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

### Museum Christmas Party tickets on sale

Tickets are on sale now for the annual Saints' Roost Museum Christmas Party on Saturday, December 3, at 7:30 p.m. at the Clarendon Community Center.

The social event of the year will feature a great meal of barbecue with all the trimmings. Music for the dance will be provided by the Comin' On Band.

The cost is \$50 per couple, and each ticket has a chance to win \$5,000. Get yours today from any museum board member or at Henson's.

### Filing opening soon for 2006 general election

Filing begins December 5 for citizens interested in running for several county offices.

Positions up for election next year include county judge, county treasurer, county and district clerk, commissioners in Precincts 2 and 4, justice of the peace for Precincts 1 & 2, and justice of the peace for Precincts 3 & 4.

Filing takes place in county clerk's office in the Donley County Courthouse Annex and continues through 6 p.m. January 2, 2006. Those seeking public office will be required to pay a \$750 filing fee or can present a petition to waive the fee.

### Blood Drive to be held in Hedley December 8

The Coffee Memorial Blood Center will hold a Blood Drive in Hedley on Thursday, December 8, 2005. The drive will be held from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church on Hwy. 203 and Main St.

To make an appointment, call 1-877-574-8800.

### Local Scouts collect cans for food pantry

Cub Scout Pack 437 and Boy Scout Troop 433 in Clarendon collected 484 cans of food last week for the food pantry at Panhandle Community Services.

The Pack and Troop appreciate the support of the community with this generous donation to our local needy.

If you still have bags with food items to donate, please call Tommie Saye at 874-2784, and he will pick them up. Or you can drop your donation off at Saye's.

### Enterprise will close this Thursday, Friday

The ENTERPRISE will be closed this Thursday and Friday so the crew can spend time with their families.

The office will re-open Monday, and deadlines will remain firm and unchanged with news and photos being due at noon and ads and classified due at 5 p.m.

Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving.

## Local jobless rate drops to four-year low

Donley County's unemployment rate dropped to 3.5 percent last month, its lowest level since October 2001.

The seasonally non-adjusted data from the Texas Workforce Commission shows 1,849 employed locally out of a potential work force of 1,917.

That's down from unemployment rates of 4.7 percent in August and 3.9 percent in September. The

rate one year ago was 4.0 percent when 1,855 people were employed out of a work force of 1,932.

Meanwhile, seasonally Adjusted Nonagricultural Employment in Texas grew by 14,700 jobs in October, marking 14 consecutive months of job growth. Over the year, Texas employers have added 131,300 jobs, with an annual growth rate of 1.4 percent and job additions in all nine major industry sectors. The unem-

ployment rate fell from an initial 5.7 percent in September (revised to 5.3 percent) to 5.2 percent for October.

"Job growth continues at a modest yet constant pace," said Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) Chair Diane Rath. "The revision and following drop of the unemployment rate is welcome and a more realistic picture of the Texas labor market. At 5.2 percent, the current unemployment rate is well below the October

2004 rate of 6.0 percent."

"Job growth has been consistent as Texas employers have added more than 260,000 jobs in the last 24 months," said TWC Commissioner Representing Employers Ron Lehman. "Moreover, job growth continues to be broad based, with jobs added over the year in all nine major industries.

"The Texas unemployment rate showed a welcome drop, as some

19,325 more Texans found jobs," said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Ronny Congleton. "It is also worthy to note that the number of employed Texans now stands at 10,703,600, an all-time record."

Initial claims for unemployment compensation in October 2005 were 95,197, with 33,908 claims directly relating to Hurricane Rita. Initial claims, without disaster claims, were down 22 percent from October 2004.



### And the Angels Sing

Children from the Community Fellowship Church in Clarendon got the holiday season started last Thursday night by singing carols on the steps of the Donley County Courthouse. A large number of kids of all ages were in attendance to hear this group, Girl Scout troops,

and others raise their voices prior to the final trimming of the community tree by the Girl Scouts. The event also kicked off this year's Late Night Shopping, which has downtown merchants staying open late on Thursday nights before Christmas.

Enterprise Photo / Roger Estlack

## CC begins planning for future enrollment growth

The Clarendon College Board of Regents hired an architect to develop plans for CC's former library and, as President Myles Shelton put it, set the stage for future growth.

The west end of the Administration Building was vacated in February following the opening of the Vera Dial Dickey Library; and, with the exception of the Office of Public Information and special functions, it is mostly unused.

WD Architects of Amarillo, which designed the new library, will draw up plans to convert the old library's 4,131 square feet into a new usable space that Shelton says will poise the college to expand.

"It will likely be used for administrative offices and the functions associated with those offices," Shelton said.

The college administration and some student services are presently crammed into 2,511 square feet on the east end of the building. That area would likely be reconfigured and devoted solely to student services.

"We're just stacked on top of each other right now," Shelton said.

Shelton said if the college is to grow enrollment by another 150 students on its main campus, it will require more classrooms, more faculty office space, and more administrative space to support those

students.

"We're trying to set the stage for that next level, whenever that might come about."

No timetable was set for the architects to report back.

In other business, regents reviewed a performance measures report on the college that showed 92.27 percent of students completed classes in the fall of 2004 and that 79.29 percent of contact hours were taught by fulltime faculty members.

Of all the Clarendon College students who took state licensure exams, 89.85 percent passed, and 94 percent of CC nursing students passed the state exam.

The report also showed that 41.7 percent of CC's students in developmental classes passed the TASP or similar exam, which Shelton says looks bad but is actually one of the highest pass rates in the state.

The board approved a grant to the Harrington trust and also approved a contract hiring Marsha Julian to teach in the vocational nursing program.

Regents also received an update on the college's reaffirmation of accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. A final report from the association is still forthcoming but it looks good, Shelton said.

## County to pursue historical marker

The Donley County Commissioners' Court voted in favor of seeking approval for a state historical marker for the 1890 Courthouse during their regular meeting November 14.

County Judge Jack Hall said the court approved spending \$850 to purchase the marker, which would be subject to the approval of an application to the Texas Historical Commission.

"We hope to have it in place by July 4 and have some kind of short dedication," Hall said.

The application would first have to be approved by Donley County Historical Commission Chair Jean Stavenhagen before being forwarded to the state.

The Romanesque Revival style courthouse was opened for county business in 1891 and was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1978 along with the old county jail, which has since been razed and replaced by the current jail.

The removal of the third story towers and dormers in the late 1930s prevented the courthouse from previously being eligible for a state marker, but the completion of a \$4.2 million restoration in 2003 has changed the building's eligibility status.

"We couldn't have even applied for any kind of marker before it was completely restored," Stavenhagen said. "Patching it up and getting the bats out wasn't enough. We had to go back as original as possible with all the paint and flooring and everything."

A location for the proposed marker hasn't been decided, but an area on the northeast corner of the square is a possibility, Hall said.

In other county business, the court cast the county's ballots for members of the appraisal board as follows - 900 for Jerry Gage and 411 for Bobbie Campbell.

A contract with Kim Layton for janitorial services in the Courthouse Annex was considered and approved.

The court approved allowing the Girl Scouts to decorate the courthouse square for Christmas.

The court also met in called session on November 21 to canvass the local results of the state constitutional amendment election held November 8.

## Annual Panhandle Beef Conference begins next Thursday

AMARILLO - The 2005 Panhandle Beef Conference will provide an update on the National Animal Identification System.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture announced in 2004 the animal identification plan would be phased in, with the first deadline facing producers in January 2008, said Dr. Ted McCollum, Texas Cooperative Extension beef cattle specialist.

Producers must have a premise identification number at that time, McCollum said. That sign-up has already started.

The conference, which will be held in conjunction with the annual Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show, will explore uses of animal identification and opportunities for cattle producers, said Leon Church, Texas Cooperative Extension agent in Potter

County.

Registration will begin at 1:30 p.m. December 1 in the Grand Plaza of the Amarillo Civic Center. McCollum will open the program with a presentation on "Animal Identification - The National Animal Identification System and Beyond."

Other discussion will concern the Texas Cattle Feeders Association's Quality Systems Assessment for Age

and Source Verification program and the role and requirements of cow/calf and stocker producers. Animal identification has been at the forefront of industry issues since USDA announced a National Animal Identification System would be implemented, McCollum said.

The national system is intended to improve animal tracking and will be part of the national animal disease

monitoring and control program in the U.S., he said.

Animal identification has implications in other areas of the livestock industry, McCollum said. Some of these areas, such as information management and sharing, marketing, age and source verification, are receiving more attention than the animal tracking/disease control objectives of the program, he said.



WARNING: The following column is an editorial (i.e. an opinion, a point of view) and may contain ideas with which some readers may freely disagree. It could be harmful to liberals, socialists, and other small mammals. Read at your own risk.

## Many reasons to be thankful this season

Thanksgiving has always been a special time for my family. Of course, the faces of those sitting around the table have changed somewhat over the years as those we loved were called to their Great Reward and others joined our ranks through birth and through marriage. But through it all, it remains a time of renewing those ties which unite us, catching up with each other's lives, and giving thanks to God for all the blessings – both big and small – that He has given us.

As Americans, we are fortunate to live in a land that makes it so easy in many ways for us to enjoy life as God intended – free from oppression and tyranny. I am always reminded of a Thanksgiving nearly 20 years ago when my paternal grandmother gathered us around for a little talk before we ate. I only remember her doing this once, but she had a point that year that she felt needed to be impressed upon us.

It was a year when celebrities were singing for the relief of starving children in Africa; and while they no doubt were operating with the best of intentions, they were pursuing their goal by trying to shame America for its good fortune and put us all on a national guilt trip.

"Never be ashamed of what you have," she told us. "Your family has worked for hundreds of years to get you where you are."

Since the 1600s, each generation tried to insure that the generation that came after them would have it better and easier. We should never let ourselves be made to feel guilty about that, but we should always be thankful for it and be mindful of others who were not so blessed.

Freedom and prosperity are blessings that we should never take lightly; but in addition to those great gifts, I find myself being thankful for many other things this year.

