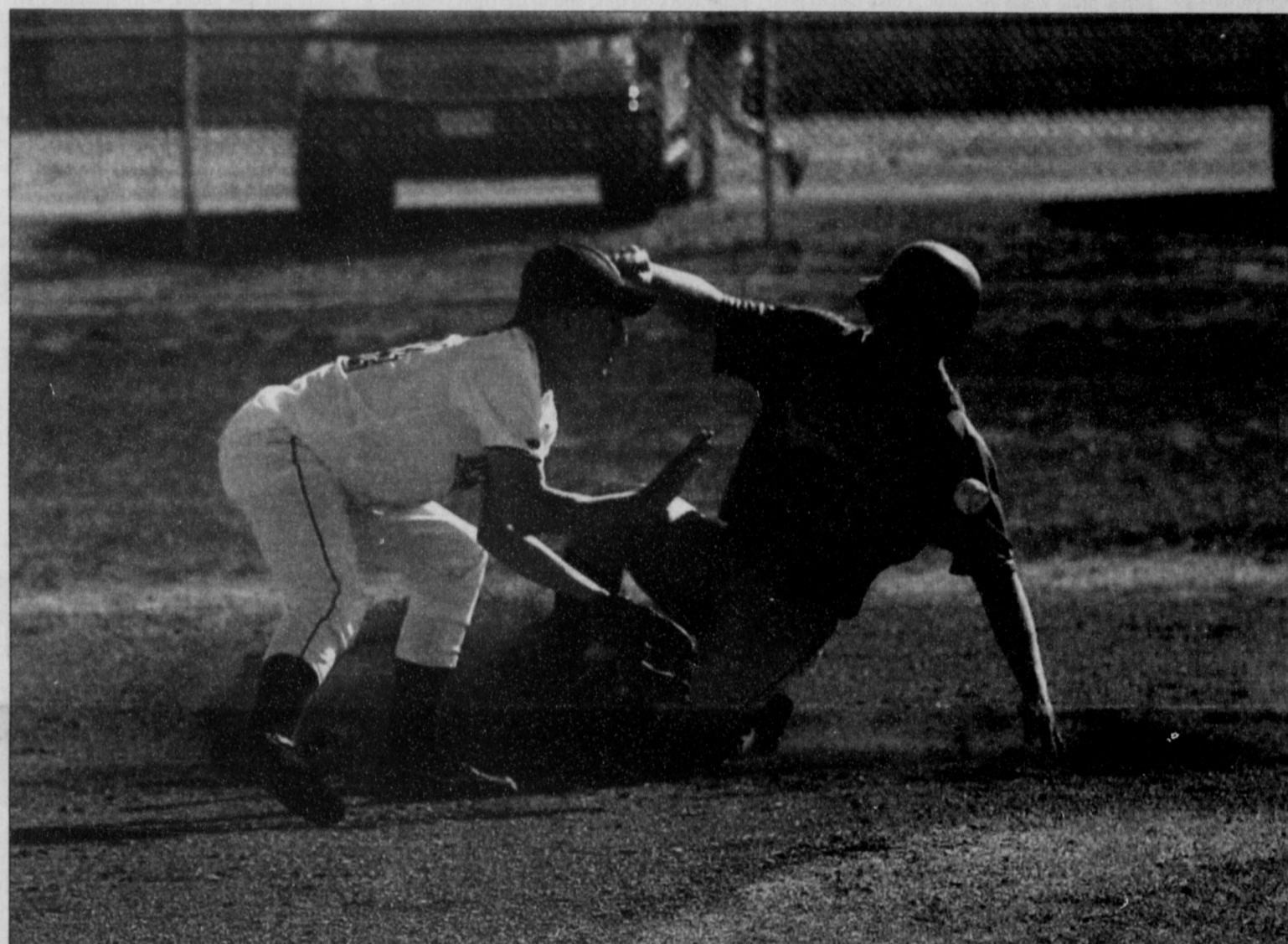
Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Judy Burlin spoke about the DonleyTx.com web site, which was launched as a community network a few years ago. She presented a proposal from CyberMedics to redesign and maintain the site. The cost for this would be divided among several entities. The board requested Will Jordan to be at the next meeting to explain the proposal further.

