

editor's
Commentary

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City - county alliances aren't always ideal

Kudos to local fireman Patrick Robertson, who finally said what really needed to be said. (See story on page one.) Was it courage that led Robertson to make that emphatic statement to the mayor and board of aldermen? Or was he simply fed up with what one friend of mine calls "more typical D.C." - a localized synonym for what most Texans call B.S. In any case, Robertson did not just hit the nail on the head - he drove it clean through the board.

"Donley County is the damndest place I've ever seen," Robertson said. "The county doesn't want to do anything that might benefit the city, and the city doesn't want to do anything that might help the county. But 85 percent of county residents live in the city!"

I'm not sure about his math, but the sentiment is 100 percent accurate. I've attended a lot of meetings of both the city aldermen and the county commissioners over the last six years, and each always seems to think the other isn't paying its fair share of something. This most recent deal with the Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department is just one example. Earlier this year county commissioners were wondering how much "county" time Justice of the Peace Jimmy Johnson spent on "municipal" court duties. Last year, it was the city saying the "county" was not paying enough for the municipal "airport."

There seems to be a lot of overlap or co-mingling of funds where local services are concerned. The fact of the matter is that often times one entity ought to be the responsible party. I suppose the thought is that by combining the resources of local governments things can be done more economically. But is it really more economical? Don't all of us - the taxpayers - end up paying for it one way or another? And don't most of us live in the city anyway?

Case in point: Up until two years ago our local ambulance service was run by a hodgepodge board created by the city, the county, and the hospital district. Each entity contributed funds to the service, and each one had a say in running the thing. Logic says that the hospital district - under whose authority the ambulance service was created anyway - should really have sole control and responsibility for the service. After all, it is a medical service. But it took literally years before the hospital board realized that fact and finally took over that whole responsibility.

Look at the city and county today. The county gives the city approximately \$28,000 per year for the operation of the city-county library. It originally was a "city" library, but somewhere along the lines somebody said, "Hey, let's join forces." Now we have a situation where everything the librarian wants to do has to be cleared by both the board of aldermen and the commissioners' court. I don't envy Mrs. Blackerby's situation there.

The county also pays \$500 per year to the "municipal" airport, and the "Clarendon" fire department says it gets \$16,999.92 per year from the county in monthly installments of \$1,416.66 each. Then the county turns around and charges the city \$100,000 a year for police protection through the sheriff's department. That money doesn't go to the sheriff's office or to deputies' salaries; it just goes in the county's general fund.

None of this makes much sense. Why not just reduce the police protection contract to \$54,500 annually and let the city take care of and provide funds for "city" functions? If rural fires are sticking in the craw of the city fathers, set up a nominal fee to charge the county for each rural fire. But don't cut off training for firemen just to make a statement. That's shortsighted.

The reality of the situation is we are all in this together. Yes, county residents enjoy some benefits at the expense of city taxpayers. They drive on city streets and enjoy the security of our streetlights when they are in town. They may even enjoy a picnic at City Park. But county residents also pay taxes for things such as county offices, healthcare facilities, schools, and the college, which are all located right here in the county seat.

When it makes sense - such as one central trash facility or police protection - the city and county should join forces to provide an improved service for all citizens. Another thing that makes sense is a contract having the justice of the peace serve as municipal judge.

Some functions, however, should remain separate. Clarendon is the county seat; and as such, it will always enjoy more convenient county services than rural residents by the simple fact that county offices are right here in town. But if Clarendon wants to be a progressive, growing city, it must provide municipal services to its citizens and visitors - services including good city streets, a city library, a municipal airport, and a city park to name a few. And it must do so without whining whenever someone from outside the city limits briefly enjoys those amenities.

And one more thing...

The city fathers are right in one respect, though: County residents really should have the courtesy to use the county dump rather than fill up a city resident's or businessman's trash bin. It's just not neighborly to stuff another man's Dumpster.

Homeland Security first step in US defense

Recently, we celebrated Veterans Day - a day that honors our nation's many military veterans. It is on this day that we as a nation are to reflect upon the personal sacrifice and courage of those involved over the years in the struggle to protect our liberty. Over the years, the willingness of these brave men and women to risk their lives has meant we remain free, proud and protected.

This year, though, in an all-too-sad coincidence, Veterans Day also was the two-month mark of the heinous attack against us. Unlike years past, when our military men and women fought wars on foreign shores, this attack brought the front lines here to our soil. We are all now called to do battle and to defend our hard-won principles.

Our first line of defense is the Office of Homeland Security. A few weeks ago the President created this office by executive order to show Americans that every possible step is being taken to ensure their security.