I'm thankful for my wife and for all the joy she has brought to my life and to my family in what has been nearly one full year of marriage. I thought she might have slipped a cog several days ago when she ripped all the wallpaper down in the kitchen and dining room, but she pulled together a crew comprised of herself, yours truly, and her parents to transform that part of our house into something that is really quite spectacular. She's got great taste and was able to turn a plain 1968-era kitchen into something that has a certain simple elegance to it, and I'm thankful for that as well.

I'm thankful to my in-laws for helping her pull off that mini-remodeling feat.

Speaking of remodeling, I'm so thankful to have finished painting the house this summer, and I have some advice for you would-be do-it-yourselfers out there: Hire somebody. You'll be thankful you did.

I'm thankful for my nephew, who is of course the greatest little kid there ever has been. He's just so darn adorable, and he loves hanging out with his aunt and uncle. And I'm thankful for his parents' willingness to share their bundle of joy.

I'm thankful for Adobe's Portable Document Format (i.e. PDF), which has let us introduce a revolutionary digital newspaper for the 21st century and finally give an alternative to all those subscribers who are fed up with waiting for the postman to bring their newspaper. (ENTERPRISE-D costs only \$9.95 per year, and that's something you can be thankful for.)

As always, I'm thankful for my own parents, for the love they shower on their children – all four of them – and their grandchild, and for the time they unselfishly devote to helping bring you the ENTERPRISE every week.

I'm also thankful for my new extended family, who have welcomed me with open arms as one of their own. I'm thankful for my new brother-in-law who (like my wife) will soon be graduating from college, and I'm thankful for my new sister-in-law and the time I've gotten to spend to get to know her.

I'm thankful for the humor of my father-in-law and for the good health of all my family but especially for the health of my mother-in-law who faced and defeated cancer this year. Her determination reminds me of that of another woman in my life who slew that same beast more than 20 years ago and endured two years of chemotherapy for the sake of two small boys.

I'm always thankful for Cheryl Johnson, the real energy that drives this newspaper, for her continuing devotion to make it what it is, and for all our correspondents and freelancers who give the ENTERPRISE its character. And speaking of characters, I'm thankful to Carrie Helms for bringing a youthfulness to the Panhandle's oldest newspaper and for being able to watch her grow from the quiet girl in our office to one of our award-winning columnists.

I'm always thankful to our advertisers, without whom this paper would not exist.

And I'm thankful to you, our readers – and particularly the readers of the editor's commentary who miss me when I take a week off and nag me to get back to the keyboard.

To all of you from all of us at the ENTERPRISE, Happy Thanksgiving, and may God bless you all this season.



editor's commentary  
by roger estlack

## Febreeze, Google, and readers like you

On Thanksgiving, when you were a kid, did your parents ever make you go around the table and say what you were thankful for?

If you had any sense, you realized that Mom was going Christmas shopping the next day and dutifully answered, "I'm thankful for my Mommy and Daddy."

Of course, I didn't have any sense and usually answered, "I'm thankful for my bed." Even at a young age I was a slacker and cherished my nap times.

Now I'm older. I'm still thankful for my parents, who could not be more supportive, and my bed, which cuddles me so sweetly each night; but I have grown up things to be thankful for.

Febreeze. I'm thankful for Febreeze. Thanks to my filthy roommate, my apartment smells like a giant litter box. Living there could not be possible without the miracle potion.

I'm thankful for Little Panda, whose generous portions of delicious sweet and sour chicken and ridiculously low prices keep me fed on less than \$30 a week. I could eat cheaper if I cooked at home, but seriously, do I even have to make up an excuse?

TV on DVDs – a blessing from God.

I can buy or rent an entire season of my favorite show and sit down and watch the whole thing. I can watch everything from *Fraggle Rock* to *The West Wing* to *Dukes of Hazzard*.

The Collegiate Card is a discount card freely given to college students bearing incredible discounts and free stuff everywhere you go. I can get Route 44 slushes at Sonic for 99 cents, free burritos at Taco Bell, half price burgers. My life is infinitely better with you in it, Collegiate Card.

I'm thankful for Norton Anti Virus. Even though it hates iTunes and refuses to let me play it, it keeps me and my computer safe. Every night it scans my computer to tell me what scary things I might have picked up and gets rid of them.

It's like having my own Magnum P.I. right on my desktop. "Someone's trying to kill my hard drive, Magnum! You've got to help!" He springs into short-short mustache action. 12 critical objects found. 12 objects deleted.

Scented candles. See also "Febreeze."



life's lessons  
by carrie helms

Garnier Nutrisse Permanent Haircolor in Chocolate Peanut Butter. You keep me looking absolutely fantastic. I adore you.

I'm thankful for Google. Google can find anything. I trust it so much, when I lose my keys, my first instinct is to try Google.

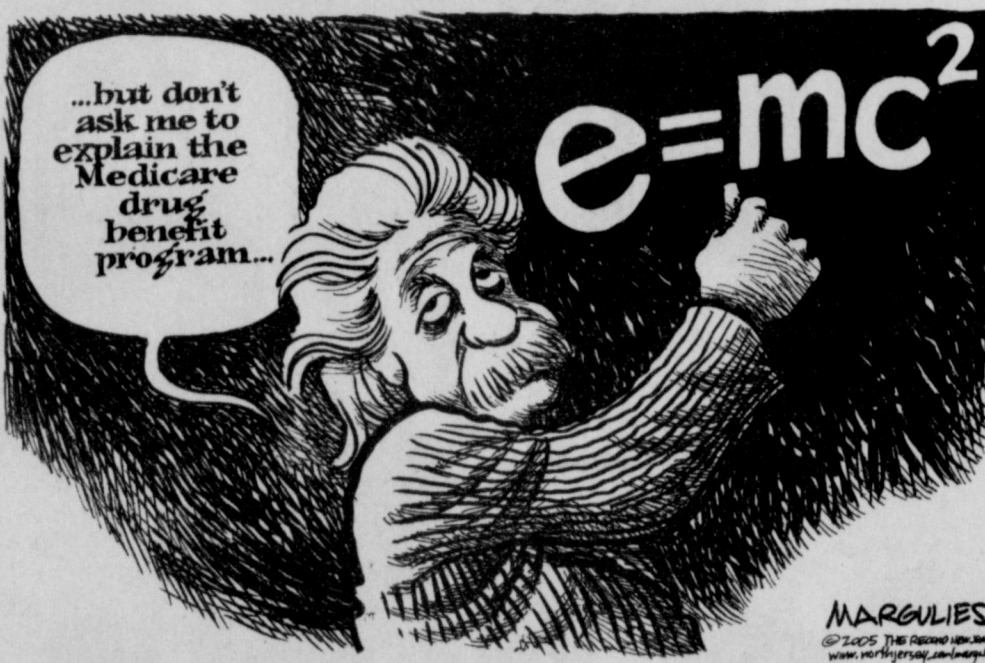
Now down to the serious part. I'm thankful for my family who has weathered more thick and thin than anyone should. And yet, you come out on the other side smiling. Thank you for teaching me to stand up straight, eat my vegetables, do what's right, and be what I want to be.

I'm thankful for Roger and the kids at the ENTERPRISE who have let me go on ranting like this for three and a half years. I'm thankful for people like you who read this and somehow validate my existence.

I regret to inform you that after the New Year, I will no longer be writing "Life's Lessons." Instead, it appears I will be teaching them.

I start student teaching next semester, and I will be busier than a one-armed paperhanger. Believe me, I will still be learning my own lessons; and when I get a good one, I'll be passing it along to you.

Thank you for learning with me this long. Happy Thanksgiving!



## Can science ease droughts, hurricanes

Our satellites can spot approaching hurricanes from hundreds of miles away. Meteorologists can predict their paths with reasonable accuracy. But still we are forced to watch extremely powerful storms batter our coasts. The most powerful hurricanes cause substantial loss of life and destroy billions of dollars in property – shutting down businesses and costing workers their jobs. The recent storms in the Gulf of Mexico destroyed oil platforms and severely damaged refineries, causing a spike in the price of gasoline. What if there was something to weaken such storms before they come ashore?

German and Russian scientists have devised a way they believe we might make

hurricanes dissipate harmlessly by using jet engines to reduce the temperature of the ocean surface. It may also be possible to weaken a tornado or lessen its lifespan.

Other countries are investing in weather modification technology. Weather modification projects have taken off in countries as diverse as Argentina, Saudi Arabia and Israel.

To take a step forward in weather modification, I have introduced legislation



capitol comment  
by sen. kay bailey hutchison

in the U.S. Senate. If Congress passes my bill, it will start a national weather modification research effort through federal and state programs. It will focus a portion of the executive branch on weather modification by creating a Weather Modification Subcommittee within the Office of Science and Technology Policy. It will gather outside experts on a Weather Modification Advisory and Research Board to advise the subcommittee. This board will work to promote the research and development of weather modification.

We might one day make substantial reductions in the damage weather causes to people, crops and property.

## Veterans' Day program was a 'big deal'

It was never supposed to be a big deal, and it wasn't.

It was a couple of days late due to the awkwardness of Veterans Day falling on a Friday and the chaos a mild flu epidemic can wreak on scheduling at a small junior college library in an even smaller Texas Panhandle town.

It was organized and conducted by a lady who had never served in the armed forces, who wasn't a veteran's wife, who had no other motive but a belief that "something" should be done to honor the veterans on Veterans Day.

Instead of a spit and polish color guard of Marines or Army with polished brass, razor sharp creases, and ready weapons, there were out-of-step, nervous Girl Scouts escorting the flag, each one of them serious about her duties and made nervous by the great responsibility put upon them as they brought the flag into the room and placed it on its stand.

There were a few veterans there, each lost in his own thoughts and memories which could never be shared in total and realizing the past is gone and wondering if the imprints it left were entirely real.

There were students present, coerced into participating but entering into the spirit of the thing, reading poems from war monuments honoring those who fell for freedom and perhaps wondering if they, sometime in the future, would be called upon to defend their country.

The wives of veterans were there also, standing beside those they had waited for and worried about and rejoiced with when

they came home, but at the same time remembering those who did not.

There was a young lady present to sing the *National Anthem*, and several young children who wondered what was going on but for the most part were well behaved, sensing, perhaps, the importance their elders placed on the strange goings on.

It didn't last long. People had to get home to supper, and the lingering symptoms of the flu shortened goodbyes and thank yous.