The board discussed sick leave

that had been accrued by employees prior to policy change in 2002.

Mayor Pro-tem Michael Tibbets said he felt that time had been earned and should not have been taken away. The board approved a motion to reinstate the time for use in emergency cases.

Dates of the citywide clean up were discussed and set for April 14 through April 30, 2007. This will be publicized further closer to the dates, and the board also decided to keep the recycling center open from 1 to 6 p.m. on Sundays.



## Incoming!

The Broncos' Jon McGlaun tries to keep an incoming Irishman from safely getting to his base during last week's varsity game against Shamrock at McClellan Field in Clarendon. Complete coverage of last week's game is inside this issue.

Enterprise Photo / Kari Lindsey

## Week marks agriculture's role in Texas

AUSTIN - Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples announced that March 18-24 is National Agricultural Week in Texas - a time to recognize the state's hardworking farmers and ranchers and acknowledge their contributions to the Texas economy - \$73 billion a year.

"Take time especially on March 21, National Agriculture Day, to recognize, celebrate and thank the many individuals who help shape our Texas agriculture industry," Commissioner Staples said. "From nutritious foods to high-quality fiber and fresh plants, agriculture provides us with the necessities of life while helping ensure a robust economy for all Texans."

The agriculture industry is currently going through a major transformation. New innovations and advances in technology are turning Texas agriculture into a high tech business. The application of new equipment like global positioning systems, self-propelled machine operations and electronic data has changed the nature of the business. To maintain the leadership role in agriculture, it is important for Texas producers to remain on the cutting edge of this new technology.

From the Gulf Coast to the See 'Ag Week' on page 3.

## Walk Across Texas set for April 12

By MaryRuth Peacock, County Agent

Come and walk across Texas with us! Walk Across Texas is a program created by Texas Cooperative Extension to help you establish the habit of regular physical activity. From border to border, you and/or your team, can walk 830 miles across the state, seeing your progress across the state on-line, or on a Texas road map.

Donley County will kick off a Walk Across Texas program at the health fair this year, April 12. There will be a sign up table at the fair for you to pick up a packet, sign up for a team, or get some additional information. Teams will meet at the Clarendon College track at 6:30 p.m. that evening to walk the first mile and enjoy a light supper. You can continue walking or visit with other team members. Bring your lawn chair or blanket and enjoy the fun.

Walk Across Texas (WAT) is a minimal cost program of \$10 per person. The \$10 fee goes to pay for a t-shirt, wrap-up meal, and prizes. Doing Walk Across Texas with people you know is a great way to help you keep going when you feel like quitting. A map will be displayed

at various businesses in Clarendon throughout the eight-week program to track our teams progress.

Start by walking as a member of a team of eight for eight weeks at work or with another type of group such as your church or social group. Team members do not have to walk together. Some prefer walking outside, while others walk on a treadmill. You may even choose to bike, swim, or dance across Texas by using mileage equivalents included in your sign up packet.

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

According to "Physical Activity and Health: A Report of the Surgeon General:"

Physical inactivity is a serious nationwide problem. It is a public health problem because it is linked

to unnecessary illness and premature death.

More than 60 percent of Americans are not getting enough physical activity to receive health benefits from it.

Twenty-five percent of adult Americans report no physical activity in their leisure time.

Regular physical activity can substantially reduce the risk of developing or dying from heart disease, diabetes, colon cancer, and high blood pressure.

Regular physical activity can reduce the symptoms of depression and anxiety, improve mood, and enhance the ability to perform daily tasks.

