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- And snowmen spring up all over Donley County. All this and much more as The Enterprise reports in this week's chilly edition

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Date set for second 'Trash to Treasures'

It's time to start thinking about cleaning out those closets and attics in preparation for the second annual "Trash to Treasures" citywide garage sale.

THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE and A Fine Feathered Nest, Inc., will again team up to sponsor the annual event to coincide with Father's Day weekend on Saturday, June 16.

"We want people to start thinking about the garage sale now so that they can plan to participate," said ENTERPRISE office director Ashlee Estlack.

Residents who wish to sign up early for this year's "Trash To Treasures" are asked to call or come by the ENTERPRISE office. Payment will not be due at this time. Garage sale kits and more information will be available in May.

The 2007 Winter Games

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Kids of all ages flocked to College Hill this past weekend after seven inches of snow covered much of Donley County. Fearless adventurers used all kinds of conventional and homemade sleds to take trips down the slopes on the Clarendon College campus and even got some time in the air thanks to snow ramps like the one these young people are going over. College President Myles Shelton and his wife, Gail, also reportedly got some sledding in this weekend.



CC seeks increased state funds

Clarendon College Regents threw their support behind efforts to increase state funding for community colleges when they met in regular session last Thursday.

Regents considered and adopted a resolution backing the plan of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to seek an additional \$640 million in statewide funding, which would mean an increase of more than \$750,000 for Clarendon College.

CC President Myles Shelton said this week that the future of Texas is the real issue behind the need for higher funding.

"We believe the economic well being of Texas is at stake if they (the Legislature) don't fund higher education at the appropriate level," he said.

State funds for CC this fiscal year are a little more than \$61,000 above the level in fiscal year 1998, but the college is still far below the funding it had in 2002.

We have never recovered from the budget cuts in 2003," Shelton said.

It was then that state legislators partially dealt with a state revenue shortfall by making sharp cuts in state services including cutting direct funding for Clarendon College from \$2.318 million in fiscal year 2002 to \$2.086 million in fiscal year 2003.

But Shelton says the \$232,000 cut in direct funding was not the only blow dealt by the Legislature that year.

"When you consider the additional loss of funds for developmental education, employee benefits, Texas grants, and prison education programs, the total comes to nearly three-quarters of a million dollars," he said.

While funding has been cut and then flat lined, demand for CC's services has gone up. College officials say enrollment has gone up 9.2 percent since the fall of 2004 and increased by 47.5 percent since 1998

Community choir will resume rehearsals

The Clarendon Community Choir will resume rehearsals Thursday, February 1, at 7:00 p.m. in the Choir Room of the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Center at Clarendon College. For any questions contact Carolyn Smith in the Music Department at 874-4836.

Club will be tending to **knitting at CC Library**

A Knitting Club is being formed and will meet in the Vera Dial Dickey Library at Clarendon College. Dates and times will be announced later.

Any needlework is allowed. Beginners are welcomed. For information contact Carolyn Smith, 874-4836.

Coffee Memorial to hold blood drive Thurs.

Coffee Memorial Blood Center will host a blood drive on Thursday, January 25, from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., in the Hedley First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall in memory of Lila Kate Monroe.

All donors will receive a free t-shirt. Please call 331-8800 or 1-877-574-8800 to schedule an appointment.

Sign up underway for Lad N' Lassie Pageant

Preparations have begun for the 2007 Shamrock Saint Patrick's Day Celebration and the Lad n' Lassie and Pre-Teen Pageant.

All boys between the ages of 0-6 years and all girls between the ages of 0-8th grade are invited to compete in this year's pageant.

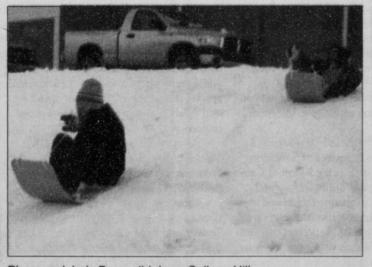
The pageant will be held Sunday, March 18, 2007, at 1:00 p.m. in the Shamrock High School Auditorium.

For a complete list of rules, requirements, and entry forms, write Lad n' Lassie Pageant, c/o Jeanea Torrez, 205 E. Nancy Ann, Shamrock, TX 79079.





Nathan Lowrie spent a day building this igloo, which was over five feet tall, had walls six to eight inches thick, and had room inside for two grown men and a dog. He later went skiing on the hills in The 1890 Donley County Courthouse made a beautiful winter Howardwick. Photo courtesy Paula Lowrie



Phara and Jody Berry slid down College Hill. Enterprise Photo/Roger Estiack of Phelan Hall.



castle as the snow fell last Saturday. Enterprise Photo / Scarlet Estlack



Ashley McMullen and Sara Wilson took the fast lane down west Enterprise Photo / Scarlet Estlack

Caldwell to receive Pioneer Spirit Award

CANYON - Genevieve Caldwell, formerly tions that exemplify the pioneer character. Award from the Lone Star Ballet. of Clarendon, has been selected to receive the Recipients are those who have not only worked Plains Historical Society.

continues the strong traditions of those who of Texas. Past recipients of the Pioneer Spirit erous donor to Southwestern University, West came before her and epitomizes all that is valued Award are Betty Bivins Lovell, Harold Courson, Texas A&M University, and Polk Street Methin the true pioneer spirit.

In keeping with the spirit of the early founders of the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society to plishments have been many. She received the family at a celebration dinner on Wednesday, preserve for future generations the history of Summit Award, the top honor at the Golden Nail April 11, honoring Mrs. Caldwell, please this region, the Pioneer Spirit Award recognizes Awards; the Southwestern University Medal, contact Amy David at 806-651-2233 or email individuals, families, businesses, or organiza- the university's highest honor; and the Lone Star adavid@pphm.wtamu.edu.

and Bob and Nancy Josserand.

Mrs. Caldwell's contributions and accom-

Mrs. Caldwell serves on the Harrington 2006 Pioneer Spirit Award from the Panhandle- to preserve the past for future generations, but Cancer Center Board, and she was an active have worked to assume a better present for their member of the Southwestern University Board Mrs. Caldwell, who now lives in Amarillo, fellow citizens of the Panhandle and the state of Trustees for 12 years. She has been a genodist Church.

If you would like to join friends and

Shelton said it's too soon to know what the chances are of receiving more funding for CC, but he is optimistic.

"I think there is a very positive outlook toward helping community colleges in Austin," he said.

In other college business last week, regents discussed and agreed to move forward with an agreement to hold joint elections with Clarendon ISD, the City of Clarendon, and the Donley County Hospital District; and the board accepted the resignation of Interim Dean of Students Angie Robinson, who has taken a job with Frank Phillips College.

Regents also learned about a \$40,000 gift to the college for the purpose of building a bulk feed storage and hay barn facilities near the Livestock & Equine Center.