It wasn't a big deal. Just a few people gathered in the library of a small junior college in a small Texas Panhandle town to remember all those who have served in the armed forces and those who died to preserve the only way of life most of us have known and the only way of life all of us ever want to know.

But, when you think about it, it was a big deal!

When you think about it, it is what this whole thing called Freedom is about. Freedom of a mixed mismatched group of people and a Girl Scout Color Guard to get together because a lady felt "something" should be done to honor those who fought for our country and what it stands for. The "little deal" organized by the library director of a junior college takes on a much greater significance than all of the patriotic speeches, polished military color guards, huge tasseled silken flags, and massed dignitaries could ever command.

It may not have been a big deal.

Except for the fact that it was!

Bill Russell, Clarendon

## Many thanks to CC Library, and Area Agency on Aging

I am writing this letter to offer well deserved praise for the Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle and Clarendon College Library.

Several employees from Amarillo and a volunteer from White Deer recently traveled to Clarendon, Texas, to provide individual counseling regarding the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit to numerous Medicare Beneficiaries at Clarendon College Library. I observed thoughtful interactions between caring and knowledgeable individuals who are dedicated to their work and elderly individuals who are faced with a monumental decision regarding their prescription benefits. The Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle provided accurate and timely information in a courteous and forthright manner. The location provided by Clarendon College Library enabled excellent handicap access, superior internet service, and state of the art computer equipment.

We so seldom see this type of interest and time given so freely, that it is notable for me to mention it. The Texas Panhandle is fortunate to have a location such as Clarendon College Library and these dedicated individuals and volunteers working for them. They are to be commended for a job well done.

Kim Dickinson,  
Clarendon

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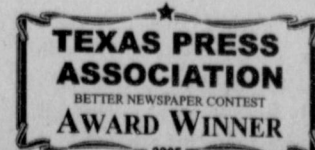
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## Clarendon Elementary takes top honors in UIL

Clarendon Elementary were named District Champions for the fifth consecutive year in the Fall University Interscholastic League Literary Meet held at Clarendon CISD last week.

The meet is comprised of students from six different school districts, with seven campuses competing against each other. Students from each district spent many hours in preparation for the Fall Meet.

Clarendon Elementary Principal Mike Word commented on how well behaved and focused the students from Clarendon were throughout the two-day meet.

"Our students and coaches spent a great deal of time studying, practicing, and getting prepared for their contest," Word said. "It is the only competition our students have that enables us to compete with students outside our district. I want to thank our parents for all the time they spend working with our kids, also."

Clarendon students performed very well at this year's contest. For the fifth consecutive year, the students won the UIL Fall Literary Meet.

Scores from each of the district were: Quannah Elementary, sixth place with 81.3 points; Shamrock Elementary, fifth place with 85.3 points; Memphis, fourth place with 144 points; Claude Elementary, third place with 257.25 points; Wellington, second place with 263.3 points; and Clarendon Elementary, District Champions with 409.75 points.

Clarendon students placing from each event were:

Second Grade: Creative Writing - Taylor Perryman, fourth; Third

Grade: Music Memory - Kaylee Sciaccia, fourth with the team scores placing second; Ready Writing - Zach LaRoe, second; Addison Warren, fifth; Kaylee Sciaccia, sixth; Spelling - Kaylee Sciaccia, first; Storytelling - Zachary Watson, fourth

Fourth Grade: Number Sense - Jacy Hill, first, and Audra Thomas, second; Music Memory - Jessica Cenicerros, second with the team scores placing second; Ready Writing - Minnie Buckhaults, second, and Zachary Cornell, fifth; Spelling - Haley Ferguson, fifth, and Phara Berry, sixth; Art Smart - Jessica Cenicerros, Jacy Hill, and Savannah Topper all tied for first, Camra Smith, fifth (tie) with a team score placing first; Oral Reading - Audra Thomas, third, and Savannah Topper, fifth

Fifth Grade: Number Sense - Jentry Shadle, fourth; Music Memory - Gabby Rodriguez, first, and J.D. Baxter, fifth; Ready Writing - Jency Burton, first, and Kenzie Perryman, second; Dictionary Skills - Gabby Rodriguez, second, and Kenzie Perryman, third; Maps, Graphs, and Charts - J.D. Baxter, fourth, and Kenzie Perryman, fifth; Spelling - Maritta Brady, first; Anna Cenicerros, second; and Gabby Rodriguez, third; Art Smart - Gabby Rodriguez, second, Jentry Shadle, fourth with a team total placing second; Oral Reading - Maci White, first, and Jentry Shadle, fourth; Listening Skills - Kenzie Perryman, second; Cole Ward, third; and Gabby Rodriguez, fourth.

Congratulations to all the students, parents, and coaches for another very successful UIL Literary Meet.

### Breast cancer screens to be offered locally

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at the Clarendon Associated Ambulance Authority Building, Highway 70, in Clarendon on December 19, 2005.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram, and performing a breast self-exam each month.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only.

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Wed	16	48°	17°	-
Thur	17	54°	22°	-
Fri	18	61°	21°	-
Sat	19	63°	33°	-
Sun	20	58°	31°	-

Total precipitation this month: 0.00"  
Total precipitation to date: 17.23"  
Total precipitation in November last year: 8.13"  
Total YTD last year: 24.31"

### weekend forecast

Friday, Nov. 25  
Mostly Sunny  
66°/33°

Saturday, Nov. 26  
Partly Cloudy  
55°/34°

Sunday, Nov. 27  
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50°/30°

Information provided by: Tommie C. Saye  
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The Clarendon College Department of Music will present two Christmas Concerts and Carol Sings next week.

The first will be held on Monday, November 28, at 6:00 p.m. in the Clarendon College Pampa Center Atrium.

The second will be held on Tuesday, November 29, at 6:00 p.m. in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Center on the Clarendon College campus.

Both concerts will be a performance of the combined choirs of the

students from Clarendon and Pampa. Music selections will range from well-known traditional selections to modern versions of old carols. The concert will also include a brief sing-along with some traditional Christmas carols.

Accompanying will be Amy Parnell of Pampa.

The concerts are free of charge, but the choirs will be accepting donations at the door for help in purchasing a new piano for the fine arts center.

### CC to start online winter session December 19

Registration will begin November 21 for Clarendon College's 2005 Winter Session.

Courses offered during the session will be GOVT 2305 - Federal Government, HIST 1301 - U.S. History to 1877, ENGL 1301 - English Composition and Rhetoric I, and PHED 1304 - Healthful and Effective Living.

Registration must be com-

plete and all fees paid no later than Thursday, December 15, at 4:30 p.m. Classes will start December 19 and end January 13.

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Contact the Registrar at 874-3571 for more information.

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## ¿Qué Pasa?

Your guide to "what's happening" around Donley County.

### November 24

Thanksgiving

### December 1

Late Night Shopping • until 8 p.m.

### December 3

Saints' Roost Museum Christmas Party • Clarendon Community Center

### December 8

Blood Drive • Hedley Baptist Church • 3:30 p.m.

Late Night Shopping • until 8 p.m.

### December 9

Santa Letters Deadline • Enterprise • 5 p.m.

### December 15

Late Night Shopping

## Community Menus

Nov. 28 – Dec. 2

### Clarendon Schools

#### Breakfast

Mon: Cereal, toast, fruit, milk

Tues: Oatmeal, toast, fruit, milk

Wed: Pancakes, juice, milk

Thur: Eggs, toast, fruit, milk

Fri: Cinnamon rolls, juice, milk

#### Lunch

Mon: Chicken nuggets, fries, salad, fruit mix, milk

Tues: Chicken stir fry, Oriental vegetables, crackers, peaches, milk

Wed: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, apple-sauce, rolls, milk

Thur: Dunkers with meat sauce, salad, corn, fruit mix, milk

Fri: Chicken sandwiches, fries, lettuce, pickles, fruit, milk

### Hedley Schools

#### Breakfast

Mon: Biscuit with sausage gravy, butter and jelly, cereal, juice, milk

Tues: French toast sticks, dry cereal, toast and jelly, fruit juice, milk

Wed: Breakfast bar with toast, butter and jelly, cereal, juice, milk

Thur: Biscuit and gravy, sausage patties, butter and jelly, cereal, juice, milk

Fri: Cinnamon rolls, cereal, peanut butter and toast, fruit juice, milk

#### Lunch

Mon: Pizza, corn, tossed salad, fruit cup, juice, milk

Tues: Nacho tacos, salad, apple slices, cornbread, beans, picante sauce, milk

Wed: Chicken strips, potatoes and gravy, green beans, rolls, Jell-O, milk

Thur: Sliced ham, baked potato, broccoli and salad, fruit cobbler, Texas toast, milk

Fri: Corn dogs or burritos, waffle fries, salad, orange quarters, cookies, milk

### Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Lasagna, Tuscan blend vegetables, garden salad, apple dumplings with caramel sauce, garlic toast, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Tues: King Ranch chicken casserole, Spanish rice, mixed vegetables, strawberries and bananas, Neiman Marcus Cake, bread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Wed: Pork tenderloin, creamed potatoes and gravy, steamed broccoli, cranberry salad, peach cobbler, rolls, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Thur: Chicken strips, baked potato soup, green bean casserole, carrot copper pennies, chocolate pie, biscuits, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Fri: Catfish, corn dressing, asparagus, coleslaw, pumpkin cake, hushpuppies, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

### Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Chicken strips, potato soup, pea salad, baked apples, cornbread, coffee, tea, milk

Tues: Beef stew with tomatoes, carrots, potatoes, and onions, vegetable sticks, lime Jell-O with pineapple and cottage cheese, cornbread, coffee, tea, milk

Wed: Steak and gravy, corn, green beans, potato salad, pineapple whip, roll, coffee, tea, milk

Thur: Chili and pinto beans, potato wedges, beet and onion salad, apricot halves, cornbread, coffee, tea, milk

Fri: Catfish, onion rings, spinach, coleslaw, brownies, cornbread, coffee, tea, milk

## Avoid gaining weight this holiday season

By MaryRuth Bishop, County FCS Agent

With the holidays coming, many people have vowed to not gain weight this season. But how can you achieve this goal? How many calories should you eat per day?

