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

## Man charged with child sex assault

A former Donley County resident this week is facing felony charges of sexually assaulting a child.

Gregory Dwayne Beall, age 45, was arrested in Marion, Ark., last Thursday, February 7, on a Donley County warrant, Sheriff Butch Blackburn said.

Beall is alleged to have had sexual contact and intercourse with a seven-year-old girl in January of 2011.

The suspect was booked into the county jail on February 9 and arraigned Monday on the first degree felony offense. Bail was set at \$100,000, and Beall remained in jail at press time.

## Chamber seeking award nominations

The Clarendon Chamber of Commerce is taking nominations for recognition of local citizens.

Nominations should be made by Chamber members, but nominees can include anyone from Donley County. The awards to be given this year include: the Saints' Roost Award (for a lifetime of service to the community), Man and Woman of the Year (for outstanding service in 2012), Pioneer Man and Woman of the Year, and Volunteer of the Year.

Each nomination should include a brief narrative of the reason for the selection and qualifications of the nominee. Nominations should be limited to a maximum of one page in length and can be as short as a few informal sentences. Nominations are confidential, but the person making the nomination should include their name and number in case the awards committee has any questions.

Nominations can be delivered to the chamber office at the Mulkey Theatre or mailed to Clarendon Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 986, Clarendon, TX 79226.

## Soaring club seeks possible members

Anyone with an interest in gliders or soaring is being asked to attend a meeting at the Burton Memorial Library on March 9 to discuss forming a new club dedicated to that hobby.

The meeting will start at 1 p.m. and will gauge the interest of potential members in the Clarendon and Amarillo areas. The meeting is open to the public.

For more information, contact Chandra Eggemeyer at 806-874-2421 or Dusty Abbott at 806-584-0013.

## Blood Drive to be held next Tuesday

Coffee Memorial Blood Center will be at the Bairfield Activity Center next Tuesday, February 19, conducting a blood drive.

The event will kick off at 2 p.m. and continue until 7 p.m.

The public is encouraged to save a life and donate, and every eligible donor who presents to donate will receive a free t-shirt.

## Clarendon listed in top US colleges

### CNN says CC best in state for student success

By Ashlee Estlack

Clarendon College has been recognized by CNN Money as one of the top 30 colleges in the nation in a ranking of success rates of U.S. community college.

Clarendon College sits at #28 of the list with a 64 percent success rate, a number that is based on the percentage of students that graduated within three years or transferred to four-year colleges.

"We are pleased to appear on the CNNMoney list of colleges that give students the best chance for transferring to a 4-year university," Clarendon College President Dr. Phil Shirley said. "We feel it is an

invaluable asset to students seeking higher education to attend a college that has an excellent transfer record and high standards for matriculation to another higher education institution."

According to the ranking, College Measures created the success rate chart for CNNMoney "to help students find the best options."

CC is the ranked #1 for Texas

community colleges on the list, and ranks #14 in the nation among small, rural colleges.

"We are humbled and gratified by this report and will continue to pursue excellence at every avenue as we continue to serve students to the best of our resources," Shirley said.

To view the complete report visit <http://www.money.cnn.com/pf/college/community-colleges/>.



## District Champs

The Clarendon Lady Broncos were named the 2013 District Champions last week. They are preparing for playoff appearances, but game dates and details are still to be announced. See page eight for more information.

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## CEDC presents 14th storefront cash grant

The Clarendon Economic Development Corporation Board this week awarded its 14th cash award under its Façade Grant Program this week to Landon Lambert.

The award was presented to Lambert for more than \$3,900 worth of improvements he made to the north side of his property at 300 S. Kearney in making renovations for the offices of Texas Panhandle CyberMedics.

"The façade grant program was a huge incentive to get this storefront done and done properly," Lambert said.

Under the terms of the grant, the work qualified for \$1,980.80 from the CEDC. Lambert's grant application was approved in 2010.

The CyberMedic office storefront had been closed off many years ago when the building was the home to JAMZ pizza and sandwiches, Lambert said. Contractors took down the siding, made sure the wall was

structurally secure and then installed a new storefront door and windows and also applied a new stucco finish.

Inside, Lambert managed to preserve the original tin ceiling and created a very nice retro-looking office for CyberMedics, the computer service company started by Will Jordan in Howardwick ten years ago. Lambert said he did the remodeling of the office over about two and a half years as he had funds available, but he has more plans.

"Everyone just needs to stay tuned because we've got more to come," he said.

The new aluminum frame windows and stucco color scheme on the CyberMedic storefront will be the pattern for the entire building moving forward, Lambert said. In addition to replacing second- and third-story windows, Lambert says his next focus will be on renting the corner space - most recently the home of Bronco Burger - and



Landon Lambert (second from left) accepts a check for \$1,980.80 from CEDC Executive Director Chandra Eggemeyer Monday. Also shown here are Tammy Sparks and Will Jordan of Texas Panhandle CyberMedics.

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remodeling the former City Barbershop on the south side of the building for use as retail or office space.

Since the Façade Grant Program began in 2008, the CEDC has awarded \$16,930.60 to property owners on a three-block stretch of Kearney Street.

The CEDC board did not

renew its façade grant program for the 2013 fiscal year, choosing to focus resources on the Mulkey Theatre rehabilitation. A flurry of activity downtown in recent months, however, has the board reconsidering that move. CEDC directors will consider revising and reviving the façade grant program when they meet again next month.

## City sales tax revenue down

Statewide sales tax collections were up last month, but that wasn't the trend in Donley County. All local cities posted losses when the state distributed February allocations.

Clarendon dropped 3.35 percent with \$34,682.99 and is now behind 2.14 percent at \$60,561.67 for the calendar year-to-date.

Hedley's allocation was down 6.58 percent for the month at \$678.81 but remains 3.91 percent up for the year at \$1,093.80.

Howardwick's received \$1,191.83, down 16.01 percent for the month and drops the city 5.06 percent for the year at \$2,351.73.

The figures represent December sales reported by monthly filers as well as sales by businesses that report on a quarterly or annual basis.



**Sneak Peak** Some passersby got an unexpected preview of the new Mulkey Theatre lights last Tuesday night, February 5, as electricians calibrated LED uplighting on the building. Phase One - Exterior renovation is nearing completion, and Clarendon Economic Development Board members are discussing holding an official lighting and block party on May 25.

## Candidates still applying for elections

A few more candidates have joined the races for local offices, but only one board has enough candidates to hold an election at this point.

The City of Howardwick was still leading the candidate count at eight with David P. Cafferata and former alderman Mike Rowland running for mayor; William R. Jordan, Gail Leathers, and Jim Cockerham running for two vacant full terms on the Board of Aldermen; and Alderman Gene Rogers, Cory Longan, former mayor H.L. "Buster" Baird, and Sandy Sanders vying for two unexpired terms.

In Clarendon, Sandy Skelton has thrown his hat in the ring this week for one of the two full terms up on the Board of Aldermen. Mayor Larry Hicks filed to run for re-election previously.

Two incumbents on the Clarendon ISD Board of Trustees have filed the paperwork to run for their offices again. Robin Ellis and James Skelton are seeking re-election. There are three seats up on that board this year.

Hedley ISD has two terms up this year on its Board of Trustees, and incumbent Bonnie Walsh was the only candidate as of Tuesday.

As of Tuesday morning, the Donley County Hospital District still reported having just three candidates, one for each of the expiring seats. Incumbents Wayne Tubbs (Place 1) and Melinda McAnear (Place 3) are seeking re-election on the hospital board, which oversees emergency medical services and indigent care in the county. Carey Wann is also seeking the Place 2 seat currently held by Bob Watson.

The City of Hedley has three positions open on its Board of Aldermen this year but had no candidates as of Tuesday.

All local offices are elected at-large, but hospital board candidates must sign up for a specific place.

Sign up continues through March 1, 2013; and the elections will be held Saturday, May 11.

## Wellington residents make pleas

Two Wellington residents accepted plea agreements on drug-related charges when the 100th District Court met in Clarendon on Wednesday, January 30.

District Attorney Luke Inman prosecuted the cases for the State of Texas with the Honorable Judge Stuart Messer presiding.

A total of \$10,000 in fines was assessed as a result of the pleas that took place on January 30. In addition to the fines, the defendants were required to pay a total of \$752 in court costs and \$280 restitution.

Ramon Herrera was placed on probation for a period of six years for the second degree felony offense of possession of a controlled substance. Herrera pleaded guilty and was placed on deferred adjudication for the offense.

"The Collingsworth County Sheriff's Office did an excellent job in this investigation acting on information they received and moving forward to locate illegal controlled substances in this county," said Inman.

Herrera, 53-year-old resident of Wellington, was arrested in Collingsworth County for the offense that took place on January 24, 2013, and pleaded guilty to a complaint filed by the State on January 29, 2013.

Pursuant to the plea agreement, Herrera is required to pay a \$6,000

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guest commentary

## Erasing Reagan: The illiberal war on truth

By Dr. Mark W. Hendrickson

The prospect of four more years of Barack Obama in the White House has caused several conservative voices (among them, *The Wall Street Journal's* Daniel Henninger, Fox News commentator Charles Krauthammer, and noted Ronald Reagan scholar Paul Kengor) to opine that President Obama's second term portends the passing of the Reagan era, the reversal of his pro-growth policies and the attempted burial of Reagan's credo, "government is the problem."

None of this is news. It is a given that Obama and his fellow progressives reject Reagan's values and philosophy. They will continue to try to expand government.

There is, however, a more sinister dimension to the progressive agenda: Rush Limbaugh asserted that Team Obama wants to "erase every trace of Reagan from America"—not just to repeal and reverse Reagan's policies, but to engage in wholesale historical revisionism by obfuscating Reagan's record and reshaping public opinion about him. It serves the progressives' interests if they can obscure the fact that Reagan's policies of lower tax rates, a sound dollar, and reductions in governmental regulatory micromanagement enhanced prosperity and raised standards of living. Those of us who lived through the Reagan years remember the resulting economic growth, but nobody under the age of 30 has first-hand knowledge of those years.

Is it really possible that the left could rewrite the history of the Reagan presidency? Absolutely. They've already perverted the record of earlier Republican presidents. Take, as Exhibit A, Warren G. Harding—the president who always appears at the bottom of presidential rankings.

Yes, I know there were a couple of crooks in Harding's cabinet. Those odious men betrayed the trust of both a president and a nation. But while they gained a few hundred thousand dollars, Harding's policies enriched the American people by billions. Harding entered office in the midst of the Depression of 1920-21—a downturn as rapid and severe as any in American history, with GNP contracting 24 percent and unemployment more than doubling to 11.7 percent.

