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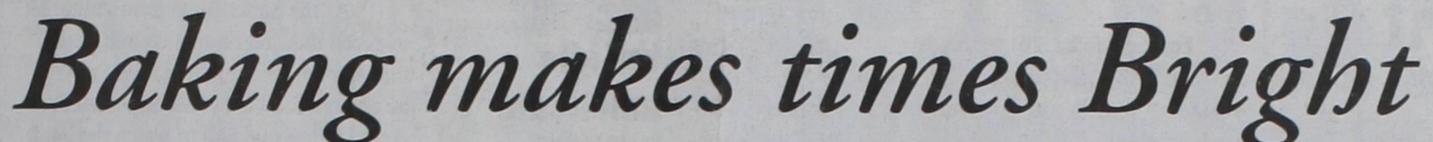
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(Editor's note: Sharon Bright is a 1988 graduate of Clarendon High School. H.R. Bright was a longtime resident of Howardwick.)

When Sharon Bright's dad was **VV** in the hospital during the last few months of his life, she felt helpless.

It was 2010, and he was living near Amarillo while she was here [in Austin], working as a server at what was then Castle Hill.





CISD to name finalist Jan. 15

The question of who will be the next superintendent of Clarendon ISD is expected to be answered late next week. Clarendon school trustees have held three called meetings this week to interview candidates for the job. A total of six men have interviewed for the job - two on Sunday afternoon, two on Monday night, and two more were scheduled to interview Tuesday evening as the ENTERPRISE went to press.

tournament.

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

City begins looking for administrator

The process of selecting Clarendon's next city administrator will move forward next week when the Board of Aldermen holds its regular meeting on Tuesday.

City Hall says seven candidates applied for the job prior to the December 31 deadline, and the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission has reviewed those applications.

A PRPC representative is expected to be on hand as aldermen determine how many of the candidates to call in for interviews.

Clarendon is one of six cities in the Panhandle currently searching for an administrator or manager. Other towns with open positions are Spearman, Stinnett, Dumas, Tulia, and Bovina.

Livestock show to be held on Saturday

Seventy-seven local young people signed up as exhibitors for this year's Donley County Junior Livestock Show and Sale, which will be held this Saturday, January 10, starting at 9:00 a.m. in the Donley County Activity Center.

As H.R. Bright's esophageal cancer worsened, he moved into a standalone hospice care facility, and Sharon Bright drove up there to gather with her family and be by his side.

She was amazed at the ability of the nurses to immediately connect with both the patients, making their end-of-life care more comfortable, and the family members, who aren't sure how to handle a situation involving medical and emotional needs that many of them hadn't experienced.

"All you can do is sit there, but the nurses were so in tune. I don't know how they are like that all the time. They are cheerleaders all day, every day," she says. "They bathed him, shaved him and helped him feel relaxed and happy."

The nurses and chaplains became part of their family team, and everybody played a role in supporting one another during this difficult time.

"People don't get (hospice care) until they are in it," Bright says. The friend she was staying with baked cookies and brought them to share. "Everybody bonded over food. It was the communal thing."

celebrating his life - he and Sharon's bereavement services,) said, 'Well, favorites. mom were married for 52 years and their last days together.



Sharon Bright, a server at Uchiko, bakes cookies, brownies or bars every week for the workers, volunteers and patients at Hospice Austin's Christopher House and their location in Georgetown.

COURTESY PHOTO / ADDIE BROYLES / AMERICAN-STATESMAN

They spent about a week in hos- she says. "So I called hospice here recipes, but after three years of baking said, 'We are going to raise money pice, saying their goodbyes and, in and asked 'What can I do?' Nancy them for people who have become her and get you an oven.'" an important part of the process, also (McCranie, director of volunteer and friends, they will often request their

She forgot about the proposal,

but six months later, at their staff

workhorse of an oven had finally

petered out, they handed her a gift

Interim Superintendent John Lemons said he's been satisfied with the process.

"I've been pleased with our candidates," he said.

School board members were expected to rank the six interviewees and narrow the field to two men Tuesday night with follow-up interviews planned for Monday and Tuesday of next week. The board then plans to name a lone finalist at its regular January 15 meeting.

The school has not released the names of any candidates so far. Lemons said state law requires the school to name a finalist or finalists 21 days before officially hiring someone as superintendent.

A total of 32 applicants initially applied for the school's top job. Lemons said he then presented all those to the board of trustees on December 30 but pulled out a field of eight to ten that he felt best fit Clarendon ISD. From that group, the board chose the six men it has interviewed this week. Lemons said the school would like the lone finalist to be able to take over the position by April 1, but he said that is a point that can be negotiated depending on what commitment the man has to his current school. Lemons said the successful candidate will also be asked to be involved in the process of renewing teacher contracts in March. The interim also said that whoever is hired will be coming into a good position.

An on-site concession stand will be serving homemade breakfast and lunch for those in attendance, and the buyers' barbecue dinner will precede the sale that evening at 6:00 p.m.

Donations to the buyers' club can be dropped off at the Extension Office at the activity center or mailed to DCJLS at PO Box 661, Clarendon, TX 79226.

See 'Stock show' on page 3.

Ag conference to be held in Memphis

The Southeast Texas Panhandle Ag Conference will be held Wednesday, January 14, 2015, at the Kathy Fowler Agency, 123 South 6th Street, in Memphis.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the conference will start at 9:00 a.m. with Dr. Peter Dotray speaking on Chemical and Physical Weed Control and Resistant Weeds.

Dr. Jason Woodard will present Controlling Nematodes and Plant Disease. Josh Brooks and Leonard Haynes will give a Drift Demonstration. Minimization Industry Representatives will give New Technologies in Pesticide Resistant Weeds and Josh Brooks will conclude with Laws and Regulations. This conference is sponsored by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and five CEU's will be given. There will be a \$10 charge at the door. Those attending should RSVP at 806-259-3015.

Her dad died on Easter Sunday. She returned to Austin, her heart forever changed by the experience.

Later that year, after a stint at the Steeping Room, Bright found herself at an Uchi hiring event, where she brought salty oatmeal cookies to help woo the managers.

Her infectious personality stood out among the applicants, and Bright was picked to help open Uchiko, where she is one of those affable servers who stick with you long after you've forgotten what you ordered. As she settled back into life in Austin, Bright was still grieving her dad's death.

"I felt like I really needed to do something, but I wasn't ready to go in and sit with someone in hospice,"

what do you do?' I told her I can garden, upholster and bake."

Why don't you make some says. No matter what recipe she pulls cookies, McCranie suggested.

What started as an impromptu act of altruism in early 2011 quickly turned into a weekly (and sometimes twice-a-week) affair.

Every Tuesday morning, Bright fires up her oven to bake something sweet for the staff, volunteers and patients at Hospice Austin's Christopher House and Hospice Austin-Williamson County in Georgetown.

"It touches them because it's homemade and heartfelt and linked to her own personal story," McCranie says. "Not everybody knows Sharon's story of why she does it, but know they do know that it's a love offering. It reminds us all that we belong to ers decided it was time to return the each other one way or another."

Bright likes to try new cookie

Most often, "it's four dozen of retreat and just two weeks after her whatever I'm feeling that day," Bright

out, it's the ritual of baking every Tuesday morning that has had the most impact on her life.