Your daily calorie needs are different than those of your best friend, your sister, and your spouse: It all depends on your age, your activity level, your metabolism, and your weight. But a sure clue that you're eating too many calories is that you're gaining weight (and not losing weight). Eating 2,000 calories a day when you need only 1,850 will put 15 extra pounds on you each year.

One basic rule to know is that 3,500 calories equals one pound of body fat. If you eat 3,500 calories

less than what you need over the course of a week, for example, then you should lose about a pound.

The National Research Council has come up with a formula to estimate daily caloric needs, but it's a bit too complicated to reproduce here. To get close, you can use a rough estimate based on your body weight and activity level:

**Inactive.** This is where the typical office worker falls. If you get little or no exercise, you'll burn anywhere from 11 to 16 calories per pound of body weight a day.

**Moderately active.** You make a point to take a brisk walk or go cycling for 30 minutes several times a week. Moderately active people burn about 13 to 18 calories per pound of

body weight a day.

**Very active.** This includes 60 minutes of exercise at least five days a week. Very active people burn about 15 to 20 calories per pound of body weight a day.

Keep in mind that these are only rough estimates. Some people burn only 11 calories per pound per day. Some very active people – professional football players, for example – may burn 26 calories per pound per day.

Another thing to consider: Bigger bodies burn more calories than smaller bodies. That's an important point for people who lose weight.

Let's say you weigh 180 pounds and are (to be honest) an inactive

person, you'll need anywhere from 1,980 to 2,880 calories a day to maintain your body weight. That's a big range. But you decide to cut back to about 1,500 calories a day, and, over the course of time, you lose 30 pounds. At 150 pounds, the calorie range for an inactive person is 1,650 to 2,400 a day to maintain your weight.

If you go off your diet, your weight will increase unless you increase your activity at the same time. That's why nutritionists emphasize that a permanent lifestyle change is what's really necessary to lose weight and keep it off. For more information on a healthy diet, you can go to [mypyramid.gov](http://mypyramid.gov) or contact the Extension office at 874-2141.

## And then there was the dog that invited himself to dinner

The Friendship Club had another successful Thanksgiving dinner with 35 enjoying all that good food. Buster Baird gave the blessing, and then he got to lead the food line. Marietta Baird had a birthday, and Marshall and Joyce Hardin and Bobby and Donna Murdock had anniversaries this month.

November is election month for the Friendship Club with Dorothy Arnold keeping the office of president and Margaret Petit continuing as secretary/treasurer. Leona Lingerfelter was elected vice president, taking over from Tammie Owens who held that position for the past year. You ladies did a great job and good luck for the upcoming year.

Buster Baird got his crew together, and, with help from Charles Davis, Bobby Murdock, and Jim Cockerham, they got the Nativity scene in position and ready for lighting. A number of elements remain to be put up, but they will be ready before December 4, the tentative date set for the lighting at the park. We will continue the tradition of carols and hot chocolate at City Hall.

The lighting contest will also be held again this year, so break out those lights and get your place decorated.

If you haven't been down highway 70 in the past couple of weeks, you may not know work has begun to replace the bridge over the Salt Fork of the Red River at the dam. At the present time, they are working on the temporary crossing we will

be using for the next year or so. With the bridge construction and construction on 287, it looks like I will be using I-40 a little more often.

Everyone has a Thanksgiving story to tell, and my favorite one is the time a stray dog stole the turkey.

The children were all young, Jim was somewhere in Southeast Asia, and I baked the turkey, the main meat for dinner with all the family at Mother's. We were all unloading the car, and when I went back to get the turkey, this old stray yellow dog had gotten into the car and pulled that beautiful, golden turkey onto the grass and was busy having himself a feast. I am not a violent person, but if I had had a gun I would have shot that dog.

Mother had a small chicken we cooked, and those pictures were out of balance, but there was so much other food we didn't really miss the turkey.

It has been about 40 years, but I will always remember that old yellow dog. It's a story that is told every year.

When we are giving thanks, remember to thank our men and women in the military who work so hard to keep us free.



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Karla Devin of Clarendon was one of five Boy Scout leaders who received their Wood Badge beads in a special ceremony recently in Dallas. Those pictured with Devin are Joe Griffis, David Blom, and Anna Sturdivant, and the Honorable Pete Sessions.

## Devin receives Wood Badge beads

Karla McCain Devin of Clarendon recently received her Wood Badge beads in a ceremony in Dallas.

Along with the four other members of Eagle Patrol Wood Badge 67, Devin was honored for her commitment to Scouting and her successful completion of the Wood Badge training course.

Wood Badge is a training course for Scouters which finally results in their receiving a certificate, a small neckerchief, a leather woggle, and two small wooden beads on a leather thong.

Lord Baden-Powell, the founder of Scouting, directed the first course in 1919 and gave each of the participants one of the beads given him by the African chieftain Dinizulu.

Wood Badge is Scouting's premier training course. Baden-Powell designed it so that Scouters could learn, in as practical a way possible, the skills and methods of Scouting.

It is first and foremost, learning by doing. The members of the course are formed into patrols and these into a troop. The entire troop lives in the outdoors for a week, camping, cooking their own meals, and practicing Scout skills.

Devin has served as Den Leader for Cub Scout Pack 437 Dens 3, 5, and 2. She is Assistant Scoutmaster for Boy Scout Troop 433 and Patrol Leader for the Armadillo Patrol. Also honored at the ceremony were Joe Griffis, David Blom, Anna Sturdivant, and the Honorable Pete Sessions.

## Burton Library joins Talking Book Project

Burton Memorial Library has been selected to assist with the Texas Talking Book Program, a marvelous program which provides "free library services to Texans who are unable to read standard print material due to visual, physical, or reading disabilities, whether permanent or temporary."

Participants in the program will enjoy classics, mysteries, romance, westerns, science fiction, children's selections, and more. Thousands of titles are on cassette and also in large print and Braille.

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NEWSWEEK, GUIDEPOSTS, and TEXAS MONTHLY are only a few from choices of more than 70 different magazines.

A special collection of books by Texas authors, books about Texas, and in Spanish are also offered in this program.

Special needed equipment to listen to the recorded books and magazines is provided by this Talking Book Program. As long as you use this free service, the equipment is on loan to you.

According to printed information at the library, you can expect books "delivered right to your door, and items to be sent and returned

through the mail free of charge."

What a wonderful opportunity for adults and children who love to read, but may be finding it slightly difficult for various reasons.

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Applying is so easy. Librarian Jerri Shields and assistant Mary



**check it out**  
by mary beth nelson

Linn are eager to assist you with the application and relate all other information concerning the Texas Talking Book Program.

According to the Program's written information, "It is estimated that over 300,000 Texans may qualify for the program."

If your reading has been interrupted, permanently or temporarily, by some disability, you are encouraged to enroll in the Talking Book Program's free library services so you can continue the reading pleasure you have always enjoyed so much.

Why put it off? Why not check it out?

## Medicare Part D Prescription Plan: the rest of the story

AMARILLO - Reduced prescription costs are the goal of the new Medicare Part D program. But potential users may need to take some time to figure out how the plan will work best for them, said one Texas Cooperative Extension specialist.

Enrollment in the program opened Nov. 15, said Andrew B. Crocker, Extension gerontology health specialist here. The benefits won't start until January 1.

Nationally, 40 companies have plans to consider. In Texas, 20 companies offer 47 different plans. Plans vary on the premium rate, deductible requirements, and drugs covered. Consult local pharmacists to see what plan or plans they will honor, Crocker said. Mail ordering might be an option, depending on what drugs and plan the local pharmacist intends to utilize, he said.

If drug options are limited, consulting a physician may be necessary

to see about changing prescriptions, Crocker said.

Medicare will work with insurance companies and other private companies to offer these plans, according to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Companies will negotiate discounts on drug prices on behalf of the people who enroll.

Those who are qualified should begin considering their options immediately, Crocker said. For most participants, joining when first eligible means a lower monthly premium.

"Enrollment in Medicare Part D is optional," he said. "But you may pay an additional premium if you do not enroll in the program within a certain period of time after becoming eligible."

A one percent fee for every month eligible but not enrolled will be assessed upon enrollment after

May 15, Crocker said.

"If you wait five years, you could have to pay 60 percent more on premiums than if you enrolled now," he said.

The exception is for individuals who get their prescriptions through the Veterans Administration or a retiree plan, Crocker said.

"If you have existing coverage that is as good or better, you will not be penalized for not enrolling," he said.

Crocker said individuals who do not have prescription drugs now but are eligible to enroll should consider signing up with the lowest cost plan to avoid paying a higher rate later.

Under the plan, monthly premiums for this insurance coverage can range from \$10 to \$60. The premium is locked in for one year and after the initial sign-up period; the only enrollment period will be from Nov. 15-Dec. 31 of each year, Crocker

said. The plan is not dependent on the amount of money earned or age, he said.

"If you qualify for Medicare, you qualify."

However, the costs are per person and not per family, Crocker cautioned.

Savings can still be significant, even for those paying a deductible, premium, and their share of the prescription costs, he said.

Some low-income Medicare beneficiaries may receive extra help in paying for prescription drugs through Medicare Part D, Crocker said.

Single individuals who earn less than \$14,300 per year and married couples who earn less than \$19,200 per year may qualify for added drug benefits, such as reduced co-payments, under certain plans, he said.

More information is available by calling 800-633-4227.

## Fowler takes leadership role at West Texas A&M

A Clarendon student has taken on a leadership role at West Texas A&M University for the 2005-2006 school year through Freshmen Leaders Advancing Motivation and Excellence (FLAME).

Stephanie Fowler, a freshman psychology major, is a 2005 graduate of Clarendon High School. She is the daughter of Kim and Terry Fowler. In addition to FLAME, Fowler is involved in Baptist Student Ministry and Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship.

FLAME is a freshmen organization within student government aimed at building the future leaders of WTAMU. As a member of FLAME, Fowler will serve on University standing committees, lead meetings, debate student concerns, participate in public service, and represent fellow freshmen.

## Twilight Red Hatters hold monthly meeting

The Twilight Red Hatters had their monthly meeting at the Asia Café last Thursday. Twenty-one members enjoyed a fabulous buffet. The club appreciates the Asia Café for hosting their meeting this month.

The birthday girl (she wore a purple hat) this month was Pat Scroggins.