Harding's policy response was to get government out of the way and let free markets make the necessary adjustments. He induced Congress to slash federal spending by 40 percent in two years and lower the top marginal tax rate from 73 percent to 56 percent (on its way down to 25 percent under his successor, Calvin Coolidge). Demonstrating the fallacy of the Keynesian dogma that government should increase spending and deficits to cure recessions, the Harding spending cuts yielded large surpluses (used to pay down World War I indebtedness), and yet, by 1922, GDP was rising and unemployment falling, plummeting to a minuscule 2.4 percent by 1923. Maybe Harding wasn't the best judge of character, but his economic program was arguably the most successful of any president in the 20th century. A "terrible" president? Absurd.

Another example of historical revisionism, progressive-style, involves Herbert Hoover. Today's students are routinely taught that Hoover was the last of the "laissez faire" presidents. Last year, progressives produced a "take back the American dream" special edition of "The Big Picture," during which the host denigrated the alleged laissez faire trio of Harding, Coolidge, and Hoover, contrasting them with the great economic savior, Franklin Roosevelt. Part of the error is simple partisan bias—i.e., Republicans are bad and Democrats are good—but party aside, Hoover should have been lumped with FDR, not with his two predecessors. Harding and Coolidge truly were sympathetic to free markets. Hoover was not. He disdained and distrusted the laissez faire philosophy, and was almost as much of an interventionist as Roosevelt. Indeed, FDR's own advisers recorded in their memoirs that the true originator of the New Deal was Hoover. It is political propaganda, not historical verisimilitude, which paints Hoover as a clone of his predecessors rather than of his successor.

The lesson is clear: If those who understood and approved of Reagan's policies fail to reiterate Reagan's beliefs and policies, Reagan's progressive opponents will distort his history, and he eventually will be as misunderstood as Harding and Hoover are today.

The progressive war against historical accuracy should concern all American citizens. When those in power mutilate truth, the welfare of the people is at risk. Think of what all the illiberal movements—whether fascist, socialist, communist, environmentalist, or progressive—have in common. All exalt state power at the expense of the individual rights of liberty, property, and ultimately life itself. In the effort to attain that power, they also commit depredations on truth, as George Orwell warned in "1984." Watch to see how often Team Obama employs the Big Lie technique in attempting to revise Reagan's record.

Whether we agree or disagree with what Ronald Reagan did, we shouldn't let anyone lie about it. Falsehood is the enemy of human progress.

— Dr. Mark W. Hendrickson is an adjunct faculty member, economist, and fellow for economic and social policy with The Center for Vision & Values at Grove City College.

## Lessons of the feast of St. Valentine

Well, live and learn. I've always believed that Valentine's Day was the creation of folks like Hallmark Cards, so they could sell more cards and mushy stuff. I figured that Valentine's Day was the synthetic creation of some wayward, unscrupulous marketing guru, created just so corporate America could sell more greeting cards. Was I ever wrong. I was even more astounded to learn that Valentine's Day is a religious holiday going way back to the time of the Roman Emperors. The religious denominations that formally recognize Valentine's Day in their liturgical calendars are; Anglicans, Lutherans, Presbyterians, the Eastern Orthodox Church, and until fairly recently the Catholics.

St. Valentine's Day began as a liturgical celebration of one, and maybe more, early Christian Saints named Valentinus. The record is unclear because it is so old, but the most popular legend associated with Saint Valentine was that he was imprisoned for performing weddings for soldiers who were forbidden to marry, and for ministering to Christians, who were persecuted mightily under the Roman Emperor; during his imprisonment he is credited with healing the daughter of his jailer. Legend states that just before he was executed, way back in 250 C.E., he wrote her a farewell note and closed with "from your Valentine," and thus became the first Valentine ever written.

It is commonly accepted that Saint Valentine was persecuted as a Christian and personally interrogated by Roman Emperor Claudius II. Claudius was personally impressed by Valentine and carried on a series of discussions with him, hoping to convert him to follow the law of the land and convert to paganism, thus saving his life. Unfortunately, St. Valentine refused his offer and had the gall to try to convert Claudius to Christianity, which proved to be a less than prudent decision. Claudius became livid with St. Valentine and sentenced him to death, affording him the opportunity to send the first Valentine to the daughter of his jailer.

The first time Valentine's Day was associated with romantic love was in the High Middle Ages, when the early English writer, Geoffrey Chaucer, wrote of it in one of his poems - back when the tradition of courtly love flourished. By the 1400s, Valentine's Day had evolved into an occasion in which lovers expressed their love for each other by presenting flowers, giving cookies and other bakery treats, and sending greeting cards (known as Valentines). Please note that the men did not give their lovers cleaning tools, household cooking items, and other "useful" gifts that could be easily misconstrued by the aforementioned female lovers.

That is a good example to follow. Men - do not give your lover anything that requires work-like activity to operate correctly, like blenders, mixers, vacuum cleaners, etc. For example, even if she is a lumberjack, do not give her a nice sharp axe or chain saw. With the vicissitudes of life and love, and if your future behavior is not up to her expectations, you may meet that axe or saw again sometime in the future when sentiments have eroded.

The problem is that men generally don't have a clue about what gifts to give their sweethearts (who should be their wives if they are married.) Household appliances, tools, rifles and handguns (even if you've been yearning for one), skimpy underwear, and food items (other than candy and chocolate covered strawberries) can all be unexpectedly hazardous to relationships. Even if the little missus enjoys hunting and fishing, I would not recommend giving firearms, bayonets, filleting knives, etc., even if she professes the desire for one.

A good rule of thumb to follow is successful examples found in history:



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give jewelry with heart-shaped outlines, doves (not dead or dressed), candles, flowers, and those cute little Cupid-like figurines. Even though hand-written Valentines went out of style in the 19th century they are making a bit of a comeback, and offer a more personal and more meaningful message that the mass-produced Valentine cards. However, if you can't write or spell well, and are inept at expressing meaningful sentiments of love, it's probably better to go with a preprinted card.

Of course, Valentine's Day isn't only for lovers. Expressing our love to our children, grandchildren, and other family members is also meaningful and important. It goes without saying that we need to express our heartfelt love and appreciation to our children, grandchildren, parents and other family members.

The U.S. Greeting Card Association, which keeps records on such things, estimates that over 190 million Valentines are sent throughout the United States every year. Half of those Valentines are given to family members other than husband and wife, usually to children and grandchildren. When Valentine exchanges in schools are included, the number of Valentines given each year goes up to a billion, and teachers are the people who receive the most.

These days, the rising popularity of the Internet is also creating new Valentine's Day traditions, with the giving of e-cards, love coupons, and printable greeting cards. Last year, over 20 million of them were sent out.

So, this Valentine's Day, be sure to exchange cards and gifts with your love. Guys, gifts can include flowers and roses and chocolates packed in those red satin, heart-shaped boxes. As I mentioned earlier, diamonds and jewelry also make wonderful gifts of love.

Most importantly, just say, "I love you." Valentine's Day is, above all, a day in which we can express and share our love. After all, love is something we could all use more of.

Happy Valentine's Day, Sweetcakes. I love you.

## Searching for the City on a Hill

By Dr. Gary Scott Smith

One of the most widely employed metaphors in today's American political discourse is that the United States is a "city on a hill." Especially popularized by Ronald Reagan, this phrase (taken from Matthew chapter 5) has been used by countless politicians, journalists, and historians in recent decades to describe America's mission in the world. Its origin is John Winthrop's 1630 sermon titled "A Model of Christian Charity," which explained what the Puritans who settled Massachusetts Bay Colony sought to create—a godly community that furnished a model of Christian love and liberty.

Richard Gamble shows in his recent book, "In Search of the City on a Hill: The Making and Unmaking of an American Myth" (Continuum, August 2012), that the common assumption of this phrase being employed continuously and frequently from Winthrop to Reagan is false. Only since the 1950s have pastors, politicians, and historians made Winthrop's sermon one of our nation's most hallowed documents. In the process, Gamble contends, they transformed Jesus' metaphor that applies to the church (along with being light and salt in the world) into a national myth about America's alleged goal.

Gamble explains that the primary purpose of Winthrop's sermon was to argue that Massachusetts Bay Colony should model Christian love and base aspects of its life on biblical teaching. Winthrop's statement was a proclamation, not a prediction. Their migration to the new world and effort to establish a righteous community inescapably made the Puritans a visible city that could either be a model of God's blessing or chastisement depending on their conduct.

There's no extant evidence, Gamble claims, of anyone quoting from Winthrop's sermon before 1838. For two centuries, apparently no one saw his sermon as a prophecy of America's divine destiny to be a great nation. Throughout the 19th century, many prominent Americans also used Jesus' metaphor to applaud or admonish various cities, states, or the nation without referring to Winthrop. Between 1860 and 1930 "A Model of Christian Charity" gradually became widely analyzed in studying the early history of the Puritans. However, while orators,

historians, and biographers underscored the sermon's emphasis on Christian love, brotherhood, and establishing a righteous community, they did not connect the city on a hill metaphor with America's messianic mission or exceptional destiny.

In the 1950s, however, prominent historians Perry Miller and Daniel Boorstin sought to make the city on the hill image the "keynote of American history," and a 1961 address by John F. Kennedy propelled this powerful symbol into contemporary American politics.

Reagan, in dozens of speeches between 1969 and 1989, converted Jesus' metaphor into a succinct summary of what he hoped the United States would become—"a shining city on a hill" that promoted economic growth, democracy, and peace around the world. Reagan made this metaphor essential to American identity and the nation's civil religion. As a result, since the 1980s Republicans and Democrats have asserted that "America, from its earliest days, was destined to be a city on a hill." Both the political right and left have crafted "secularized, politicized versions" of Winthrop's statement without questioning whether it is proper to apply this label to our nation.

Moreover, numerous politicians, scholars, and pundits today use the phrase to applaud or critique America's domestic or foreign policies. They argue that the Puritans either set the United States on the path toward civic and religious freedom, democracy, and humanitarianism or toward "capitalistic exploitation," "messianic delusions,"

and interference in the affairs of other nations. As an independent nation, and especially as a global superpower after World War II, the United States has clearly been a city on a hill in terms of the attention and scrutiny it has received, but this does not prove, Gamble argues, that it is specially chosen by God to accomplish His purposes.

Gamble analyzes how Americans have manipulated this metaphor to serve their own purposes and explains how the metaphor's meaning has changed throughout American history.

Gamble could have noted that some evangelicals, most notably Gregory Boyd and Richard Hughes, have strongly criticized the typical evangelical understanding of American exceptionalism.

Gamble's book is a clarion call to reassess whether and how America is indeed exceptional. Does it have a special relationship to God and a divinely-appointed mission in the world? He faults Christians for both misapplying the city on a hill metaphor and failing to recognize America's shortcomings and "lust for domination." He correctly challenges Christians to untangle the metaphor from its association with the United States and employ it where it properly belongs—to the worldwide church.