Jobless rate drops again

AUSTIN - Donley County's unemployment rate dropped in December after holding steady in November, according to information released this week by the Texas Workforce Commission.

Seasonally non-adjusted data from TWC showed 1,789 people employed in December out of a workforce of 1,852. November's data had 1,747 people employed out of a workforce of 1,812.

The actual number of people looking for work dropped to 63 in December, which is down from 65 in November and 66 in October. The December unemployment rate in Donley County was 3.4 percent - its lowest point since October 2005 when the rate was also 3.4 percent.

Statewide data shows Texas' seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped to 4.5 percent from 4.7 percent in November and from 5.2 percent in December 2005.

The declining unemployment rate continues to set records for the lowest rate in five years. The state unemployment rate matches the U.S. seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 4.5 percent.

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Democrats target big oil

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By Jerry Taylor and Peter Van Doren

The well-choreographed "100 Hour" congressional Democratic blitzkrieg turns to the subject of Big Oil on Thursday when Pelosi & Co. will make quite a to-do over H.R. 6, the "Creating Long-Term Energy Alternatives for the Nation Act," or "CLEAN Energy Act" for short, a proposed \$14 billion cut over ten years in the subsidies going to the petroleum industry.

Free marketeers should have zero complaint in theory. There is no identifiable market failure that might cause private actors to significantly under-invest in domestic oil production. In practice, however, the Democrats are simply transferring subsidies from one energy sector to another with no net reduction of taxpayer funds going to corporate in-boxes. Moreover, they are sneaking in energy-tax increases under the rhetorical cover of a war on subsidies. Accordingly, there is little reason for conservatives to get particularly excited.

The case for oil subsidies is laughably thin. Proponents argue that the more you subsidize oil production, the more oil you'll get, and that, after all, is a good thing for consumers when gasoline prices are around \$2.25 a gallon. Unfortunately, there's simply not enough unexploited oil in the United States that might be exploited as a consequence of those subsidies to greatly affect world crude oil prices. Tufts economist Gilbert Metcalf, for instance, demonstrates that even if domestic production subsidies were worth 10 percent of the current price of oil (and they are worth no more than about 3 percent today), the increased production that might result would only reduce oil prices by 0.4 percent. Even if reducing foreign oil dependence is the main objective, Metcalf shows that domestic production would only increase by a trivial 0.2 percent were domestic subsidies to increase threefold-above current levels.

Some on the Right, of course, would argue that any taxation of corporate activity is counterproductive in that it unfairly taxes earnings twice (once when booked by corporate accountants and then again when those earnings are disbursed to stockholders). From this perspective, tax breaks simply allow companies to keep what is best left to them in the first place and should not be thought of as a subsidy. A variation of this argument holds that the less government takes in the better, so all tax breaks (and tax cuts, for that matter) are worth embracing.

While there is something to be said for both arguments, they ignore the fact that targeted tax breaks and preferences distort the economy by making some investments artificially more attractive than others. The end result is that some sectors are starved of funds while other sectors are awash with more money than they can efficiently use. From an economic standpoint, it makes little difference whether government taxes

Secure national borders in a smart way

By US Sen. John Cornyn

For two years, Congress has debated proposals to reform our broken immigration laws and secure our borders. Unfortunately, little progress has been made on a comprehensive solution to this problem, but we have taken some needed steps to better secure our borders.

Last year, Congress appropriated a substantial increase in funding for various measures, including additional technology and personnel. And one of the additional steps we took - authorizing a 700-mile fence at specific places along the U.S. border with Mexico - is now the topic of great debate. Some lawmakers have suggested it will not, and should not, be built, while others believe strongly that it should.

The fence, which received 80 Senate votes, has become a symbol in Washington. Some view the fencing law as a sign that Congress was finally starting to get serious about protecting the borders and restoring respect for the rule of law. Others see the fence as a barrier between two countries that should instead be building bridges - and that it is a 'solution' that will serve

only to waste taxpayer money. In mid-January, Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison and I invited several mayors from Texas border communities to meet in Washington with Department of Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff. The discussion topic was border security and how best to achieve it. DHS is consulting with a variety of interested parties, includ-

ing those along the border, to ensure that they are aware of the on-the-ground circumstances.

There was a strong consensus among the border leaders that securing the border is vital. There was also unanimity among the mayors that a 700-mile fence, built without consultation with state and local officials, consideration of viable alternatives and with its location dictated by Washington, would be counter-productive. The border mayors offered several suggestions on improving border security without incurring the cost and headaches over private property rights and environmental problems that would accompany the fence as proposed.

I thought the meeting was valuable in several ways. It reinforced my longstanding beliefs that Washington does not have a monopoly on wisdom and that people near to the problem often have insights on how to address and resolve it.

The mayors share my concern for increased border security and for making it effective. We must balance security with legitimate trade and travel. They are concerned about their local economy. But they are acutely aware that respect for our laws is diminishing as we fail to address our porous border, and they know that trend must not continue.

The situation is being increasingly recognized, in our post-9/11 world, as a national security problem. We are starting to apprehend illegal entrants not only from

Central and South America, but also from the Middle East, Africa, Asia and Eastern Europe

Much of the increase has been in Texas. Between 2002 and 2005, apprehensions of non-Mexicans have increased by more than 1,000 percent in Del Rio, more than 385 percent in Laredo, and 604 percent in McAllen.

Securing the border is going to be costly. We need to double our Border Patrol agents, implement physical barriers where it makes sense, and employ advanced technology such as sensors and other electronic devices to make our effort effective. All of these steps will be expensive. We will need additional fencing and physical barriers where it's appropriate. But that's only a part of the solution.

The new Congress will soon take up immigration reform and border security once again. We need to find a solution that protects our country from drug dealers and terrorists, restores respect for our often-ignored immigration laws, takes into account human concerns, and protects our economy.

Our meeting with the border mayors was a reminder that there are good ideas out there, particularly in Texas, which has more foreign border than any other state. We'll need new ideas to resolve the impasse that has stopped immigration reform up until now. And we'll need to work together to address one of the top domestic priorities facing our nation.



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your money and gives it to corporation X or employs the tax code to direct funds to corporation X.

In short, eliminating - or at least, cutting back on - federal subsidies to the oil and gas business is a fine idea. But that's not exactly what the Democrats have in mind

One might argue that the economy would be illserved by imposing ever-steeper royalties (taxes) on oil and gas extraction from federal lands, particularly when Exxon Mobil, for example already pays more taxes to government at all levels than they do profits to private stockholders.

The suspicion that the Democrats are primarily interested in taking even more money out of the oil companies' hide and not with any existential concern for tax justice is reinforced by a provision of the bill that would impose a similar "conservation of resources fee" on all non-producing oil and gas leases in the Gulf of Mexico as well. This is a naked tax hike of \$1.75 billion over a ten-year period unadulterated by any cover story about equity or tax fairness.