The December meeting will be held on December 15 at JD's Steak-out. They will have an ornament exchange with a price limit of \$5.00.

Vida O'Neal and Paulette Kidd tried their skit out at the Red Hatters will perform at the big Christmas bash in Amarillo next month. It was great, and everyone enjoyed hearing them sing.

Everyone is invited to come and join them. If you are a young-one (under 50), you wear a pink hat until your 50th birthday when they have a "Red-uation Ceremony." At the present, they have three pink hat members and would love to have more.

## Rattan named regional manager for Cebridge

Ricky Rattan, resident of Clarendon, has been asked to manage the cable systems in the southern part of the region – Eastland, Breckenridge, Lampasas, and surrounding system's around Waco, Abilene, and Fort Worth.

Rattan will combine the Panhandle systems with the southern region for operation of both areas. This will be approximately 1,100 miles of plant with 46,000 homes passed. These systems incorporate the technology of video, fiber interconnects, and high speed data.

Ricky and his wife, Marianne, and two sons, Zachary and Martin, will continue to live in Clarendon at this time.

## 4-H Spotlight

By Ashlyn Tubbs

This week's 4-H Spotlight is on Skyler White.

Skyler is 8 years old. She has been in 4-H for one year and Clover Kids for three years.

She has participated in the following projects: Food and Nutrition, in which she got second place in the Food Show with her mini ham puffs and showing goats at the stock show. She was named Junior Showmanship.

"I like 4-H because I get to go to all of the meetings and see my friends and I like learning new stuff," White says.

White's hobbies and interests are cooking and playing sports. Her family activities she enjoys are wrestling with her dad and riding 4-wheelers together. The community activities that she is involved in are that she attends the Church of Christ and plays baseball in the summer. Her school activities include PIPs, a basketball program.

The 4-H Club members are proud to have Skyler in our group. We hope that she will continue to come to all of our meetings and participate in all the 4-H projects that we have to offer.

Be sure to stay tuned next week for our next 4-H Spotlight.



White



## TxDOT workshop to seek projects for grants

CHILDRESS - Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) officials are seeking candidate projects for the Statewide Transportation Enhancement Program, which provides funding to cities and counties for projects with a relationship to the surface transportation system.

A workshop for interested community leaders will be held at the TxDOT District Office in Childress, 7599 US 287 on December 6, starting at 1:30 p.m.

At this workshop, TxDOT officials will be able to answer questions concerning specific projects, provide assistance on what type of language is best suited for this project, and

assist in filling out the application.

Previous program calls have funded the restoration of the railroad depot in Quanah; construction of the Childress Walking Trail and the restoration of the 501 Engine in Childress; restoration of the U-Drop Inn in Shamrock; restoration of the railroad depot as the Saints' Roost Museum in Clarendon; improvements to the railroad depot in Paducah as a museum; restoration of the railroad depot in Roaring Springs; a walking trail in Knox City and the Rails to Trails from Estelle to the South Plains, an equestrian, hiking and biking trail.

The new federal highway legislation, entitled Safe, Accountable,

Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA -LU) has funding for non-traditional, transportation-related activities that have a relationship to the surface transportation system.

TxDOT's goal for the program is to encourage different kinds of transportation, increase the community's benefit from the transportation investment, strengthen partnerships between state and local governments, and promote citizen involvement in transportation decisions.

Approved projects will receive funding on a cost reimbursement basis. The funding does not consti-

tute a grant. Enhancement projects are eligible for reimbursement for up to 80 percent of allowable costs. The entity nominating a project is responsible for the remaining cost share, including all cost overruns.

The program call for the submission of candidate enhancement projects will begin on Nov. 1 and will end at 5 p.m. on April 28, 2006.

Information regarding the 2005 program call and nomination forms are available on the TxDOT website at [www.dot.state.tx.us/te](http://www.dot.state.tx.us/te) or from Anita Thompson at the TxDOT Childress District office, 7599 US 287, Childress, TX 79201 or (940) 937-7153.

## Centramedia evolves brand and services

PAMPA - Centramedia begins a new era in its marketing and customer offerings. The company has refreshed its brand, and plans are underway to fully evolve its brand identity structure.

Previously known as Centramedia Online Services, the company will now be known as Centramedia.

Accompanying the name change is a new look for the logo, which dropped the royal blue and adopted royal plum.

Centramedia's expanded service offerings include network consultation, design, installation and support, as well as custom programming, Web development, and hosting. The company will continue to offer customers reliable 24/7 local tech support.

The company is planning a gradual transition to their new look, but immediate changes will be reflected throughout all communication tools such as corporate signage, advertisements, and Web sites.



### The winners

Employees at the Clarendon Pizza Hut enjoyed a stretch Hummer limo ride, courtesy of Sky Limousines, and a night on the town last week in celebration of their victory in the Perfect Pan Pizza Contest. The contest was held in September and October by La Raza Pizza, Inc., which includes 71 restaurants in Texas, New Mexico, and Indianapolis. The Clarendon group took top honors in the contest. Savannah Grubbs is the manager for the Clarendon restaurant.

Enterprise Photo / Cheryl Johnson

## the lion's tale

by allen estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting November 22, 2005, with Boss Lion Mark C. White in charge.

We had 15 members and no guests this week.

Lion Rhodes reported that the college closed Tuesday afternoon for the Thanksgiving holiday. The high school will turn out at noon Wednesday.

Lion Hysinger reported Clarendon Elementary students were first place in the UIL competition for the fifth year, and the junior high was second in district.

The club started making arrangements for our annual Christmas baskets with more details to be ironed out later. We wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

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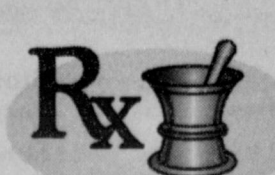
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## Hospital board nixes new phone system

The Donley County Hospital Board met in regular session November 15 in the Conference Room of the Medical Center Nursing Home.

Administrator in-training Vicky Robertson reported that Valor Telecom had proposed replacing the hospital district's phone system at a cost of \$13,400, but she said there would be no advantage to doing so. The board agreed to take no further action on this item.

The board approved a new policy concerning terminated employees conducting business on behalf of the district or its entities.

Robertson reported that the Texas Medical Assistance contract had been previously signed by the administrator in error and that it was necessary to appoint a signatory. The board approved a motion to authorize board president Alan Fletcher and his successors to be the signatory.

The board voted to have all

future grant applications be submitted to the board for approval and recorded in the minutes.

A motion was approved to transfer \$17,000 from the cash management account to the DCHD Special account for the purpose of paying the annual audit and indigent expenses.

Holly Eads reported on indigent care and said the district is pursuing reimbursement for \$8,345.67 in expenses for one person who has been made retroactively eligible for Medicaid. One other recipient has returned to work part time, and that person's case will be reviewed monthly.

Robertson gave the nursing home census as 53 residents. She also reported on needing security for the computer systems of the nursing home and ambulance service. One proposal had been received for \$1,999 and three others for over \$4,000. Other options will be pur-

sued.

The board approved giving gift cards to employees in amounts based on their length of employment in lieu of giving turkeys or hams this year. An employee appreciation will be held December 19 at 3 p.m., and the resident Christmas party will be December 20 at 3 p.m.

Associated Ambulance Authority Director Anita Aaron reported her service responded to 47 calls and served 53 patients in the month of October. She also reported that 11 Medicare claims had been denied due to a software update problem.

Aaron also reported the site survey for education and training had been conducted and a written report will be forthcoming from the state. The annual EMS dinner was held November 11 with good participation; she said Unit 2 will need replacing in a year or so.

## DPS urges drivers to buckle up, slow down, drive sober

All available DPS troopers will be patrolling Texas roadways during the Thanksgiving holiday. Troopers will be looking for drivers who are intoxicated, speeding, or not properly secured—or who have passengers who are not properly secured.

"Texas travelers should know that we will be on the lookout for unsafe driving," said Col. Thomas A. Davis, Jr., director of the DPS. "We want to make sure that everyone reaches their destination safely."

If last year's numbers are any indication, troopers will be very busy. During the 2004 Thanksgiving holiday period (Tuesday through Monday), DPS troopers arrested 653 people for driving while intoxicated. Troopers also wrote more than 18,800 tickets for speeding; more than 3,500 tickets for seatbelt violations; and cited more than 4,600 drivers for operating a motor vehicle without insurance.

"We would rather that Texas drivers voluntarily comply with the law than have to write them tickets," Col. Davis said. "Besides, complying with these laws will make you—and your loved ones—safer when you travel."

Since roads are more likely to be crowded, DPS reminds drivers to leave themselves plenty of time to get where they're going. Avoid bad driving habits that lead to road rage, such as:

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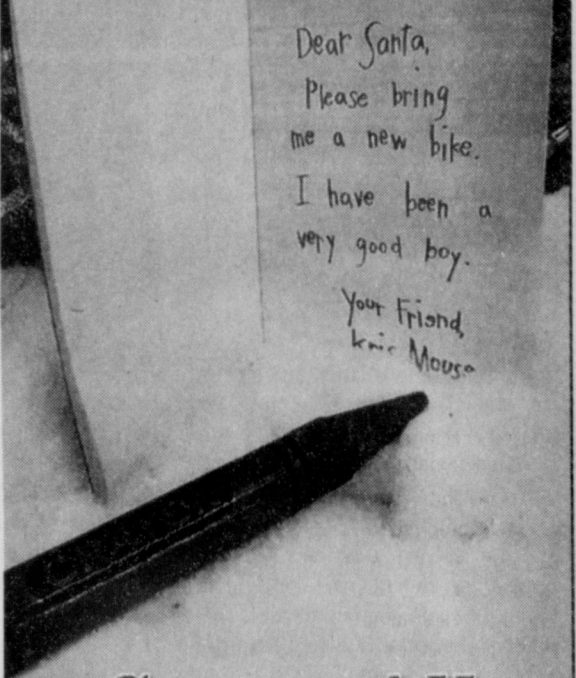
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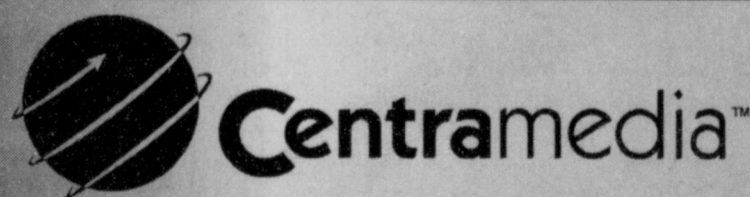
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## Lady Owls drop three games

By Tangela Copelin

The Hedley Lady Owls have played several games but have been unable to execute a solid offensive game during the second half. The girls started off well against the White Deer Does but came up short in the end losing 42 to 52.