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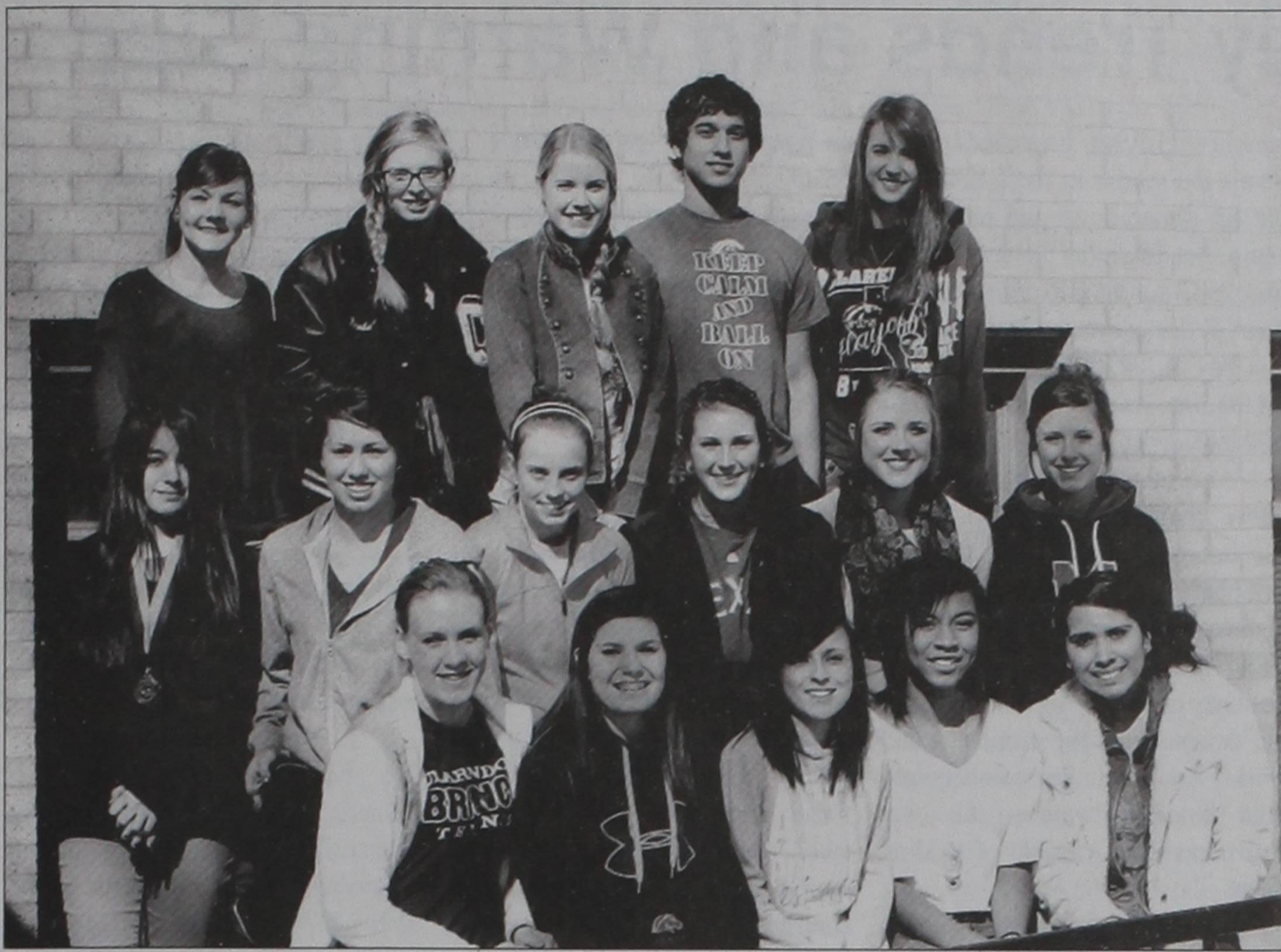
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CISD UIL team competed at the district meet in Canadian last Saturday. Seventeen students participated in the meet with many placing for Clarendon. Lydia Howard received six first place medals at the meet.

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### Howard receives Six first place medals at UIL

Clarendon High School senior Lydia Howard accumulated six first place medals at the Canadian UIL Invitational Meet this past Saturday.

She was one of 17 participants who spent the day preparing for district competition. Lydia placed first in the following events: Science, Biology, Chemistry, Science team, Editorial writing, and Headlines, of which she is 2012 state champion.

Other seniors who earned medals or ribbons include Maritta Brady: 2nd Computer Applications, 5th Spelling; Audrey Shelton: 2nd News Writing; Anna Cenicerros: 6th Social Studies.

Juniors who placed include Darbe Woodard: 2nd Science, 1st Biology, 1st Science team; Deborah Howard: 1st Feature writing; Jayc Hill: 4th News writing, 4th Feature

writing; Ryann Starnes: 5th News writing.

Freshman Marissa Jaramillo placed 1st Biology, 1st Science team, and 7th overall Science.

Other participants were senior Diego Santos, juniors Haley Ferguson and Tyler Smith, sophomore Abby Johnson, and freshmen Karlee Adams, Kendra Davis, Emilie Thompson, and Abby Durham.

### Red Cross recruiting volunteers ahead of tornado season

AMARILLO – On average, 30 tornados roll through the Texas Panhandle each year during tornado season. As is their custom, the American Red Cross stands ready to respond immediately to get much needed help to those in need.

One of the first tasks undertaken by Red Cross volunteers is a disaster assessment. This duty is critical to the organization because it helps them determine how many families are affected, how many meals need to be prepared and how many volunteers will be needed to respond. Today, the American Red Cross is seeking to increase its pool of disaster assessment volunteers in advance

of tornado season by offering a pool of upcoming training courses.

"It's a simple process to become a Red Cross volunteer," said Steve Pair, Executive Director for the two chapters in the Texas Panhandle. "Just jump on our website at [www.redcross.org/texaspanhandle](http://www.redcross.org/texaspanhandle) and click on the volunteer link. You'll get all of the instructions on how to register and you'll receive your next steps."

The Red Cross is urging new volunteers to get trained in February so that they can participate in the agency's first tornado disaster drill that will take place across the states of Texas and Oklahoma on Saturday,

March 2, 2013.

"We're tornado prone in both Texas and Oklahoma so we have to prepare ahead of these storms," said Pair. "The time to take your training is when the sky is blue so we're hopeful that many people will take the opportunity to join us in February for training and then work with us on this important drill in early March."

Anyone interested in joining the American Red Cross should go to [www.redcross.org/texaspanhandle](http://www.redcross.org/texaspanhandle) and click on the "Volunteer" link or call 806.376.6309. To prepare for spring storms, visit [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org).

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Both arrests occurred after Collingsworth County Deputy Larry Ashurst executed a search warrant on Herrera's house located at 1001 El Paso Street, in Wellington, Texas, according to court documents.

Cocaine and methamphetamines were located in the house, according to Inman.

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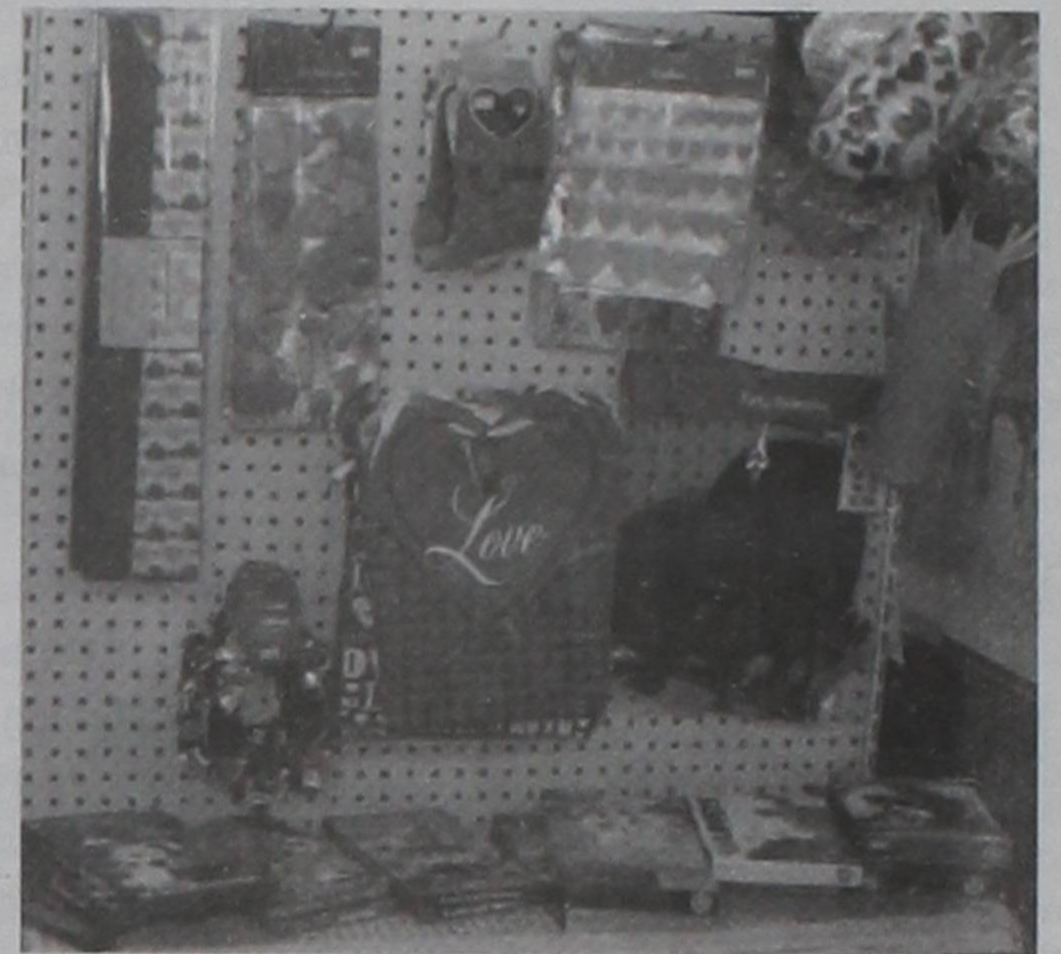
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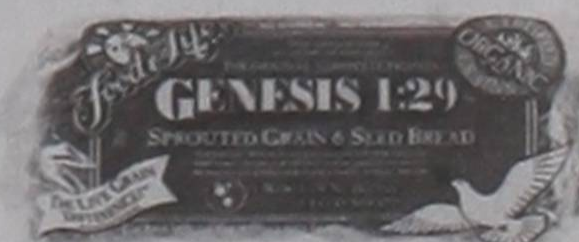
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**February 14**  
Valentine's Day

Community Chior Practice • 6:00 p.m., • First United Methodist Church in Clarendon

**February 18**  
Presidents' Day

Bulldogs v NMMI • 7:30 p.m. • Dawg House

**February 21**

Bulldogs & Lady Bulldogs v New Mexico Junior College • Girls 5:45 p.m., • Boys 7:30 p.m. • Dawg House

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**Menus**

February 18 - 22

**Donley County Senior Citizens**

Mon: Vegetable soup, Santé Fe chicken, oven browned potatoes, wheat bread/crackers, sliced peaches, iced tea/2% milk.  
Tue: Creamy mushroom steak, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, vanilla pudding, whole wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.  
Wed: Spaghetti/meatballs, garlic bread, margarine, spinach, cookies, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thu: Chicken teriyaki, fried rice, seasoned vegetable blend, strawberries & bananas, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: Lasagna, mixed salad, garlic bread, Brussels sprouts, sliced pears, iced tea/2% milk.

