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THIS WEEK

- 2 Congress looks for a scapegoat, but the one they pick won't take the blame.
- 3 Find out what's happening during this year's Cotton Festival.
- 5 The city stops looking for a new administrator - for now.
- 8 And the Broncos fall to the Kiowas in a close game.

All this and much more as The Enterprise reports in this week's fire-up edition!

Lions selling tickets for pancake supper

The Clarendon Lions Club will hold its annual Pancake Supper Friday in the Clarendon School Cafeteria prior to the Broncos v. Wellington game.

Get all the pancakes you can eat and your choice of ham or sausage on the side. Tickets are \$3 for kids 12 and under and \$5 for adults and are available from any Lion, at the door, or at the ENTERPRISE.

Bronco Bonfire to be at McAnear's Thursday

The annual Clarendon High School bonfire will be held this Thursday, October 9, at 9 p.m., and the public is invited and encouraged to come get fired up for the Broncos.

The bonfire will be held on Ronnie McAnear's place just south of Citizens Cemetery on SH 70.

Bronco Parents asking fans to wear Maroon

The Bronco Parents are asking all Bronco fans to wear maroon to the first district game for the Broncos this Friday night. Friday night's game has officially been declared Maroon Magic Night.

Clarendon will face off against Wellington in the contest.

Deer management seminar to be at CC

Make your plans to attend the Whitetail and Mule Deer Management Conference to be held Friday, October 14, and hosted by the Texas Deer Association and Mumme's, Inc. The conference starts at 9 a.m. in the Bairfield Activity Center at Clarendon College.

Hear some of the top speakers in the deer industry discussing a variety of topics such as deer nutrition, deer management permits for landowners in Texas and how to apply for them, land economics in relation to hunting and high fences, systems to maximize antler development, and other topics.

To RSVP for the event, please call the Texas Deer Association at 210-767-8300.

Clarendon Cub Scouts begin popcorn sales

Cub Scout Pack 437 began their annual popcorn fund-raiser this week and will continue until October 21.

The money the scouts raise will benefit both the council and the local pack. Clarendon Scouts sold over \$7,000 and were the second highest sellers in the council last year, and they hope to place first this year.

Cub Scouts will be going door to door taking orders for the popcorn and will also accept monetary donations.

For more information or to place your order, contact any Cub Scout or Cubmaster David Smith.

Cost of natural gas will soar GreenLight Gas manager urges enrollment in average billing

GreenLight Gas customers should sign up for the company's 12-month average billing and do it now to ease the pain that's going to come with this winter's heating bills.

"I'm going on it, and everybody else should," GreenLight General Manager Brent Wheeler told the ENTERPRISE this week.

The dual blows of hurricanes Katrina and Rita have caused the natural gas industry to anticipate shortages this winter that could drive prices higher, and the Texas Railroad Commission reports that prices could increase 39 to 95 percent and be as

high as \$15 per thousand cubic feet (Mcf).

Wheeler said his company paid \$8 per Mcf last year, and this week his price is at \$14 per Mcf.

"Last winter, I thought it was ridiculously high," he said. "Now we wish we had bought all we could at \$8, but we thought it would come down from that."

A consumer's gas bill is made up of three components, and only two are regulated (the pipeline transportation and local distribution cost). The actual commodity cost is unregulated and varies according to market condi-

tions.

Although the industry's storage capacity is currently a little above the five-year average for this time of year, Wheeler said market anticipation and volatility are driving prices higher.

"Everybody is scared," he said. "Forecasters are talking about hurricanes in October. We've already taken two big hits (to production), and any bad news now will drive prices even higher. Supply is shut down (in some areas), and it needs to get back up and going quickly."

Unlike crude oil and home heat-

ing oil, there are no national reserves for natural gas. But Wheeler notes that natural gas prices do track the price of oil; and some industry analysts think that if President Bush taps national oil reserves to lower those prices, gas prices might follow.

In the meantime, Wheeler says gas customers should prepare for the worst and expect those record high bills to show up in December.

Using his own personal gas bill from a peak month last year, Wheeler said gas usage that cost \$143 last year will cost \$206 at the current price this year. That's a 44 percent increase,

and it could get worse.

"I've got a fireplace, and I've already started chopping more wood," Wheeler said. "My wife and I have purchased electric blankets, and we're going to try to lower the thermostat ten degrees before going to bed each night."

The railroad commission is also encouraging consumers to practice conservation measures that include insulating, sealing and weather-stripping windows and doors; adding insulation to attics; making sure duct work is properly insulated and

See 'Gas prices' on page 3.



Moving along

Workers with B&B Solvent resumed their labors Monday installing curb and gutter on Sixth Street as part of the city's 2005 paving project. Contractor W.R. Terry said the issues of concrete supply that had stopped work last week have been resolved, and he anticipates finishing the curbing on Sixth this week. Base material will be ready to put on Sixth by the 15th of this month. Cold weather may slow progress on the job, though. Terry said he can pour concrete with temperatures in the 40s, but it needs to be warmer than that to put down oil.

Enterprise Photo / Roger Eastlack

Carsons to lead Cotton Festival parade Saturday

Bill and Juanell Carson have been selected as Grand Marshals of the 54th annual Hedley Cotton Festival.

Bill and Juanell have made Hedley their home since their retirement in 1981. They owned Morton Lumber Company in Borger, and Bill was on the Board of Directors for the Texas Lumberman's Association during that time. After having sold Morton Lumber Company in 1981, they moved to Hedley to live on the farm that the Tates settled in 1907 after their exodus from Oklahoma Territory.

Bill was born to Rufus and Myrtle Carson in Harmon County and graduated from Quail High School in 1945. Juanell was born to Tom and Myrtle Tate and attended McKnight School and graduated from Quail High School in 1945. The Tate Grove was the location for the Old Settler's Picnic held prior to the Cotton Festival for many years.

Bill and Juanell were married at the Hedley Methodist Church on October 5, 1947. They have two children, Susan Cosby of Mustang, Oklahoma, and Tom Carson of Borger. They have eight grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

In 1991, Moffitt Hardware was to be auctioned. They could not stand the thought of Hedley without the institution known as Moffitt Hardware, earlier known as Thompson Hardware. As a result, out of retirement they came and purchased the hardware store, which had been in business since 1917, to continue the legacy of Moffitt Hardware. There must have been a smile on the faces of Hobart and Pauline Moffitt.

The Carsons have been a tremendous asset to the community of Hedley in the support of community and civic projects. Bill has been the



Juanell and Bill Carson

President of the Hedley Lions Club and currently serves as secretary/treasurer, an office he has held for the past 18 years. He recently was awarded a 45-year membership pin. He has been very active in the annual Chicken Barbecue as well as the Cotton Festival and assisting with the Saturday Noon Barbecue and the Queen's Festival. Juanell is a former member and officer of the Lioness Club. Bill is currently serving on the Board of the Rowe Cemetery.

The Carsons are very active in the Hedley Methodist Church. Bill is currently serving as Treasurer of the church, and both Bill and Juanell have served as Sunday School Teachers.

The couple has also been great supporters of the Hedley Senior Citizens program, where she currently serves on the board; and he is a former board member. They have exemplified Hedley Owls spirit as they continually support Hedley Independent School District and its various athletic and scholastic programs, the FFA, and other projects throughout the years.

Bill and Juanell Carson count it as their privilege to be chosen as the Grand Marshals for this Cotton Festival.

MCNH poker run draws 107 entrants

The turnout wasn't quite what was expected last Saturday, but organizers are still calling the Medical Center Nursing Home's first Heritage Poker Run a great success.

The event drew 107 entrants who drove or rode an estimated 70 motorcycles and 14 classic cars to raise money to benefit the residents of the home.

"Everybody has been highly complimentary," said administrator-in-training Vicky Robertson. "Everybody said it went really well, and nobody voiced any complaints."

Robertson also said the residents of MCNH enjoyed the event, and plans are being made for next year.

The poker run started at Greenbelt Lake's south boat ramp, and

participants drove to and drew additional cards at four other locations on a route that encompassed SH 70 to Jericho, I-40 to McLean, SH 273 to Hedley, and US 287 to Clarendon.

Briley Chadwick had the low hand and won \$256.80. Kim Layton had the high hand and took home \$385.20.

Nursing home residents L.L. Wallace, Clyde Price, Virginia Lunsford, Christine Milward, and Colleen Crow judged the cars and bikes. Clarendon's Larry Hicks was the big winner, claiming the first place motorcycle certificate and the overall Best of Show title with his '85 Goldwing. Larry Christopher was second in the motorcycle division with his '91 Goldwing, and Patrick Robertson

was third with his '85 Electric Light.

In the car division, Johnny Ray of Pampa was first with his '65 Barracuda, Redell Johnston of Howardwick was second with a '66 Mustang, and Ken Carden of Howardwick was third with a '49 Hudson.

Another car of interest belonged to Darrel and Frances Brogdon of Amarillo. Their 1957 Chevrolet was purchased new from Alderson's Chevrolet in Clarendon, has had only three owners, and has only 35,000 original miles on it. Everything about the car was original and in pristine condition.

The poker run netted about \$2,000, which will go toward the purchase of a new van to transport residents to activities.