Surprisingly enough, the Democrats' oil-subsidy search-and-destroy operation is far less brutal than advertised. An ambitious and intellectually rigorous bill would have also targeted the accelerated depletion allowance provided to small oil producers (about another \$7.6 billion over ten years), preferential expensing for equipment used to refine liquid fuels (\$830 million over five years), accelerated depreciation for natural-gas distribution pipelines (\$560 million over five years), accelerated depreciation for expenditures on dry holes (with unclear budgetary implications), and the exemption from passive loss limitation for owners of working interests in oil and gas properties (\$200 million over five years).

The Democrats' somewhat dodgy anti-subsidy crusade, however, collapses into ashes with the proposed "Strategic Energy Efficiency and Renewables Reserve" tacked on to the bill. In short, all fiscal gains to the Treasury associated with the above will be handed back out again to corporations like GE, British Petroleum, and you-name-the-industrial-conglomerate engaged in energy efficiency and renewable energy businesses. But the same arguments against handouts to "Big Oil" can be as easily marshaled against handouts to Big or Little Fill-In-the-Blank.

The Republican abandonment of economic principle and subsequent love affair with K Street lobbyists gave the Democrats a wonderful opportunity to launch a politically winning total war on corporate welfare. Pity that they don't seem interested in taking advantage of it.

Jerry Taylor and Peter Van Doren are senior fellows at the Cato Institute. Peter Van Doren is also editor of Regulation magazine.

New law includes 'freedom to fish' idea

This month President Bush signed into law the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Reauthorization Act. Included in this legislation is a "Freedom to Fish" provision that I wrote to protect Texas anglers. Without my language, recreational anglers would have been penalized by restrictions intended to affect only commercial fishing. I support efforts to protect our environment in a sensible fashion and in a manner that does not deny Texans opportunities to enjoy the great outdoors.

An unmistakable part of our state's identity is its natural beauty. Texas possesses a diverse landscape that includes mountains, canyons, beaches and forests, and there are 80 state parks for Texans to explore and enjoy. Wildlife is also abundant, with nearly 300 species native to the Lone Star State.

Activities such as camping, hiking, hunting, and fishing offer a special time to appreciate nature and provide families with opportunities to enjoy Texas together. They encourage bonds and friendships. Furthermore, revenue from the management of hunting and fishing provides for many preservation efforts

Since the 1930s, legal hunting has also funded the bulk of wildlife conservation efforts in Texas through the Wildlife Restoration Program. The federal taxes from the sale of sporting arms, ammunition, and archery equipment is appropriated to each state using a formula based on the state's total area and the number of licensed hunters in the state. Texas receives over \$8 million each year to support wildlife restoration in over 50 wildlife management areas covering more than 750,000 acres.

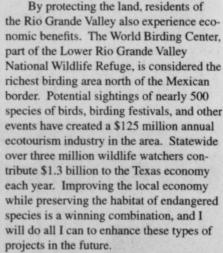
In other parts of the country, specialinterest groups continue to take away the rights of hunters. Last fall, Michigan became the 38th state to ban dove hunting. Should a similar ban ever be proposed in Texas, I will be the first to sign up in

opposition. People who hunt and fish are already subject to stringent regulations, and passing unnecessary hunting bans would deny capitol many Texans a cherished sport and **Comment** significantly affect by sen. kay bailey hutchison our state's economy.

According to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the 1.2 million hunters in Texas who are at least 16 years old spend, on average, 14 days per year hunting and contribute \$1.5 billion annually to the Texas economy.

During my 13 years in the Senate, I have supported worthwhile preservation efforts in Texas such as the Balcones Canvonlands National Wildlife Refuge and secured funding to acquire threatened areas near the Big Thicket National Preserve. In Mission, I have worked to protect the natural heritage of the area by supporting conservation efforts in the Lower Rio Grande Valley National Wildlife Refuge.

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ing our great outdoors is intrinsically and economically valuable. Preserving our land and providing access to its treasures is a responsibility we owe future generations. I have worked for years to preserve Texas' natural habitat as well as to protect the rights of those who hunt and fish, and I will continue these efforts so others can appreciate and enjoy our land for years.

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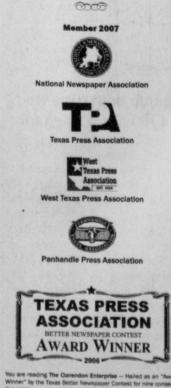
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Mutual Energy transfers customers to SWEPCO

Mutual Energy SPP (ME SPP) SWEPCO.

Currently, AEP Texas delivers Texas (ERCOT). electricity to the area and ME SPP provides retail customer service.

during its January 10 open meeting. initiated retail competition. It is more The change will be effective January appropriate for a company already 30, 2007. Regulatory approvals also operating in the SPP to handle other have been received from the Loui- SPP areas of Texas. SWEPCO will siana Public Service Commission, provide reliable, bundled electric Arkansas Public Service Commission and Federal Energy Regulatory does to its existing customers. Commission.

Wheeler counties.

The change is being made (PUCT) to transfer approximately Power Pool (SPP). The rest of the ter- in the state." 7,000 retail electric customers in the ritory served by AEP Texas is located as the Electric Reliability Council of

While ERCOT offers retail choice, other areas of Texas outside service to these customers, just as it

The change will bring lower The affected customers are prices to the area, with estimated located in portions of Childress, annual savings of approximately 15 Collingsworth, Donley, Hall and to 20 percent depending on customer usage level and classification.

"We welcome the North Texas and Southwestern Electric Power because the 7,000 AEP Texas cus- Panhandle customers to the SWEPCO Company (SWEPCO), both units tomers and all of SWEPCO's other family," said Venita McCellon-Allen, of American Electric Power, have 168,000 retail customers in East SWEPCO president. "We look forreceived approval from the Public Texas are located in a regional elec- ward to providing excellent customer Utility Commission of Texas tricity grid known as the Southwest service and some of the lowest rates

Customers will continue to be Texas Panhandle from AEP Texas to in a different electricity grid known served by local service employees, the same Customer Solutions Center and billing operations, but under the name of SWEPCO.

Customers will continue to call The PUCT approved the transfer of ERCOT, including SPP, have not the same numbers they have used in the past, 1-800-723-7430 for Customer Service and 1-866-223-8508 to report an outage. While customers will receive a new account number under SWEPCO, they will not have to re-enroll in programs such as the Average Monthly Payment plan.

Other details on the transfer will be outlined in a welcome packet being mailed to the customers and posted on the Web at www.SWEPCO.com under "News & Issues."



Irrigation opportunities need proper planning

many years to have profitable spring Extension specialist.

said Leon New, Extension irrigation specialist, during the High Plains Show in Amarillo.

center pivot and sub-surface drip, to dryland conditions," Amosson said. make the most out of the least, that so it's planning on your part that will return is going to be with corn. generate the most efficiency."