**Hedley Senior Citizens**

Mon: Oven fried chicken, bow tie pasta, broccoli/raisin salad, fruit cocktail, iced tea/2% milk.  
Tue: Taco salad/corn chips, seasoned corn, lettuce, tomato, onion, watermelon, peach cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.  
Wed: Chicken fries steak, country gravy, stewed okra, seasoned corn, pumpkin square, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thu: Salisbury steak/gravy, mashed potatoes, cauliflower/broccoli, wheat roll, apricots, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: Sloppy Joe, country potato salad, zucchini & tomatoes, creamy fruit squares, whole wheat bun, iced tea/2% milk.

**Clarendon ISD**

Breakfast  
Mon: Cereal, toast, fruit, milk.  
Tue: Sausage, biscuit, gravy, fruit, milk.  
Wed: Pancakes, juice, milk.  
Thu: Egg, toast, fruit, milk.  
Fri: Cinnamon roll, juice, milk.  
Lunch  
Mon: Chicken & broccoli penne, garden salad, baby carrots, apple slices, breadstick, milk.  
Tue: Ultimate taco salad, seasoned corn, fresh fruit bowl, milk.  
Wed: Steak fingers, whipped potatoes, w/gravy, savory green beans, apple-pineapple delight, milk.  
Thu: Chicken quesadilla, black beans, baby carrots, orange smiles, salsa, milk.  
Fri: Pepperoni pizza, garden salad, fresh veggie cup, mixed fruit, milk.

**Hedley ISD**

Mon: Beef and cheese chalupa, garden salad, refried beans, tortilla chips, salsa, milk.  
Tue: Country fried steak, whipped potatoes w/gravy, savory green beans, roll, strawberry cup, milk.  
Wed: Chicken fajitas, charro beans, seasoned corn, tortilla chips, salsa, milk.  
Thu: Chicken spaghetti, garden salad, apple slices, breadstick, baby carrots, milk.  
Fri: Hot dog, potato rounds, fresh veggie cup, fresh seasoned fruit, chocolate chip cookie, milk.

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**Phishing Update: Key Trends and Warning Signs**

It's sad to report phishing has become ever more widespread – up 37 percent year one year, according to latest figures.

In fact, a new report from security company Symantec (the Norton anti-virus firm) has this to say: "You no longer need to be a sophisticated hacker to commit fraud on the Internet. Anyone who is motivated can join in, thanks to the off-the-shelf phishing kits provided by a thriving cybercrime ecosystem. Cyber criminals are even migrating to a new business model known as Malware-as-a-Service (MaaS), where authors of (phishing) kits offer extra services to customers in addition to the exploit kit itself." The company reckons there are an estimated 8 million daily phishing attempts – that's close to 3 billion a year!

The tricks scammers use have multiplied and become so clever that even experts have been fooled into giving away information subsequently used for identity theft. For example, in one recent incident, a savvy British journalist was tricked by a call claiming to be from the police about his credit and debit card numbers being used by criminals. The caller offered to block the card numbers immediately but said she needed PINs and confirmation of the

full card numbers.

So far, pretty obviously a scam isn't it? So the journalist asked for the detective's name and proof of identity. The caller gave her name and suggested the journalist hang up and call 999 (the British equivalent of 911), then ask to be put through to her. He did, was answered by an apparent emergency center controller, and put through to the "detective."

There was also a lot of background noise as if the call was going through to a busy office. And the "detective" also insisted that for security reasons, the journalist should key in the numbers on his phone, so she (the scammer) wouldn't even know what they were. These behaviors were enough to convince him the call was genuine and he gave the information. But it was a scam, and he had just parted with information that enabled the crooks to virtually drain his bank account.

What is more, the scammer kept the victim on the phone for more than an hour, while his cards were

hammered. What happened? Well, here's the secret: In the UK, if you put the phone down and pick it up again, but the other person doesn't hang up, you're still connected to them. It doesn't matter what number you key in, the other person is still on the line, ready to act out the rest of the charade.

This may not be the same with phone companies in the US – they can auto-disconnect – but watch your cell phones some of them do not disconnect, but everyone should know about this cunning trick, not least because of what it tells us about the devious way the criminal mind works. And if you key numbers into your phone, software on the other end is perfectly capable of reading them.

One lesson, of course, is never, under any circumstances, to give out your PIN number. People at your bank don't know it – only their computers do – and they definitely don't need it to block transactions. The biggest increase in current phishing activity is via bogus websites, a fact that became very evident last holiday season. They weren't so much mimicking legitimate sites as posing as retailers in their own right offering special deals.

The other key technique that's

on the rise is the harvesting of credit card details through phony charity appeals after natural disasters, another activity we've written about previously in Charity Scams. This was particularly prevalent in the months after Hurricane Sandy and comes with any kind of natural disaster.

The Symantec report highlights a number of other phishing trends. Though they're not particularly new, as with the phone example above, they're often delivered in a more convincing way, often tied to current events. For example: Phishing that plays on economic fears – mainly emails that seem to come from a financial institution claiming they've taken over the recipient's bank or mortgage lender. They may request confirmation of account details or invite you to click a link to a bogus replica site. This is particularly effective precisely because so many such mergers are happening in real life.

Action: Never respond to these emails. Visit your bank's website by keying in the address yourself and take things from there. Blended phishing/malware threats – tricking victims into downloading keyloggers that steal personal information. Often this is done via an email notification about a news item or an eCard.

When you try to view it you're told you need to update software on your PC. The supposed update is, in fact, the key logger. Action: We always advise against clicking links in email but if you do and the result is an invitation to download or update software, just don't.

Most Internet security software can be set to generate a warning if a website tries to install a program. Switch this setting on – check your software help file to find out how to do this. Symantec lists four red flags you should watch out for as warnings of a potential phishing scam:

1. Misspellings (though these are becoming less common).  
2. Generic greetings instead of being personalized or messages urging immediate action.  
3. Threats to the status of your bank or credit card accounts.  
4. Any requests for personal information.

None of these, by itself, is proof of a scam but they should immediately put you on alert and make you thoroughly and independently check out such messages. Says Symantec: "Phishing will continue to evolve into new forms, while attempting to take advantage of human behaviors such as compassion, trust, or curiosity."

Stay safe out there.

**Happy birthday to the father of our country**

Happy Valentine's Day, everyone! With TV commercials reminding you of the date each time you turn it on who could forget. Sometimes just knowing the date is February 14 does not mean you remember the day is Thursday, so plan ahead, guys, and I hope all you ladies are told in a special way you are loved.

February is also presidents' birthday month, and I decided to focus on the early life of George Washington, the Father of our country.

George was born February 22, 1732, in Virginia. His father, Augustine Washington could trace the arrival of his family to America back four generations. Augustine was the second generation to live in Virginia and was described as being a "middle class" land owner.

Augustine had three children by his first wife, who died, leaving him the children to raise. His second wife was Mary Ball and the mother of George, the first of six children.

Augustine and Mary moved to a number of estates in Virginia includ-

ing Little Hunting Creek Plantation, later known as Mount Vernon. They were farmers and slave owners, growing tobacco as the main crops. Augustine died in 1743 leaving 11-year-old George as a ward to his older half brother, Lawrence who inherited Little Hunting Creek.

Lawrence had married well, his wife was a Fairfax and his father-in-law was known as Lord Fairfax. With that family influence at the age of 17, George was appointed as official surveyor of Culpepper County, Virginia. He learned more about the land during this time and was convinced the true future of America was the land west.

Lawrence died in 1750 and at the age of 20 George inherited Mount Vernon and became head of Virginia's most prominent estate.

George had been appointed a Colonel in the Virginia militia and soon found himself fighting in the Ohio Valley in a war known as the French & Indian War where he was captured but released with his promise to the French, "Don't do that again".

He married a widow, Martha Custis with two children, John (Jacky) and Martha (Patsy) who were six and four years old. He loved and doted on the children and enjoyed being a land owner, riding around the estate and chasing fox, but he also still worked the land, often side by side with the workers.

His political career began in 1758 with election to the Virginia House of Burgesses, where he served for many years and was against American independence. After many broken promises by the British, in 1774 he chaired a meeting calling for a Continental Congress and use of armed resistance as a last resort.

I think we know the rest. With his experience in the military during the French & Indian War, his political knowledge, and his influence in

Virginia, he was a natural choice for Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army.

We know the suffering at Valley Forge, crossing the Delaware River and beating the British, finally winning the Revolutionary War. He was elected Chair of the Constitutional Congress in 1787 and the Bill of Rights – with his influence Virginia ratified those amendments by one vote. He was unanimously elected President of the United States and took the oath of office on April 30, 1789, with John Adams his Vice President.

He served two terms, setting a precedent that was broken only once by Franklin Roosevelt during the Great Depression, but with a Constitutional Amendment, number 22, that was ratified in 1951, that is the law of the land.

He enjoyed only three years as of retirement, dying of a throat infection on December 14, 1799, at the age of 67 years.

Happy Birthday, George Washington, we won't forget you.

**Deadline nears for BoxTop collection**

The Clarendon Elementary School BoxTop deadline is Friday, February 15.

Money raised from the Box-Tops is used for the school's annual AR field trip to Wonderland Park in May. If anyone has BoxTops, they can drop them off at the elementary office or send them to school with any elementary student. The school has collected \$325 so far this year.

**Red Cross to hold a Babysitting workshop**

An Amarillo workshop will teach babysitters how to respond to emergencies with first aid and rescue breathing.

The session hosted by the Texas Panhandle American Red Cross will be held Saturday, February 23, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In addition to emergency training, topics will include effectively communicating with parents and managing young children as well as feeding, diapering, and care for infants. The class is designed for people ages 11 to 15 to prepare them to become great babysitters.

Register online and learn more at [www.redcross.org/texaspanhandle](http://www.redcross.org/texaspanhandle).

**Kellas graduates Army leadership**

Army Spec. Justin B. Kellas has graduated from the Army drill cadet leadership course.