The mission of the office is to coordinate federal, state, and local counter-terrorism efforts to strengthen protections against terrorist threats or attacks. It is critical that we have an organized and comprehensive national strategy to help protect the United States - that is, one office that not only looks for future attacks, but defends us from them and, finally, helps us to rebound after them.

President Bush appointed former Pennsylvania Governor Tom Ridge, a de-



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with Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison

rated combat veteran, to head the office. Governor Ridge, who will report directly to the President, has the strength, experience, personal commitment, and authority to take on this challenging assignment.

In this time of crisis, your leaders in Washington are taking a variety of steps to ensure our security and punish those responsible. For example, we passed a new antiterrorism law to give our law enforcement agencies better capability to respond to the new technologies, such as allowing, with a court order, wire tapping of a person instead of a phone number.

In addition, we are moving to secure our airports now and in the future, our public health officials responded quickly against the anthrax threat, and already the Coast Guard and the National Guard have expanded their duties both to protect our shores and ports and to provide increased surveillance at our borders. At the same time, our brave men and women in the military are on foreign lands tracking down the evildoers.

All of us have responsibilities, though, in this new war - we must refuse to give terrorists the power they are seeking, the power of fear. As the President said recently, "There is a difference between

being alert and being intimidated, and this great nation will never be intimidated."

We must go about our daily lives, and at the same time we must remember to focus on what truly matters - we must treasure the awakened appreciation for our nation, our values, our neighbors and our families.

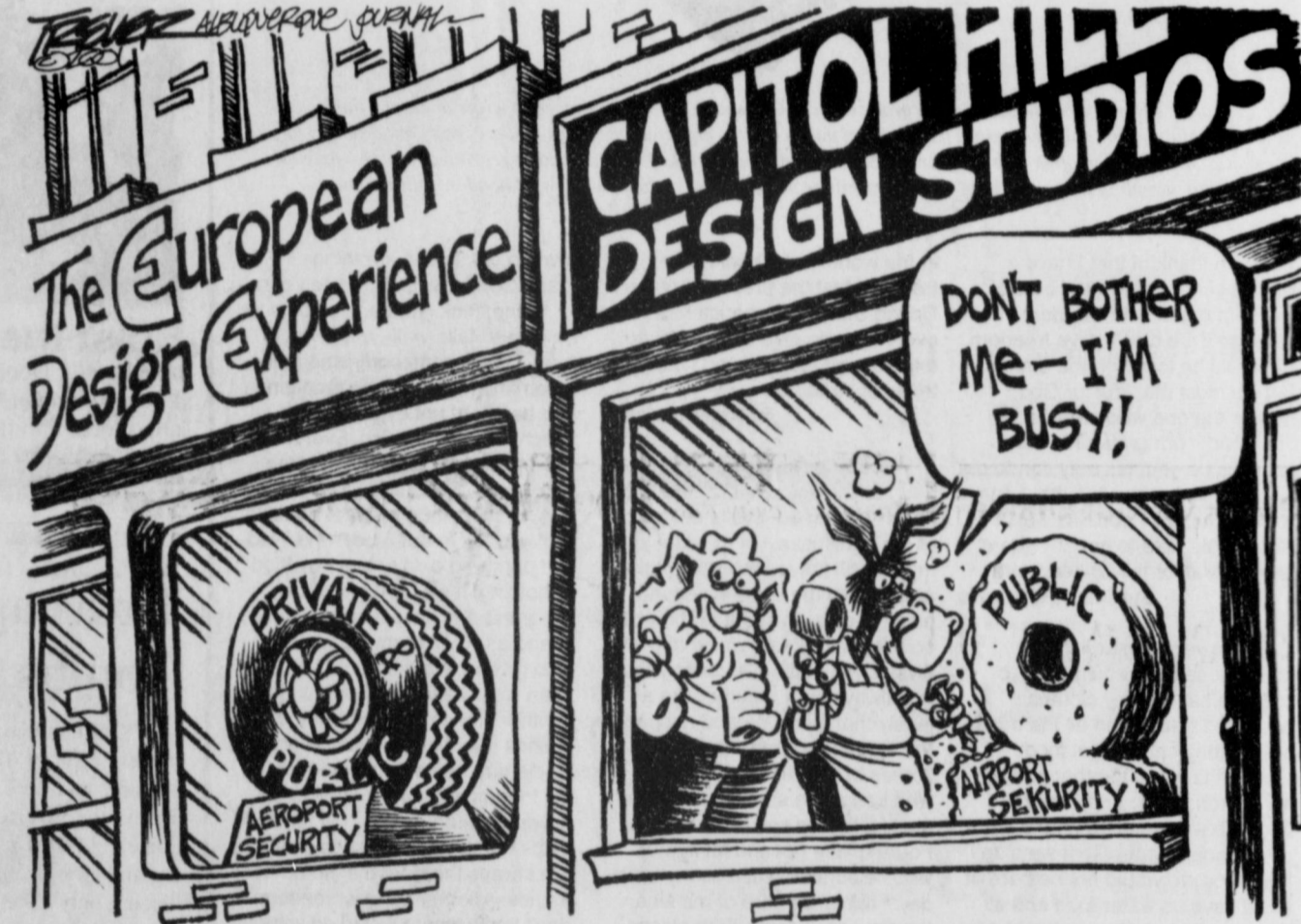
Make a commitment to this emotion - in dedication of the memory of what happened on September 11 - and find a way to offer service in your community. Defy the terrorists by showing how strong our spirit and good will are - how strong our American values are.