Scoring for the Lady Owls were Ruth Anne Howard and Holly Davis 13 points each, Julie Funderburg 7, Katie Gregory 6, Lori Bugg 3, and Kristen Dwight 1 point.

Just like the first game, the Lady Owls started the first half off well going into the locker room at half time leading the Wheeler Lady Stangs 26 to 30, but in the end they gave up their lead to lose 47 to 63.

Those Lady Owls who scored were Funderburg 21, Howard, Gregory, and Davis all had 6 points each, Bugg 5, Jaci Copelin 2, and Dwight with 1 point.

In the girls third game they played, they started out well tying the first half up with the Gruver girls 30 to 30 but allowed their opponents to pull ahead and lost the game in the end.

Scoring were; Davis 13, Copelin 9, Funderburg 8, Gregory 7, Bugg 4, and Howard 2.

## Wheeler beats Owls

By Tangela Copelin

The Hedley Owls have entered a season that will take a lot of rebuilding after losing five seniors.

The only returning player with much court time is Senior Wes Shields, who has already suffered injuries causing him to be unable to play at the moment.

The Hedley Owls began the season playing Wheeler. The boys struggled during the game having trouble penetrating the Stangs defense losing the game by several points.

Those Owls scoring were Dustin Thomas 15, Jonathan Edmonson 4, Andy Alston 3, and Will Verstuyft 2.

## Bronco JV beats Tullia

The Bronco junior varsity traveled to Tullia to take on the Hornets, and they did so in a big way by defeating their opponent 50-13.

The Broncos led in the first period by four points, but soon turned the game into a runaway as they gained a 22-6 lead at the break. The second half belonged to the Broncos as well as they only allowed the Hornets to hit seven more points. Three Broncos were in double figures that included 14 and 12 points from freshmen.

"The guys did a great job," coach Brandon Word said. "They hustled on offense and played solid defense."

Scoring: Trevor Loeper 14, Derrick Shelton 14, Danzel Wilson 12, Austin Howard 8, Dalton Askew 4, and Zack Rattan 2.

The Broncos will take on Hedley at home November 29 at 5:00 pm. They will participate in the White Deer Junior Varsity Tournament December 8 and 10. Teams and times were not available at press time.

## JV Lady Owls win two

The Hedley JV Lady Owls have started the season off with a bang winning their first two games. The first game against the White Deer Does had the girls winning 28 to 19.

Scoring for the JV Lady Owls were Shandy Koetting 10, Kelby Shields, 6, and Kayla Klinger, Skyler Conatser, and Elizabeth Garcia all had 4 points each.

The second game the girls played the fared equally well besting the Wheeler Lady Stangs 38 to 20.

Those putting points on the board at this game were; Shields 11, Koetting 8, Conatser 7, and Klinger and Garcia 6 points each.

## Colts beat Wellington

What began slowly for the seventh grade Colts ended in a big win over the Firecrackers in their first game of the season. The final score was 38-25.

The Colts trailed the Firecrackers by one at the end of the first period, but they rallied back to take a three-point lead at halftime. After the break, the game belonged to the Colts as they continued to gain momentum and put the game out of reach.

Scoring: Johnny Gaines 12, Bradley Watson 11, Mike Crump 9, Braydon Phillips 4, and Daniel West 2.

Things did not go as well for the

Colts as they were defeated 21-33. The Colts led going into the break, but they came out slow in the third quarter only scoring two points. Wellington took advantage of the Colts' cold-shooting and went on to take the win.

Scoring: Nelson Devin 5, Dustin Ford 5, Jadon Thornton 4, Ryan Hill 4, and Weatherton 3.

Both Colt teams will go up against Quannah at home Monday, November 28, with the seventh grade at 5:00 p.m. and the eighth grade to follow.

## Lady Colts steal victory

In a game that went down to the wire, the eighth grade Lady Colts put their first victory in the win column as they defeated Wellington 38-34 at home in their first game of the season.

The Lady Colts held a six-point lead going into the last period of play and held off an attempt by their opponent to take the lead.

Scoring: Jill Luna 13, Dominique Mason 8, Kia Bryley 8, Deidre Lewis 5, and Brandi Mays 4. Other team members are: Kiki Hill, Elyssa Holland, Ericka Edwards, Mariah Benavidez, Lauren Shelton, Brittany Sanchez, and Caitlin Christopher.

The seventh grade Lady Colts fought hard but came up short against Wellington as they lost 29-39. The game was tied at 16 at the break, but the Lady Firecrackers took advantage of a third quarter surge to open up a seven-point lead. They increased that lead to 10 points in the fourth period, which was the difference in the game.

Scoring: Chelsea Alaniz 12, Danielle Ford 8, Kayleigh West 5, Annessa Williams 2, and Megan Hysinger 2. Other team members are: Miranda Miller, Cory Hinojosa, Savannah Thacker, Kelsey Floyd, Annie Patten, Ashlyn Tubbs, Dominique Brady, Vanessa Williams, Kierston Copeland, Natalie Rodriguez, Kelsey Thomas, Holly Phillips, and Chelsea Covey.

The Lady Colts will travel to Quannah Monday, November 28, to take on the Lady Indians. The seventh grade

game will begin at 5:00 p.m., and the eighth grade will follow immediately after.

## HJH girls beat Eagles

Just like the boys the Hedley Owl Junior High girls have played two games, winning one and losing one. The girls started out playing the McLean Tiger Cubs and could not seem to execute their offense in the second half losing 21 to 34.

Junior High Lady Owls scoring were Jasie Sargent 6, Haley Hall 5, Kaylee Shields 4, Jenni Allen 2 and Brook Martin 1.

The second game had the Junior High girls dominating the court. The girls came out with a bang, outscoring the Samnorwood Lady Eagles 23 to 8 in the first half and continuing on to win 55 to 30.

Scoring this game were Hall 26, Allen 8, Martin and Jasie Sargent 6 each, Shields 5, Kailee Blaine Burton and Brittney Netterville two points each.

## HJH boys beat McLean

The Hedley Junior High Owls have kicked off the 2005-2006 season with one win and one loss. The boys began by playing a heart stopping game against the McLean Tiger Cubs. The boys went in the locker room at halftime down by 4 points but came out hustling to win the game 27 to 26.

Those boys scoring were Reid Copelin 9, Braden Montgomery 6, Will Monroe 6, Angel Villarreal 2, and Brandon Benton and Troy Chambliss 1 point each.

The second game the boys played they did not fare so well. The boys struggled during the 2nd quarter and allowed the Samnorwood Eagles to run up the score and were down by 13 at the half. The boys continued to struggle for the rest of the game and lost by 10 points.

Scoring this game were Montgomery and Copelin 12 points each, Chambliss and Monroe 9 points each, and Benton with 1 point.

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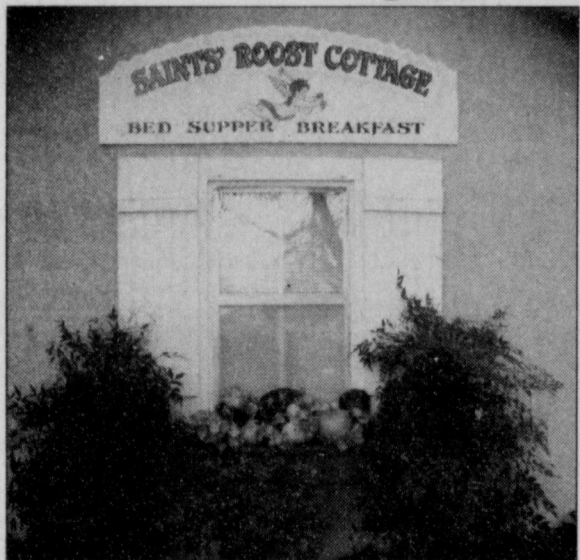
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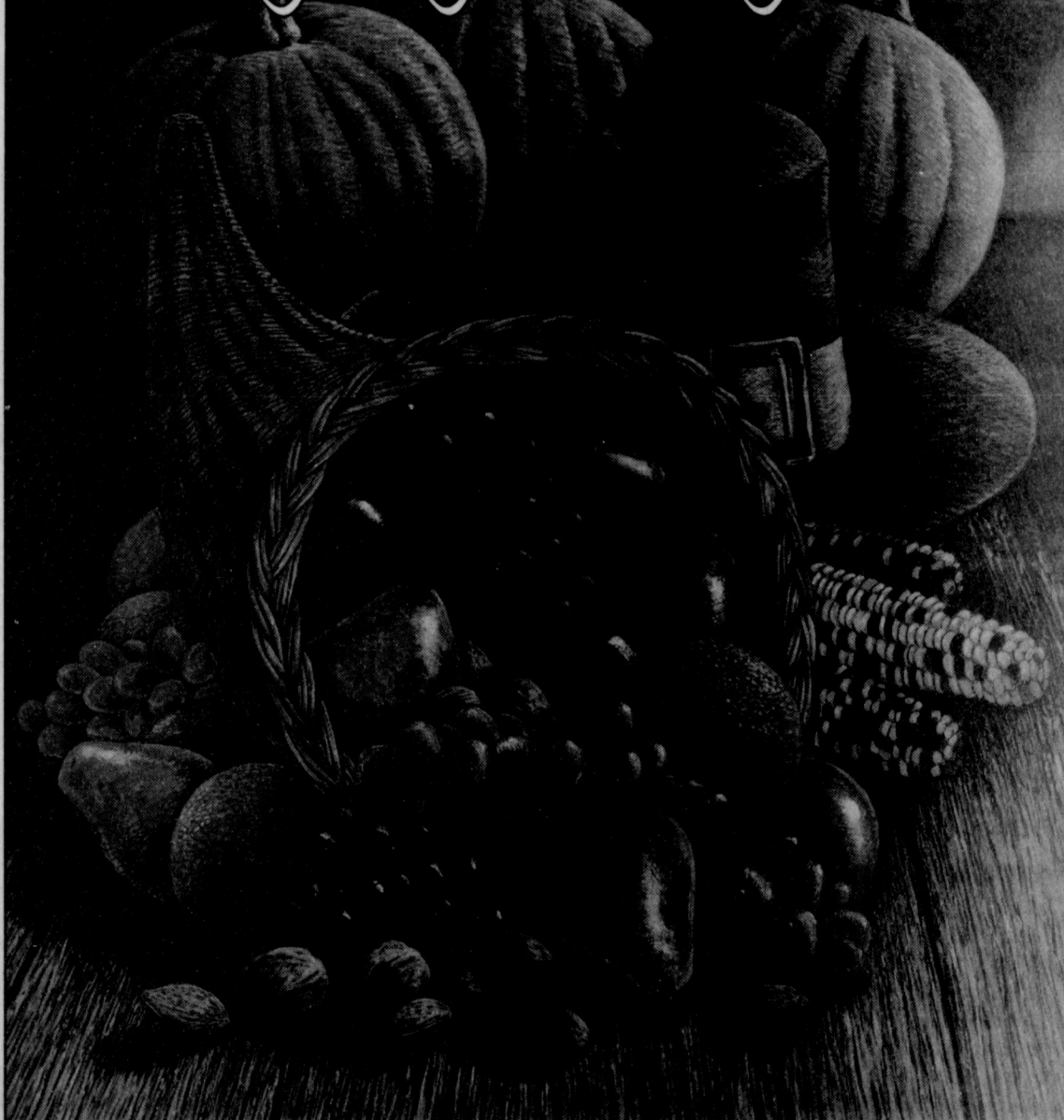
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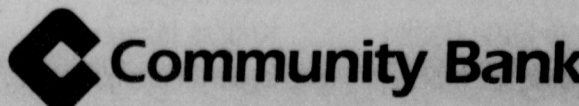