The prime objective of the course is to provide third year cadets the opportunity to develop leadership abilities through realistic and practical experience by performing the duties of a noncommissioned or junior commissioned officer.

The academy is the nation's oldest service academy. Each year more than 4,000 men and women are enrolled in the four-year educational institution which is charged with the task of providing the nation with

leaders of character who serve the common defense. Upon graduation cadets receive a bachelor's degree and a commission in the U.S. Army.

Kellas is an ammunition team chief assigned to the 4th Airborne Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska. He has served in the military for four and a half years.

He is the son of Kimberly Kirkland and grandson of Glenda Walls, both of Amarillo.

The specialist is a 2007 graduate of Hedley High School.

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Robert W Harbour celebrated his 90th birthday on February 6 at the Donley County Senior Citizens.



A fire north of town last week was the city burning two or more years worth of accumulated tree branches. Clarendon Fire Marshall Jeremy Powell said the city had the proper state permission for the fire and had planned for it.

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## Updated property tax information now available

New and updated property tax information has just been compiled by the Donley County Appraisal District and is available now to assist taxpayers. This property tax information is current and covers a wide range of topics, such as taxpayer remedies, exemptions, appraisals and is of value to select groups, such as disabled veterans and persons who are 65 years of age or older.

This includes information about the following programs.

• **Property Tax Exemptions for Disabled Veterans** - The law provides partial exemptions for any property owned by veterans who are disabled, spouses and survivors of deceased disabled veterans and spouses and survivors of military personnel who died on active duty. The amount of exemption is determined according to percentage of service-connected disability. The law also provides a 100% exemption for 100% disabled veterans and their surviving spouses, beginning in 2009.

• **Property Tax Exemptions - Non-profit organizations** that meet statutory requirements may seek property tax exemptions and must apply to their county appraisal district by a specific date. Businesses that receive tax abatements granted by taxing units, firms that ship inven-

tory out of Texas, and businesses that acquire pollution control property may also be eligible for statutory exemptions.

• **Rendering Taxable Property** - If a business owns tangible personal property that is used to produce income, the business must file a rendition with its local county appraisal district by a specified date. Personal property includes inventory and equipment used by a business.

• **Appraisal Notices** - If a taxpayer's property value increased in the last year, the Texas taxpayer will receive a notice of appraised value from the appraisal district. The city, county, school districts and other local taxing units will use the appraisal district's value to set property taxes for the coming year.

• **Property Taxpayer Remedies** - This Comptroller publication explains in detail how to protest a property appraisal, what issues the county appraisal review board (ARB) can consider and what to expect during a protest hearing. The publication also discusses the option of taking a taxpayer's case to district court or entering into binding arbitration if the taxpayer is dissatisfied with the outcome of the ARB hearing.

• **Homestead Exemptions** - A

homestead is generally defined as the home and land used as the owner's principal residence on Jan. 1 of the tax year. A homestead exemption reduces the appraised value of the home and, as a result, lowers property taxes. Applications are submitted to the appraisal district.

• **Productivity Appraisal** - Property owners who use land for timberland production, agricultural purposes, and wildlife management can be granted property tax relief on their land. They may apply to the appraisal district for an agricultural appraisal which may result in a lower appraisal of the land based on how much the taxpayer produces, versus what the land would sell for in the open market.

• **Residence Homestead Tax Deferral** - Texas homeowners may postpone paying the currently delinquent property taxes due on the appreciating value of their homes by filing a tax deferral affidavit at their local county appraisal district. This tax relief allows homeowners to pay the property taxes on 105 percent of the preceding year's appraised value of their homestead, plus the taxes on any new improvements to the homestead. The remaining taxes are postponed, but not cancelled, with interest accruing at 8 percent per

year.

• **Property Tax Deferral for Persons Age 65 or Older and Disabled Homeowners** - Texans who are 65 years of age or older, or who are disabled as defined by law, may postpone paying current and delinquent property taxes on their homes by signing a tax deferral affidavit. Once the affidavit is on file, taxes are deferred, but not cancelled, as long as the owner continues to own and live in the home. Interest continues to accrue on unpaid taxes. You may obtain a deferral affidavit at the appraisal district.

• **Protesting Property Appraisal Values** - Property owners who disagree with the appraisal district's appraisal of their property for local taxes or for any other action that adversely affects them may protest their property value to the appraisal district's appraisal review board.

For more information, contact the Donley Appraisal District at 307 South Sully or call (806) 874-2744. More information is also available from the Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division website at [www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax/](http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax/) or contact the Texas Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division at (800) 252-9121 and press "2" to access the menu, and then press "1".

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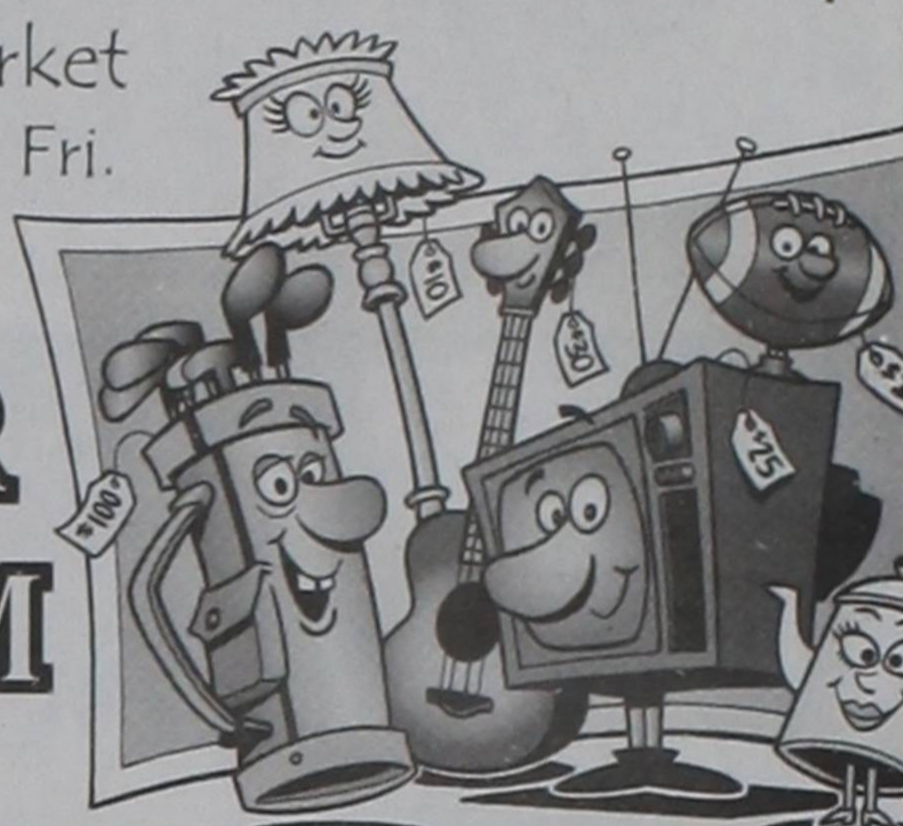
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Ten of Clarendon's junior high students competed in the Pantex Science Bowl held at West Texas A&M University last Saturday.

## CJH students participate in B&W Pantex Science Bowl

By Cire Jauregui

Ten Clarendon Junior High students, coached by teachers Kamy Whatley, Andrea Hall and Tyler Ball, participated in the 2013 Pantex Science Bowl.

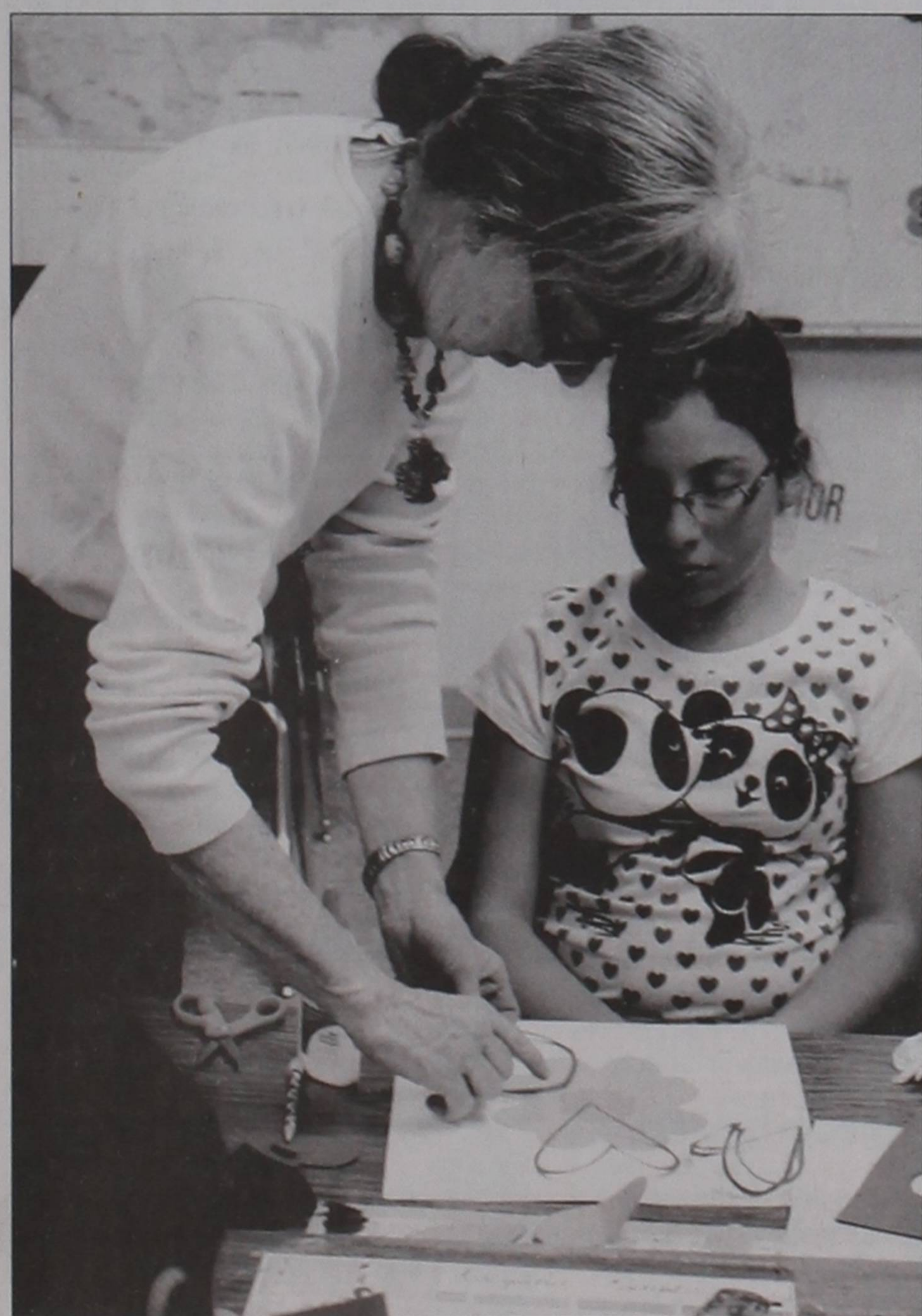
They went to West Texas A&M University this past Saturday, February 9, and competed against 31 other schools in the Panhandle to win a trip to the National Quiz Bowl in Washington DC.