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

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



## Hoo goes there?

A horned owl has taken up residence in the yard of Carol Hinton in Clarendon. Hinton thinks the owl may be the same one that fell down her chimney as a chick several years ago. She says the bird watches her come and go from the house and perches near window at night.

Enterprise Photo / Roger Estlack

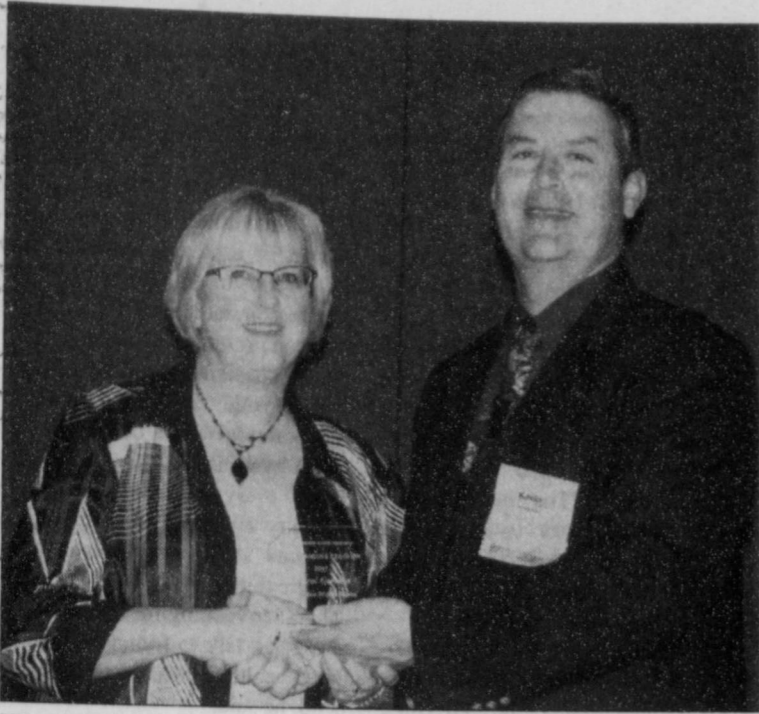
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**Top teacher**

Friona Junior High Principal Kevin Wiseman presents the Texas Middle School Association "Teacher of the Year" award for Region 16 to Clarendon Junior High's Karol Garmon. She was one of six teachers selected across the state to be presented the award from TMSA in Ft. Worth at a luncheon during the TMSA conference on March 3. This event was attended by nine CJH staff members.

**Ag Week:**

Continued from page one.

Panhandle, Texas is one of the most agriculturally diverse states in the nation. Agriculture is the state's second largest industry and employs about one out of every seven working Texans. Eighty percent of the state's land is in some form of agricultural production.

American farmers are working harder and are more efficient than ever before, and it shows. Today, each producer feeds more than 129 people. Agricultural crops are America's top exports and are vitally important in sustaining a healthy economy.

All aspects of the agriculture industry, all the way from the farm gate to the clothing store and grocery store, are vital links in a chain that brings food and fiber to every citizen and millions of people abroad.

For more on Ag Week, visit the Texas Department of Agriculture's Web site at [www.agr.state.tx.us](http://www.agr.state.tx.us).

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**weather report**

Day	Date	High	Low	Perc.
Mon	12	54°	46°	25
Tues	13	57°	47°	T
Wed	14	65°	41°	-
Thur	15	79°	43°	-
Fri	16	63°	41°	-
Sat	17	59°	40°	-
Sun	18	79°	42°	-

Total precipitation this month: 1.12"  
Total precipitation to date: 2.57"  
Total precipitation in Mar. last year: 2.23"  
Total YTD last year: 2.48"

**weekend forecast**

	Friday, Mar. 25 Scattered T-Storms 65°/48°
	Saturday, Mar. 17 Decreasing Clouds 67°/44°
	Sunday, Mar. 18 Partly Cloudy 70°/40°

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

**Quail Baptist Church plans 'explosion'**

The Quail Baptist Church in Quail wants to invite everyone to our "Spiritual Explosion" to be held on March 23 and March 24.