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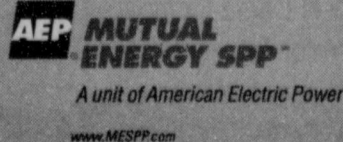
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# Broncos sting Hornets 54-49

By Sandy Anderberg

With little time to practice after the transition from football, the Broncos grabbed three wins with two losses in a week's worth of play.

The Broncos got things rolling on the road against Tulia when they took the Hornets on a 54-49 rout to gain their first season victory. Three players were in double figures with several others contributing to the win.

"It was nice to go on the road and get a win to start the season," Coach Wade Callaway said. "We played hard, and LaDez (Captain) had a big game with 22 points and 17 rebounds. He showed glimpses of what he is capable of doing. The other guys did a nice job of looking for him so that we could be successful."

Scoring: Captain 22, Stephen Ford 9, Jesse Rodriguez 7, Michael Henderson 5, Bret Carter 5, Will Betts 4, and Brad Sell 2.

Thursday, November 17, the Broncos participated in the Highland Park Tournament and took on White

Deer in the first round. The Bucks were able to stop the Broncos 44-41.

"It was a bad game from the offset," Callaway said. "We were even more shorthanded than we thought we would be due to an injury to Brad Sell (ankle sprain that will keep him out until after Thanksgiving)."

"Our defense played well enough to win and only gave up 44 points, but we simply missed too many free throws, lay-ups, and open three-pointers. We have time to fix all of that before district starts."

Scoring: Captain 15, Betts 12, Henderson 7, Ford 4, Rodriguez 2, and Carter 1.

The Broncos took on 3A River Road in the next round and played hard enough to earn the 54-46 win. Unyielding defense and good shooting offensively guided the Broncos to the big win.

"Our defense was again solid, and we shot the ball much better in this game to give us a big win over a 3A opponent," Callaway said. "Will (Betts) made three three-pointers,

and LaDez (Captain) again had a big game on both ends of the court. Stephen Ford also gave us some great minutes and was particularly good at the free throw line. It was a great team victory, and everyone contributed nicely to the win."

The Broncos drew up against Tulia in the next round and once again walked away with the win. This time the spread was 13 points as Clarendon won 43-30.

"This was our best defensive game of the young season," Callaway said. "Tulia never scored more than nine points in any quarter. Our two starting post did a great job down low and at the free throw line (Henderson was seven for seven). Freshman Alton Gaines also gave us a spark pitching in six points off the bench; and senior Morgan Robinson had a huge defensive game."

Scoring: Captain 14, Henderson 11, Betts 7, Gaines 6, Rodriguez 2, and Robinson 2.

The win over the Hornets pushed the Broncos to the consolation round where they met Vega. Despite a good

effort, the Broncos were defeated 40-48.

"We didn't come out very focused, and it showed," Callaway said. "For the first time in a long while, a press gave us trouble; and we simply threw the ball away too many times."

"Our talent level is definitely good enough to win, but it's not so good that we can stumble into games unfocused and expect to win. The effort was there, but the execution was not."

"On the bright side, we took a season-high five charges, and senior Calvin Edwards made a last second shot after receiving a very unselfish pass from fellow senior Stephen Ford."

Scoring: Betts 13, Captain 10, Henderson 5, Rodriguez 5, Gaines 3, Robinson 2, and Edwards 2.

The Broncos will take on Hedley November 29 at home beginning at 8 p.m. They will play in the Nazareth Tournament December 1-3 with teams and times to be announced at a later date.

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## Lady Broncos look for first win of season

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos traveled to Tulia November 15 and were defeated 36-70. The Lady Broncos just couldn't get anything going against their opponent, and the Lady Hornets jumped out to an early lead in the first half of play. Clarendon stayed with them the third period, but Tulia took over in the fourth quarter to secure their win.

Scoring: Kaitlyn Howard 7, Jessi Howard 6, Caitlan Hall 6, Haley Shelton 6, Regan Lemley 6, Sade Faas 4, Holly Cornell 2, and Haley Carter 1.

The Lady Broncos took part in the Highland Park Tournament beginning Thursday, November 17, and went up against a tough Stratford team in the first round. They were defeated 32-51. The Lady Broncos had a cold-shooting second period, which allowed the Lady Elks to expand their lead. Despite shooting 85 percent from the free-throw line, the Lady Broncos failed to hit the shots that they needed to defeat their opponent.

Scoring: Shelton 13, J. Howard 9, J. Cornell 3, K. Howard 2, Lemley 2, and Kristin White 1.

Friday, the Lady Broncos drew Spearman, who bested the maroon and white 35-56. Again, cold shooting from the field in the first half hindered the Lady Broncos, and the deficit was too much to make up for them.

"We just couldn't get anything going," Coach Steve Myatt said. "We know we have a lot of work to do during practice to prepare us for our next game."

Scoring: J. Howard 10, K. Howard 6, Lemley 6, Shelton 5, H. Cornell 4, Samantha Myatt 2, and Faas 1.

The Lady Broncos will take on Hedley November 29 at home at 6:30 p.m. They will compete in the Nazareth Tournament December 1-3.

## Lady Bronco JV drops one to Tulia

The Lady Bronco junior varsity suffered a 26-37 loss at the hands of the Lady Hornets on the road Tuesday, December 15.

After playing the first period to a 7-7 tie, the Lady Broncos fell behind and could never make up the difference in the rest of the game.

"We played well at times but made too many mistakes" Coach Kasey Bell said.

The Lady Broncos will regroup in practice and be ready to take on the Hedley Lady Owls Tuesday, November 29 after the Thanksgiving break. The game will be at the Bronco Gymnasium and will begin at 5:00 p.m. December 8 and 10 the Lady Broncos will participate in the White Deer Tournament.

Scoring: Abbie Massingill 7, Macy Shadle 6, Janae White 4, Cortnee Thornberry 3, Bailey Starnes 2, Abby Patten 2, and Haleigh Lewis 2.

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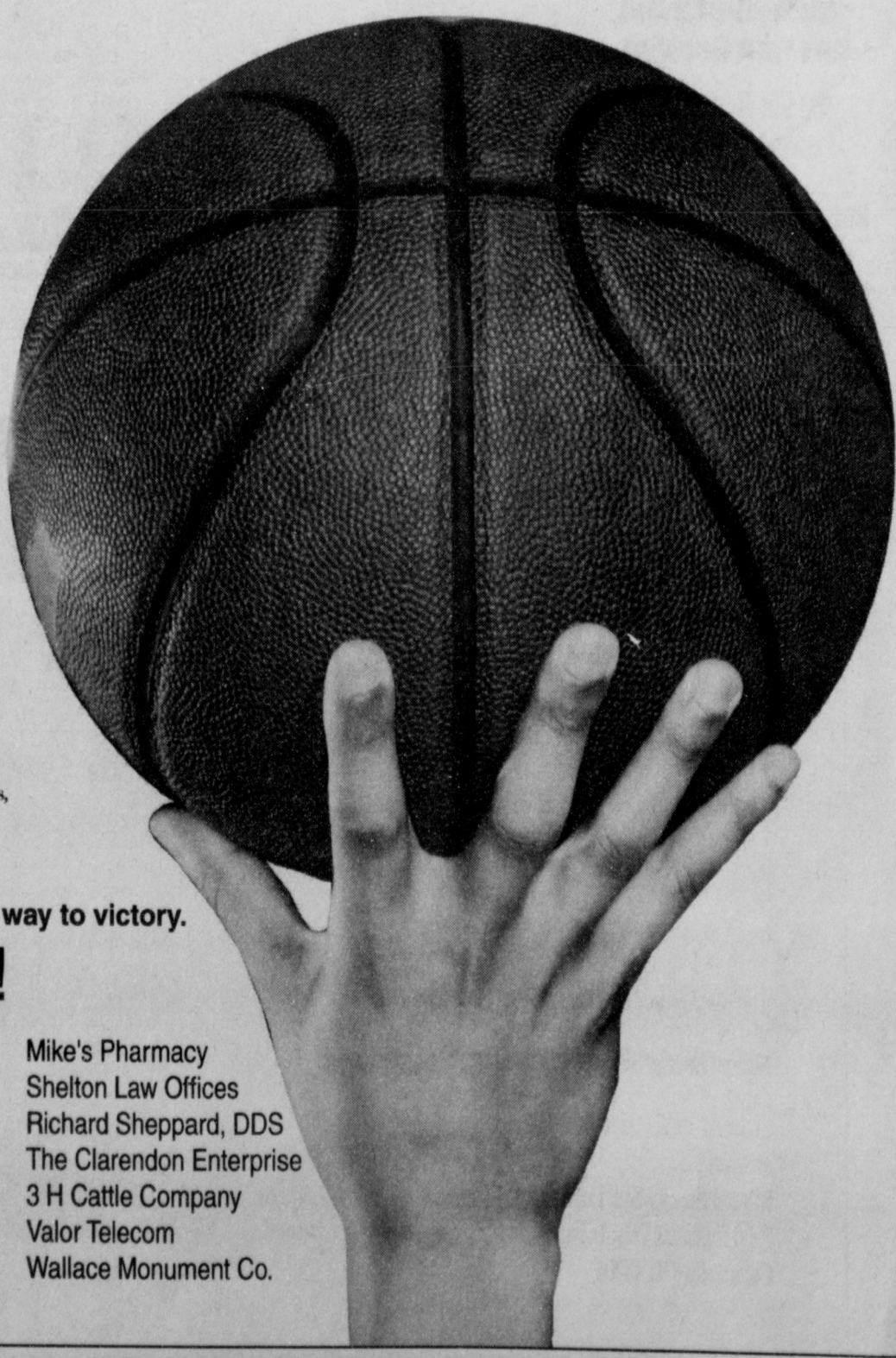
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 Clarendon College is soliciting proposals for Vocational Nursing Equipment and Supplies. Full information, specifications, and proposal documents may be obtained from Tex Buckhaults, Dean of Instruction, Clarendon College, Administration Building, 1122 College Drive, P.O. Box 968, Clarendon, Texas 79226 or by phoning (806) 874-3571. Proposals are to be received by 2:00 p.m. on Friday, December 9, 2005 the "Due Date". Estimated date of award December 15, 2005. Clarendon College reserves the right to negotiate with any/all proposers at any time, before or after submission of a proposal. Clarendon College reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive technicalities. 48-2tc