The B&W Pantex Science Bowl is the Regional competition that leads to the The US Department of Energy (DOE) National Science Bowl. It is a nationwide academic competition that tests students' knowledge in all areas of science. Middle school students are quizzed in a fast paced question-and-answer format similar to Jeopardy. Compet-

ing teams from diverse backgrounds are comprised of four students, one alternate, and a teacher who serves as an advisor and coach.

There were two teams: Clarendon White, whose team consisted of captain Cire Jauregui (8th Grade) and Jack Moore (8th Grade), Trinity Stripling and Colt Wood (7th Graders) and Zoe Adams (6th Grade), along with Clarendon Maroon whose team captain was Riley Shadle (8th Grade), MaRae Hall (8th Grade), Andy Davis and Clayton White (7th Grade) and Chardy Craft (6th Grade).

After a 'Round-Robin' set of games before lunch, Clarendon White moved on to the 'Double Elimination' games composed of 16 teams. They advanced to where they placed within the top eight teams.



McKayla Lucero and Mrs. Gray work on symmetry using art.

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Noab Elam against Hedley's Jake Lucero. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / KARI LINDSEY



Hedley seniors walking the court for the last time together on Tuesday night in the game against Groom. Brandon Evans, Andy Munoz, Nicco Bennett, Sierra Wheatly, Coltin Kingston, Bryan Evans, Tanner Chambless, and David Bell. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / KARI LINDSEY



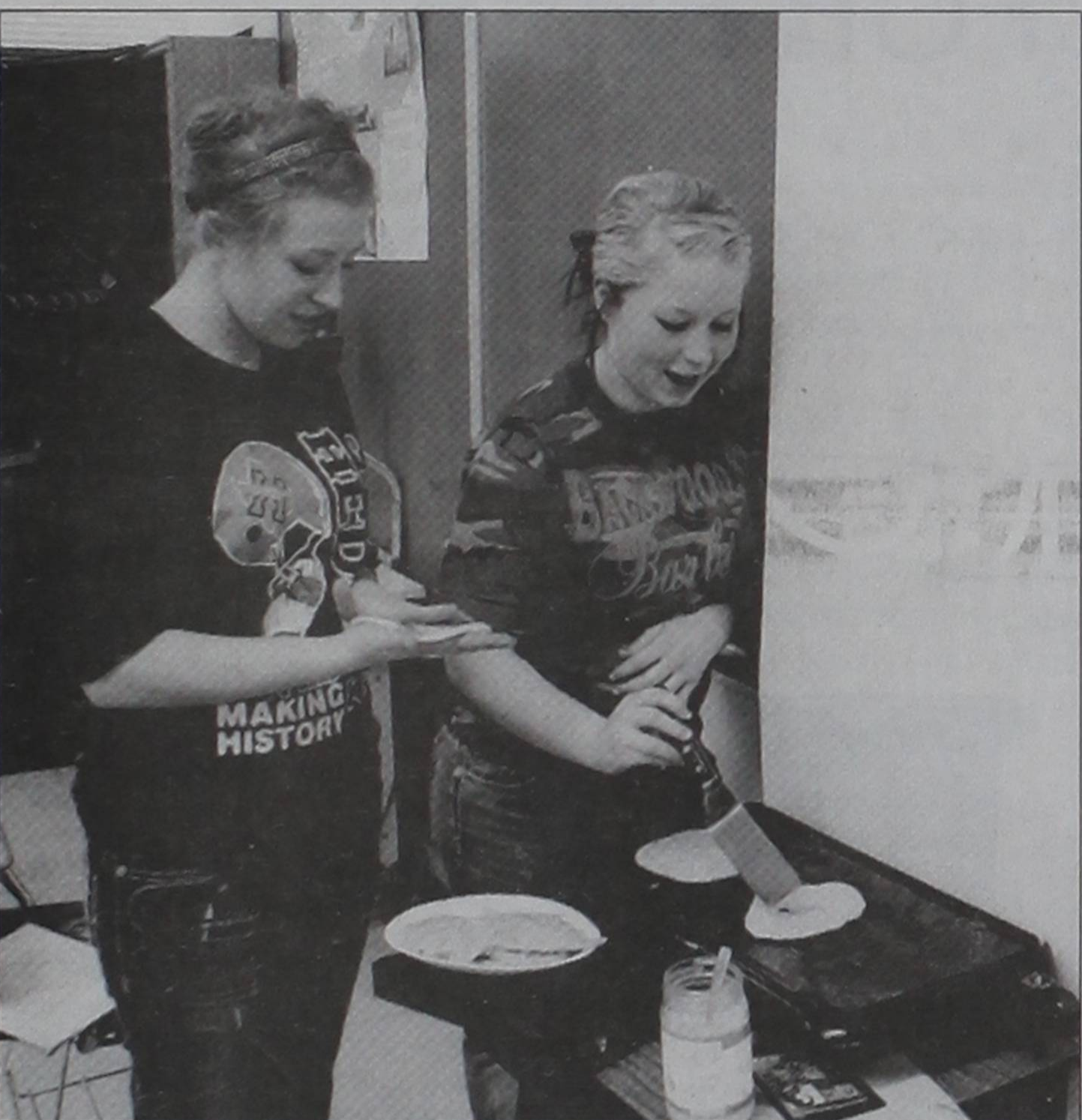
Clarendon's Harrison Howard brings the ball down the court as Hedley's Kylie McCann and Danika Middleton follow in pursuit. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / KARI LINDSEY



Brandon Evans takes the ball down the court during the Hedley game against Groom. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / KARI LINDSEY



Clarendon's Cole Franks and Hedley's Isaac Booth go for the ball. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / KARI LINDSEY



Kyla O'Dell and Blayne Layton cooking in class. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / KARI LINDSEY



Hedley High School's One Act Play cast and crew attended a play festival in Wellington. Bailey Wood and David Bell, cast members of "Murder me Once" were some of the actors that attended. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / LINDSEY

## Obituaries

### Pierce

Clarence Elmer "C.E." Pierce, 85, died Tuesday, February 5, 2013, at Claude, Texas.

Services were held Saturday, February 9, 2013, in the Robertson Funeral Directors Saints' Roost Chapel in Clarendon with the Rev. Bill Hodges, officiating. Burial with US Army Honors was in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon. Arrangements are under the direction Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.



Pierce

C.E. was born June 20, 1927, in Shamrock to James Richard and Laura Elizabeth Pierce. He married

Mary Elizabeth Holman on July 8, 1948, in Clarendon. He was a US Army veteran serving from 1951-1953. He did yard maintenance for many residents of Clarendon prior to his retirement. He attended the First Church of the Nazarene in Clarendon. He was a charter member of VFW Post 7782 in Clarendon.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; 2 brothers, Richard and George Pierce; 2 sisters, Francis Hinsley and Gladys Fedierline; and his son in law, Vic Lincoln.

He is survived by his daughter Linda Lincoln of Claude; 2 sons, Rick Pierce of Claude and C.E. Pierce, Jr. of Clarendon; a brother, Leroy Pierce of Newton; 2 sisters, Margaret Pierce of Wichita Falls and Jeanie Gordon of Baton Rouge, LA; 12 grandchildren; and 15 great grandchildren.

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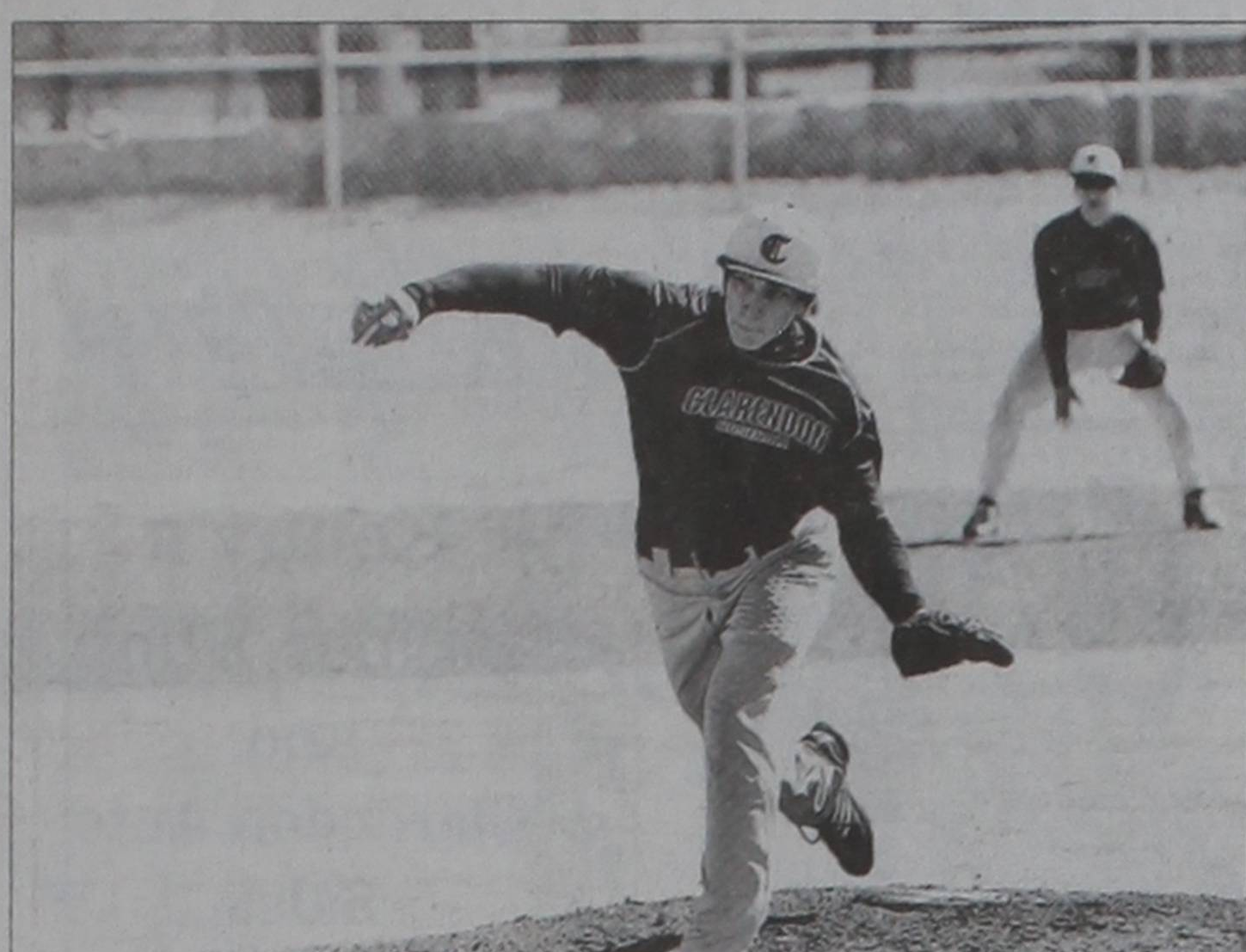
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Trevor Cobb pitches the ball in the scrimmage against Friona last Saturday.