On March 23 at 7 p.m., the music will be performed by Raquel Neeley McQueen of Memphis and the Hedley Family Choir with Bruce Howard. The message will be given by our minister, Kade Wilcox.

On March 24 at 6:00 p.m., the spiritual music will be performed by John and Shirley Lively of the Lillie community and the Hedley Family Choir with Bruce Howard. The message will be given by Kade Wilcox. Everyone is invited, and refreshments will be served.

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## TxDOT hearing to discuss federal transportation cuts

AUSTIN - The Texas Department of Transportation is seeking public input on how best to respond to an anticipated mandate for Texas to return \$290 million in federal highway funds to Washington.

Although the Federal Highway Administration has not issued an official notice, a recent resolution continuing appropriations for Fiscal 2007 rescinded more than \$3.4 billion in previously authorized transportation funds across the nation. TxDOT has been advised Texas will be required to return approximately \$290 million in unobligated federal-aid highway funds.

On Thursday, March 22, the Texas Transportation Commission will hold a special meeting to receive public comment on how to imple-

ment the expected order to return federal funding. The hearing will begin at 9 a.m. at TxDOT headquarters, 125 East 11th St. in Austin.

"We want to hear from the public on how we should prepare to absorb these funding cuts," said Mike Behrens, TxDOT executive director. "We would like to have as little impact as possible on our ability to meet our goals to reduce congestion, enhance safety, expand economic opportunity, improve air quality, and increase the value of transportation assets."

TxDOT anticipates it will have less than a month to respond once official notice comes from Washington, according to Behrens. During the last 15 months, Texas has returned \$305 million in response to federal funding cuts.



### New books

Cleo Hall Hendrix (left), formerly of Clarendon and now of Lubbock, donated several children's books to the Burton Memorial Library recently. She says she enjoys reading THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE every week.

Enterprise Photo / Julie Funderburg

### Sheriff's Report

## Four-wheelers draw officer's attention

March 12, 2007

- 10:06 a.m.- To Memphis for court
- 10:47 a.m.- Escort funeral procession
- 11:00 a.m.- At courthouse
- 5:17 p.m.- Welfare check 5200 Blk. Hwy 70 N.
- 5:37 p.m.- Vandalism 600 Blk. E. 2nd St.
- 6:49 p.m.- To Carson Co. Sheriff's Office
- 7:21 p.m.- EMS assist 700 Blk. S. Ellerbee St.
- 7:29 p.m.- N. Clarendon Apartments; domestic dispute
- 10:12 p.m.- See caller 600 Blk. E. Harrington St.

March 13, 2007

- 12:27 a.m.- 700 Blk. E. 4th St.; domestic dispute
- 4:43 p.m.- Loose livestock FM 3257
- 8:11 p.m.- Dispatched to Sheriff's Office
- 10:28 p.m.- Check abandoned

- vehicle 100 Blk. S. Hawley St.
- 10:48 p.m.- See complainant 200 Blk. S. Koogle St.

March 14, 2007

- 2:28 p.m.- At Sandy Beach; escort back to town to pay for items
- 4:03 p.m.- Hartzel & Montgomery; four-wheelers on roadway
- 6:12 p.m.- See caller 900 Blk. W. 2nd St.; assault
- 6:46 p.m.- To jail with one male in custody
- 7:26 p.m.- Disturbance 4th St.; loud music

March 15, 2007

- 12:38 p.m. - 1:14 p.m.- Residents reporting two males soliciting cash door to door
- 12:48 p.m.- To jail with one male in custody
- 4:44 p.m.- At Co. Rd. 12 & Q; possible burglary of habitation
- 5:08 p.m.- At residence on S. Jefferson St.