Larry Christopher and Larry Hicks display their second and first place winning motorcycles during the first Medical Center Nursing Home Heritage Poker Run last Saturday.

Enterprise Photo / Roger Eastlack

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.

Blame game should focus on local level

Former FEMA director Mike Brown last week was dragged before a congressional committee — perhaps more appropriately called a board of inquiry — and was raked over the coals as the political blowhards tried to find some human to blame for the wrath of nature that was Hurricane Katrina.

But Brown, who has been portrayed by the media as a bungling Keystone cop, apparently felt that, having resigned, he had nothing left to lose and therefore was in no mood to take any congressional crap.

Brownie, as President Bush calls him, laid it all on the line and said many things that your humble editor had been thinking as the whole sorry saga unfolded last month in New Orleans and Louisiana in general. The federal government was not designed to be the first response to local problems. Local emergency services worked, he said, in Mississippi and Alabama but not in Louisiana.

Brown for his part correctly identified Louisiana as “dysfunctional” and said his agency was not supposed to be the first line of defense in disaster.

“Guess what, FEMA doesn’t own fire trucks; we don’t own ambulances; we don’t own search-and-rescue equipment,” Brown said. “In fact, the only search-and-rescue or emergency equipment that we own is a very small cadre to protect some property that we own around the country. FEMA is a coordinating agency. We are not a law enforcement agency.”

Of course, that may change in the future. People are so indignant about Katrina that there is actually talk of federalizing many of these functions and giving the president the power to impose his authority over state and local officials in the event of a disaster.

But is that really necessary? America has seen how effective local leaders can deal with crises. From Giuliani in New York to the way Gov. Jeb Bush has dealt with past hurricanes, state and local leaders know the needs of their neighbors and know how to deal with them better than any federal agency ever will.

I’m no fan of Gov. Perry, but it’s obvious to me that Texas responded better to Louisiana’s problems than Louisiana’s own governor did. And certainly the Lone Star State did a better job in preparing for and responding to Hurricane Rita.

The problems in Louisiana were compounded by the fact that there appears to be a cesspool of humanity living in New Orleans. There are hundreds of thousands — if not millions — of innocent victims left in Katrina’s wake. But one cannot ignore the fact that, in New Orleans, emergency personnel were routinely shot at and that hundreds of specimens of human trash wantonly destroyed private property and stole such essential things as jewelry, stereos, and color televisions (for which they had no electricity). Meanwhile, their welfare-addicted neighbors did nothing but bitch and moan about how Bush wasn’t doing enough to help them.

Personally, I think Brown ought to be given a medal for doing the best he could in an impossible situation. Louisiana needs to come to terms with its own problems with limited help from federal taxpayers; and New Orleans — well, let that city be an example of what happens when you elect incompetent local leaders, when people are not taught self-reliance, and when people are hooked on federal dependency.

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[s] Roger A. Estlack, Publisher
September 30, 2005

Medicare drug benefit available soon

After more than two years of preparation, the new Medicare prescription drug benefit will be available beginning January 1, 2006. Many of you may have already received information from companies about plans that offer Medicare prescription drug coverage.

All 42 million Medicare beneficiaries are eligible to receive this benefit. But, as is true when considering any other purchase, people need to be good consumers.

First, everyone needs to understand that the Medicare prescription drug coverage is a voluntary benefit. No one is required to take it. You may already have drug coverage from another source, such as an employer or a union. If you are satisfied with your current coverage, you can choose to stay with your current plan.

If you decide you want to sign up for the new benefit, you will still have to choose the best plan for you. Unlike most of what the government has to offer, the Medicare prescription drug benefit is not a “one size fits all” program. It is insurance offered by private companies with the government paying part of the cost. And, there are many plans from which to choose. In Texas, 20 organizations have been approved to offer Medicare prescription drug coverage plans in our state. Beneficiaries will also be able to acquire

Medicare prescription drug insurance as part of more comprehensive plans that include health care services along with drug coverage.

The companies offering these plans are in competition with each other as to both benefits and cost. All companies authorized to offer the drug plans must meet Medicare’s minimum requirements. They are required to cover all medically necessary drugs and to contract with pharmacies in the areas where beneficiaries live. But, with so many plans available, retirees need to do some careful shopping to choose the plan that works best for them.

As with most insurance, the prescription drug benefit will involve premiums, deductibles, and other costs. The prescription drug benefit does not make medicine totally free. But, it will make prescription drug coverage available to help the millions of older Americans pay for medicines. The White House estimates Medicare prescription drug coverage will save an average retiree \$1,300 a year.

The benefit should be especially helpful to those faced with very high drug



issue update
by rep. mac thornberry

expenses. Under the standard plan, once a beneficiary’s out-of-pocket drug expenses for one calendar year reaches \$3,600, they will be required to pay just 5 percent (or a small co-payment) for the rest of their drug purchases that year. All of their other drug purchase costs will be covered by the plan.

There is also extra assistance available for those with a low income. For Medicare beneficiaries who meet the eligibility guidelines, the savings on drug purchases will be substantial. Millions of low income Medicare beneficiaries could pay no more than \$5 per prescription.

To make the decisions that are right for you, a little study probably will be necessary. Information is likely to come to you from many sources. A good place to start is the Medicare website at www.medicare.gov or the toll-free number, 1-800-MEDICARE. If you are currently on Medicare, you should soon receive a booklet in the mail called “Medicare & You 2006” with information about the plan.

The first Medicare prescription drug benefit enrollment period is November 15, 2005 through May 15, 2006. No one should have to make a rushed decision. Talk things over with family, friends, and others you trust to help you analyze your options. And, certainly feel free to call my office if I can help you in any way.



US must continue to invest in science

American businesses are competing with countries from all over the world. We believe firmly in free trade, and we know Americans can compete successfully with all nations. Free trade brings us low-priced goods from foreign markets at the same time it opens those markets for our goods and services.

Science and invention have always been among America’s great strengths. From 1998 to 2003 Congress doubled the budget for the National Institutes of Health. We recognize the benefits of medical research are two-fold. It leads to new advances in the struggle against disease, improving and extending people’s lives. Their research also provides our economy with valuable new products and services that our businesses can export all over the world.

Despite being a long-time leader in many areas of research, the United States risks falling behind in basic science research — the fundamental discoveries that lead to great leaps forward in so many fields. At a time when China, India, and

other countries are devoting substantial resources to research in the hard sciences, we are starting to lose our focus.

Increasingly, our industries have had to look abroad for engineers and others they need to compete. Our universities are not nurturing scientists in the numbers we need to lead the world through the next century. Researchers used to flock to America to carry out their work in our unique atmosphere of freedom and financial support; but more and more, they are finding tempting offers closer to home. If we do not redouble our efforts, researchers from abroad may stop coming here to do their groundbreaking work; and we may find a scarcity of Americans prepared to undertake it in their place.

Recently, I took over as Chairman of the Commerce Subcommittee on Science



capitol
comment
by sen. kay bailey hutchison

and Space. My mission is to reverse this trend. We need to take our NIH success and mirror it in other areas of science. Congress needs to focus on promoting research in biology, chemistry, and physics. I propose we increase the National Science Foundation budget to pave the way for our future success.

We also need to direct the NSF’s focus firmly to the hard sciences. Recently, the NSF proposed expanding its research on human and social dynamics for 2006. I don’t want the NSF to stray from concentrating on biology, chemistry, and physics, and instead, devote funds to social science research. That is not where we should be directing its resources at this time.

Under my chairmanship, in addition to increasing the NSF budget, I want the Foundation to focus more on the hard sciences. With that investment added to the hard work, ingenuity, and dedication of our scientists and students, we will create both healthier people and a healthier economy in the future!

Constituent takes issue with Rep. Chisum

An open letter to the Hon. Warren Chisum, State Representative, District 88, Texas.

Mr. Chisum:

I was shocked to receive your letter of September 16 addressed to “Senior Pastor”, which I assume was sent to all churches in your district and to those of Messrs. Smithee and Swinford, who also signed the letter. Regardless of one’s views on Proposition 2 or the issues it raises, the letter and its enclosures are offensive to all mainstream Christians and Texans of other religious preference for whom freedom of religion is among our most cherished rights. For elected officials to attempt to influence elections by exerting pressure on churches is an abuse of the public trust and an infringement of the Constitutionally-guaranteed separation of church and state.

The enclosure promoting Proposition 2 is an even more blatant violation of the separation of church and state. The organizations cited as sources include Jerry Falwell’s “Liberty Council”, James

Dobson’s “Focus on the Family” and other extreme-right Christian lobby groups. The suggested sermon points include a mixture of half-truths, misrepresentations and demagoguery, all calculated to arouse homophobic anxiety in the public. And their very inclusion in a letter from members of the Legislature should be offensive to all theologically-educated clergy.

On the face of it, Proposition 2 is a thinly-veiled attempt to write discrimination toward gay and lesbian Texans into the Constitution. The existing “Protection of Marriage” law is discriminatory enough, denying basic legal protection and spousal benefits to anyone whose sexual orientation or committed relationship differs from the norm. And the promoters of Proposition 2 are aware that it is probably doomed to be found unconstitutional by the courts — thus their rush to write it into the Constitution.

What a pity that the last Legislature will be known primarily for failing to fund our children’s education and for attempting to deprive many Texans of their rights!