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**Batter up**

Bronco Caleb Cobb keeps his eye on the ball during the game against Friona last Saturday.

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**Safe!**

Zack LaRoe slides in at home during the Broncos scrimmage against Friona last Saturday.

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The 8th Grade Colts won the District Title in basketball on Monday night when they defeated the Panhandle Panthers. The Colts were undefeated this season in district play. Team members are (back) Justus Burton, Taylon Knorpp, Seth Greer, Marshal Johnson, Chance Lockhart, Keandre Cortez, (front) Jack Moore, Clay Koetting, Riley Shadle and Clint Franks. They are coached by Steve Reynolds.

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## Lady Broncos District Champs

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos hit a snag in their season closer last Tuesday night against Panhandle at home. Despite the 48-55 loss, the ladies were named District Champions after going 7-1 in District and will have a bye in the first round of post-season play.

Panhandle and Claude will also be represented in the playoffs. The Lady Broncos jumped on Panhandle early, leading by five after the first quarter of play. Clarendon continued their dominance into the beginning of the third period, but foul trouble began to slow their offense

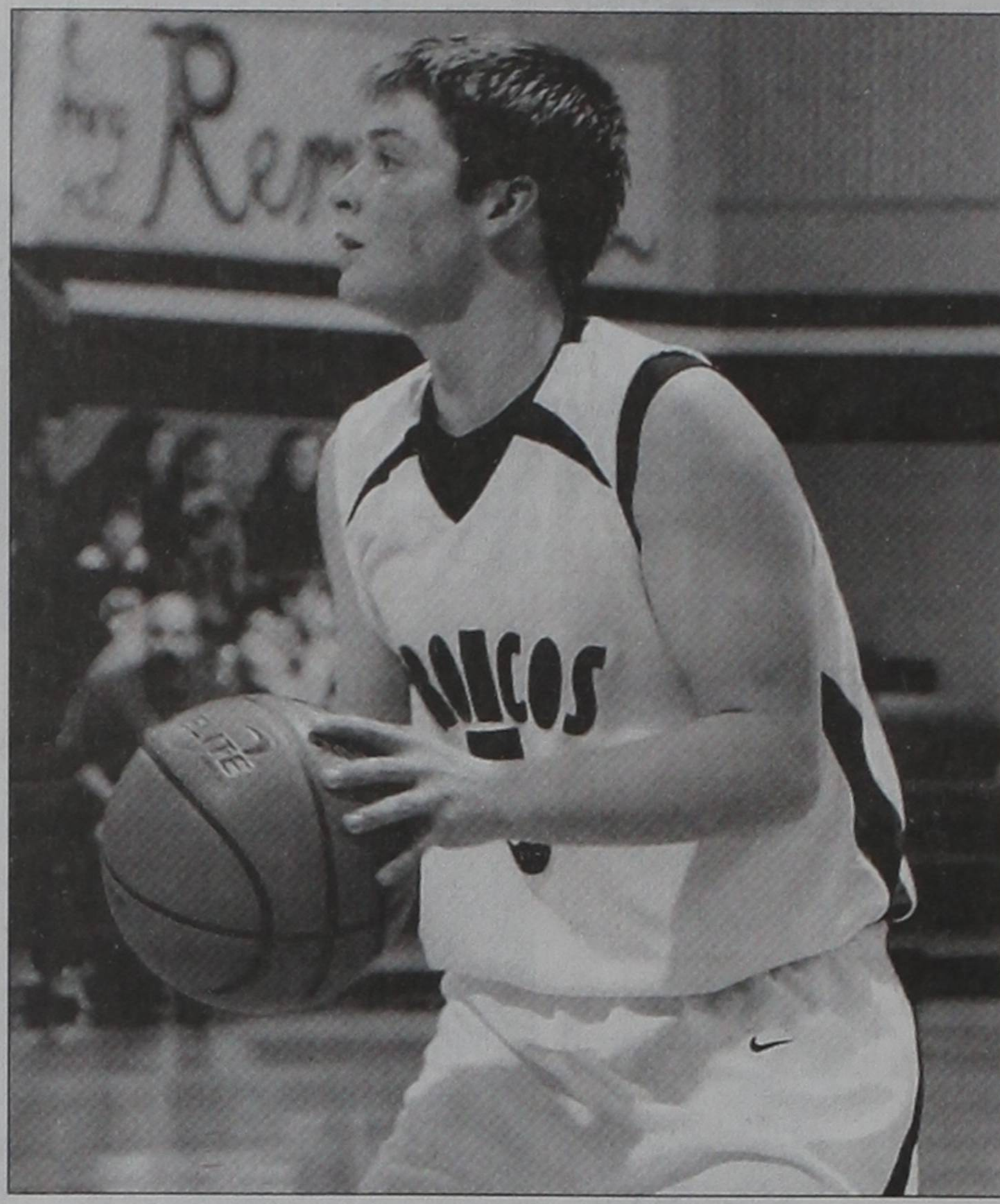
down. The Pantherettes were able to regroup and take the lead going into the final eight minutes of play. The Lady Broncos failed to get stops where they needed them and took the loss. Offensively, the Lady Broncos struggled in the second half of play and Panhandle stayed solid. However, many of Panhandle's points in the final quarter came from the free throw line when the home team was forced to foul. Senior post player McKayla Cartwright and guard Deborah Howard led the ladies on the scoreboard with 10 points each.

"We got ourselves in foul trou-

ble early, and had some players have to sit," coach Molly Weathered said. "We were unable to get stops late in the game. Hopefully, this loss can refocus us and get us playing our best basketball right when we need to."

Scoring: Cartwright 10, D. Howard 10, Ryann Starnes 9, Jentry Shadle 6, Lydia Howard 5, Taylor Gaines 5, and Anna Ceniceros 3.

The Lady Broncos will receive a bye in the first round of the playoffs and will play the winner of the Quana and Lockney game with a date and location to be announced.



Bryce Hatley checks out his options during the Clarendon game against Panhandle.

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### Free throw

Jentry Shadle makes a free throw for the Lady Broncos during the game against White Deer.

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## Broncos fall to Panhandle, prepare for post-season

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos may have stumbled against a good Panhandle team at home last Tuesday night, but they are still on their way to the playoffs, recording only two district losses overall. The Broncos were defeated 48-62 in a game that was closer than the actual score revealed.

The game was fairly close in the first half with the Broncos trailing the Panthers. But with approximately five minutes to go in the third period, the Broncos took their first lead of the game. It was short-lived, however, as Panhandle came roaring back to retake the lead and get the win. In spite of the loss, the Broncos played hard and were solid until late in the third quarter of play.

"I thought our effort was good," coach Brandt Lockhart said. "We did not play good defense in the third quarter, and they were able to stretch the lead."

Free throws made a big difference in the Broncos' loss as they only hit eight for seventeen for 47 percent. The Broncos were able to hit three three-point shots in the game with two of those coming from Cody Wood. Wood also led the Broncos on the scoreboard with 14 points, and Diego Santos helped with 12. They were the only Broncos to finish in double figures.

Scoring: Wood 14, Santos 12, Cole Ward 9, Trajen Johnson 6, Adam Topper 4, Jonah Sell 2, and Chance McAnear 1.

The Clarendon Broncos took on Ropes in Floydada Monday night. They defeated the Eagles 62-40.

The Broncos jumped out to the early advantage and led by 16 points at the break. They were able to execute their offense and played solid defense to secure their win.

Several Broncos stepped up their game and they were able to use

the inside strength of Adam Topper to put points on the board. Topper finished with 22. Cole Ward and Diego Santos finished in double figures as well. The Broncos also took care of business at the free throw line connecting on 15 of 18 for 83 percent.

"We were able to get turnovers and turn them into easy points," coach Lockhart said. "I was pleased with everyone's effort."

Scoring: Topper 22, Ward 14, Santos 11, Trajen Johnson 6, Cody Wood 5, Jonah Sell 2, and Ashton Smith 2.

The Broncos will play Grady in another warm-up game on Saturday at Randall High School at 3:00 pm. Grady is ranked number seven in the state in Division II in class 1A.

The Broncos' first playoff game against Booker will be in Borger at Frank Phillips College on Tuesday, February 19 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

## Lady Bronco JV Co-Champs in District

The Lady Bronco junior varsity ended the 2013 season with only one loss to Panhandle in the first half of District play. The ladies defeated Panhandle 30-28 in the second half of play, which brought about the tie with the Pantherettes.

The game was nip-and-tuck in its entirety with several lead changes along the way. Haley Ferguson nailed two crucial free throws with just ticks left on the clock to take the two-point lead. The two points turned out to be the game clincher for the Lady Broncos.

"These girls have worked hard all season," coach Kasey Bell said. "Our hard work paid off in this last game. It was a back and forth battle all night, and it could have gone either way."

The Lady Broncos took the lead

by one point with about a minute left on the clock and then fouled the Pantherettes. The free shot was missed and a foul by Panhandle gave the Lady Broncos a chance at the bonus line. That free shot was no good as the ladies only made five of fourteen at that time.

Clarendon would have one more opportunity to win the game with Ferguson at the line. She was able to convert and the Lady Broncos retook the lead. Panhandle got the ball for one last shot, but missed, which gave the Lady Broncos the win.

"The girls did not quit," Bell said. "It was a big win for us, and we went out as co-champs."

Scoring: Phara Berry 12, Ferguson 9, Elizabeth O'Rear 4, and Sterling King 2.

## Colts clobber Panhandle to end season

Both Clarendon Colt teams posted big wins at home Monday night as they sent Panhandle packing. The seventh grade used their aggressiveness and won 36-23.

The Colts earned a huge advantage in the opening minutes of the game and worked to a 21-9 lead after the first half of play. Offensively, the Colts were solid and Panhandle was helpless in stopping them. Their defense proved to be the game changer as they kept their opponent out of the paint. The second half of play belonged to the Colts as well as they stayed focused to get the big win. Colt Wood led the Colts with 21 points that included one three-pointer.