March 16, 2007

- 2:25 a.m.- Checking disabled R.V. 8 miles W. Hwy 287
- 2:50 a.m.- At residence 500 Blk. E. 2nd St.
- 3:43 a.m.- At business 200 Blk. S. Parks St.
- 10:54 a.m.- 100 Blk. N. Sully St.
- 1:18 p.m.- Minor accident 200 Blk. S. Kearney St.
- 6:50 p.m.- Loose cattle W. Hedley
- 7:46 p.m.- See resident 500 Blk. S. Orpe St.

March 17, 2007

- 3:10 a.m.- EMS assist Hwy 287 at Hwy 70 N.
- 2:43 p.m.- En route to cemetery; vandalism reported
- 6:31 p.m.- Excessive noise 8th & Gorst; motorcycles
- 9:45 p.m.- EMS assist 800 Blk. W. 2nd St.

Summary: Arrests- 10 EMS- 6

## Senior citizens to host pot luck

All are invited to come to the Senior Citizens monthly Birthdays/Anniversaries pot luck on March 27, 2007, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Donley County Senior Citizens Center.

Entertainment will be provided by the Clarendon College Vocal Choir with Carolyn Smith directing. There will be a free will offering taken to help with the fundraiser the choir is doing.

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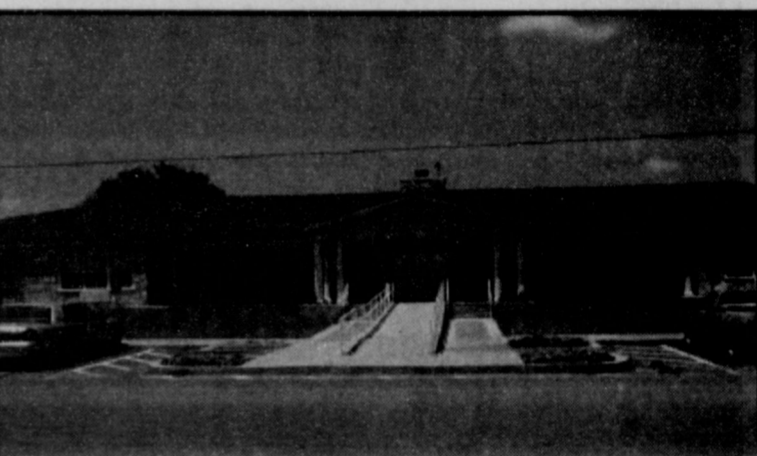
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## A happy morning is next

By Mary Beth Nelson

"I'm never scared in the middle of the night 'cause I know a happy morning is next." If you are one of Bill Keane's "Family Circus" fans, you may recognize the quote from Dolly, one of the featured children in the daily cartoon.

I firmly believe that "out of babes' mouths" come jewels of wisdom if we allow ourselves to acknowledge them. As Dolly uttered her "profound" statement to a younger brother, there was no doubt in her mind that she would make it safely through the dark, and everything would be okay the following morning. It is regrettable that we "grownups" can't (or won't) express the same confidence.

It's difficult for adults to disregard doubt and fear of dark moments through life's inevitable physical, mental, and spiritual conflicts. We need to remind ourselves that God remains ready to help us accept obstacles as a natural part of life. Using His support as a strengthening force provides more peace of mind. Paul recognized this when he commented in Philippians 4:13, "I can do everything in Him who gives me strength."

God promises divine protection though life's inescapable, obscure moments. Humble acceptance of his vow encourages certainty of positive things to follow. Young children's knowledge of the true God usually assures them of this promise. Are we as easily convinced?

**Bible Thought:** "Therefore, whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of Heaven." Matthew 18:4 (NIV)

Mary Beth Nelson is a freelance writer for various religious publications.

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7	8	4	9	1	6	5	3	2
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8	9	7	1	5	3	6	8	2
5	1	8	4	7	2	2	3	8
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## Lady Broncos slam Booker in two games

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Bronco softball team hosted Booker Friday, March 16, and won both games at 24-13 and 9-6.