"I love the consistency of me feel happy. How can you feel sad eating a cookie?"

stop with the cookies. She is behind she'd just seen earlier in the week. nearly all of the charitable efforts at for a server involved in a motorcycle kitchen to take home. accident to a cakewalk fundraiser for

another server who had a back injury. In 2013, her fellow Uchiko stafffavor.

"My oven was dying and they

card for \$2,000 to buy a new one. "I was just sobbing." Last week, Bright baked Martha baking," she says. "It teaches me Stewart's white chocolate gingerprecision, patience and helps make bread blondies in that spiffy oven and then delivered them - still warm when somebody gets so excited about - to Christopher House, Hospice Aus-

tin's 15-room facility in East Austin, Bright's spirit of giving doesn't where she was greeted by staff whom

One of them reminded her that the restaurants, from benefit dinners she had a stack of Tupperware in the

> Bright had designated 2014 as the "Year of Generosity" (or YOG, for short), but anyone who knows her knows that 2015 won't be any different, so she'd better remember to pick them up.

"Our board and school are impressive, and this will be a top job for somebody."

Red River Inn receives TripAdvisor excellence certificate

Certificate of Excellence Award.

The accolade, which honors the website. hospitality excellence, is given only to establishments that consistently

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Clarendon's Best Western Plus Establishments awarded the Cer- must maintain an overall TripAdvi- makes this possible. There is no TripAdvisor for Business. The Cer-Red River Inn announced this week tificate of Excellence are located sor bubble rating of at least four greater seal of approval than being tificate of Excellence award gives that it has received a "TripAdvisor" all over the world and represent the out of five stars. Additional criteria recognized by one's customers. This top performing establishments the upper echelon of businesses listed on include a business' tenure and popu- award is a remarkable vote of confi- recognition they deserve, based on larity ranking on the site.

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Chamber social to be held January 22

The Clarendon Chamber of Commerce will hold its next "Business After Hours" on January 22 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Saints' Roost Museum.

Everyone is invited to network with other business professionals and bring a friend. Refreshments will be served.

on TripAdvisor, and is extended to mine the honorees that takes into Steve Hall, owner. "We truly have nesses for consistent excellence," nesses for offering a great customer qualifying businesses worldwide. account reviews ratings. Businesses outstanding people here and that said Marc Charron, President of experience."



Ready for business

Retiring County Judge Jack Hall administered the oath of office to Donley County's new and returning officials during a ceremony in the Courthouse last Thursday, January 1. Shown here are Commissioner Dan Sawyer, Commissioner Daniel Ford,



County Judge John Howard, County Clerk Fay Vargas, County Treasurer Wanda Smith, Justice of the Peace Pam Johnston Mason, and Justice of the Peace Denise Bertrand. Following the ceremony a prayer vigil was held in the district court room for our nation, state, and community.

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GOP Congress sizes up big government

By Richard W. Rahn, Cato Institute

What is the greatest obstacle confronting the new congressional Republican majority in enacting good policy? It may not be President Obama, because there is an even more formidable force in Washington that crushes good policy: the permanent bureaucracy. The permanent bureaucracy is made up of federal employees, government contractors and their employees, congressional staff and the special-interest lobbying community (including law and accounting firms). It also includes the media establishment, which depends on leaks and information from those in government for stories in exchange for protective coverage.

Hardworking taxpayers never cease being ripped

Mother Hubbard flies again

The calendar - unwrapped to allow rays of sunlight to warm the prospects of a brand new year - has replaced last year's model. Alas, it included potential column "tidbits" that never saw the light of day.

For most folks, 2014 calendars now are in the trash heap of "finished business." Writers can, however, turn back the clock - like legislators do - to squeeze a few more items from the old year.

Some of the topics were treated "once over lightly" – or perhaps not at all. We are permitted "re-visitation rights" by what we call "Mother Hubbard" columns. (Oh, I know she's much maligned; one wonders why she is central to a rhyme at all, what with her inability to scrounge from her cupboard a bone for her poor dog.) Columns bearing her name are closely akin to ministers' Mother Hubbard sermons which, like Mother Hubbard dresses, cover almost everything but touch almost nothing.... *****



american tasking, today's children are by don newbury

reluctant to mess with

anteed a last-

candy canes.

Licking or sucking sugary treats while they're immersed in technology seems hardly worth the effort.

Prediction: Two-dozen candy canes will be hung again next year, with the same results anticipated. Eventually, the pennies will go the way of gum balls. We used to drop pennies in gum ball machines, eagerly awaiting the treat - maybe even the color we'd hoped

ago - Heard maintained his claim of "seniority." His reasoning: "Sunrise in Pampa occurs six seconds earlier than in Amarillo."...

As the Super Bowl draws nigh, let us recall the chagrin of a church youth minister who feared there might not be enough food for youth expected to crowd fellowship hall to watch the game following church services.

You recall, perhaps, that the churchman scrawled a message atop the sign on the sandwich table. It read "Please take just two sandwiches. Remember, God is watching you."

A junior high guy, noticing the warning, scrawled a more hopeful message for placement on the cookie table. "Take all you want; God is watching the sandwiches."...

To face the New Year's challenges

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off by wasteful and fraudulent government spending and regulation. Unlike what happens in the private sector, people in government rarely go to jail or are even fired for financial misconduct.

The government requires financial and senior officers of companies to sign off on the accuracy of their financial statements in order to protect stockholders. Company officers are subject to civil and criminal penalties, including jail time for misstatements, and their names are released to the press.

There is no reason for taxpayers to be any less protected than stockholders from financial negligence or fraud. If the Justice Department fails to act, private parties representing taxpayers should be given standing to sue individual government employees who fail in their fiduciary responsibilities - and the government should be required to disclose the names of all of those who signed off on any expenditure of taxpayer dollars (other than those involved in national security).

If private persons attempt to extort money from you, they can be held criminality liable. The False Claims Act protects the government from those who would engage in financial fraud against it. Yet, the Internal Revenue Service tries to shake down many taxpayers who, in fact, owe nothing or owe far less than the agency claims. Usually this occurs because the IRS employees fail to learn the law they are supposed to administer. At times, the IRS has been known to target individuals or groups for political or personal reasons. One way of putting a stop to this is to require that any request to a taxpayer for payment be signed by an actual person who takes responsibility for the demand — and who can be held personally liable for neglect or abuse.

Over the last few months, there have been many stories in major media (including this newspaper) about the abuses of "asset forfeiture" laws, whereby the assets of people who have not been convicted of any wrongdoing have been seized by government agents, and often not returned. The abuses have become so widespread that first two directors of the Justice Department's Asset Forfeiture Office, Judge John Yoder and Brad Cates, wrote an article, "Government Self-interest Corrupted a Crime-fighting Tool into an Evil," recently published in The Washington Post, where they argued that "asset forfeiture" is beyond repair and that the practice should be abolished. If you ask people outside the permanent bureaucracy whether any regulation should have more benefits than costs and not abuse the liberties granted to the people by the Constitution, overwhelmingly people will say "yes." Despite paying lip service to the idea of cost-benefit analysis by those in government, few regulations are actually subjected to serious and independent analysis. A particularly outrageous example of extremely destructive regulation for which no cost-benefit analysis was ever made is the nice-sounding Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act. The act is driving hundreds of billions of dollars of investment and business out of the United States, destroying many jobs and making life miserable for millions of people around the planet, including almost all Americans living abroad (because they are refused bank accounts in many countries). The proponents of the act claimed that it would produce a few hundred million dollars in additional tax revenue, but owing to the volume of business and jobs being destroyed, the act will most likely cost the Treasury hundreds of billions of dollars of tax revenue over the years. The requirements are incomprehensible to Americans and foreigners alike, making it less likely that foreigners will buy U.S. goods and services. In case you think I overstate the problem, go online and look at IRS form W-8BEN-E. It requires that any U.S. taxpayer who has non-product-related transactions with a foreign entity must receive the completed IRS form from the foreign entity or be subject to a 30 percent withholding on the payment. There are members of Congress who will support common-sense solutions to the abuses described above, but they will be opposed by many in the permanent bureaucracy (including some members of their own staff) who hate the idea that they should be held accountable for their actions. The open question is whether the new Republican Congress has enough backbone to require that government employees be held accountable and to require real cost-benefit analyses for any regulations that curtail job or economic growth, or that destroy liberty. Or will the permanent bureaucracy win again?