Please don’t compound the error by eroding the wall of separation of church and state.

Rev. William D. Nix, Jr.
Canadian

Looking for old classmate

We are planning a reunion for students of Palo Duro High School band director George Bledsoe and are looking for “lost” band members. Mr. Bledsoe will be present, and it is also to be a tribute to him.

We are told that the last known address for one of our fellow band members from the class of 1963 was in Clarendon. His name is Gary McDonald, and I’m not sure how long ago he lived in Clarendon. This is definitely a “shot in the dark” attempt to locate him, but it seemed worth a try.

Any information or leads you could give us that would help us locate him would be very much appreciated. Thanks for your time and assistance.

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Cotton Festival kicks off Friday

It's Cotton Festival time in Hedley; and folks there are ready for the 54th annual event to be held this weekend.

The Lioness Club kicks off events with their Chili and Stew Supper on Friday at 5:00 p.m. at the Lions Den. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 6.

The Lionesses are also selling tickets for a queen size hand-made quilt. The drawing will be held on Saturday. Tickets are available for \$1 each or \$5 for a book of six. Tickets may be purchased at the Donley County State Bank, Herring Bank, Community Bank, Lowe's Family Center, Burton Memorial Library, or at the Lions Den.

A Tractor/Car Show will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday. The Rowe Cemetery Association will hold a bake sale at the City Hall, also beginning at 10:00.

The Lioness Club will hold a Quilt Show on Saturday beginning at 10:00 a.m.. Old and new quilts will be on display. Admission is free. If you want to display a quilt, then prepare a card with the quilt's information/history and your name.

The annual Lions Club Barbecue will begin serving a delicious meal at 11:30 a.m. The barbecue tickets are good for the drawing for a Bale of Cotton which will be given away at 6:00 p.m. at the Lions Den. You must be present to win.

The Hedley Senior Citizens will serve hamburgers all day for \$5 a plate, which will include chips and a drink.

The Hedley Cheerleaders will

be calling Bingo throughout the day. There will be many prizes given away throughout the day to winners of Bingo.

The Lioness Club is also selling tickets on a half of beef, which was donated by Crow Hollow. That drawing will be held at 6 p.m. at the Lions Den. Tickets are \$2.00 each or a book of 5 for \$10. Your donation will be helping the organization roof their 100-year-old building. The Lioness Club building houses the floats that are used for the Cotton Festival, and it has been leaking and ruining the floats.

The Kiddie Parade will begin at 1:30 p.m. down Main Street, promptly followed by the Community Parade at 2:00 p.m. Line-up for the parade will begin at 1:00 p.m. at the Hedley school.

The annual Hedley School Reunion will begin after the parade at 3:00 p.m. at the school. Attendees are asked to bring finger foods and snack items. Everyone is invited to join them for a good time. The classes of the 1970s are the hosts.

At 4 p.m., barbecue sandwiches will be available at the Lions Den.

Drawings for all the give-aways will begin at 6:00 p.m. at the Lions Hall.

The Hedley First United Methodist Church will hold a Fellowship Singing on Saturday night beginning at 7:00 p.m. The fun continues on Sunday at the Methodist Church's 100 Anniversary Celebration. The regular church service will begin at 11:00 a.m. with a great dinner and fellowship afterwards.



Scholarship winner

Herring Bank President Jerry Woodard (left) presented a scholarship to Clarendon College student Judd Gardner (center) last week. The \$500 scholarship is given every year from Herring Bank to a Clarendon College judging student. Pictured with Woodard and Gardner is CC Judging Coach Johnny Treichel. Gardner is a freshman student from Estancia, New Mexico.

Enterprise Photo / Cheryl Johnson

Gas prices:

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sealed; and keeping blinds and draperies open on sunny days to let in the sun's warmth.

Commissioner Victor Carrillo also said, "It is important to note that natural gas utilities are not allowed to profit off the commodity of natural gas. Instead, utilities pass the commodity cost onto customers when the price rises or falls. Utilities are only allowed to profit off transporting gas to customers. And ultimately, the RRC does not have the authority to regulate natural gas prices."

High energy costs hit small communities hard, Wheeler said. Higher fuel prices show up not only in utility bills and at service stations, but also at supermarkets and local merchants.

Wheeler urges all his customers to call his office at 259-1444 today to sign up for 12-month average billing, and he says people should call their electric provider and do the same.

weather report

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Mon	26	101°	57°	-
Tues	27	86°	49°	-
Wed	28	82°	50°	-
Thur	29	87°	47°	-
Fri	30	75°	48°	-
Sat	1	82°	54°	0.02"
Sun	2	97°	56°	-

Total precipitation this month: 0.02"
Total precipitation to date: 16.09"
Total precipitation in October last year: 4.20"
Total YTD last year: 20.21"

weekend forecast

Friday, Oct. 7
Cloudy
69°/48°

Saturday, Oct. 8
Mostly Sunny
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Sunday, Oct. 9
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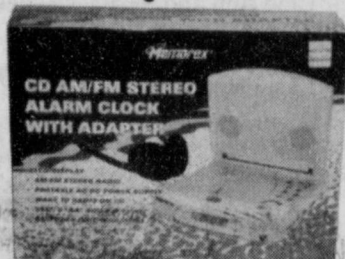


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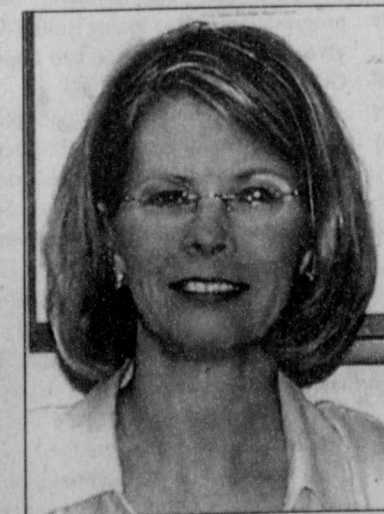
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Lions Club Pancake Supper • Clarendon School Cafeteria • 5:30 p.m.

Broncos v. Wellington • Bronco Stadium • 7:30 p.m.

October 7 - 9
Hedley Cotton Festival

October 10
Columbus Day

October 11
Immunization Clinic • TDSHS Office • 9 a.m.

October 14
Whitetail & Mule Deer Conference • Bairfield Activity Center • 9 a.m.

Broncos v. Shamrock • Bronco Stadium • 7:30 p.m.

October 21
Hedley v. Silverton • Owl Field • 7:30

October 28
Broncos v. Memphis • Bronco Stadium • 7:30 p.m.

Owls v. Groom • Owl Field • 7:30 p.m.

October 30
Daylight Savings Time Ends

October 31
Halloween

Community Menus
October 10-14

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: Nachos with beef and beans, salad, fruit, milk
Tues: Spaghetti, corn, salad, fruit, garlic bread, milk
Wed: Chicken fried steak, roll, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit, milk
Thur: Frito pie, salad, beans, fruit, milk
Fri: Ham and cheese sandwich, potato chips, carrot sticks, pickles, fruit, milk

Hedley Schools

Breakfast
Mon: No School
Tues: Cinnamon toast, egg roll, dry cereal, fruit juice, milk
Wed: Pancake with syrup, sausage patties, dry cereal, fruit juice, milk
Thur: Biscuit and gravy, sausage patties, butter and jelly, cereal, juice, milk
Fri: Peanut butter and toast, muffins, dry cereal, fruit juice, milk
Lunch
Mon: No School
Tues: Ham or chicken, baked potatoes, yellow squash, rolls, salad, fruit, milk
Wed: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, country gravy, salad, fruit, roll, milk
Thur: Beef tacos, pinto beans, Spanish rice, salad, fruit, chips and salsa, milk
Fri: Sloppy Joes, baked beans, fries, salad, fruit, brownies, milk

Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Smoked sausage, steamed cabbage, parsley potatoes, peaches and cottage cheese, peanut butter cookies, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Tues: Mexican pile on, rice pinto beans, tossed salad, four layer dessert, chips and salsa, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Wed: Barbecue chicken, baked beans, potato salad, orange pineapple delight, spice cake, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Thur: Philly steak sandwich, tater tot casserole, cherry salad, cookies, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Fri: Catfish, au gratin potatoes, black-eyed peas, coleslaw, lemon bars, hushpuppies, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Chicken strips, potato soup, vegetable sticks, pickled beets, baked apple, cornbread, coffee, tea, milk
Tues: Chili and beans, potato wedges, coleslaw, cake, cornbread, coffee, tea, milk
Wed: Steak and gravy, baked potato, buttered carrots, tossed salad, pudding, roll, coffee, tea, milk
Thur: Roast beef and gravy, parsley potatoes, fried okra, carrot and raisin salad, pie, roll, coffee, tea, milk
Fri: Barbecue chicken, ranch style beans, fried squash, beet and onion salad, orange, cornbread, coffee, tea, milk

Parents' actions best way to teach children

By MaryRuth Bishop, County FCS Agent

One of the best methods for teaching children positive self-talk is to model it yourself.

Our kids are often frustrated. The subject of homework instantly comes to my mind when I think of kids getting frustrated - but there are a myriad of other causes: learning a new task, dealing with siblings, etc. I have heard children easily frustrated when doing math homework making statements like, "This is horrible! I'll never figure this out!" Or, "I hate math! I'm no good at it."