Sade Cobb pitched the first game with Jessi Howard behind the plate, and Sarah Scrivner was on the mound the second game with Erin Holland as the catcher.

The Lady Broncos began the game in good form but faltered somewhat in the third inning.

"We took them one, two, three in the first two innings," coach Gary Jack said. "We had several walks and errors in the third and let them score when they really shouldn't have."

Jack said the Lady Broncos are hitting the ball fairly well but are still trying to find their spots.

"Erin Holland is doing an excellent job for us," Jack said. "Howard, Jill Cornell, Macy Shadle, and Abby Patten are hitting the ball well for us

right now. It is just taking us some time to find our team. We are young with only three seniors, and we are trying to find the best fit."

The Lady Broncos were behind most of the second game, but they got the lead in the fifth inning and held on to get the three-run win.

"Sarah pitched well for us, and Erin did a good job at catcher," Jack said. "Sade Cobb hit the ball well for us in the second game, and others had

good hits, too."

Jack said the ladies are working hard and improving each game.

"We may be a team that develops late, and we've got a lot of work to do, but we'll get there."

The Lady Broncos will play at home Friday, March 23, at 4:30 p.m., but their opponent has not yet been determined. They will play San Jacinto in Amarillo on Monday, March 26, beginning at 4:30 p.m.

## Broncos defeat three teams during spring break

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos posted a few wins over the spring break and put them at 3-1 in District play.

Their latest wins came against Wellington March 16 at 4-2 and Shamrock March 13 at 11-1. The Broncos also defeated Cotton Center 16-6 and Kress 17-7.

Devin Noble was on the mound against Shamrock and, according to coach Brad Elam, pitched a great

game for the Broncos.

"Devin only gave up one unearned run in the victory and struck out nine batters," Elam said. "We also played good defense after the first couple of innings. Offensively, we did not hit the ball as well as I had hoped, but we did enough to win the game."

Individual stats: Jon McGlaun-2 RBI, 4 stolen bases; David Gordon-3 runs, 2 stolen bases; Dalton Askew-2

hits, drove in 3 runs; LaDez Captain-drove in 2 runs; and Alton Gaines-scored 2 runs.

Austin Howard pitched against Wellington and pitched a good game, holding them to only two runs and only four hits.

"Wellington made a comeback in the 7th, but Howard was able to finish them off," Elam said. "Offensively, the middle of the order hit great, and David Gordon had three hits includ-

ing a double. Dalton Askew had two doubles, and Alton Gaines and Howard added a double."

"In the Cotton Center and Kress wins, Noble, Trevor Leeper, and McGlaun pitched well for us," Elam said. "Those three players plus Howard provided the offensive fire power for us."

The Broncos play at Follett Saturday, March 24, at 1:00 p.m. and host Booker on Monday at 4:30 p.m.

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## Bronco JV gets win over Hartley boys

The Bronco JV baseball team is racking up wins with their latest one coming against Hartley at 16-6.

Aaron Gordon was on the mound and pitched three innings, giving up only three runs and striking out six. The boys had their bats going as well against the varsity team.

"Aaron pitched well for us," coach Brandon Word said. "We ran the bases very well, too, and put pressure on Hartley the entire game."

Defensively, the Broncos played very well, making plays all over the field.

The Broncos had a double-header against River Road on Monday, March 12, and lost both games 7-4 and 12-4.

The Broncos will play River Road JV March 23 at the Dilla Villa in Amarillo at 4:00 p.m. and will play at Memphis March 27 at 4:30 p.m.

## HJH track team runs at Panhandle

The Hedley Junior High traveled to Panhandle to compete in the Panhandle Relays. Despite the fact that they went up against some much larger schools, the Junior High track kids did very well.

For the junior high girls 7th grade division, Cassidy Burton placed 3rd in the 400 meter dash and 6th in the long jump.