First off, a seasonal observation: Christmas decorations are coming down, only to go into the attic for 11 months of hibernation. Two-dozen candy canes - deliberately placed on lowest limbs within easy reach of grandchildren have gone 100 percent "unreached."

My take: Unlike conditions a few generations ago - when Christmas gifts consisted mainly of fruit and nuts - candy canes were reminders of the special day to come. For hurried and harried children these days, there are more desirable treats that taste better and can be gobbled more quickly. Back when, we eagerly competed to see who could lick canes longest. Sucking them hastily brought quick delight, but also guar-

for - to drop out. Such machines have gone the way of the wild geese. Alas, such coins have limited use now, except perhaps to adorn penny loafers....

Old duffers - a term often used to describe golfers - also "fits" folks who've spent much of their lives wallowing in words, spoken or written. I find it applicable to retired preachers, some more than others. (I heard of a preacher's wife who said her hubby's sermons were morphing from "rumbling" to "rambling.")

Anyway, two retired ministers who have been friends across the decades are Larry Heard of Pampa and Roy Kornegay of Amarillo. They began long tenures as area directors of missions on the same date - January 1, 1987.

In banter begun early on – and exchanged as recently as a few weeks

head-on, let's shoot for reality, hopeful that little of it will be regrettable and/ or call for apologies. More desirable, it seems, is to claim personal memories, whether fashioned by high drama or perhaps no drama at all. Maybe everything doesn't have to be "awesome" or "surreal." Won't "real" suffice? Reality should trump pretense,

which continues to run amuck in our culture, where so much seems to be so "virtual." The other day, someone cited a grand example of pretense: the plastic smile plastered on the face of the runnerup in a beauty contest.

> Happy New Year! *****

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DEADLINES

Approve the Keystone XL pipeline

By Drew Johnson

America's 629,000 unemployed construction workers face a grim New Year. The recession brutalized their sector of the economy, and the recovery remains tepid.

While the rest of the nation is now enjoying a 5.8 percent unemployment rate, in the construction sector, it's 7.5 percent. That means a longer spell between projects for many workers. Meanwhile, public and private spending on construction remains 13 percent below pre-recession rates.

9,000 in construction. Some complain that most of those jobs are only temporary. They miss the point: construction jobs are always temporary. Workers in the industry move on when a project is completed.

Speaking of temporary, the clock on President Obama's term in office is running down, too. Even from a political perspective, stonewalling approval of the Keystone XL pipeline is a short-sighted move for the President and his party. The Pew Research Center recently reported the majority of Americans want the pipe- exacts a greater toll on Mother Nature. line green-lighted, while fewer than one in three oppose it.

able neighbor to the north, dramatically reducing America's reliance on Middle Eastern oil imports.

There's an environmental component, too. The Alberta tar sands may be the third-largest oil reserve in the world, but they account for only .01 percent of carbon emissions globally.

Meanwhile, all of the alternatives to Keystone XL carry major environmental costs. If the United States fails to import its crude oil from Canada, it will rely instead on Middle Eastern oil, which

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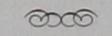
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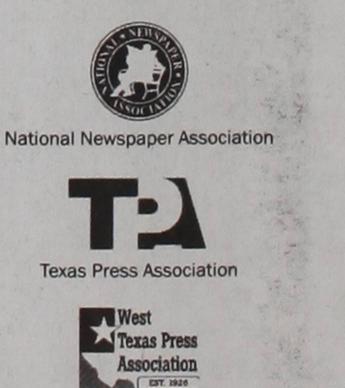
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President Obama could help these struggling Americans welcome 2015 with a long overdue approval of the Keystone XL pipeline.

TransCanada first submitted its application for the pipeline in September 2008. In the years since, the U.S. Department of State has published five environmental-impact assessments determining that the pipeline's effect would be negligible at worst. And the outcome of the recent congressional elections makes passage of legislation approving the pipeline a near-inevitability in January.

In other words, President Obama has no good excuses to leave a \$7 billion, shovel-ready, economy-boosting investment languishing.

The two-year construction process will generate 42,000 jobs, including

Public support for Keystone remains high because the benefits of the pipeline are clear. Approval of Keystone will have a ripple effect throughout the U.S. economy.

The domestic economic benefit of imported oil is only 10 cents on the dollar, compared to a domestic benefit of between 80 and 90 cents on the dollar for North American oil. Lower oil and gas prices also spur American manufacturing; in 2012 alone, cheaper energy saved the manufacturing sector around \$130 billion.

Approval of the pipeline would also reduce our dependence on foreign oil and increase our energy security. Keystone would move 830,000 barrels of oil a day from our friendly and reli-

Some opponents of fossil fuels seem to think that if Keystone XL doesn't go forward, all that oil will remain in the Canadian tar sands. That's flat-out wrong. It will find an alternate market somewhere far across the world - racking up even more carbon-intensive travel. Without the pipeline, Canadian oil will move by train, truck and tanker, increasing emissions by 42 percent, according to the State Department.

After six years of extensive debate, it's clear that going ahead with the Keystone XL pipeline is the right thing to do for the economy, the environment and the security of the United States. Drew Johnson is a Senior Fellow at the Taxpayers Protection Alliance, a organization nonpartisan, nonprofit committed limited, responsible to government.

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Texas to benefit from normalized U.S.-Cuba relations

positive implications for Texas agri- exports," Rosson said. culture, according to a Texas A&M Station, said there will be immediate increase to \$2,000. increases in the amount of U.S. food exported to Cuba.

million range.

up to a four-fold increase in remit- also sparked demand for items such Alliance, he said.

to normalize U.S. and Cuba diplo- for U.S. banks may lead to a 15 to wine and spirits. matic relations will have potential 30 percent increase in U.S. food

Currently, Cuban-Americans growing tourism market in Cuba." AgriLife Extension Service econo- and others are limited to remittance mist. Dr. Parr Rosson, who heads the of no more than \$500 per quarter to allowing U.S. and other travelers agricultural economics department persons in Cuba. Rosson said under to use credit cards, this will boost at Texas A&M University in College the new program, that limit would demand for foods.