I am concerned when I hear comments like this because I know that how we talk to ourselves makes a real difference in how quickly or

easily we accomplish tasks. Parent educator Elizabeth Crary, author of the *Self-Calming Cards*, notes, "Self-talk strongly colors the mind. It impacts what we feel, see, and do." Remind children that their brains believe what they say, whether it's true or not. Then prompt them to repeat a better statement, such as, "This is hard, but I can do it."

Crary stated there are a couple things you can do that helps the children around you to develop positive self-talk. First, monitoring your own self-talk, both out loud and mentally. If you find yourself making negative comments, she says to think about the following points: 1) You're loveable, even though you're not perfect,

2) You're capable, even though things are not going well at present, 3) You are growing and getting better, and 4) You sometimes do (whatever it is you're currently struggling with) just fine. For example, "I'm getting better at being on time. I had the kids to school on time every day last week."

As for teaching your children positive self-talk, Crary recommends the following tools:

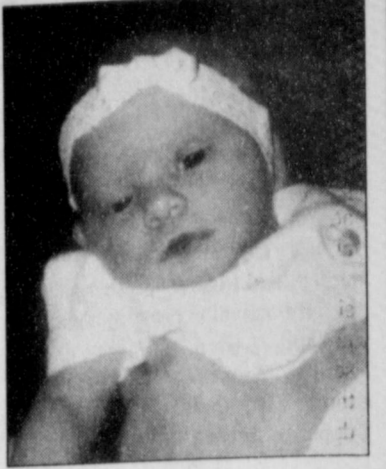
Model using positive self-talk. Do this out-loud for your kids to hear. For example, if someone is rude to you, you could say, "I am in charge of my feelings. I will take a deep breath and then decide what to do."

Give affirming messages. You can say to your children things like,

"It's okay to be angry" or "You can be upset and still think of what to do."

Model changing negative self-talk. When you say something negative, change it to something more constructive. For example, "I can't believe how stupid I am. Oops. I meant to say, 'Sometimes I make mistakes, but I'm learning from them and I can do better next time.'" Helping our children to be positive and capable is the most important job of an adult. We not only help the individual but also our world. For more information, call 874-2141.

Remember the Second \$5 Quilt Project will begin on October 8. Go by the Burton Library to sign up!



New Arrival

Lee, Lexi, and Jaxon Gage announce the arrival of Kristi Ann Gage on September 22, 2005, in Amarillo. She weighed 7 lbs. 2 oz., and was 19 1/4 inches long.

Paternal grandparents are Gloria Gage of Clarendon and Jerry and Ouida Gage of Clarendon. Maternal grandparents are Ted Langgood and the late Kristi Langgood of Amarillo. Paternal great grandparents are Bill and Nina Copeland of Tyler, Texas. Maternal great grandparents are Gary and Lyla Mason of Hereford, Texas.

Add museum to local attractions for visitors

With persistent hot, dry weather, wild animals are out looking for that green leaf and a drink of water. Signs of them are showing up in flowerbeds and gardens around town.

Strange footprints, plants chewed on, coyotes howling, and dogs barking are all signs something is outside. Last week, I saw a big, fat armadillo waddling across the yard. He was not concerned I had my watchdog, Lady, by my side; and for once, I was glad she didn't see him because he was bigger than her. I know, you are saying we don't have armadillos in the Panhandle, but we did that day. I personally wish they would stay down south because they can do some damage to the yard, and they are ugly.

I have written about several places to visit this summer, and the list should include a visit to the Saints' Roost Museum. It is located on East Harrington just off SH 70 South and is well marked. It is housed in the old Adair Hospital, built in 1910 by Cornelia Adair for use by the JA

cowboys when in need of medical care. The museum is an on-going project: and after 20 years, they have many nice exhibits with focus on local culture. You will see Indian artifacts, a chapel, parlor, bedroom, doctor and dentist offices, and many more all furnished with items from Donley County and the surrounding area. They are open Friday and Saturday so plan to visit soon. If you are retired like me, the only down side to visiting a museum is you could have donated most of the things in there.



'wick picks
by peggy cockerham
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City Hall is closed this week. The secretary Dianna Knight is taking some vacation to care for a new grandson and his mother. I'll have an update next week (and probably see some pictures).

Meeting for set potential foster parents

When abuse and neglect occur and children are no longer able to safely remain in their own homes, we are fortunate to have individuals willing to provide care and support to them in licensed foster homes.

There is an urgent need for more families to open their hearts and homes by becoming foster and adoptive parents. To learn more about fostering and adoption, attend an informational meeting on Tuesday, October 11, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the CPS office located at 6200 I-40 West in Amarillo. Meetings are held on the

second Tuesday of every month. Foster care provides a temporary safe haven for children as Child Protective Services (CPS) caseworkers and foster parents work toward uniting children with their families. These children, through no fault of their own, were placed in abusive or neglectful situations by their biological parents. In some situations, they are not able to return home and deserve a chance for a new life with adoptive parents who can teach them that family can be a safe place. For more information, please call 354-6230.

People to People names CJH student as leader

Kenneth Devin, a student at Clarendon Junior High, will join a select group of students representing their school, community, and country, as a People to People student leader.

Devin has been accepted into a People to People International Summit in London, Brussels, and Paris. All students accepted into a People to People program must meet rigorous academic and leadership requirements.

Devin previously completed a People to People leadership program, earning acceptance into the

summit as an honored member of the program alumni. To participate in a leadership program, students must be nominated and accepted based on scholastic merit, civic involvement, and leadership potential.

People to People's International Summit brings together outstanding student leaders from across the United States and the world to focus on leadership and international relations. Whether they are meeting with a member of the British Parliament or exploring the role of the European Union, students will develop

the skills that will help them as the leaders of tomorrow, while earning academic credit.

The International Summit is a rare opportunity for aspiring young leaders to consider European perspectives on world affairs while connecting with the people and cultures of England and France. From the Tower of London to the Arc de Triomphe and the chambers of the European Parliament, these young leaders will explore major monuments and prominent institutions. International Summit delegates will engage in

daily exercises and explorations that will reflect the summit's focus on international affairs and diplomacy.

As they delve into European heritage and ways of life, participants will gain a greater understanding of their own culture, history, government, political, and economic systems, and social structures. Through workshops, excursions, and discussions, delegates will discover the political, economic, and cultural links between the United States and Europe and become stronger citizens of the world.

Gem Theatre to celebrate 90th anniversary Sunday

On October 8, 1915, the theatre on North Trice Street in Claude, now known as the Gem, opened its doors with a movie; and one week later the first stage show was produced. Now, ninety years later, they are celebrating that event with three performances of "Home on the Range Radio Hour."

These new musical productions at the Gem Theater in Claude are designed to educate as well as entertain audiences with stories and songs

that are the legacy of Armstrong County and the Panhandle of Texas.

On Saturday, October 1, stories relating to the Red River Indian Wars and the Celtic musical influence to be heard in western swing numbers will be featured. Darcie Deaville of Austin will be the guest artist to join Marshall Allen Baily on stage along with the South Plains Playboys and the Dixie Dewdrops.

On October 15, the lives of Bose

Ikard and Bones Hooks, African American cowboys, will set the stage for Buddy and Tina Wright of Lubbock. They will demonstrate how the blues, gospel, and jazz became a part of the western swing legacy.

The legendary Charles Goodnight will take center stage on Saturday, October 29; and Judy James of Weatherford, Texas, will sing some favorite cowboy songs. Joe Carr and the South Plains Playboys and Dixie

Dewdrops will tell how Bob Willis took the old cowboy songs and gave them a new beat.

No birthday is complete without gifts, so drawings will be held for some surprise packages for the lucky winners.

For reservations, call the Armstrong County Museum at 806-226-2187.

Admission is \$10 for adults and \$2.00 for children under 12.

Senior Ambassadors to sponsor Senior Fall Festival at Amarillo Civic Center

The Senior Ambassadors Coalition is sponsoring the seventh annual Senior Fall Festival, as a major community outreach effort to senior adults and their caregivers, Thursday, October 13, 2005, in the North Exhibit Hall at the Amarillo Civic Center.