Our good fortune in never having had our shores violated by international terrorism is both a blessing and a curse. It means that we have, unfortunately, a learning curve. I assure you, though, we are responding rapidly, forcefully and appropriately. It is the character of our nation and our people - we can quickly adapt to circumstances and always have.

Sam Houston once said, "Texas has yet to learn submission to any oppression." Houston, who spoke during the quest for freedom for Texas from Mexico, was thinking of the character of our people - of our conviction, determination, and, admittedly, our bullheadedness!

Today we are fighting for freedom from terrorists, and his thought is apt today: America will never learn submission to any oppression.

We are the best. We have a just cause. And we will prevail.



Reduce junk mail to help cut back on trash

For the past nine years, the State of Texas has used November 15, Texas Recycles Day, to acknowledge the many efforts being made across the state to reduce the amount of trash going into the state's landfills. Recycling and waste reduction programs are alive and well in the Texas Panhandle. In recent years, they have begun to make a noticeable contribution to the waste reduction goals of the Panhandle communities that support them.

This year, as part of its annual Panhandle Environmental Partnership Award Program, the PRPC is recognizing two Panhandle communities that have proven to be top-achievers in the arena of waste reduction. During the past 12 months, residents of City of Canadian topped all other Panhandle communities by recycling on the average 259 pounds of trash per person. As a result of their city-wide yard waste diversion program, the City of Dalhart was able to prevent 332 pounds of grass and wood waste per capita from going into its landfill.

Texas Recycles Day is not just an annual event. It is a day to recognize and promote efforts that should be on-going year-round. Surveys have indicated that over 85 percent of Texans support the concept of recycling. Yet the percentage of people that actually recycle on regular basis is considerably less. Some people may think their lives are simply too fast-paced to take the time to recycle. However, with a little bit of effort, even busy people can make a significant yet painless cut in the amount of trash they generate. They can start by reducing the amount of junk mail they receive. So often, that mail gets

thrown away unopened anyway. Here are a number of things that everyone can do to lighten their load on their mail carriers, garbage haulers, and maybe even their own pocketbooks.

- Send a letter requesting that your name be removed from DMA's database. This should help eliminate much of the unsolicited marketing material you currently receive. Direct Marketing Association, PO Box 9008, Farmingdale, NY 11735-9008.

- This company distributes Shop-Wise™ branded mailings to over 60 million households per week. If you are tired of taking these packets from your mailbox to your trashcan, contact this address to have your name de-listed. List Service Department, ADVOMailbox Values, 239 W. Service Road, Hartford, CT 06120-1205.

- Who needs another limited edition Elvis plate? If you want to eliminate the temptation to buy another, write to this company to have your name removed from their list. Or you can do so at Valerie@valpak.com. Val-Pak Direct Marketing Systems, Address Information, 8605 Largo Lakes Dr. Largo, FL 33773.

- If you want to get rid of those "generous" pre-approved credit card offers, contact this number for more information: 1-888-5-OPTOUT.

It may take several months, but before too long that steady flow of junk mail that has been coursing its way into your mailbox should slow to a trickle. However, keep this list handy because anytime you order from a catalog, contribute to a charity, or subscribe to a magazine, your name

may reappear on the junk mailers' list. However, does it get any easier than this? Now, even busy people can recycle even if they have to do so by mail.

John Kiehl,
Regional Services Director,
Panhandle Regional Planning Commission

War continues

The war is still on. Families cry for lost loved ones that are not coming back. The war is driving everybody crazy and against each other. We love our country so much that we are willing to die for it. If you have ever heard the Pledge of Allegiance it stands for freedom, justice, and liberty for all.

What happened on September 11, 2001, was mean and cold hearted to kill over 7,000 people that day. So now we are not going to be nice about it, because they did it first and we are reacting to what they did.