Texas supplies Cuba with sev- for used agricultural equipment to eral export items, including chicken increase," Rosson said. "Within a year to two years, leg quarters and corn. Pork, cotton we should see U.S. exports to Cuba and dairy products produced in been conducted to assist educatreturn to the \$400 million to \$450 Texas are also exported there. More ing producers on export trade with rice exports are also expected. A Cuba, partnering with the Texas-"The combination of allowing growing tourism market in Cuba has Cuba Trade Alliance and Free Trade

COLLEGE STATION - Efforts tances along with an increased role as condiments, bottled water, beer,

"These are products that we are seeing more interest in due to the

Rosson said in addition to

"Also expect to see the market

Workshops have previously

CC releases spring Bulldog baseball schedule

The Clarendon College base- and away matchup with Vernon Col- that we have this year' said head feature 23 home games and 20 non- play at home on February 28 against ing depth as we play five games in

ball team released their 2015 sched- lege. In total, the Bulldogs will play coach Devin McIntosh. "The month ule this week. The 56-game slate will 14 games before opening conference of February will challenge our pitch-

four days on two different occasions.

February."

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conference games.

The Bulldogs will begin the Otero and a road trip to Cisco, both in conference this year four-game series, as well as a home

New Mexico Junior College.

The conference schedule is However, this will also help to preseason on the road at Ranger College highlighted by four home series pare us for another tough conferfor a four game set on February 6 and against NMJC, Frank Phillips, ence season. The players worked 7. The pre-conference schedule con- NMMI, and El Paso. The Bulldogs hard throughout the fall and we are tinues with a home match-up gainst will be on the road for five weekends excited for the start of the season in "I am excited by the schedule

Stock show: continued from page one.

Donley County youth scheduled to exhibit animals this year are as follows: Kati Adams, Ethan Babcock, Colton Benson, Dalton Benson, Jade Benson, Tanner Burch, Cody Cabler, Lane Cabler, Zack Caison, Shaylee Chapman, Zach Chapman Damarjae Cortez, Keandre Cortez, Chardy Craft, Izzy Craft, Issac Dunham, Mya Edwards, Brandalyn Ellis, Brenna Ellis, Clint Franks, Cole Franks, Laney

CC Livestock Team named Reserve **Champs in Arizona**

While most students were enjoying the New Year and time away from school, the Clarendon College Livestock Judging Team was competing in Phoenix, Arizona; and their hard work and dedication paid off with being named the overall reserve champion high point team.

The individual placings are below. These judgers are back at practice again this week as they prepare for the National Western in Denver, Colo. Austin Adams of Hedley was second high individual overall and high individual in the cattle division; Lane Harrington of Frost was fifth high overall, high individual sheep, and brought home a 5th in reasons; Shannon Reeves of Munday was sixth high individual overall; and Kobie Jordan of Amado, Ariz., was high individual in the swine division and ninth high individual overall.

Gates, Levi Gates, Christopher Gon- Brittney McAnear, Jaxan McAnear, zales, Allyson Grahn, Bryce Grahn, Kelsey McAnear, Leandra Mestas, Caton Grahn, Darcy Grahn, Jayde Steven Mills, Caylor Monroe, Collin Gribble, Hadleigh Halsell, Taylor Hal- Monroe, Kylie Monroe, Kevin Munoz, sell, Tristen Harper, Tyler Harper, Brock Shelby O'Keefe, Kynna Phillips, Jodee Hatley, Calder Havens, Payton Havens, Pigg, Emeri Robinson, Misti Scott, Porshe Henderson, Kaylin Hicks, Kasie Anna Seifert, Raylyn Shelton, Bray-Hinton, Lane Hinton, Makenzie Hinton, lee Shields, Alysse Simpson, Malerie Hannah Hommel, Harrison Howard, Simpson, Madison Smith, Koyt Tucek, Ray Jaramillo, MaKayla Johnson, Clay Reagan Wade, Riley Wade, Clay Ward, King, Kallie Lindsey, Jasmine Lockeby, Ryan Ward, Wyatt Wheatly, and Mycah Kadee Lockeby, Christian Lucero,

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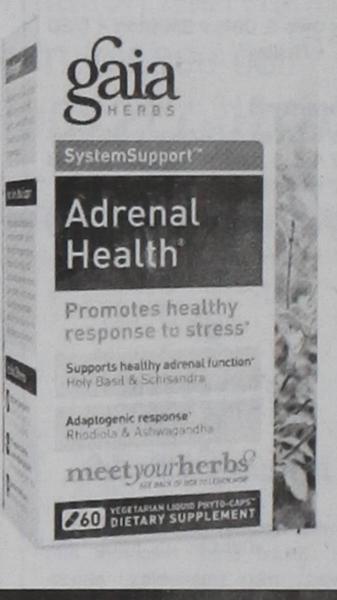
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Community Calendar

January 9

Lady Broncos v Quanah . JV 5 p.m. · Varsity 6:30 p.m. · Clarendon

Lady Owls & Owls v Lefors . 6:30 p.m. . Hedley

January 10

Lady Bulldogs & Bulldogs v Howard College • 2 & 4 p.m. • Dawg House

January 12

Lady Bulldogs & Bulldogs v South Plains College • 5:45 & 7:45 p.m. • Dawg House

January 13

Broncos v Ascension Academy • JV 6 p.m. • Varsity 7:30 p.m. • Amarillo

Lady Broncos v Wheeler . JV 5 p.m. · Varsity 6:30 p.m. · Wheeler

Lady Owls & Owls v Silverton • 6:30 p.m. · Silverton

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(Editor's note: The Clarendon fall into their

It's not clear how the scammers This is from an article by Tom Laue, and no benefits.

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January 16

Lady Broncos & Broncos v Memphis • JV 4 & 5 p.m. • Varsity 6:30 & 8 p.m. • Clarendon

Lady Owls & Owls v Groom . 6:30 p.m. . Hedley

January 19

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Bulldogs v Western Texas College . 7:45 p.m. • Dawg House

January 20

Lady Broncos & Broncos v Shamrock JV 4 & 5 p.m.
Varsity 6:30 & 8 p.m. • Clarendon

Lady Owls & Owls v McLean • 6:30 p.m. . Hedley

January 23

Lady Broncos & Broncos v Wellington • JV 4 & 5 p.m. • Varsity 6:30 & 8 p.m. · Wellington

Lady Owls & Owls v Valley . 6:30 p.m. · Valley

January 27

Lady Broncos & Broncos v Quanah . JV 4 & 5 p.m. • Varsity 6:30 & 8 p.m. Quanah Lady Owls & Owls v Lefors . 6:30 p.m. . Lefors

January 30

Lady Broncos & Broncos v Wheeler . JV 4 & 5 p.m. • Varsity 6:30 & 8 p.m. Clarendon

Lady Owls & Owls v Silverton • 6:30 p.m. · Hedley

February 3

time comes around.

How is this legal? Buried in the artists take their cut and then pass insurance regulators, and local non- workers called "navigators" to help 2015!

Happy New Year to everyone! I columns from

wondered how long I had been writ- Peggy Watt in

ing 'Wick Picks for the Enterprise, Hedley with

and in my files I found the paper wel- Watt's Hap-

coming me dated Jan. 22, 2004. The pening and

headlines read "CC awards bid for Around Town

\$1.3 million library" with secondary by Gail Shel-

copy price for a paper was 75 cents, about training

"Lord of the Rings: the Return of Eastern Star

story headlines of "City holds hear- ton.

ing on rezoning issue." The single Watt

the Beautification Club had held.