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS**  
 Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.  
**CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)**  
 Dist/Div: Amarillo  
 Contract 6139-00-001 for debris pickup and disposal in Carson County, etc. will be opened on December 14, 2005, at 2:00 p.m. at the District Office for an estimate of \$104,000.00. Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 18513  
 State Office: Constr./Maint. Division, 200 E. Riverside Dr., Austin, Texas 78704, Phone: 512-416-2540.  
 Dist/Div Office(s): Amarillo District, District Engineer, 5715 Canyon Dr., Amarillo, Texas 79105-2708, Phone: 806-356-3283.  
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**VOCATIONAL NURSING INSTRUCTOR**  
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Screening of applicants will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

Send letter of application, resume, transcripts, and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of three professional references to: Darlene Spier, Assistant to the President, Clarendon College, Box 968, Clarendon, Tx 79226.

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**VERY ATTRACTIVE - 2 bedroom**, 1 bath, living, kitchen/dining with built in oven & range, dishwasher, disposer, microwave, fans, carpet, central heat, 1 car port, fenced back yard, insulated shop building, storage building plus fruit and nut trees at 609 W. 8th St. for \$29,500.

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**ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH BUILDING - suitable** for use as/is for groups or organizations. Excellent location for DAY CARE FACILITY and building could be easily converted for that use. Also easily converted to residential property. Central heat & ref. air already in parts of the building. Lots of square footage, located at 511 E. 5th St for \$39,900.

**CHOICE COMMERCIAL CORNER LOT - and 1,536 sq. ft. building** with frontage on Hwy. 287 at intersection with Gorst St. includes 4,329 sq. ft. concrete paving for \$45,000.

**HEDLEY - 3 BEDROOM BRICK, 1 1/2 BATHS - nice kitchen** with good cabinets and counter tops, breakfast nook, large den/dining with built in book case, utility, large entry, almost new central heat and ref. air, new double pane/easy clean windows throughout, shop and storage room in garage, chain link fenced back yard, 2 yard buildings, many fruit and nut trees and grape vines. 1,576 sq. ft. living, 616 sq. ft. attached double garage with openers at 407 W. Railroad St. for \$66,000. REDUCED TO \$55,000.

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### Sheriff's Report: Loud music prompts calls

**Nov. 14**  
 2:50 a.m. - See complainant on Medical Drive for harassing phone calls.  
 5:03 a.m. - EMS assist in the 900 block of S. Carhart.  
 7:13 a.m. - Possible diesel leak in the 200 block of S. Sully.  
 9:01 a.m. - Out at courthouse.  
 9:32 a.m. - Welfare check in rural S.E. Donley County.  
 4:22 p.m. - Check security of residence in the 200 block of Smith Dr. in Howardwick.  
 4:25 p.m. - Out at business on N. SH 70.  
 7:34 p.m. - Assist motorist on E. US 287.

**Nov. 15**  
 1:43 a.m. - Residential alarm on CR 30.  
 12:51 p.m. - Residential fire in the 200 block of S. Carhart.  
 7:29 p.m. - Out at Hedley High School gym.

**Nov. 16**  
 11:08 a.m. - Welfare check in rural S.E. Donley County.  
 1:58 p.m. - Back at above location.  
 2:04 p.m. - Transport to mental health facility in Pampa.  
 4:42 p.m. - Out on Sims St. Several juveniles here.  
 8:43 p.m. - Check residence in the 100

block of S. McClelland. 911 call, no response on call back.  
 8:58 p.m. - See caller in the 500 block of S. Kearney St.  
 10:57 p.m. - Out at residence on 8th and Sims.

**Nov. 17**  
 12:24 a.m. - Check stranded motorist on US 287 at CR 30.  
 7:58 a.m. - Loose livestock on FM 2162.  
 12:13 p.m. - See complainant in the 300 block of Rosenfield.  
 6:58 p.m. - Reported loud music. Location not logged.  
 7:09 p.m. - To jail with one male in custody.  
 9:09 p.m. - Back to prior location - loud music.  
 11:56 p.m. - See caller at residence on N. Kearney.

**Nov. 18**  
 1:14 a.m. - EMS assist in the 200 block of S. Carhart.  
 8:40 a.m. - Minor accident in the 100 block of W. 4th, parking lot.  
 10:23 a.m. - Check reported gunshots west of CC.  
 1:20 p.m. - See complainant in the 200 block of S. Kearney. Theft.  
 2:20 p.m. - Suspicious activity in the 300

block of E. 5th St.  
 5:02 p.m. - Out at annex.  
 9:03 p.m. - Out at ag barn.

**Nov. 19**  
 8:22 a.m. - Business alarm in the 100 block of Circle Dr.  
 8:40 a.m. - Out at 2nd and Central Sts.  
 5:54 a.m. - See caller in the 1000 block of E. Cooke. Trespass.  
 11:06 a.m. - At the 200 block of S. Goodnight.  
 11:23 a.m. - Back to the 1000 block of E. Cooke.

**Nov. 20**  
 2:15 a.m. - Removal of animal carcass.  
 10:16 a.m. - Welfare check in the 300 block of S. Jefferson.  
 1:08 p.m. - EMS assist on US 287 at Faker St.  
 5:03 p.m. - EMS assist in the 200 block of S. Goodnight.  
 11:24 p.m. - Secure building on E. US 287.

**Summary**  
 Arrests - 4  
 Fire - 2  
 EMS - 10

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### LEGAL NOTICE

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF MUTUAL ENERGY SPP FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE FUEL FACTOR**

On November 7, 2005, Mutual Energy SWEPCO doing business as Mutual Energy SPP ("ME SPP" or "Company") filed its application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission") to increase its fuel factors. This filing was made pursuant to Section 36.203 of the Texas Utilities Code.

Commission Docket No. 29331 established the methodology for calculating ME SPP's fuel factors. ME SPP seeks authority to increase its existing seasonal fuel factors pursuant to that methodology using forecasted gas prices for the period ending August 26, 2005, effective with the January 2006 billing month.

The Company's fuel factor filing does not affect the Company's base rates that are currently in effect. All of ME SPP's customers are affected by the Company's application. The granting of the fuel factors requested in this application will result in an increase in billing for an average residential customer consuming 1,000 kWh per month of \$22.68, or approximately 19.6%. The proposed fuel factors by voltage type are as follows:

**Quarterly Fixed Fuel Factors**

Voltage Level	December - February	March - May	June - August	September - November
Transmission	\$.062502	\$.105795	\$.085569	\$.059799
Primary	\$.064007	\$.108193	\$.087578	\$.061267
Secondary	\$.068882	\$.115909	\$.093935	\$.065942

These changes will be subject to final review by the Commission in ME SPP's next fuel reconciliation.

Persons with questions or who want more information on the application may contact Jeff C. Broad at 400 West 15th Street, Suite 610, Austin, Texas 78701 or by calling Mr. Broad at (512) 481-4555. A complete copy of this application is available for inspection at the address listed above.

The Commission has assigned Docket No. 32004 to ME SPP's application, and an intervention deadline will be established. Persons who wish to intervene should notify the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) as soon as possible, and before the intervention deadline. A request to intervene or comments regarding this application should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may call (512) 936-7136 or use Relay Texas (toll-free) at 1 (800) 735-2989.

The Commission has assigned Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_, to ME SPP's application and an intervention deadline will be established. Persons who wish to formally participate in this proceeding, or who wish to express their comments regarding this application should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, Office of Consumer Protection, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or call (512) 936-7120, or toll free at (888) 782-8477. Hearing and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may call (512) 936-7136 or use Relay Texas (toll free) at 1 (800) 735-2989.

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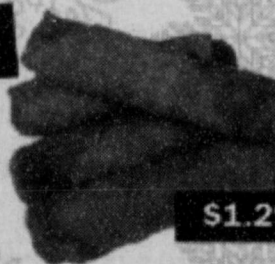
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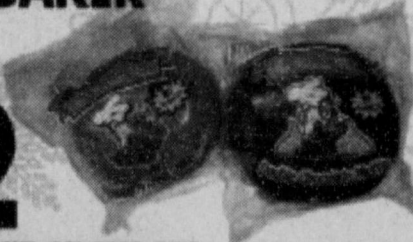


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