Also scoring: Justin Christopher 8, Nathan Shadle 4, Damarjae Cortez 2, and Payton Havens 1.

The eighth grade Colts used the inside strength of Taylon Knorpp and Marshal Johnson to lead the attack against the Panthers and win the game at 41-32.

The Colts opened with a slight lead over Panhandle but turned up the heat in the second quarter to take a 23-16 lead into the locker room. The Colts picked up in the second half right where they left off in the first and stayed dominant on both ends of the court. Chance Lockhart was on target from the three-point line and made two three-pointers. The Colts also caused several turnovers and were able to capitalize on Panhandle's mistakes.

Scoring: Knorpp 14, Johnson 10, Lockhart 8, Clay Koetting 4, Clint Franks 3, and Keandre Cortez 2.

## Lady Colts fall in season closer

The Lady Colts played hard, but could not quit handle the pressure from two good Panhandle teams. The seventh grade lost 12-23 and the eighth grade fell short 26-33.

Both teams played aggressive basketball and stayed determined until the very end, but could never get an edge on their opponent. The seventh grade Lady Colts were held scoreless in the opening period, but turned up their defense before the break. They were able to stay fairly even with the Pantherettes after half time, but the fourth quarter sealed the win for Panhandle. Whitney Laroe and Hannah Hommel each had five points in the game and Aubryanna Powell added two.

The eighth grade played hard as well and hustled the entire game. But Panhandle proved to be too much for the ladies and they were able to get the win. The Lady Colts shot well from the free throw line at 71 percent, but could never gain any ground on their opponent. Jensen Hatley was a workhorse for the Lady Colts and finished with 13 points to lead the ladies.

"I was very proud of the girls," coach Shanna Shelton said. "I thought both teams played exceptionally hard. They have all improved so much this year and I am proud to be their coach."

Scoring: Hatley 13, Hannah Howard 5, Berkeley Alexander 4, Sarah Williams 2, and Briana Butler 2.



Ryann Starnes passes for the Lady Broncos.

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## Bronco JV slams Panhandle in final seconds

The Bronco junior varsity laid it all on the line in their last game of the season at home against a good Panhandle team. The Panthers had previously defeated the Broncos, so revenge was on their mind as they won 51-50 in the final seconds of the game.

The game was close throughout with neither team able to pull ahead enough to secure their lead. The Broncos trailed by two at the break and by three after regrouping in the third period of play. But the final quarter proved to be the difference for the Broncos as they gained the upper hand on offense and played solid defense against the Panthers.

"It was an outstanding finish to end the season," coach Alton Gaines said. "The heart-break boys win another one in the closing seconds."

The Broncos stayed aggressive

in the third quarter, but saw their win in jeopardy as Panhandle went ahead by double figures.

"To come back from 11 points down in the third; what can I say about these guys," Gaines said. "I am so proud of them. We had an up and down season, but they kept fighting and finding ways to win. Thank you guys for all your hard work this season."

Bryce Hatley and Cedrick McCampbell led the Broncos with 12 points each and Hatley was perfect at the line making four of four free throws. Caleb Cobb helped with nine points and Chesson Sims added eight. Ashton Smith was perfect from the line at two for two and had four points, while Montana Hysinger helped with four points and Jr. Ceniceros racked up two points in the win.

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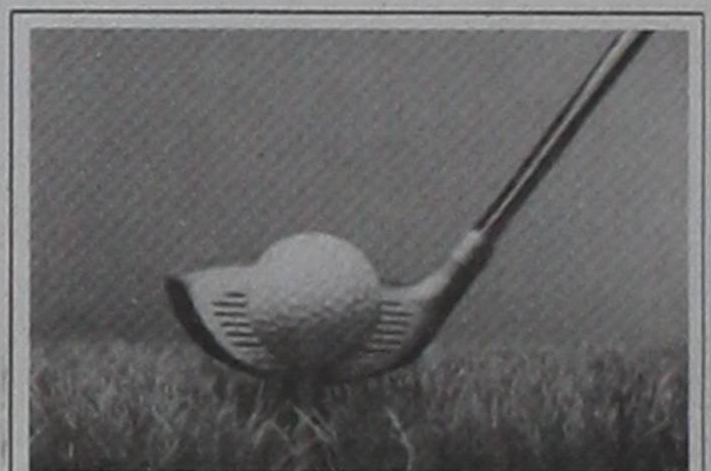
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MARCH 19	CHILDRESS
MARCH 28	DAY 1 DISTRICT @ BORGER
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### Clarendon High School 2013 Track Schedule

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MARCH 28	WELLINGTON
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## CC women beat WTC

The Clarendon College Lady Bulldogs took on Howard College last Thursday and came up short in the end 50-66. Leading scorers for CC were Brandi Leal with 12 points and 5 rebounds and Alex Stice with 9 points and 9 rebounds.

"The Lady Bulldogs shot a dismal 25.7 percent for the night," CC head coach Brad Vanden Boogaard said. "If we do not shoot very well we are in a bad way."

CC then met up with Odessa at home on Saturday and fell 71-95.

Leading the way for the Lady Bulldogs was Brandi Leal with 37 points, 12 of 21 from the floor, and 8 of 16 for 3s.

Angenay Williams led for OC with 24 points and 7 rebounds. OC had 24 offensive rebounds.

"We went in at half down 2 points and I thought we were playing pretty well and we had some momentum," Vanden Boogaard said. "Brandi had 23 at half, and we were optimistic about the second half, but we came out flat and just got smashed on the backboard. You just can't play that way against good people and expect to win."

The Lady Bulldogs defeated Western Texas College in the Dawg House Monday night, with a final score of 77-70.

Brandi Leal led for CC with 16



Lady Bulldog Jae Carrasco, a freshman from Amarillo, goes up for two against Howard College.

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points and 7 rebounds, followed by Anissa Reyna with 10 points and 12 rebounds and Cory Miniarez with 13 points and 6 rebounds. CC had 28 offensive rebounds.

Breanna Burton had 25 points

and 6 rebounds for WTC.

"This was a very good win for us," Vanden Boogaard said. "Western got us last month at their place, but the girls showed a lot of character tonight. I am very proud."

## Perez signed to CC Cross Country team

B.J. Perez, a senior at Floydada High School signed a national letter of intent to run cross country at Clarendon College this fall during a College Signing Assembly last Wednesday.

Floydada High School organized the event to recognize the 98 percent of their seniors that had been accepted to a college or university. In celebration of this endeavor, the school assembled family, friends, underclassmen, and even 7th & 8th graders to witness the seniors simultaneously signing their commitment letters.

"This was an excellent event!" Becky Green, CC Director of Enrollment said. "Not only did it promote Clarendon College, but it promoted



B.J. Perez, a senior from Floydada, signed a national letter of intent to run cross country at Clarendon College this fall. Pictured with B.J. (second from left) are Becky Green, Director of Enrollment Services at CC (far left), and his family.

higher education. This was the first event like this I have ever been a part of and hope this will catch on at other high school campuses."

Eleven colleges were repre-

sented: including Clarendon College, Texas Tech, South Plains, Baylor, WTAMU, Wayland, Hardin Simmons, UT, TSTC, North Texas, and Amarillo College.

## CC beats Vernon

The Clarendon College baseball team kicked off their season on the road at Vernon College last Tuesday, February 6, and won with a final score of 8-6.

Isnel Olivencia of Puerto Rico had two runs for CC and Alex Danbridge from Arlington, went 3 and 2/3 innings and picked up the win.

"This is a great start to the season," coach Devin McIntosh said. "I am very proud of our guys, they found a way to win. Winning on the road is no easy task, especially against a quality opponent like Vernon."

The Bulldogs will be on the road for games at Frank Phillips and Eastfield College but will play at home February 24 at noon against Lamar Community College.

## CC News & Notes

The Clarendon College Livestock Judging team placed 9th out of 11 teams at the Fort Worth Stock Show on Saturday, February 9.

The Clarendon College Men's Basketball team is sitting in 6th place in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference.

Clarendon College Basketball player Keon Littleton #9 and Jerad Graham is #17 are in the WJAC in scoring.

The CC Golf Team is ranked 19th in the nation on www.golfstat.com. Jackson Kneeshaw is also ranked 69 in the nation individually.

The Lady Bulldog softball team's home opener will be Wednesday, February 20, against

Vernon College at 1:00 and 3:00.

Clarendon College Bull Rider Levi Brozek is sitting in 6th place in the Southwest Region Standings.

With a couple more good rides, Levi could advance to the College National Finals Rodeo in Casper, WY. A good spring season will help to punch the ticket to allow him to compete among the nation's best. For a complete rodeo schedule and standings, please visit <http://www.collegerodeo.com>.

CC sophomore Softball Player Kayla Bay has committed to NAIA Powerhouse Bacone College for 2013-14. Kayla plays the outfield for the CC Lady Bulldogs and is from Kennedale, TX.



Bulldog Hershell Grant, a freshman from Washington, D.C., protects the ball from Howard College players.

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## Bulldogs defeat Western Texas

The Clarendon College Men's Basketball team took on Howard College Thursday, February 7, and came up short 84-105.

Top scorers for Clarendon College were Mario Garcia with 24 points and Keon Littleton with 23 points.

Leading Howard were Cameron Forte with 30 points and 11 rebounds and Dashaun Wiggins 18 points.

"We shot the ball horribly overall and when you play a really good team like Howard, you better make shots," CC head coach Tony Starnes said. "Our room for error is small

and we have to find ways to make more plays. I was proud of the way our kids kept their composure in an adverse situation."

The men then met up with Odessa College on February 9

The Bulldogs fell to OC 60-100. Leading scorers for CC were Keon Littleton with 12 points and Alex Harrison with 10 points.

Leading scorers for OC were Daishon Knight with 31 points and Shondell Stewart with 15 points and 9 rebounds.

"I have to do a better job of getting the kids ready to play," Starnes

said. "It falls to me and no one else."

The Bulldogs dominated in the Dawg House Monday night and came out with the win against Western Texas with a final score of 86-74.

Leading the Bulldogs were Keon Littleton with 21 points and 12 rebounds, Alex Harrison with 11 points, 7 rebounds and 5 assists, Mario Garcia with 11 points, and Julius Foster with 10 points and 3 assists. Western TX leading scorers were Devonta Walker with 16 points and Justin Roberson with 15 points.

"The kids played hard and made plays," Starnes said.



## 'Buzz' Buckhaults

Members of the Clarendon College Lady Bulldog Basketball team give Dean of Students Tex Buckhaults a new haircut at halftime of the Bulldog basketball game Monday night. The CC basketball teams held a fundraiser to benefit the Harrington Cancer Foundation, and as a prize for raising \$1,500 Coaches Brad Vanden Boogaard and Tony Starnes as well as Buckhaults received new looks.

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