I love my country and my whole family does, too, because it is our home. I know that it is not fun and games now because somebody is sending letters that contain anthrax. I wish the war was over and the United States won, because there is to many Americans dying over this war. I would love for this war to be over so we can have no enemies like we used to and live in peace and harmony again. The president would like it if the war were over too, so would the soldiers so they could see their families again, and be with their kids. God bless the USA.

Danielle R. Smith, age 11,
Hedley

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City:

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different ways to fix the streets. The board agreed to have a financial advisor come to the city to discuss what the city can afford to do.

Librarian Carolyn Blackerby presented the final library policy manual for the aldermen's signature. She also recommended Jerri Ann Shields be hired to work at the library. The aldermen approved her recommendation.

Ordinance 338, which sets dumping fees at the city's new recycling center and prohibits scavenging, was discussed at length. Alderman Michael Tibbets said he had asked repeatedly at a previous meeting that his name not be in the minutes as having made the motion to adopt the ordinance. He moved to repeal Ordinance 338. Motion died for lack of second.

Mark White was appointed to fill the vacant alderman's position of Smiley Johnson.

The annual Christmas party was discussed, and City Superintendent Jim Roberts reported on the recycling center and a shell of a house to be burned.

A Failure to Appear contract with the Municipal Court was discussed and accepted, and Colby Waters discussed licensing for plumbers. He is to get the rules and policy for the city.



The Lion's Tale

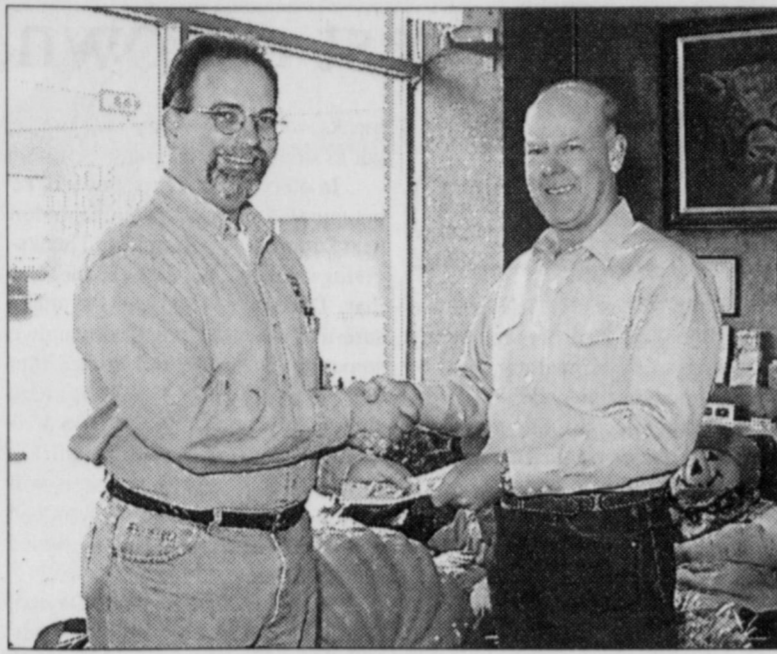
By Allen Estlack

Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting November 20 with Boss Lion Jerry Woodard in charge.

We had 12 members and five guests. Our guests were Helen Estlack, guest of Lion Allen Estlack; program guests, Clarendon College Basketball Coach Wade Scott, Assistant Coach and Volleyball Coach Jodie Card, Lana McCandless, and Heather Black.

The coaches told us about the year so far and about the game tonight.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Bank makes donation

Donley County State Bank President Jimmy Fowler presented a check to Clarendon Elementary Principal Mike Word this week for the elementary library. The bank donated \$165 to the library along with \$47 they received from the pumpkin contest held before Halloween.

Ag bill funds boll weevil battle

Boll weevils, reeling from the effective eradication program Texas farmers have been waging in the nation's largest cotton state, have new reason to fear. The US Senate passed HR 2330, the Agriculture Appropriations Act which includes \$25 million for boll weevil eradication efforts in Texas.

"Texas cotton growers have led the fight against the boll weevil," Sen. Phil Gramm said. "Now they will have the tools to finish off this pest."

In an effort to assist farmers in their battle against their crop-destroying pest, Gramm introduced the Boll Weevil Eradication Equity Act last year which authorized the federal cost share contribution to the states and producers fighting the infestation. This year's funding will continue those efforts.

"Our cotton producers have and will save tens of thousands of dollars in pesticide and other preventative measures, keeping more money in the checkbooks of Texas families. I am grateful for this funding, especially for Senator Hutchison's hard work on securing it," he said.