January 9 and 10 will be held at 7:00

vices will be held at 6:00 p.m.

seniors.

a brownie.

mers. Plus, of course, they'll also get sites that look like those of trusted sham state sites could be easy targets personal data before you can get an another fake notice when renewal health insurance companies. Charges for hackers. Stay safe by visiting the "ACA card." Or they charge a fee to-enroll you in health insurance.

small print is a disclaimer, saying health insurance to separate you website like bcbstx.com. that the notification is, indeed, a from your money and give nothsolicitation and not a bill. So the con ing in return is long. The FBI, state aren't. The government has trained

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federal exchange at heaJthcare.gov, for enrolling in ACA insurance. But The list of ways con artists use or an established insurance company remember: There are no fees to sign

Government workers who no such thing as an ACA card.

Back to the beginning of 'Wick Picks' A cheesy end

Angel Williams for track, the Lady to construction

up for health insurance, and there is

Stay safe out there and enjoy

ries were about Howardwick, then the King" was showing at the San- members received in Childress, and slowly I began writing history or my memories of history, and I receive favorable feedback from my read-Girl Scouts were selling cookies for ers regarding those stories. I have My first column described the \$3.00 per box, and Shamrock was always encouraged readers to call me to request a story or report news, In the help wanted classi- and I will continue to set down at Sadly, the Club no longer exists, fied ads, the new Best Western was my computer each Monday morning it ... most of all me. and people miss that stew packed in accepting applications which were and send something to the Enterprise pint mason jars with cornbread and available at Western Skies. Sports before noon until the well runs dry. So many people are sick, please

Also, on the society page were Panhandle Hall of Fame set to honor pray for them.

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My Mom has put pictures of our new kitchen on Facebook, and I really, really like it. Mom made homemade cin- the cub

namon rolls in reporter it, and they are by benjamin estlack very, very good.

Monday night, I made macaroni by myself. We called it Ben's Cheese Pasta. I put clumps of cheese, pasta noodles, macaroni noodles, milk, water, salt, and black pepper in it. It was delicious! And everyone liked

Next, I want to try to make biscuits and gravy on my own. I think I'll have my dad tell me what to get and do, and I'll make it, just like how mom told me how to make macaroni and cheese.

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Menus

January 12 - 16

Donley County Senior Citizens Mon: Sliced beef, macaroni and cheese, mix vegetables, chocolate cake, sliced wheat bread, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Crispy chicken, bun, tomato, lettuce, pickle, carrot & raisin salad, potato wedges, fruit bowl, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Sliced pork roast, applesauce, green beans, mixed green salad, wheat roll, gingerbread, iced tea/2% milk.

Thu: Chopped brisket sandwich, potato wedges, peas & carrots, strawberries w/ whipped topping, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: Roast turkey, sweet potato casserole, seasoned green beans, cranberry salad, wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Chicken tenders, garlic mashed potatoes, turnip greens, wheat rolls, mandarin oranges, iced tea/2% milk. Tue: Chopped BBQ on bun, French fries, pinto beans, coleslaw, cake, iced tea/2% milk.

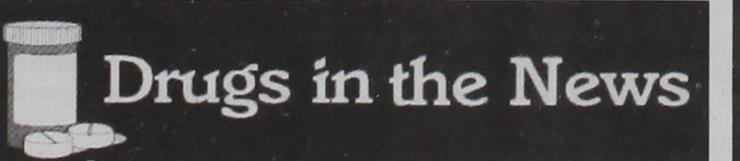
Wed: Beef stew, fried squash, cornbread, chocolate pudding, iced tea/2% milk.

Clarendon Church of the Naz- his personal testimony of how God arene will host Evangelist Jerry healed him of pancreatic cancer. McGee during Revival, January 9

When Doctors had given up on through January 11. Services on Brother McGee, but God had another plan. Just as Bro McGee went to p.m. Sunday night January 11 ser- Jesus for healing, we can also go to Him, and ask for healing. Brother Clarendon Church of the Naza- McGee will be praying for all who rene would like to encourage every- will come, seeking salvation, delivone to come and support them. There erance, and healing. But on Sunday will be a healing service on Sunday night, he will bring a special service night with Brother McGee giving on healing.

was prominent as usual with the

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tat improvements, while providing quail populations. outdoor education opportunities for area youth.

Quail Forever's regional field rep- as vice president. resentative in Texas. "The potential groups such as Quail Forever need to email be involved. This is exciting news for

AMARILLO - Quail hunt- special appropriation by the Texas of Pampa as president, Tim Fatheree meeting on Thursday, January 15, at ers and conservationists in Texas Legislature to help bring back the of Pampa as treasurer, Andy Brown 6:30 p.m. at Willhoites Restaurant in have added three Quail Forever quail. These appropriations will be of Pampa as vice president and Grapevine, Texas (432 South Main chapters across the state's northern allocated as part of the Texas Upland youth/education chair, Ben Cooper St. - Grapevine, Texas 76051) Hunttier. Officially known as the Top O' Game Bird Strategic Plan with three of Lindale as banquet chair, and ers and conservationists interested in Texas, Adobe Walls, and Lone Star focus areas identified in the state. Colby Johnson of Pampa as web- joining the chapter as a volunteer are Chapters of Quail Forever, the new The newly formed chapters hope to master. committees are focused on boosting work closely with state agencies and quail populations through local habi- other partners to positively impact the chapter or to become involved, sion of Pheasants Forever. Texas

• The Top O' Texas Chapter Horne, at (806) 205-1437 / email. of Quail Forever has elected Marc "Our new chapters have a defi- Fenner of Canyon as president, Dean meeting on Tuesday, January 6, at more information contact Laura nite passion for wildlife habitat con- Barnett of Amarillo as treasurer, 6:30 p.m. at Clarendon College Aca- McIver at (907) 750-2600 / email. servation and connecting youth to the Freda Powell of Amarillo as public- demic Center (1601 West Kentucky great outdoors," said Laura McIver, ity chair, and Glenn Raef of Amarillo Ave. - Pampa, Texas 79065). Hunt- ing its quail conservation division,

exists for Texas to be the number one the chapter or to become involved, encouraged to attend. quail hunting destination in North please contact chapter president, America, but local conservation Marc Fenner, at (785) 821-4106 / Quail Forever has elected Al Stover more than 140,000 members and

• The chapter will hold its next Blackall of Lewisville as treasurer, States and Canada. Chapters are

• For more information about please contact chapter president, Bill is home to five chapters of Quail

ers and conservationists interested in Quail Forever, is the nation's largest • For more information about joining the chapter as a volunteer are nonprofit organization dedicated to

encouraged to attend.

Quail Forever is the quail divi-Forever, and over 1,500 members • The chapter will hold its next of "The Habitat Organization." For

Pheasants Forever, includupland habitat conservation. Pheas-• The Lone Star Chapter of ants Forever and Quail Forever have of Springtown as president, John 745 local chapters across the United



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expand throughout the state."

ment recently awarded grants to put aged to attend. \$4 million worth of quail habitat

Quail Forever in Texas, I hope our meeting on Wednesday, January 7, Randy Chandler of Grand Prairie empowered to determine how 100 mission and impact will continue to at 6:30 p.m. at the downtown Court- as banquet chair and vice president, percent of their locally raised conyard by Marriott in the boardroom Richard Roberts of Sanger as habitat servation funds are spent, the only The formation of three Quail (724 South Polk St. - Amarillo, chair, and Jason Erwin of Decatur as national conservation organization

Forever chapters in the state comes Texas 79101). Hunters and conser- youth/education chair. at a crucial point for Texas quail. The vationists interested in joining the Texas Parks and Wildlife Depart- chapter as a volunteer are encour- the chapter or to become involved, 1982, Pheasants Forever and Quail

conservation on the ground, using a Quail Forever has elected Bill Horne

please contact chapter president, Al Forever has spent \$508 million on • The Adobe Walls Chapter of Stover, at (512) 657-4205 / email.

that operates through this truly grass-· For more information about roots structure. Since creation in 475,000 habitat projects benefiting

• The chapter will hold its next 10 million acres nationwide.