AMARILLO - Excitement and Formulate a plan based on the galanxiety are building as irrigation pro- lons-per-minute per acre capabilities ducers look at the first opportunity in of the wells on a property, New said. Dr. Steve Amosson, Extension crops, said a Texas Cooperative economist in Amarillo, said producers in limited water situations who

"We see on the horizon a great are producing wheat, sorghum, and opportunity to make some money," cotton should compare the benefits of partial versus full irrigation.

"You may be better off to spread Irrigation Conference and Trade the water out by partially irrigating all of it instead of fully irrigating part "We've got the equipment, both of it and letting the rest grow under

Amosson agreed with New, being water," New said. "There's not saying this is the year for producers a lot more we can do on the systems, with water to use it, and the greatest

He advised producers not to year where you are going to get good overshoot their water capabilities. returns for that water pumped."

"Pump it," he said. "This is the

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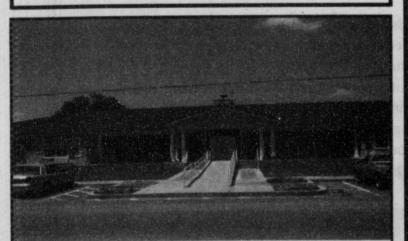
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Community Menus Jan. 29 - Feb. 2

Donley County Senior Citizens Mon: Frito Pie, French fries, spinach, strawberry & bananas, sugar cookies, coffee, tea, lowfat milk Tue: Chicken strips, creamed potatoes/ gravy, green bean casserole, carrot copper pennies, Neiman Marcus cake, biscuits, coffee, tea, lowfat milk Wed: Hamburgers/cheese with all the trimmings, tater tots, autumn fruit salad, banana pudding, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Baked ham, sweet potatoes, English peas, apple rings, pineapple whip, biscuits Tue: Chicken potpie, fried okra, pickled

beets, chocolate pudding, corn bread Wed: Steak & gravy, broccoli casserole, buttered squash, pineapple/cottage cheese, Jell-O with whip, roll

Clarendon CISD

Breakfast Mon: Cereal, toast, fruit mix, milk Tue: Sausage, biscuit, peaches, milk Wed: Pancakes, juice, milk Thu: Eggs, toast, fruit, milk Fri: Homemade cinnamon rolls, juice, Lunch Mon: Chicken nuggets, beans, salad, fruit mill Tue: Spaghetti, corn, salad, pears, Wed: Turkey, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, fruit, milk Thu: Enchilada casserole, pinto beans, salad, pineapple, milk Fri: Hotdogs, fries, salad, banana, milk

Hedley CISD

Mon: Grilled cheese sandwich, vegetable beef soup, fresh broccoli, fruit cup, crackers, milk

Texas researchers studying astronaut food

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nutritious foods is the goal of a new research and production partner- aged meals will also be produced for ship on the Texas A&M University extended space missions, researchers campus.

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"Stoney" Walter

McKee, 88, died

Wednesday, Jan-

uary 17, 2007, in

were held at 11:

00 a.m. on Sat-

urday, January,

20, 2007, in the

Stanley,

on here in Howardwick.

Services

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McKee

Robertson Funeral Directors Chapel

of Memories with Gene Denney, offi-

ciating. Interment was held at Citi-

zens Cemetery. Services were under

the direction of Robertson Funeral

1918, in Clay County, Oklahoma,

where he attended school through

"Stoney",

Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

A food sterilization system at lor for agriculture and life sciences a NASA-Wyle Laboratories food researchers said.

COLLEGE STATION - Astro- the National Center for Electron at Texas A&M. "The science used scientist who will be working on the nauts in space will soon be dining on Beam Food Research, an Experiment in this research could very well be research project in College Station. lasagna, crawfish etouffee, teriyaki Station research component at Texas transferred into new food production "That's important for the Internabeefsteak and other food items made A&M, will help scientists discover techniques, ensuring a safer food tional Space Station and long-duranew methods of minimizing nutrition supply for consumers."

A variety of high-quality packsaid. Food produced in College Sta-The Texas Agricultural Experi- tion will be used on the International

More than 30 food items will be for breakthrough discoveries not only so the packaged food is sterile and meal times, astronauts will place the produced in College Station for the in food produced for spaceflight misastronauts, who are fed breakfast, sions, but for overall food safety," lunch, dinner, and snacks during said Dr. Elsa Murano, Experiment Station director and vice chancel- do it is heat it up," said Lori Neish, to be produced in early February,

Vegas, NV. After retirement, he

moved to Clarendon, Texas. Stoney

is fondly remembered by his grand-

Relatively few facilities can pro- to get fatigued or tired of the texture

duce food in the special thermostabi- of freeze-dried items. The thermostalized pouches used in space, so foods blized items they do not (grow tired developed at Texas A&M will be of) and tend to add variety. readily available for NASA's human spaceflight program.

A commercial retort system will aboard space flights; about 40 per-NASA on Friday announced plans National Aeronautics and Space help produce the thermostabilized cent are thermostabilized items. The food, which unlike traditional freeze- food will be processed from start to dried foods already contains water. finish in College Station, then sent to "This partnership opens the door The retort system removes pathogens NASA before heading into space. At can be used over a long period of food in a "suitcase warmer." time, scientists said.

"(All the) astronauts have to ready for space missions are expected

returned to the San Joaquin Valley of of Winfield, Alabama; Mike Hurst of Directors of Clarendon.

California to begin a 39 year career Hanford, California, Amy Halcomb Mrs. Duling was born in Bangs of employment with the San Joaquin and husband Danny of Newcastle, on July 28, 1909, to John Wesley Cotton Oil Company/Paymaster Gin California; and Tor McKee of Han- Thomas, Sr., and Clara Lillian Co. of Texas. In 1948 he married ford, California; numerous great- Moxley Thomas. She was one of Eleanor, "Miss Ellie", Frisby in Las grandchildren and one great-great eight children. She married Bill grandchild, Ellie, 4 years old of Duling in 1956 in San Diego, Calif. She had worked much of her life as The family requests memo- a Civil Service Employee in naval children and great grandchildren for rials be to Clarendon Volunteer ports throughout the Pacific includhis extensive catalogue of songs with Fire Department. P.O. Box 364, ing Hawaii, Japan, and the Philipwhich he often entertained them. In Clarendon, Texas 79226, or any pines before her retirement. She was a resident of Amarillo for a number of years before moving to Medical Center Nursing Home in Clarendon seven years ago. Throughout her life, she had a real love and true passion for animals, especially small dogs.

tion missions. The astronauts tend

NASA's menus include 200

Some of the first food items

different foods and beverages used

Church in Amarillo. 1976, and by six brothers and sisters. term.

She is a survived by a brother, Clarendon, and several nieces and nephews.

be made to Medical Center Nursing Home, PO Box 1007, Clarendon, Texas 79226-1007 or to any SPCA Chapter.