Medical experts will offer health care services including screenings for cholesterol, glucose, hearing, oxygen saturation, blood pressure, bone density, body fat measurements, hand grip strength, sleep apnea, computerized stress analysis, COPD screening, Ocular Pressure, mini mental

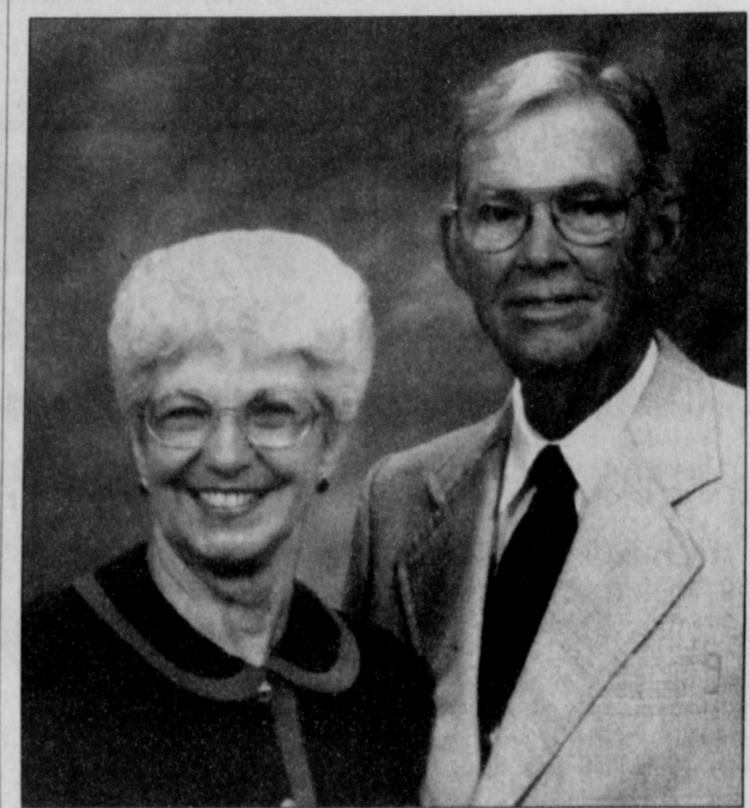
status evaluations, foot screenings for diabetes, and many more.

Information will also be available on Alzheimer's, depression, breast health awareness, diabetes education, stroke awareness, estate planning, and many more. Transportation will also be

available to shuttle seniors from the parking lot to the doors of the Civic Center.

Booths will be open at 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. All screenings and admission will be free to the public.

For more information, contact 372-3381.



Cloe Ann and Bright Newhouse

Newhouses celebrate 50th anniversary

Bright and Cloe Ann Newhouse of Clarendon recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a cruise and land tour of Alaska and a family dinner hosted by their children Kim and Ken Maxfield of Murphy, Texas; Mike and Rhonda Newhouse of Clarendon; and Bright III and Theresa Newhouse of Clarendon.

Bright married the former Cloe Ann Noles on October 1, 1955, in Fisher County near Roby, Texas. He served a tour of duty in the Air Force during the Korean Conflict.

He is a graduate of Abilene Christian University and has been affiliated with American General Life Insurance Company for 40 years. He has been a minister

for 46 years, having preached at numerous congregations in the Panhandle. Currently he and Cloe Ann are attending Hedley Church of Christ where he serves as minister.

Cloe Ann was an instructor, associated with Amarillo State Center for Human Development. She is presently an employee at Herring Bank and is a homemaker.

The couple has eight grandchildren - Amber Parsons, Asia Grant, Sara Denney, Amy (deceased), Courtney, Katy, Michael, and Nichole Newhouse; five great grandchildren, Taylor, Madison, Payton, and Preston Parsons and Carson Denney.

Bright and Cloe Ann have lived in Clarendon since 1962.

Gem and Mineral Society to hold show

The Golden Spread Gem and Mineral Society will present its annual Jewelry, Gem, Mineral, and Fossil Show and Sale on October 15 and 16 at the Amarillo Civic Center.

There will be jewelry manufacturers and dealers from across America exhibiting minerals, jewelry, wire wrapping, faceting, fossils, and gemstones. There will also be a Wheel of Fortune where the kids can win fun prizes.

Door prizes will be given away hourly, and the grand prize will be drawn at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Show hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Donations admission is \$2.

Wesley Church to host arts and crafts show

Wesley United Methodist Church will be hosting its 25th annual Festival of Arts and Crafts on December 3, 2005, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Community Center in Hereford.

Only a limited number of booths are available with applications being screened. Booth fee is \$10.00.

Applications may be obtained by writing or calling any of the follow names and numbers: Ellen Collins, 801 Miles St., Hereford, TX 79045, 806-364-0774.

4-H Spotlight

By Ashlyn Tubbs

This week's 4-H spotlight is on Lyndal Goetze.



Goetze

Goetze is 47-years-old, and has been in 4-H for an amazing 38 of those years! As a child, Goetze participated in Beef, Clothing, Food & Nutrition and Public Speaking. Goetze was the Donley County 4-H Club Manager last year. She was also a Clover Kid sponsor. This year, she is the District 1 Cluster 5 Delegate, Public Speaking Leader and Photography Leader.

"The best part of 4-H is watching the young people become responsible leaders. Starting with children in Clover Kids and following their progress through to senior Round-Up gives me both great pride and hope," Goetze says.

Goetze's hobbies include photography, reading, and embroidery. Her family activities are historical re-enactments and going golfing. She goes to the Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church of Amarillo Texas, and is a member of the Delta Kappa Gamma (Women Educators' Sorority).

Her school activities are that she coaches Current Issues & Events, Lincoln-Douglas Debate, and Social Studies. She also sponsors the Junior Historians and the sophomore class.

Donley County 4-H members appreciate all Mrs. Goetze does for us. We hope she stays with us and keeps on pushing us to be great leaders. Be sure to stay tuned next week for our next 4-H spotlight!

Aldermen suspend search for new city administrator

The City of Clarendon suspended its search for the next city administrator during the board of aldermen's meeting last Tuesday.

After deliberating in closed session for over an hour, the board voted not to hire anyone at this time but to send letters to all the applicants for the administrator's position thanking them for their applications.

Alderman Mark White said the city believes it may need the money earmarked for the administrator's salary to help finish the street project, but they intend to revisit the issue and possibly conduct another search for a new administrator at a later date.

The city has been without an administrator since July 28 when former administrator Sean Pate resigned to take a position in Poteet, Texas.

In other city business, Clarendon

Economic Development Corporation President Jerry Woodard addressed the aldermen and presented the 2005-2006 proposed CEDC budget for their approval. City Secretary Linda Smith noted that the CEDC board had budgeted \$800 for its annual audit but that the city's auditors had said it would cost \$1,000. Aldermen approved the budget with that correction.

An amendment to the 2004-2005 municipal budget was presented and approved.

Mayor Tex Selvidge reported that he had met with County Clerk Fay Vargas regarding the possibility of having her office conduct next year's city election using the county's new electronic voting machines. She is willing to do this, but the charge for it will have to be approved by the commissioners' court.



CC LVN food drive

The Clarendon College nursing students collected more than 4,000 pounds of food and personal care items they collected in a recent food drive. The students placed barrels in Clarendon, Pampa, Hedley, Memphis, Wellington, Silverton, and Shamrock and donated the items to High Plains Food bank to help those affected by hurricane Katrina. Photo courtesy Clarendon College.

County 4-H successful at the Tri-State Fair

The Donley County 4-H participated in the 2005 Tri-State Fair and had great success. They kids participated in a variety of activities including lamb, swine, steer, woodworking, and photography.

On September 17, the Livestock Judging team competed. The team of Austin Adams, Kati Adams, Rowdy Speed, Kenzie Perryman, and Tres Hommel placed sixth. Austin Adams received fifth high point individual.

On that same day, the barrow and heifer show got underway. Dustin Williard placed second, Tres Hommel placed seventh, and Calvin

Edwards placed fifth and eighth respectively with their barrows. Paul Goetze placed third with his heifer.

On Sunday, September 18, the lamb show began. Kenzie Perryman received seventh, eleventh, and fifteenth places with her lambs. Austin Adams placed seventh with his lamb.

The steer show took place the following weekend. Tres Hommel placed seventh, Kenzie Perryman placed fifteenth, Rowdy Speed placed seventh, Jacob Pigg placed second and fifteenth, Jason Pigg placed first, Cole Ward, placed fifth, Sade Cobb placed eleventh, Trevor Cobb placed

fourteenth, and Abby Patten placed ninth in the competition.

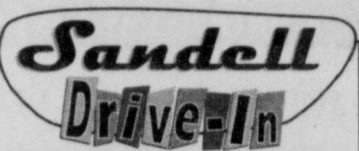
There were also competitors in the photography contest, Danielle Smith and Paul Goetze, who received second place. Goetze also entered several woodworking projects, all of which won first place.

Everyone is very proud of those who participated in the fair exhibits, and maybe next year there will be even more to enter.

There are many different projects that you can do in 4-H. If you would like to join, call the office at 874-2141.

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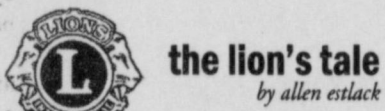
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the lion's tale

by allen estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting October 4, 2005, with Boss Lion Pro Tem Greg Henry in charge.

We had 18 members and one guest this week. Ashlee Estlack was the guest of Lion Roger Estlack.

We are looking for a big crowd at the Lions Club Pancake Supper this Friday before the Clarendon v. Wellington football game. The supper will be in the school cafeteria, and tickets will be available at the door. Final work assignments were made for this fundraiser.