Education issues to come up in next Legislature

By Morgan Smith, The Texas Tribune

When Texas lawmakers come back to Austin in January, there will be a new governor who touts public schools as a top priority, and plenty of money in the state bank account. But that doesn't mean everything islature navigates public education policy.

Here are five things to watch when the legislative session gets underway:

Education Committee Shuffling: Whomever Lt. Gov.-elect Dan Patrick appoints to fill his spot leading the Senate Education Committee - Larry Taylor, Kelly Hancock and Donna Campbell are possible contenders — will wield considerable control over which education bills do and don't get hearings. Patrick could also opt to combine the chamber's higher and public education affect how quickly and easily legis-

over both.

a full day and make them better, and tion. others who want to first get a better handle on how the existing programs With a school finance lawsuit await- If the interim hearings over the last are working. Count education advo- ing arguments at the Texas Supreme year on the rollout of those new laws cacy group Raise Your Hand Texas Court, the Legislature could easily are any indication, expect discusin the former camp, and Gov.-elect punt on making any changes to the sion about improving high school

Greg Abbott in the latter. The School Choice Battle- school districts. But that might be selors, and clarifying the process the committees, another move that could ground: In the 2013 session, despite too much of a delay for some law- state uses to close low-performing a loud drumbeat leading up to Janu- makers. State Sen. Kirk Watson, an charters schools.

lation makes it through the Senate. ary from supporters including Pat- Austin Democrat, has already filed a The House could also take the single rick and Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, slate of bills that he told the Houseducation committee approach. With legislation that would allow students ton Chronicle he hoped would get the departure of Higher Education to receive public money to attend the "conversation started" on school Chairman Dan Branch, R-Dallas, private schools died with barely finance. And regardless of how Watthat would leave current Public a whimper. Now, a skirmish over son's bills fare, lawmakers can still Education Chairman Jimmie Don private school vouchers is brewing tinker around the edges of the school will go smoothly as the 84th Leg- Aycock, R-Killeen, who is expected again, but it's unclear whether 2015 finance system as they make choices to continue in that role, to preside will see a different outcome. Two in how the budget allocates funding areas that may instead become the across school districts.

> Pre-K Fireworks: There's wide- school choice battleground: a prospread and bipartisan energy building posal known as an "Achievement of 2013: Last time they were in behind a push to boost early educa- School District," which would create Austin, lawmakers overhauled high tion in the state. But there's a catch a statewide entity to manage under- school curriculum and scaled back - a divide exists between those who performing campuses, and efforts to standardized testing requirements. want to expand half-day programs to loosen regulation of virtual educa- They also approved the first expan-

Revisiting the Big Ticket Items sion of charter schools in the state How Money Gets Doled Out: since they were established in 1995.

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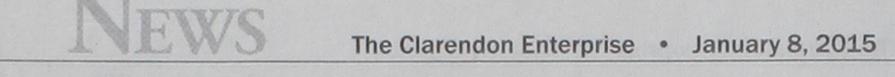
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Broncos finish second in holiday tournament

By Sandy Anderberg

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The Clarendon Broncos competed in the Canadian Basketball steals. Tournament over the holidays and brought home a second place finish. Their only loss came from the host team in the championship game.

In the first round of the tournament, the Broncos took on Cashion, Oklahoma and easily defeated them, 56-36. The Broncos led throughout the game, and the Wildcats were not able to stop them offensively. Seniors Cedrick McCampbell and Charles Mason finished in double figures with 12 and 11 points respectively. McCampbell also had two steals. Bryce Grahn put in nine points, adding 10 rebounds, four assists, and three steals, and Colt Wood added eight points and three assists. Riley Shadle had seven steals, and Wood had five assists. points, Chesson Sims helped with

rebounds and four steals. Mason and Sims each had six points, Marshal well during the tournament," Brandt and five assists, Lockhart helped Johnson and Knorpp put in five, and Lockhart said. "We played really with five rebounds, three assists, Shadle and McCampbell helped with well against Canadian, which is a and two steals, and Grahn had five two each. Knorpp grabbed seven pre-season top ranked team. We just rebounds and five steals. rebounds, McCampbell had four have to get better at the little things

four, Chance Lockhart had three, and the championship game and the final

Clarendon

Taylon Knorpp put in two. Lockhart score was 49-60. The Wildcats led to Fritch and posted a 54-46 win. also had seven rebounds and two after the first quarter of play, but the The Broncos trailed by six points in

The Broncos met up against points at the break. But the Broncos rolling on their side of the court in White Deer in the next game and struggled somewhat in the second the second half of play. "We did severely demolished them, 74-30. half and could never get anything shoot the ball well," Lockhart said. The Broncos led from the tip off and started. McCampbell finished with "I was proud of the way we finished never looked back, while the Bucks 15, Grahn had 11, and Ceniceros and the game. We played well in the were clearly outmatched. Grahn fin- Lockhart put in 10 points each. Colt third quarter." ished the game with a double-double Wood helped with three points and that included 16 points and thirteen Lockhart posted a double-double. put in 10 each and Lockhart had steals. He also added five assists. He pulled down 10 rebounds, and nine. Ceniceros had eight, Mason Junior Ceniceros led the Broncos on Grahn added seven. Lockhart had and Wood put in six, and Knorpp the scoreboard with 17 and Lock- three assists, Grahn and Shadle had added two. McCampbell had eight hart put in 15. Lockhart added five two, and Grahn had three steals.

The two wins put the Broncos in very pleased with our effort." On Friday the Broncos traveled at 6:00 p.m.

Broncos fought back to lead by four the first half of play, but got things

Grahn and McCampbell rebounds, three assists, and two "I thought we played really steals, Ceniceros had five rebounds

The Broncos will take Ascenbefore we enter district play. I was sion Academy Friday, January 13, at 7:30 p.m. The JV Broncos will play

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Lady Broncos participate in Canadian Tournament

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos played in the Canadian Basketball Tournament over the holidays and came home with one win in their three games.

The ladies took on White Deer in the opening round and were defeated, 30-49. The Lady Broncos jumped out to the early advantage, but the Does came back to post a one-point lead at the break. A cold-shooting third quarter was devastating for the Lady Broncos, and they struggled to find a rhythm. Taylor DeGrate and Carlee Johnson finished in double figures with 12 and 10 respectively, but it was not enough to overtake their opponent. Taylor Gaines and Allyson Grahn added three each, and Briley Chadwick helped with two.

In the next round, the Lady Broncos regrouped and bested a good McLean team, 59-40. They were able to dominate their opponent throughout the game and finished with a big win. DeGrate posted 26 points as she was unstoppable and Grahn added 12. Johnson and Chadwick added eight each, Hannah Hommel put in three, and MaRae Hall had two.