In the 8th grade division, Jenni Allen placed 4th in the 400-meter dash, 4th in the 800-meter run, and 3rd in the 1200-meter run. Haley Chambless placed 2nd in the 800-meter run, 1st in the 1200-meter run, and 4th in the long jump. Alex Stephens placed 3rd in the 100-meter hurdles, and Katterinna Johnson placed 6th in the 200 meter hurdles.

In the boys 8th grade division, Jacob Widener placed 5th in the 400-meter dash, 4th in the 800-meter run. Troy Chambless placed 2nd in the 800-meter run and 2nd in the 400-meter dash. Reid Copelin placed 2nd in the 2400- and 1200-meter run. Braden Montgomery placed 1st in the 200-meter hurdles, 3rd in the 110 hurdles, and 4th in the shot put.

Both the 8th grade boys and girls placed 5th overall with only four contestants apiece participating in this meet.



### Lady Broncos

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|----|--------------------|-------|
| 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 Fass-Cobb     | Jr.   |
| 24 | Jill Cornell       | Jr.   |
| 25 | Dominic Mason      | Fr.   |
| 33 | Caityn Christopher | Fr.   |
| 44 | Eissa Holland      | Fr.   |

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

### Broncos

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|----|----------------|-------|
| 1  | Devin Noble    | Soph. |
| 2  | Alton Gaines   | Soph. |
| 3  | Nathan Gribble | Soph. |
| 5  | Tyler Drackley | Sr.   |
| 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.   |
| 25 | Clint Watson   | Sr.   |

Coaches: Brad Elam, Brandon Word  
Mgrs: Smith Sisomsouk, Cortnee Thornberry, Bailey Starnes, Haleigh Lewis

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### Saturday, March 24

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at Follett, 1:00 p.m.

### Monday, March 26

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at San Jacinto, 4:00 p.m.

Broncos v. Booker  
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## Clarendon track team competes in Canadian

By Sandy Anderberg  
The Broncos finished sixth in the 12-team track meet held in Canadian Saturday, March 17, and the Lady Broncos took seventh place out of a field of ten teams.

David Gordon won the high jump at 6'4", and Alton Gaines was second at 5'10". Defending state champion Brad Sell won the pole vault at a height of 13'3", and Danzel Wilson was sixth in the discus at a distance of 115'1". Gaines went 19'6 1/4" for third place in the long jump, and Glenn Weatheron finished fourth in that event at 19'5 3/4". Weatheron also ran an 11.8 in the 100-meter dash and 25.08 in the 200-meter.

The Bronco JV finished fourth overall with 34 points. Ty Tubbs ran the 1600-meter and the 3200-meter run. He placed fifth in the 3200 with a time of 14:23. Ryan Hill finished second in the 800-meter dash with a time of 2:11 and was fourth in the 400 at 57.5. Aaron Gordon was fourth in the 800 at 2:23 and won the pole vault with a height of 10'6".

Dylan Wright ran a 2:32 in the 800 and a 69.4 in the 400. Jean West finished third in the pole vault, and Tré Brown threw the discus 96'1" and the shot 33'1".

"I was really proud of the kids for going out and competing on Saturday," coach Johnny Nino said. "Many of them had a district baseball game and could not compete in Friday's prelims. I am proud of their commitment in going out and

winning a baseball game on Friday and getting on the bus at 6:30 in the morning on Saturday to compete in a track meet and do well.

"It was spring break, and they could have chosen to do other things, and I am proud of those who committed and participated in both days. I really thank them for that."

The Lady Broncos had good results from limited competitors with Jill Cornell taking the top spot in the triple jump with a leap of 32'1 1/4". Jessi Howard went 4'10" in the high jump. That was good enough for third place.

Kia Bryley earned two first place finishes in the 100-meter dash and the 200-meter dash with times of 13.19 and 28.34 respectively. Shequita Shoels participated in the shot put but did not place. Her farthest throw was 27'7".