The Lady Bulldogs played here this week, and they put on a very exciting game.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

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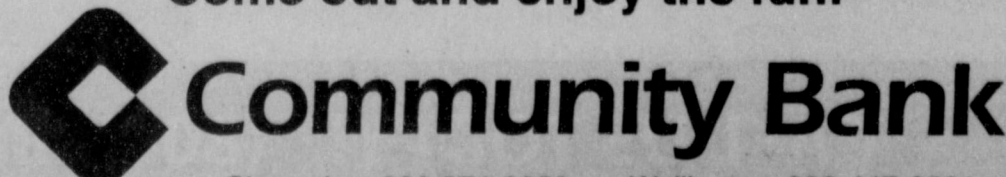
Friday, Saturday, & Sunday
October 7-9

- Friday**
5:00 p.m. Lioness Club Stew & Chili Supper,
Saturday
9:00 a.m. Senior Citizen Hamburgers, Senior Citizens
10:00 a.m. Rowe Cemetery Bake Sale, City Hall
10:00 a.m. Tractor Show, Main St.
10:00 a.m. Car Show, Main St.
10:00 a.m. Quilt Show, Lioness Hall
10:00 a.m. Bingo, Senior Citizens
11:30 a.m. Lions Club Barbecue, Lions Hall
1:30 p.m. Kiddie Parade
2:00 p.m. Community Parade
3:00 p.m. Hedley School Reunion, Hedley School
4:00 p.m. Lions Club selling Barbecue Sandwiches, Lions Hall
6:00 p.m. Drawing for Bale of Cotton, Quilt, Half of Beef - Lions Hall
7:00 p.m. Fellowship Singing, First United Methodist Church

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Frying Pan Ranch team wins cowgirl celebration

The first Clarendon Cowgirl Celebration had nine cowgirl teams from Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico competing on September 24 at the Clarendon College Livestock & Equine Center.

Several of the teams were teams that competed in the Amarillo Coors Ranch Rodeo this past June, including the named champion team of Frying Pan Ranch.

The cattle doctoring was won by High Card with team captain Nancy Pierce from New Mexico and her team mates Amanda Deerman, Patty Moberly, and Missy Holmes.

Team sorting won by Calvary's Cross cowgirls, the only team to sort all ten head in a time of 143 seconds. They are a local team with Linda Crump as team captain, Loretta Hall, Pam McCleskey, and Lana Ritchie.

Muggin was won by the High Card team.

Trailer loading was won by the Frying Pan Ranch with team captain Angela Lamb, Kelly Mitchell, Anna Gregory, and Haley Lamb, all of whom are from the Texas Panhandle.

Branding was won by the Light-house team with captain Anna Hep-pard, Tommie Potter, Joni Ivy, and Jessica Melvin.

The over all average winners were Frying Pan in first place as the

only team to place in all five events and time of 485 seconds. They won belt buckles and \$1,200. Second place was won by Calvary's Cross cowgirls with 583 seconds in four events. They won engraved watches and \$800. Third place was won by local cowgirls of the Cee Nothing Cattle Company with 685 seconds in four events. Their captain Bobbie Yarabrough, and member Audra Hays, Kassie O'Neal, and Julie Dawson received monogrammed vests.

The top horse of the rodeo received a saddle pad with Top Horse stamped in leather went to Miss Holmes of the High Card for her Palomino gelding. Haley Lamb of the Frying Pan Ranch won Top Hand and received a saddle pad with Top Hand stamped in leather on it.

The other results were: fourth place - Shields Ranch, 698 seconds in four events; fifth place - High Card Ranch, 675 second in three events; sixth place - Lighthouse, 812 seconds in three events; seventh place - Double Crutch Ranch, 887 seconds in three events; and Rafters C Cattle Co., 1028 seconds in two events.

Plans are being made for next year as the response was really favorable to the event by cowgirls as well as fans in the stands watching.



Drive-in adventure

Clarendon Brownie Troop 118 went to Sandell Drive-In on September 17, 2005, and watched March of the Penguins. Pictured are John Morrow, Cire Jauregui, Sarah Williams, Eliza Dickinson, MaRae Hall, Kaylee Fulton, Haley McManus, and Crystal Fulton. Picture by Crystal Fulton.

CJH raises funds for hurricane victims

The Clarendon Junior High Cheerleaders and Student Council members recently held the Kiss a Pig contest to raise money for the Red Cross to donate to the Hurricane Katrina victims.

The students really got into the spirit of things. They put up hand-made posters all over the school. Participants paid a dollar to vote for one favorite teacher to kiss the pig. The organizations raised \$170 for the Red Cross.

The pig, Maggie, was donated by Stone Schwertner and was carried by Laura Hommel. The winning teacher that kissed the pig was Adelita Elam, and the honorary winner was Brit Patten.

The Student Council members are (8th graders) Caitlyn Christopher, Jill Luna, Ryan Hill, Tony Sisom-

souk, (7th graders) Chelsea Alaniz, Annie Patten, Bradley Watson, Johnny Gaines, (6th graders) Trevela Dronzek, Brittany Hargrove, Dylan Alaniz, and Jordan Luna. The Cheerleaders are (8th graders) Caitlyn Christopher, Lauren Shelton, Jill Luna, (7th graders) Dominique Brady, Amanda Reynolds, and Kaleigh West.

The numbers of votes for each teacher are as follows: Mrs. Pigg-7, Mr. Elam-46, Mrs. Elam-47, Coach Hathaway-6, Mr. Strobel-1, Mrs. Hall-3, Mrs. Benavidez-8, Mrs. Hommel-5, Coach Word-3, Ms. Mathiason-3, Mr. Patten-0, Mrs. Swearingen-7, Coach Nino-1, Ms. Moss-0, write-in candidate Ron Burleson-3.

The teachers kissed the pig on September 22 at the 12:30 Junior High Colt pep rally.

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300 S. Carhart • 874-2495
Minister: Eddie Stegall
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Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
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Church of Nazarene
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Sunday Service: 10:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.

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Pastor: Bryan Knowles
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 7 p.m.

Church of Christ
110 E. Second St.
Minister: Bright Newhouse
Sun. Bible Class: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.

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209 S. Hawley • 874-2321
Pastor: Bill Hodges
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.

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First Baptist Church
210 N. Main St.
874-5980
Pastor: Bruce Howard
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church
222 Sherwood Blvd. 874-3326
Pastor: Genoa Goad
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
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National merit program taps Hamilton, Myatt

Clarendon High School Principal Larry Jeffers has announced that Carmen Hamilton and Samantha Myatt have been named Commended Students in the 2006 National Merit Scholarship Program.

A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, has been presented to these scholastically talented seniors.

About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2006 competition for Merit Scholarship awards, Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than one million students who entered the 2006 competition by taking the 2004 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

A spokesperson for the National Merit Program commented, "It is important to acknowledge the attainments of academically talented students and to credit schools for the key role they play in their development.



Samantha Myatt and Carmen Hamilton

Photo courtesy CHS

We hope the recognition received by these able young men and women who are commended in this rigorous, nationwide competition will encourage them to take advantage of opportunities for higher education and to diligently pursue their professional goals."

Obituaries

Needham

Funeral services for Kaylee Nichole Needham, 8 days old, were held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 1, 2005, at the Fundamental Baptist Church with Rev. Tom Lewis, pastor, officiating. Burial was held at North Fairview Cemetery in Wellington under the direction of Adams Funeral Home of Wellington.

Kaylee died September 28, 2005, in Amarillo. She was born September 20, 2005, in Childress to Johnathan Needham and Stephanie Duke.

Survivors include her parents; grandparents, Johnny and Romie Needham, Rick and Nanette White, and Cecil and Mildred Duke, all of Wellington; and great grandparents, Norma Parker and Greta Lewis, both of Wellington, and Elvis and Betty White of Clarendon.

Pall bearers were Jeremy Duke, Jason Duke, Clarence Duke, Jeff Needham, Jacob Needham, Devin White, and Jordon White.

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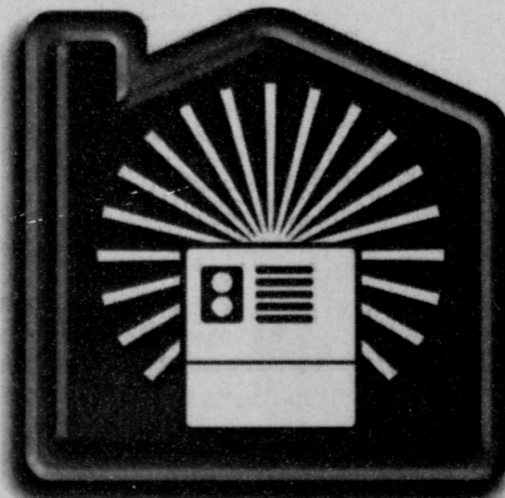
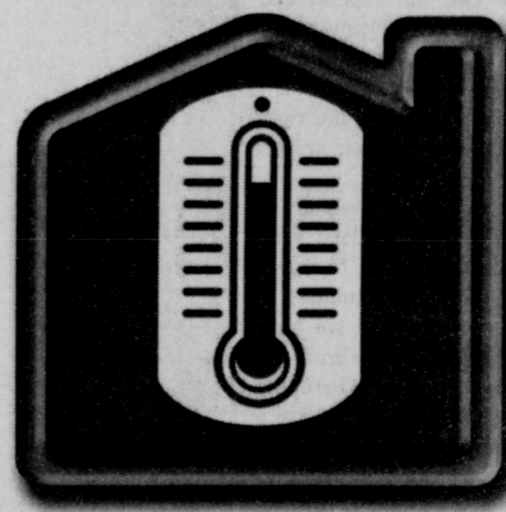
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Drugs in the News

Cancer Drugs May Help Aging Syndrome

Progeria or Hutchinson-Gilford progeria (also sometimes called "early aging disease"), is a very rare condition in which the person affected experiences body aging that is approximately seven times the normal rate. Therefore a child of 10 so affected typically has arthritic, respiratory, and cardiac functions that are much like that of a 70 year old person. So far there is no known cure for progeria. However, a group of drugs originally discovered for treatment of cancer may hold some hope for children who get this rare condition.