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The ladies shot eight of eleven as a team from the bonus line.

The ladies met up against the host team in the third round and struggled to get anything going offensively. They were defeated 13-71.

Scoring: Gaines 4, Skyler White 3, Johnson 2, Hannah Howard 2, Grahn 1, and Jensen Hatley 1.

Clarendon took on Fritch Friday night and came home with an easy win at 55-38. The Lady Broncos were able to get back on track and execute their offensive attack against the Lady Eagles. DeGrate exploded once again and put in 25 points to lead the team on the scoreboard and Johnson added 14. Grahn put in seven points, and White had four. Chadwick helped with three, and Howard put two points on the board.

The Lady Broncos will open district play when they take on Quanah at home January 9 beginning at 6:30 p.m. The JV will play at 5:00 p.m.

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Lady Broncos

0	Carlee Johnson	Fr.
12	Taylor Gaines	Sr.
15	Hannah Howard	Soph.
20	Jensen Hatley	Soph.
21	Skyler White	Sr.
22	Sterling King	Jr.
23	Taylor DeGrate	Sr.
25	Allyson Grahn	Sr.
33	Hannah Hommel	Soph.
14	Briley Chadwick	Jr.

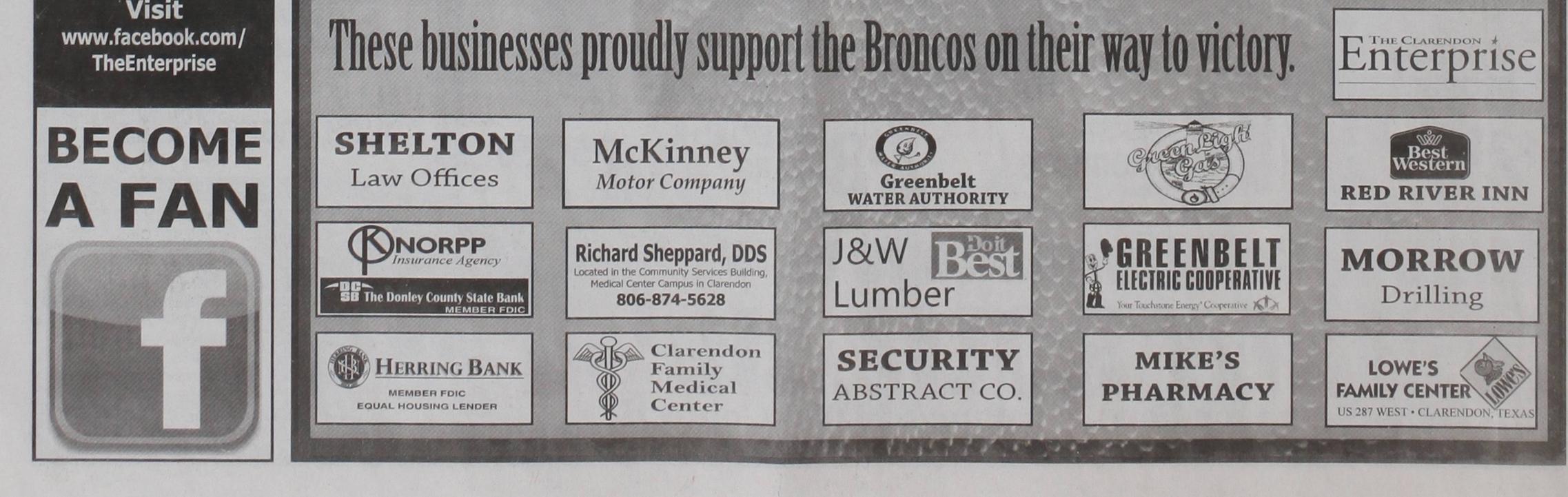
Head Coach: Kalen Grahn

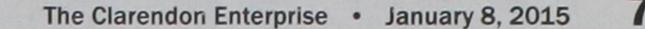
JV Girls 5 p.m. Varsity Girls 6:30 p.m.

Broncos

1	Cedrick Mccampbell	Sr.
2	Bryce Grahn	Soph.
3	Charles Mason	Sr.
5	Junior Ceniceros	Jr.
10	Colt Wood	Fr.
12	Riley Shadle	Soph.
15	Chance Lockhart	Soph.
24	Chesson Sims	Jr.
33	Taylon Knorpp	Soph.
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Head Coach: Brandt Lockhart





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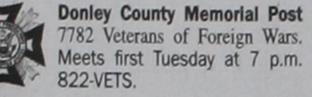
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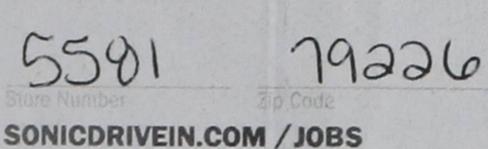
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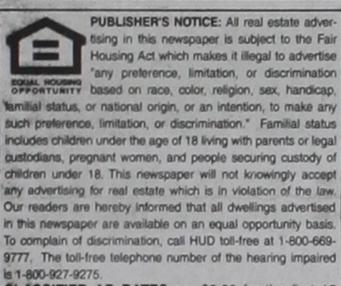
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The research project, "Optimizing Grain Sorghum Seeding Rates for Anticipated Hydrologic Conditions," is led by Dr. Ronnie Schnell, AgriLife Extension specialist in the can exacerbate soil moisture limita- and then if we could use some of for this year we had a full profileat Texas A&M University soil and crop sciences department.

Joining Schnell in the research ghum," Schnell said. are Ryan Collet, AgriLife Extension agent in Hill County; Dr. Tony Provin, AgriLife Extension soil chemist, College Station; Rus- ture and in-season precipitation. sell Sutton, Texas A&M AgriLife Research associate research scientist, Commerce; and Jon Gersbach, to increasing seeding rates and con-stages and water use started to peak rates and that would help to maintain AgriLife Extension agent for Milam County. This work was supported by the central and northern Blacklands ture," he said. "This year we also had issues you come up with when moisthe Texas Sorghum Producers.

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he said, this could give producers an conditions. Winter precipitation, opportunity to reduce seeding rates although variable, had been sufsignificantly if drier than normal conditions are expected, as well as before planting. other yield-based inputs such as nitrogen to match anticipated mois- and we wanted to know if we could ture conditions.

rot diseases and lodging in grain sor- seeding rates," Schnell said.

seeding rate is complicated by the above or below normal, so no adjustvariability of pre-season soil mois- ment to normal seeding rates would

In its first year, this study evaluated grain sorghum yield in response as the crop reached critical growth justify reductions to those seeding trasting soil moisture conditions in was depletion of profile soil mois- and reduce some of the secondary of Texas. this project is determine: If we have locations in the central and northern profile. But we know the soil mois- continue the study at some level an idea what the weather is going to Blacklands. April and May precipi- ture was rapidly depleted during next year and have a broader range be and the seasonal rainfall outlook, tation was slightly below normal, later growth stages, possibly result- of moisture-level conditions to comcan we alter our management prac- while June precipitation was well ing in brief periods of moisture stress pare.

Over the three months, pre-If the forecast can be utilized, cipitation was in line with forecasted ficient to recharge the soil profile

identify optimum population rates of the predicted moisture. "Excessive plant populations for given hydrological conditions tions and result in lower yields, stalk the long-term forecast to adjust our

He said finding the optimum cipitation was not expected to be be justified.

above-normal precipitation in June, ture is limited. The trials were imposed at five so we had the water to replenish that

at all locations."