WTAMU names local fall honor students

West Texas A&M University has named more than 1000 students to honor lists for the fall 2006 semester. Of that total, 376 were named to the President's List, and 697 students were named to the Dean's List.

Students named to the President's List must have a grade point average (GPA) of 4.00 and carry a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours. Local students on the President's List include Carmen M. Hamilton, sophomore English, major from Clarendon, and Dustin B. Knowles, senior Management major from Hedley.

Those named to the Dean's List must have a GPA between 3.50 and 3.99 and carry a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours. Clarendon students on the Dean's List include Stephanie E. Fowler, sophomore EC-4 Generalist; Ronna M. Glover, senior EC-4 Generalist; and Shanna E. Shelton, junior Mathematics major.

Anderberg makes honor list at South Plains

South Plains College recognized Jessie Anderberg of Clarendon for achieving academic excellence by naming Anderberg to the President's Honor List for the fall 2006 semes-

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Students are named to the President's Honor List by earning a 4.0 grade point average while being enrolled in at least 12 credit hours.

Wayland Baptist names She was a member of a Christian local girl on honor list

A Wayland Baptist University Mrs. Duling was preceded in student from Clarendon was named death by her parents, her husband in to the honor roll for the recent fall

The Dean's List includes full-Wes Thomas and wife, Betty, of time students who earned between a 3.5 and a 3.99 grade point average for the term. Included on the Dean's List The family requests memorials is Equilla Weatherton of Clarendon.

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and around Clarendon, he was known Seniors organization. for many wonderful things, including his flower and vegetable gardens. He Duling was a member of VFW Post 7782. Leone Mr. McKee was preceded in Thomas Duling death by his wife, Miss Ellie, and his of Amarillo died daughter, Rebecca McKee, in 1994. Tuesday, Janu-Survivors include his children: ary 16, 2006, at Walter Flindy Hedrick of Hanford, Calithe age of 97.

Hanford, California.

McKee was born December 10, fornia; Susan McKee of Clarendon; Servicers Diane McKee-Georgia and husband were held at 1 Frank of San Diego, California; Monday, p.m. the sixth grade. In 1936 he left Okla- and Jeff McKee of Winfield, Ala-January homa to pursue employment in Cali- bama; one brother, Jack McKee and 2007, in Robfornia. He served 4 years in the US wife Gladys of Hanford; one sister, Army and received the Bronze Star Mary Griffin of Walters, Oklahoma; medal for heroic action in the Battle grandchildren; Shirley Kaye Deese



ertson Chapel of Memories with Rev. Bryan Knowles, Baptist minister, officiating. Interment was in Llano Cemetery in Amarillo under the direction of Robertson Funeral



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Facing a crisis with God

By Mary Beth Nelson

"How will I get through this? I cannot possibly handle it alone." Sound familiar?

In facing life's inevitable conflicts, we do not have to face them alone. The sooner we recognize this marvelous gift, the less frustrated our solutions.

In Psalm 11, David demonstrates firm conviction of God's guidance, announcing, "In the Lord I take refuge." Whether sudden illness, misunderstandings between friends, persecution, or death of loved ones, our Lord will sustain us. God promises, in Psalm 27, that He will keep us safe "in the day of trouble.

Aren't we glad God is in control? He knows what is best for us even if we do not always approve.

We might wonder about Paul's secret of content in "any and every situation" (Philippians 4:12). God wills us a way to accept adverse conditions and grants wonderful peace of mind when we recognize and trust His word.

A certain amount of suffering can instigate our appreciation for possible serenity that follows when we accept God's help through a crisis. Ross W. Marrs stated it well when he said, "Take away my capacity for pain, and you rob me of the possibility of joy." I couldn't agree more.

Bible Thought: "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." Matthew 5:4 (NIV)

Snow began falling in the early Th hours of Saturday morning, and it winter kept snowing until we had about been a chaleight inches on the ground. The temlenge for me perature stayed just below freezing and with little wind and minimal drifting me a deeper - a perfect snow. appreciation

Old Man Winter keeps holding lived in McAl-

Sunday was clear with tempera- for the pioneer ture at about 35°F, which was just women that right for sledding, snowball fights, endured those and snowmen. Doc Holladay and long, cold winters. No wonder they others got the main roads cleared, invented new quilt blocks and saved and we would like to thank the Good every scrap of material! You had to be

Samaritan that cleared our drive. Lady has had a challenge came to shoveling away enough to

expose some grass for her to use. Oh, think about the wild flowers ironed. Oh, what patience! in May! Thank you, Lord, for the

of Pelilu and additional recognition and husband Paul of Jacksonville,

for good conduct during his military Florida; Barbara Hurst of Winfield,

career. Upon leaving the military, he Alabama; Jeff Hedrick and wife Lisa

Old Man Winter blows through

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moisture Bobby Murdock had triple by- telephone to talk with someone, but pass surgery Friday and remains in I have looked for ways to keep my BSA hospital. Keep him high on your prayer list.

Our condolences go to Dorothy you doing to keep your sanity? I Arnold on the loss of her sister, who would be interested in knowing.

by peggy cockerham vick • 874-2886

inventive or go crazy.

My Dad was a Bull Durham because Jim drew the line when it smoker, and I have a quilt put together with those little sacks after they were taken apart, washed and

I have Dish Network and can flip through 180 channels and the sanity. I have taken up embroidery. Cora Bland is crocheting. What are



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Recent, Present & Future Chamber Happenings

On New Year's Eve, The Clarendon - Donley County Chamber of Commerce hosted "The First Annual Time Square In Donley County Blackeyed Pea Festival & Armadillo Drop" at Clarendon College. A big thank you goes to Randy White and Audi Watson of Greenbelt Electric Co-Operative, Inc., for furnishing the bucket truck to lower the Armadillo at midnight New York time and again for the coutdown to Texas midnight. Mystery pilot Dr. Richard Shepard and his co-pilot Brother Matt Stidham dropped 20 armadillos on the College track which kids retrieved for cash. Sonic Drive-In furnished cups and spoons for the Blackeyed Pea toast at midnight. Preacher tag was a big success with 5 local ministers participating. The winners of the dried blackeyed pea spitting contest were: Steve Reynolds, Fran Stidham and Chance Roland.

The Annual Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet is scheduled for Saturday, March 3.

The theme is "A Night On The Town". We are accepting nominations for the following awards: Young Man of the Year - Clarendon Young Woman of the Year - Clarendon Young Man of the Year - Hedley Young Woman of the Year - hedley Man of the Year Woman of the Year Pioneer Man of the Year Pioneer Woman of the Year Saints' Roost Award Please mail nominations with an explanation for your choices to P.O. Box 730, Clarendon, Tx 79226.