The cancer drugs that are being tested belong to a group of compounds called FTIs (abbreviation for farnesyltransferase inhibitors). Two FTIs currently in late-stage clinical trial include lonafarnib and tinfarnib. According to one news report, these drugs appear to be capable of reversing a particular type of damage to the nucleus of body cells that shows up in children with progeria. One researcher indicates that one thing that could be discovered eventually is that some or all of the FTIs might be able to slow down the aging process, a possibility that would, no doubt, catch the attention of many.



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Kiowas edge out Broncos

By Sandy Anderberg

After several weather delays, the Broncos were finally able to take the field against the Kiowas in Booker Friday night. Despite their determined attempt to get the win, the Broncos were defeated 18-21.

Senior Will Betts scored all three of the Bronco touchdowns as he made runs from seven yards, two yards, and one yard out. All of the Clarendon scores came in the second half of play after ending the first half trailing the Kiowas by 13 points. Missed extra points plagued the Broncos and allowed Booker to stay three points up.

The Broncos racked up 292 total yards to 336 for their opponent. Betts rushed for 140 yards plus, and quarterback Quentin West threw five of fifteen and 133 yards with three interceptions.

"The weather was not the best," head coach Gary Jack said. "It had already rained almost an inch when we got there, and we started thirty minutes late."

With about nine minutes left in the first quarter, the bad weather returned, and the game was delayed for an hour or so. Both teams were finally able to take the field and finish the game without interruption. The break did not help the Broncos' momentum in the game.

"Things just would not go our way," Jack said. "They were up 21-0 before we were able to put a score on the board."

But after putting six points on the board in the third period, the fourth quarter belonged to the Broncos as they gained some confidence and put two more touchdowns on the board.

"We scored three times in about seven minutes," Jack said. "But missing those extra points hurt us. They got the ball back with about five minutes on the board, and they ran the clock out against us. We just made too many mental mistakes against Booker. We can't afford to let that happen."

Jack cited several players with having good games.

"Jesse Rodriguez made some big catches for us," Jack said. "Jeremy Utsey made some good plays and came up with a big interception, and Stephen Ford had a solid game. Will Betts scored all three times for us, and he had a good night for us."

Jack feels the Broncos are right on the edge of turning their season around.

"We are 1-4 right now, and we could so easily be 4-1," Jack said. "With the exception of Nazareth last week, we had opportunities to win the other games; and we have let mental mistakes keep us from the wins. The guys are playing hard, but we have got to get better and have a solid game this week."

The Broncos will host Wellington in their district opener Friday, October 7, beginning at 7:30 p.m. It is a crucial game for the Broncos, and they welcome a big crowd at Bronco Stadium to cheer them on to a district win.

Skins game set October 9 at CCC

By Sandy Anderberg

Slick Johnston was the winner of the weekly men's game, turning in a 67. Tom Stauber and Jimmy Johnson finished with a 68. Ruth Jackson was the winner of the women's game with a 65, and Sherol Johnston shot a 66. The team of Doug Kidd, Bobby Dodson, Michael Thompson, and Eddy Eads won the Friday night scramble at five under par. One other team participated in the nine-hole scramble and finished at one under.

The new time for the nine-hole scrambles on Friday night will be at 5:30 p.m. in order to finish before dark. To enter the scramble you may call the Pro Shop before 5:00 p.m. each Friday evening.

There are still empty slots in the six-person Skins game to be held at the October 9. The entry fee for the 18-hole skins game is \$240 per team and will begin at 1:30 p.m. Sunday. For more information you may call the Pro Shop at 874-2166.



Still undefeated

Clarendon Little League Football player Wesley Williams fights for extra yardage while Jayson Pigg tries to block out the Canadian players Saturday during the second quarter of their game. The Clarendon team, which is made up of fifth and sixth graders, won the game, 34-12, and are currently undefeated in the season. They have one regular game left on Saturday before they begin playoffs next week.

Photo courtesy The Canadian Record / Laurie Brown

CC Lady Bulldogs defeat Western TX

The Clarendon College volleyball team came out on top in a battle against Western Texas College on September 30.

The Lady Bulldogs defeated WTC in four games, 25-30, 31-29, 30-25, 30-24.

CC played New Mexico Military Institute on September 28 and lost in three games and played Redlands on September 30 and lost in four games. On October 1, CC played the University of Arkansas-Fort Smith and lost in three games and played Frank Phillips and lost in three games.

Meanwhile, several Lady Bulldogs are once again ranked in the top 50 individuals in the nation by the NJCAA according to statistics released last week.

Kuuiipo Hayes moved up from 10th to 7th in aces per game, Nubia Gomez fell from 31st to 42nd in digs per game, and Julie Kalama moved up from 41st to reach 35th this week in kills per game.

Kennisha Richardson slid to 26th this week from 27th in assists per game and Emmelinda Malaga fell to 32nd from 27th in assists per game, and Ashley McMullen fell from 18th to 26th in digs per game.

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7	Michael Bruce	Sr	5'4	125
8	Quentin West	Sr	5'10	160
10	Nathan Gribble	Fr	5'7	135
11	Bradley Sell	Jr	5'8	160
12	Chase Thornberry	Sr	6'2	200
20	Morgan Robinson	Sr	5'9	170
24	Lance Ford	Jr	5'9	150
25	Will Betts	Sr	5'9	175
33	Devin Noble	Fr	5'8	160
35	Kaleb Shadle	So	6'0	160
36	Stephen Ford	Sr	5'8	145
44	Wes Christopher	Jr	5'8	175
54	Will Drackley	Sr	5'9	165
55	Stephen Fowler	So	5'11	195
60	Ty White	Sr	5'9	170
64	Michael Henderson	Sr	6'0	225
65	Cody Scrivner	Sr	5'11	175
66	John Vaught	Jr	5'9	180
68	Scott Fowler	So	5'11	215
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88	Jeremy Utsey	Sr	6'3	165

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Sept. 26
 12:25 a.m. - To jail with one female in custody for forgery.
 4:53 a.m. - See complainant in the 4000 block of CR 10 - disturbance.
 7:00 a.m. - Semi disabled in the 500 block of W. 2nd St.
 10:36 a.m. - See complainant in the 300 block of W. 2nd St.
 12:52 p.m. - Out at clerk's office.
 7:25 p.m. - Serving papers on Burkhead.
 9:08 p.m. - EMS assist at the college.
 10:29 p.m. - Security patrol at the college.

Sept. 27
 5:08 p.m. - Out at college dorm.
 7:40 p.m. - Dog bite on 4th and Faker.
 7:45 p.m. - Out on 3rd and Goodnight.
 7:58 p.m. - To jail with one male in custody for resisting arrest.

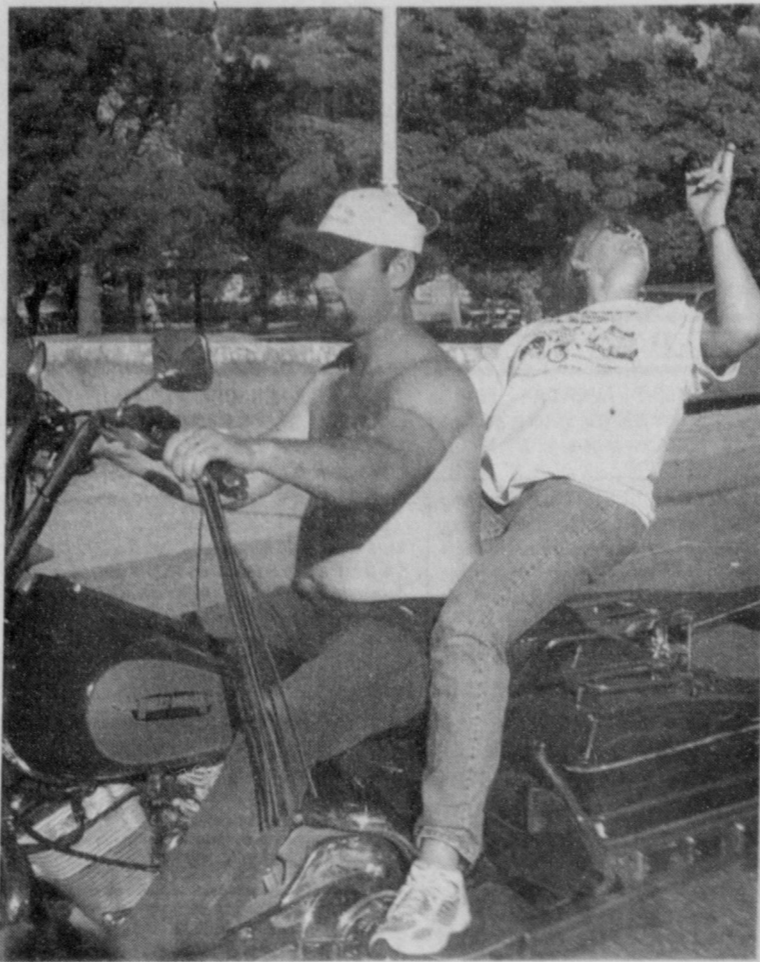
Sept. 28
 11:44 a.m. - Out at Community Center.
 3:35 p.m. - Out at clerk's office.
 11:41 p.m. - Secure building on 1st St.