Without timely rainfall, moisture stress would have intensified and higher plant populations may not have been successful, Schnell said. He said in this first year of testing, the optimum population rate for "We looked at seeding rates the sites was near what the normal recommendation would be because

"We have to keep in mind that planting and had some very timely heavy rainfalls during the growth This year at planting time, pre- stages, so this year will represent a year where higher seeding rates would be successful," Schnell said.

"However, there are other years that we suspect if we did not get "But, what we did see in June normal rainfall, it would certainly





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Obituaries Davis

Nancy Darlene Davis, 76, died Sunday, January 4, 2015 in Clarendon.

Ser vice will be Davis held at 2:00

p.m. Thursday, January 8, 2015, in Robertson Funeral Directors Saints' Roost Chapel in Clarendon with Rev. Dave Stout and Rev. C.W. Parker, officiating.

Burial will follow in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon

Arrangements are under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Nancy was born February 25. 1938, to George Clifton and Dorothy Amelia Walker in Los Angeles, California. When she was 6 years old her parents moved to Briscoe when her grandfather W.M. Lohberger became ill. This place was settled in 1905 and was recognized in 2011 on the senate floor at the Austin Capitol. She attended school at Briscoe and Clarendon College. She married Charles Davis on July 10, 1954, at the Catholic Church in Canadian, Texas and into this family 2 daughters and two sons was born. In 1966

"The Women of the Moose" serving ville; 2 sons, Danby Davis and wife in all the elective offices. She earned Julie of Amarillo and Don Alton her Academy of friendship and Col- Davis of Pampa; 5 grandchildren; 9 lege of Regents Degrees in Ft. Worth great grandchildren; a brother, Wilin 1968 and Chicago, Illnois in 1974. liam Dean Walker of Ruidoso, New In 1979 she was selected to serve Mexico; 3 nieces and 3 nephews. as Deputy Grand Regent of Texas in Los Angeles, California. Interna- be sent to St. Jude's Children's Hostional appointments from over half pital or the First Baptist Church in million members was College of Howardwick. Regent Board member (4 member board) appointed in New Orleans, LA. 1984-1986. Grand council (8 member council) appointed in Orlando, Florida 1991-1993. In the spring of 1993 Charles and Nancy moved to Howardwick at Greenbelt Lake, retirement was planned by the City changed those plans. She served 4 1/2 years as alderman and 2 years as Pro Tem Mayor. In 2000 she was elected Mayor of Howardwick and served 2 1/2 years before resigning to care for their oldest daughter with cancer. She was a member of the Clarendon Country Club and Card Club and also Classic Dames Red

Hat Club. She also served on the Burton Library Board in Clarendon. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Ellie Darlene Usleton; one son in law, Harley Douglas Woods; one great granddaughter, Brooke Baldwin; her parents, Cliff and Dorothy Walker; a brother, James Walker; and one nephew, Cody Reed Walker.

she joined the Pampa Chapter of daughter, D'Anne Woods of Pfluger-

The family request memorials

Couch

Ernest Earl Couch, 81, died Tuesday, December 30, 2014, in Clarendon.

Graveside services will be held at a later date in Alvarado, Texas. Cremation & arrangements are under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Ernest Earl Couch was born January 22, 1933, to Will and Edna Couch in Alvarado. Earl worked as a carpenter most of his life. He also served in the US Army. He had lived in Clarendon since 2004 moving here from Burleson. Earl was loved very much and will be remembered for his kindness and generosity.

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She is survived by her husband, Charles Davis of Howardwick; a

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Ralph Couch; a sister, Geneva Reese; and a nephew, David Couch.

He is survived by his sisters, Mickey West and husband Raymond of Burleson and Lucille Burdett and husband Travis of Alvarado; and several nieces and nephews.

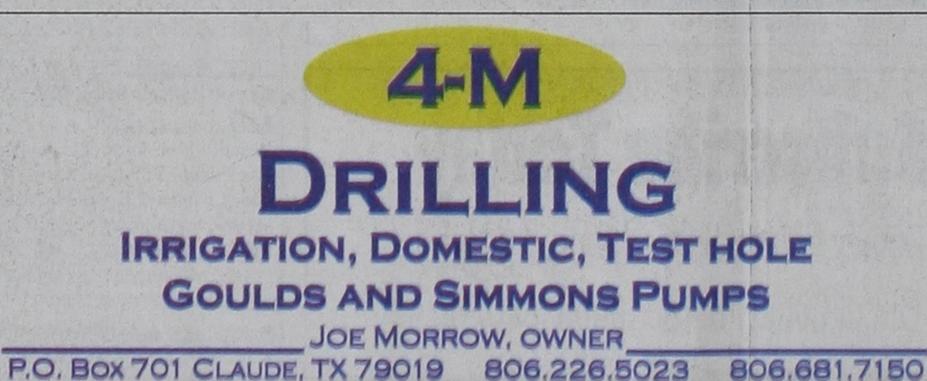


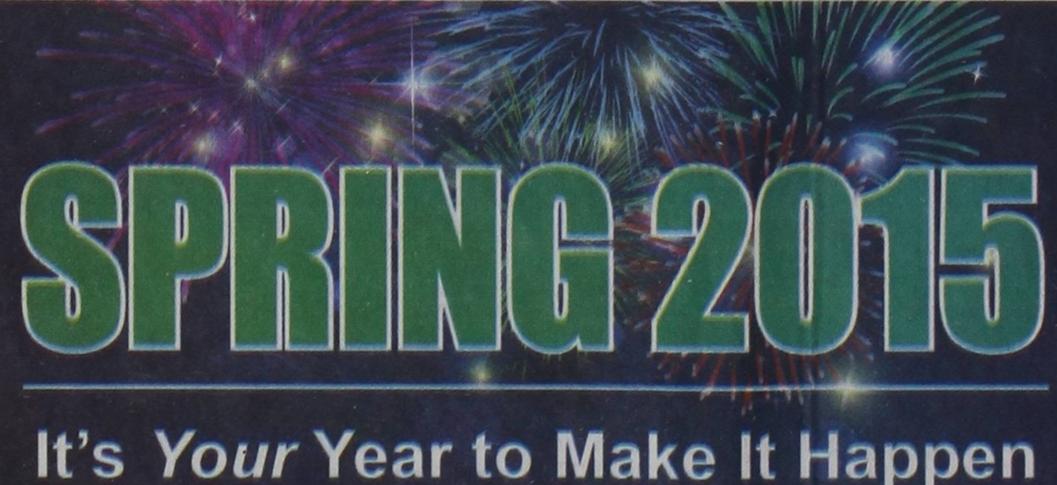
TxDOT to hold public outreach meeting

CHILDRESS - The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will host a public outreach meeting regarding public transportation for seniors and persons with disabilities in rural communities in the **TxDOT** Childress District.

The meeting will be held on Thursday, January 15, 2015 beginning at 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the TxDOT Childress District Office Bldg. A - Training Room, located at 7599 US 287, Childress, Texas 79201.

Those residents of TxDOT's Childress District who currently use public transit, want to use public transit, or would like more information on public transportation services in their particular community are encouraged to attend. TxDOT staff will be on hand to answer questions and provide information about the federal Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities grant program.





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