New officers are: Tommy Hill, President; Linda Gray, First Vice President; Landon Lambert, Second Vice President. New board members will be announced at the banquet.

Future projects and events: Downtown Beautification with outdoor benches for businesses, Turkey Strut Fund Raiser for Senior Citizens Center - April 21, and July 4 Parade.

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Federal rule change won't harm MCNH

Recent reports by an area newsnursing homes like Clarendon's Medical Center Nursing Home.

MCNH Administrator Vicky Robertson says the Texas Health Care Association assures her that state funded facilities do not face a financial burden in light of new federal rules.

The AMARILLO GLOBE-NEWS January 14 that said a plan to save in a significant way. The plan would going to nursing homes, the report this year. said.

Tuesday during their regular meet- is hopeful of a 11 to 12 percent actual ing, but Friday Robertson received increase," Robertson said. "That word that the new rules would not affect MCNH.

Tom Plowman of the Texas paper may have caused undue alarm Health Care Association in an e-mail about the future of funding for rural to Robertson explained that the federal rule change applied to the ITG

> ITG in funding nursing homes. for (nursing facilities) in Texas," Plowman wrote.

printed an Associated Press story MCNH is in good financial condition, operating in the black with tax \$8,000 from other grant sources to of the nursing home to reflect the Medicaid \$4 billion was going to dollars going to primarily to pay for purchase a \$10,000 power cot to aid impact rural health care providers remodeling notes on the facility. She also said she is hopeful for increased result in decreased federal dollars funding from the Texas Legislature approved budget amendments.

The report was presented to the tion is lobbying for a 19 to 20 percent tion was denied in November due to Donley County Hospital Board last increase in nursing home funding and income level being above program would mean another \$10 per bed per day for us in 2008-2009."

cess, which he called "complicated." 67 ambulance calls in November and Hospital. He also said that Texas does not use 52 in December.

"I don't see this being a big issue Authority received a \$2,000 check elections with Clarendon College, from the Audie Murphy Founda- Clarendon ISD, and the City of tion, which Mark White and Bryan Clarendon. Robertson said this week that Hill were instrumental in obtaining. The authority will seek an additional in lifting patients.

The board considered and

"The Texas Health Care Associa- Holly Eads said one new applicaapplication was approved, and one her a bonus of 1.5 percent.

In other news from the January is pending. A total of \$410.64 has 16 meeting of the Donley County been received as reimbursement for Hospital Board, Robertson reported the client approved for SSI, and a a census of 53 residents in MCNH final payment has been made on the (Inter-Governmental Transfer) pro- with one in the hospital. There were balance owed to Northwest Texas

The board considered and The Associated Ambulance approved a resolution to hold joint

> Robertson also discussed the possibility of changing the name "change of culture" in the nursing home industry.

No names have been suggested, but Robertson says the district wants In the indigent care report, something that reflects the area and its heritage and that the residents may be allowed to vote on the change.

The board met in closed session guidelines. Two six-month reviews for 11 minutes for an evaluation of were completed in December with the administrator and then reconbenefits continued for both, one new vened to congratulate her and granted



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The Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting January 23, 2007, with Boss Lion Jim Shelton in charge.

the lion's tale

by roger estlack

We had 19 members and three guests: Don Taylor and Joshua Cummings, guests of Lion Judy Burlin; and Ashlee Estlack, guest of Lion Roger Estlack.

The Lions district mid-winter conference will be this weekend in Amarillo, and an appreciation banquet for International President Jimmy Ross of Quitaque will be held February 13 in Dumas. Lions interested in attending either event should contact the Boss Lion for information.

Lion Monty Hysinger reported that Clarendon Public Schools is holding extended day classes for students needing extra help preparing for the TAKS test. He also said that only two students had failing grades during the last reporting period.

Lion Judy Burlin reported the Chamber Banquet will be held March 3.

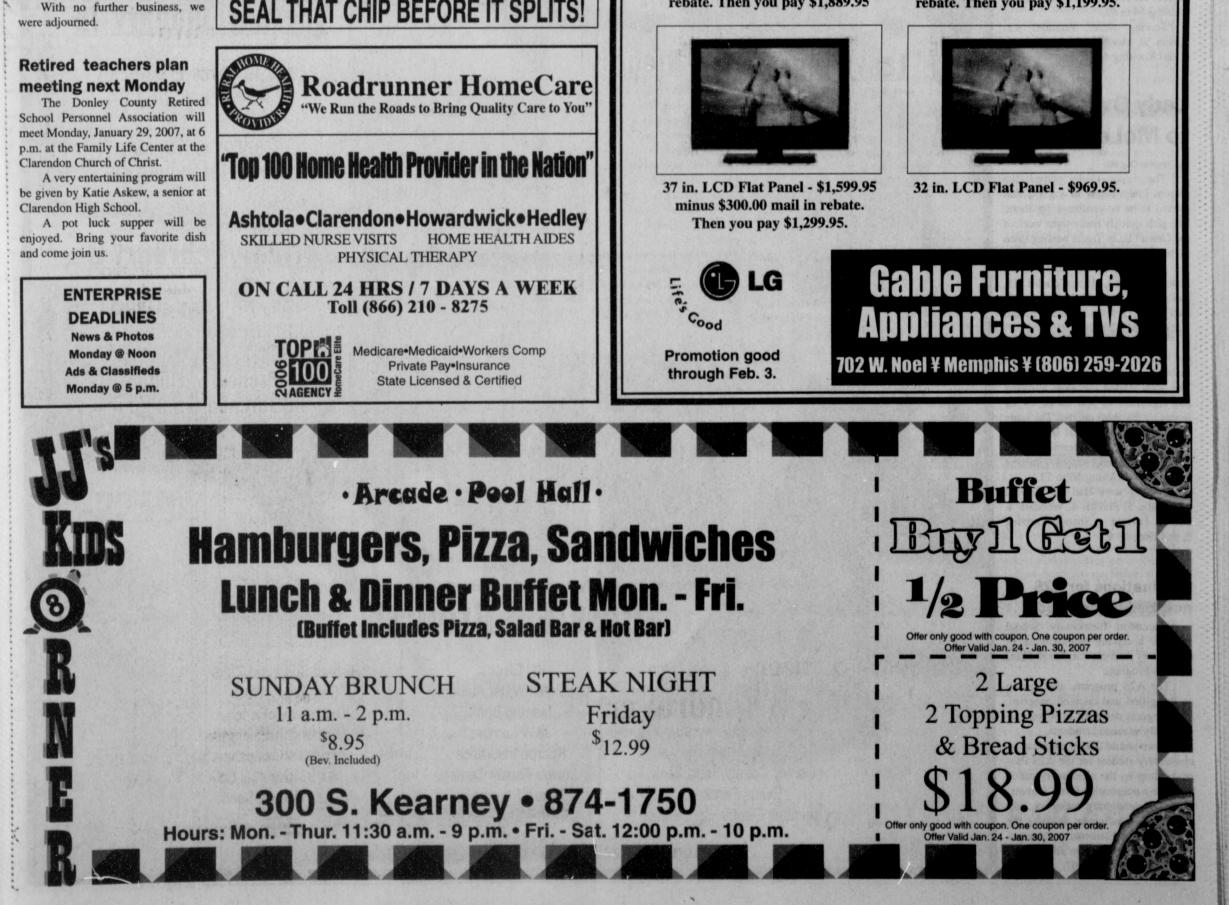




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Sell leads Broncos to victory over Wheeler

By Sandy Anderberg

Broncos.