Sept. 29
 1:55 p.m. - Out at vet clinic for dog bite follow up.
 3:00 p.m. - Out at clerk's office.
 4:47 p.m. - Serving papers on Kearney St.
 6:59 p.m. - Serving papers on Medical Center Dr.
 8:27 p.m. - Check vehicle in roadway in the 300 block of W. 2nd, east bound.
 9:48 p.m. - Patrol of college.

Oct. 1
 2:50 a.m. - See caller in the 600 block of S. Parks.
 11:02 a.m. - EMS assist at EMS station.
 3:31 p.m. - EMS assist on US 70 S. at US 287.
 4:33 p.m. - Vehicle accident on Kelly Creek, Howardwick.
 9:03 p.m. - See caller in the 200 block of S. Ayers.
 9:46 p.m. - Assist Lake Security look for stranded boaters.
 10:02 p.m. - Family dispute in the 600 block of S. Kearney.
 10:10 p.m. - To jail with one male in custody for family violence.
 10:39 p.m. - See complainant in the 600 block of W. 4th St.
 10:58 p.m. - Reported gas leak in the alleyway in the 700 block of E. 2nd.

Oct. 2
 12:15 a.m. - Meet complainant in the 700 block of E. 2nd St.
 1:05 a.m. - Reported disturbance in the 600 block of S. Collinson.
 3:04 a.m. - Reported disturbance in the 300 block of W. 2nd St.
 10:31 a.m. - Returning vehicle to pay for fuel.
 12:03 p.m. - Small grill fire in the 600 block of W. 2nd St.
 3:01 p.m. - Disturbance in the 600 block of E. 3rd - loud music.
 5:53 p.m. - To jail with one in custody.
 9:00 p.m. - Out in the 600 block of E. 2nd.

Summary
 Arrests - 4
 EMS - 6
 Fire - 2



Biking fun

Kathy Holland tries to catch a mustard-covered hot dog with her teeth as Billy Chadwick drives under the swinging frankfurter during the biking games sponsored by Destination Donley County last Saturday. Some 25 bikers participated in the games, which followed Medical Center Nursing Home's Heritage Poker Run.

Photo courtesy Lee Ann Marcum

Owls fall to Patriots

By Tangela Copelin
 The Owls journeyed last week to Valley to take on the number two state-ranked Patriots. The Owls knew they had a tough job ahead of them, and they did not shy from the job one bit. The Patriots began the game by scoring on the Owls quickly and leaving Hedley to face a tough defense. The offense had some mental breakdowns that caused the Owls to be unable to score. The game ended with the Patriots scoring and triggering the 45-point mercy rule.

The Owls may be down, but they are not out of it yet. The boys have all rallied together in an effort to come back and make it to the playoffs. So come out and watch as the Hedley Owls beat the Cotton Center Elks at Memorial Field Friday night at 7:30.

"Our touchdowns were 60 to 70-yard runs," coach Brandon Word said. "The kids played hard, and our defense played well as we kept them from scoring."

The Colts will travel to Wellington October 6 to take on the Firecrackers with the seventh grade beginning at 5:00 pm and the eighth grade following immediately after. There will be no junior varsity game, since they will be participating in the varsity game on Friday.

HHS runners place 4th

By Tangela Copelin
 The Hedley Lady Owls traveled to Canadian to participate in the Canadian meet on Saturday, October 1.

The girls all ran very well at this course improving their times as a whole. Carmen Garcia placed 4th with a time of 12:07, and Jaci Copelin placed 9th with a time of 12:20. They were followed by Ruth Anne Howard with a time of 12:55, Holy Davis at 13:01, and Elizabeth Garcia at 13:18.

The Junior High girls' team placed 4th in the meet as well. Those girls running in order of their finish were Haley Chambliss, Jenni Allen, Marlee Sargent, Kaylee Shields, Alex Stephens, Kallee Burton, Haley Hall, Tamra Burnam, Jasie Sargent, Brook Martin, and Brittney Netterville.

Hedley boys running in this meet were Darnny Garcia was placed 8th; Reid Copelin placed 16th; and Brandon Benton placed 20th. The only high school boy running this year is Will Verstuyft whose time was unavailable.

Come out and support these runners as they all run Saturday, October 8, at the Shamrock Irish Cross Country meet beginning with junior high girls at 9:00 a.m.

Injuries stop JV Owls

By Tangela Copelin
 What happens when six Hedley Owl JV boys are faced with 19 Valley Patriots football players? They play football that's what!

The Hedley JV boys knew from the onset of Thursday's game that they had a tough game ahead of them but that did not stop them one bit.

The game began Thursday night with the Patriots kicking deep to the Owls, and Isaias Ramirez running the ball. The Owls ended up fumbling the ball giving the Patriots the chance to score. The second quarter had the Patriots trying to run the ball up the middle, but Mitch Dipprey and Jesse Foster kept the middle covered and did not allow the Patriots much running room. They tried to pass game, but Dipprey stopped the quarterback in his tracks. They tried to pass again, and this time Archie Sharp intercepted the ball. This put the Owls in good field position, but they turned it over on downs. With just seconds left on the clock, the Patriots scored again, bringing the half time score 0 to 12.

The second half had the Patriots scoring two more times before the Owls finally scored with Tyler Pepper scoring on a kickoff return. Ramirez passed to Jesse Cariveau for the extra point.

With 3:16 left on the clock, trouble struck the Owls when Ramirez was hit by a Patriot and was out for the game with a broken collarbone. This did not stop the Owls as they continued to

play with just five players. Sharp then passed the ball to Pepper, who scored. The Patriots took advantage of the Owls' weakened team and ran in a TD during a play which saw Hedley's Jesse Cariveau get hit, causing his leg to break in two places.

With those two injuries the Owls had to forfeit the ballgame. But what a ballgame it was!

The Owls gave a valiant effort this game. It just goes to show that size and numbers are not always a factor. It is the heart of the players that makes a great team. Our hats are off to these six young men for the effort they put into the game of football. Due to the injuries these young men endured, Owl JV season has ended.

HJH loses to Valley

The Hedley Owl Junior High team was outplayed on Thursday night by the much larger Valley Patriots.

The junior high boys started the game off on a bad note when Valley immediately scored and pushed in the extra point. But the Hedley Owls' much smaller boys showed they had grit when they continued to play despite the size factor.

Owls were dominated by the Patriot offense in the first half had the despite the fact that Darnny Garcia, Braden Montgomery, Reid Copelin, Will Monroe, Tamara Gross, and Troy Chambliss did their best to stop them. These boys were unable to execute their offense as well.

The second half the coaches changed up their players to see if they could do any better. The Patriots decided to give a little as well and put in their second string, which helped the Owls hold the Patriots and keep them from running away with the ballgame. Owls who took charge and played a good second half were Brandon Benton, Willie Lewis, Dylan Pettit, Jacob Widner, RJ Marshall, and Angel Villareal.

The Junior High Owls will travel to Sam-norwood this week to play the Eagles at 5:00.

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Watson medals for CHS

By Sandy Anderberg
 Runner Shelby Watson finished the two-mile cross-country race in fifth place and received a medal for her efforts with a time of 12:12. Abby Patten crossed the line at 12:56 and finished in 21st place.

Also running was Cortnee Thornberry, who finished with a time of 13:45, Jill Cornell 13:55, and Amanda Mendez 15:38. Running for the Broncos were Keifer Burton, who ran the three-mile race in a time of 20:00, and Jon McGlaun, who had a time of 21:40.

"It was a good meet for us," coach Cara Hathaway said. "All of the kids improved their times."

The Broncos and Lady Broncos will compete in the District CC meet Monday, October 17, at Thompson Park in Amarillo. The top runners will advance to the Regional meet to be held in Lubbock October 5.

Colts slam Claude, 30-6

The Clarendon Colts took control of the Claude Colts in their opening drive as Nelson Devin scored on a four-yard run, and the Colts led 6-0.

Neither team scored until Claude put six on the board in the second quarter of play and tied the ball game at six points all before the break. According to coach Brad Elam, the Colts came alive in the second half of play.

"We scored three touchdowns to put the game away," Elam said. "Jaydon Thornton scored on a short run, and Glenn Weatherton added the extra point."

The Colt defense took over on the next series as Devin intercepted a pass and ran it 40 yards for the score and then added the extra point as well. Late in the fourth period, the Colts added to their score when Devin hit Ryan Hill on a short pass, who then ran 80 yards for the final TD. Devin found Weatherton for the extra point.

"We played much better in the second half," Elam said. "The kids were used to dominating everyone, and they learned you have to lay hard against everyone on every play to be successful."

Elam gave credit to Lee Tolbert and Nelson Devin for solid defensive play.

The seventh grade Colts played a fifth quarter and came out on top 12-0 as Michael and Chris Crump scored touchdowns.

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