Tulia results: JV-discus-Derrick Shelton-2nd 93'4"; high jump-Jadon Thornton-2nd-5'4"; pole vault-Aaron Gordon-1st-9'6", Jean West-3rd-8'6"; 800 meter-Ryan Hill-1st-2:15:13; 400 meter-Hill-3rd-59.51; 100 meter-West-5th-12.22.

Varsity: discus-Danzel Wilson-5th-115'11"; high jump-David Gordon-1st-6'2", Alton Gaines-5th-5'8"; triple jump-LaDez Captain-3rd-41'1 1/2"; pole vault-Brad Sell-1st-12'6"; 800 meter relay-5th-1:41-Glenn Weatheron, David Gordon, LaDez Captain, and Alton Gaines.

The next track meet for the Broncos and Lady Broncos will be March 24 at Sanford-Fritch.

## Hedley graduate plays for national title

Rebekah Howard of Hedley got a rare opportunity last week. She is the starting center on the College of the Ozarks Lady Bobcats basketball team, and her school played for the national NAIA division II basketball championship.

The event is held annually at the Tyson Events Center in Sioux City, Iowa, and involves the 32 top teams in the nation.

Howard started off the championship game strong, scoring the game's first four points and 11 of her team's first 13 points. The 2004 Hedley High graduate finished with

a team high 15 points in 36 minutes of action.

Her team had been ranked second in the nation for much of the year, and they lost in the championship game to Indiana Wesleyan, which went undefeated and was ranked first going into the tournament.

Howard averaged over 10 points a game for the Lady Bobcats and was praised by her coach, George Wilson, as the team's premiere inside defender.

She is a junior this year and has one more year of eligibility for the Lady Bobcats.

## Owls compete in Panhandle relays

By Tangela Copelin

The Hedley Owl track team traveled to Panhandle for the Panhandle Relays to compete against some tough competition. This much needed practice meet will help the Owls in their endeavors to win district on April 4.

In the boys division, Brandon Montgomery placed 5th in the 1600 meter run, and Tyler Pepper placed 5th in the 110 hurdles.

High School girls placing this meet were: Halley Hall 6th in the 300 meter hurdles and 7th in the 100 meter hurdles. Kelby Shields placed 4th in the high jump. Jaci Copelin placed 2nd in the 300 hurdles, 3rd in the 100 hurdles, 2nd in the triple jump, and 2nd in the long jump.

## Ashford shoots his age on golf course

By Sandy Anderberg

Eighty-six year old golfer Dan Ashford is taking advantage of the spring weather to hone his golf game.

The golfer tied for second in the weekly men's game shooting a gross score of 85, which is one stroke lower than his age. Mike Santos finished first with a scratch score of 67. Bobby Dodson and Wendol Miller tied with Ashford for second place.

The Spring Six-Person Skins game will be held April 1 at 1:00 p.m. Even though the tournament is filled at 32 teams, the CCC urges all those who love golf to come out and watch the players vie for the skins.

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Wilma Reynolds and family

## Drugs in the News

### Unique Insulin Pen Introduced

One of the companies that supplies insulin is introducing a battery operated pen for persons with diabetes. It is called the Memior Pen and is designed to be used with Eli Lilly's Hemalog insulin. Most of the insulin administered in the United States is still delivered through a needle into the skin. Pens, however, are widely used in other countries. The pen combines the insulin container and the syringe into a single unit. Pens offer more accurate dosing, are convenient to use, make compliance with insulin dosing easier, and cause less pain because pens use smaller gauge needles than the conventional syringe and needle. Most pens fall into one of two categories: prefilled and reusable.

The Memior Pen is different from other diabetes pens. It is the first pen on the market with a memory device. It contains a computer chip, which remembers the last 16 insulin doses a person has had. It also looks more like a writing pen and less like a medical device, enabling the user to administer more discreet injections in public compared to a vial, syringe and needle.

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The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a reduction of the limitation on the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for public school purposes on the residence homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect any reduction in the rate of those taxes for the 2006 and 2007 tax years."

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