In a total team effort, the Bron- Broncos. cos fought hard the entire game as

Broncos were determined to get a the Broncos to keep the lead they had match up.' win in their district opener at home throughout. They led by 13 points at Friday night against the Wheeler the break, but Wheeler came back to LaDez Captain 6, Dalton Askew 4, Mustangs. Sell pumped in 17 points, within 10 after three quarters. The Derrick Shelton 3, David Gordon 2, Captain 9, Wilson 9, Askew 8, Sell 6, and T.J. Brown added 15 to lead the Mustangs continued to hone away at Alton Gaines 2, and Danzel Wilson Aaron Gordon 5, D. Gordon 4, and the lead, but could never overtake the 1

Wheeler was determined as well to Coach Colby Waldrop said. "We will trict game and came home with a will travel to Wheeler January 30.

Senior Brad Sell and his fellow Great teamwork and hustle allowed will be ready for our next District first quarter with a two-point lead,

Scoring: Sell 17, Brown 15, Irish and brought home the win.

Earlier in the week, the Broncos "It was good to get the win," traveled to Shamrock in a non-dis- at home January 26 at 8:00 p.m. and

begin their district play with a win. continue to work hard in practice and huge 76-53 win. After finishing the the Broncos turned up the heat on the

> Scoring: Brown 21, Gaines 12, Shelton 2.

The Broncos play White Deer

Lady Broncos smoke Wheeler by 16

By Sandy Anderberg

At first it looked as if the Lady Broncos had hit a wall from the Lady quarter at home Friday night in their well." District opener.

a hole by the end of the first half. Massingill 2. They came back with a vengeance into a 16-point win. Sophomore and added another two points to lead

also in double figures with 15.

Mustangs when they found them- shaky start in the first quarter, but the scoreboard. selves down 3-9 at the end of the first then we settled down and played

But aggressive play by the Erin Holland 6, Regan Lemley 3, Jill Lady Broncos shot 16 for 16 from the Ladies helped to pull them out of Cornell 2, Sade Cobb 2, and Abbie free throw line.

and turned a two-point halftime lead Shamrock on Tuesday and brought Carter 7, and Katie Askew 4. home a 53-40 win over the Lady Macy Shadle hit six three-pointers Irish. The Ladies had a good first Deer at home Friday, January 26, and the scoring. Senior Jessi Howard was lead at the break. Shamrock staged a Both games begin at 6:30 p.m.

small comeback in the third period of "The girls played hard," Coach play, but the Lady Broncos held them Steve Myatt said. "We had a pretty off and increased the point spread on

Senior Regan Lemley led the scoring with 14, and Howard and Scoring: Shadle 20, Howard 15, Shadle added 13 each. As a team, the

Scoring: Lemley 14, Howard The Lady Broncos traveled to 13, Shadle 13, Massingill 7, Haley

The Lady Broncos play White quarter and built up to a 10-point will travel to Wheeler January 30.



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Drug in Adhesive Plaster Relieves Knee Arthritis Pain

The results of a recent study of over 200 individuals with osteoarthritis of the knee are encouraging for those who suffer with the pain associated with this condition. The results of the study appear in a recent issue of Current Medical Research and Opinion. The study group received diclofenac, a prescription non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug. This drug is used to treat pain and inflammation associated with several conditions including arthritis and abdominal cramps. It was tested in this study as an adhesive plaster containing diclofenac applied topically to the knee of study subjects as two daily applications for a period of 14 days. Data collected indicated that the diclofenac plaster significantly reduced pain and improved functioning of the knee joint. Those connected with the study indicated that further studies should address the long term efficacy and safety of this drug when administered as a topical plaster. Osteoarthritis involving the knee is one of the 5 leading causes of disability among older men and women.



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Hedley beats Groom, 54-53

By Tangela Copelin

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The Hedley Owls played Groom in a tight match up that came down to the final seconds. The Owls started the game knowing they had to contain their opponents to a tight game. The height advantage that the Tigers had over the Owls proved to be something the Owls worked hard at to overcome.

The Owls worked hard the entire game to finally come out victorious in the final second of the game, 54 to 53.

Scoring for the Owls were: Dustin Thomas 15, Andy Alston 15, Brayden Bennett 8, Peter Howard 7, Will Verstuyft 6, Seth Koetting 2, and Brandon Montgomery 1.

The Owls also played the Mclean Tigers in another tight district game. The boys once again proved their staying power by ousting their opponents in the final seconds of the game winning 54 to 52.

Scoring were: Verstuyft 22, Alston 10, Montgomery 12, Thomas 6, and Koetting 4.



Lady Owls fall to McLean girls

By Tangela Copelin

The Lady Owls played the Groom Lady Tigers in a game that proved to be no challenge for them. The girls quickly made short work of the Groom Lady Tigers beating them 50 to 17.

Scoring for the Owls were: Haley Hall 14, Jaci Copelin 11, Kelby Shields 7, Ruth Howard 7, Betty Cruz 5, Julie Woodard 3, and Katie Gregory 2 points.

The Lady Owls also took on the McLean Lady Tigers in a district match up that fell short for the girls. The girls started out slow allowing the Tigerettes to pull ahead by 23 points by the third quarter. The Lady Owls took to the court during the fourth quarter with determination to close that lead and narrowly missed out on the win losing 50 to 53.

Scoring were Hall 20, Howard 8, Copelin 5, Shields 4, Woodard 4, Kristen Dwight 4, Shandy Koetting 3, and Gregory 2.

Nominations for A2S now being accepted

Clarendon Elementary School will be accepting nominations of elementary students (Grades K-5) for the A2S Program.

The A2S program, also known as the gifted and talented program, is a program designed to serve a cademically advanced students.

If you would like to nominate an elementary student for the A2S Program, drop by the elementary office to obtain a nomination form. Parents, teachers, community members, and students may nominate students for the program. Elementary Principal Mike Word must receive all nominations by January 26, 2007.

Lady Broncos

10 Jessi Howard Jill Cornell Jr. Shelby Watson Sr. Erin Holland Jr. Abbie Massingill Soph. Reagan Lemley Sr. Sade Cobb Macy Shadle 3 Haley Carter) Katie Askew

> Head Coach: Steve Myatt Assistants: Kasey Bell

& Alton Gaine erst Jeremy Jeffers, Casey Phillips, and Mariah Benavidez

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2	Nathan Gribble	So.
g	Alton Gaines	So.
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j,	Derrick Shelton	So.
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Megan, Kelsey and Zack Wells built this snowman in Hedley this past weekend.





Marvin and Suzy Gill's grandkids pose with the Kevin and Emily Johnson work to build up a snow

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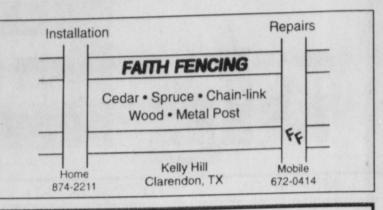
In the January 18, edition of THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE Adam Topper was inadvertently left off the 6th grade A Honor Roll. The following students were also left off the Perfect Attendance. Brooklyn Bailey, J D Baxter, Nicco Bennett, McKayla Cartwright, Lee Cook, Collin Dickinson, Nathan Dziedzic, Amber Ford, Devonte Hardaway, Maegan Hysinger, Amber Keelin, John Levario, Blake McClelland, R J Nino, Annie Patten, John Pigg, Jayson Pigg, Dusty Rice, David Roberts, Jonah Sell, Jentry Shadle, Audrey Shelton, Ashlyn Tubbs, Daniel West, and Maci White.

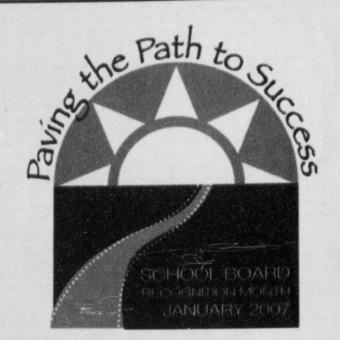
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A message from the Clarendon High School Student Council.

snowman they built this weekend.

Courtesy Photo man at their home

Enterprise Photo / Kari Lindsey

Lady Bulldogs defeat Western Texas, 82-76

The Lady Bulldogs had many points and 14 rebounds. However, go there." chances to put Western Texas away the key plays at the end of the game way to do it until the very end.

They went on a late run to defeat big steals and two big free throws to 25 and travel to Odessa January 27. WTC 82-76 in snowy Clarendon. lift Clarendon to the victory. The Lady Bulldogs (12-6, 1-1), half 40-39. Freshman Kaylan Talley would take over in the second half they would fight back. both scoring and on the glass.

jumped out to an early lead behind are very well coached," Head Coach Brittany Moore 10, Karina Sproal 8, sophomore Ilona Muszak, who was Rusty East said. "We just never Amanda Beauchamp 4, and Amanda solid from three point range, but could get away from them. There Josey 1. WTC would cut the lead to one at the were many times throughout that we

Talley would finish with 21 getting it done, but it will be scary to ning beginning at 5:50 p.m.

The Lady Bulldogs have a tough Saturday night, but they didn't find a would come from freshman DeDe, week ahead as they will have Mid-Conley. She was responsible for two land at home on Thursday, January

> Scoring: Talley 21, Muszak 15 "WTC played very hard and Nicole Vigil 13, DeDe Conley 10,

Be sure to get out and support got up by seven or eight points, and the Bulldogs and Lady Bulldogs at CC. Both Bulldog teams will be "I am proud of our players for playing at home this Thursday eve-

Lady Bulldog signs to play for South Alabama

Clarendon College's All-Conference sophomore Karina Sproal, 6'1" out of Australia made her decision to play the next level at South Alabama.

Sproal was being recruited by many Division 1 schools but felt like her best option was at USA.

"I really like the coaching staff at South Alabama and what they had to offer," Sproal said. "It was a very tough decision, but I felt most comfortable with them for my playing career and future."

Sproal led the Lady Bulldogs in scoring and rebounding last season in route to their regional playoff appearance

Lady Bronco JV wins big

The Lady Broncos had no competition from Wheeler at home Friday night in their district opener. Clarendon defeated the Lady Mustangs 48-2.

The first half began slowly for both teams with the Lady Broncos going up 7-1 at the break. After the break, the Ladies worked together offensively to score 22 points and proved to be too much defensively for Wheeler as they went scoreless in the third period. The Lady Broncos added 15 more to the score in the final quarter and only allowed one

point to their opponent.

Scoring: Deirdre Lewis 10, Bailey Starnes 9, Janae White 8, Dominique Mason 4, Lauren Shelton 4, Jenci White 3, Jill Luna 2, Abby Patten 2, Morgan Hysinger 2, Cortnee Thornberry 2, and Brandi Mays 2.

The Lady Broncos will play White Deer at home January 26 at 5:15 p.m. and will travel to Wheeler January 30 beginning at 4:00 p.m.

Bronc JV beats Wheeler

The Bronco JV turned up the heat at home against Wheeler Friday night and earned a 39-25 win. The Broncos were in control from the tipoff and managed an eight-point lead at the end of the first quarter.

They extended that lead at the break as their offense kicked in and defensively held the Mustangs to only two points in the second period.

Wheeler did begin to come back in the third period of play, but the Broncos regained control and got the win

Scoring: Tré Brown 16, Billy Ceniceros 6, Glen Weatherton 3, Jadon Thornton 3, Ryan Hill 3, Stephino McCampbell 2, Keifer Burton 2, Chris Herndon 2, and Johny Ballard 2.

The Broncos will take on White Deer at home Friday, January 26, at 5:00 p.m. and will participate in the Valley JV Tournament Saturday, Janu-

ary 27. They will play Kress in the first round at 12:15 p.m. The Broncos will continue their regular schedule January 30 on the road against Wheeler beginning at 5:15 p.m.

the Groom JV boys in a game that was tight until the end where the Groom Tigers finally pulled ahead beating the Owls 36 to 44.

Scoring were Will Monroe 12. Dustin Watson 9, Archie Sharp 8, Keegan Foard 5, and Seth Altman 2.

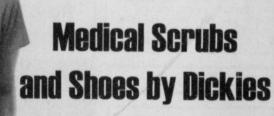
Hedley JH beats Lefors

The Hedley Junior High boys' and girls' teams both played the Lefors Bandits in games that proved to be no contest for the Hedley teams.

The girls start out a little slow but quickly overcame their opponents to win their game 47 to 24.

Scoring for the junior high girls were: Kaylee Shields 14, Alex Stephens 10, Jenni Allen 10, Haley Chambless 9, Jasie Sargent 8, and Kallie Verstuyft 6 points.

The boy's game proved to be no contest with the Hedley Owis winning the game 39 to 11. Hedley boys scoring this game were: Braden Montgomery 18, Brady Montgomery 5, Troy Chambless 4, Kolby Foard 4, Tanner Gross 4, and Reid Copelin 4.



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Owl JV fall to Groom The Hedley Owl JV boys played