Eradication efforts throughout the state have led to increased production and a dramatic reduction of the chemicals required to protect the state's cotton crop. The higher yields, environmental benefits, and lower workloads are welcome results.

"Growers want cotton they can market," Gramm said, "not a government bailout for a destroyed crop."

The House of Representatives passed HR 2330 on November 13. It now goes to the White House for the President's signature.

weather report

Day	Date	High	Low	Prec.
Mon	12	73°	39°	-
Tues	13	70°	51°	-
Wed	14	66°	51°	0.47"
Thur	15	60°	52°	2.58"
Fri	16	57°	54°	1.11"
Sat	17	64°	50°	0.70"
Sun	18	64°	52°	0.18"
Total precipitation this month: 5.88"				
Total precipitation to date: 30.18"				
Total precipitation in November last year: 0.62"				
Total YTD total last year: 23.61"				

weekend forecast

Friday, Nov. 23
Mostly Sunny
62°/32°

Saturday, Nov. 24
Mostly Sunny
65°/35°

Sunday, Nov. 25
PM Thunderstorm
50°/33°

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Looking Back

20 Years Ago

THE CLARENDON PRESS, Nov. 26, 1981
• Hosea Hearn exploded for a career-high 309 yards and four touchdowns to carry the Broncos to a 49-28 victory over Panhandle Friday night in Pampa's Harvester Stadium. The Broncos will face the Hale Center Owls in the Regional finals.

• The FFA Senior Chapter Farmers took first place at the Area I Competition last Saturday in Canyon. Team members included Ken Dorris, Ray Lindley, Arlis Thomas, Steve Shaller, Jack Downer, Dyrone Howell, and Richard Gaines.

• The FFA Greenhand Team took first place also. Members were Wayne Chambless, Mitch Johnson, Lynn Alderson, Tim Cole, Dean Cearley, Carl Cox, and Rodney Kewon. Their sponsor is Milton Mann.

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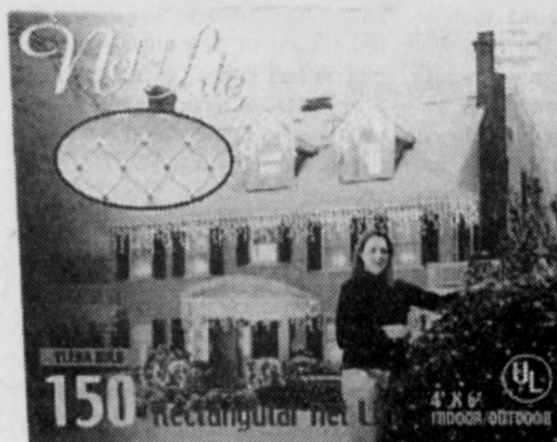
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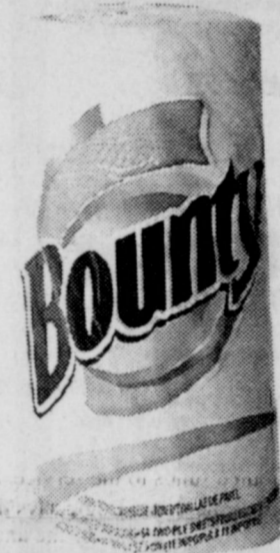
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November 22

Thanksgiving

November 26

Crown of Texas Hospice "Sunshine Lunch" • Sam Hill BBQ • 11:30 a.m.

November 27

CHS v Hedley • here • 6:30 p.m. girls, 8 p.m. boys.

November 29

CHS in Floydada Tourney

November 30

Community Tree Lighting and Merchants Lighting • TBA

December 1

Donley County Old Fashioned Christmas • Downtown • All day

Saints' Roast Museum Benefit Christmas Party • Clarendon Community Center • 7:30 p.m.

Coca-Cola Classic Tourney • CC Gym • TBA

December 4

Special Run-off Election

December 3

Bulldogs v Western Okla. JuCo • CC Gym • 7:30 p.m.

Howardwick Christmas Lighting • Howardwick City Park • 7 p.m.

December 25

Christmas

Community Menus

November 26 - 30

Clarendon Schools
 Breakfast
 Mon: Oats and toast, fruit, milk
 Tues: Sausage and biscuits, fruit, milk
 Wed: Pancakes, fruit, milk
 Thur: Muffins, juice, milk
 Fri: Cinnamon rolls, juice, milk
 Lunch
 Mon: Stew or PBJ sandwich, cornbread, salad, fruit mix, milk
 Tues: Meat loaf or pizza, hot rolls, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, white cake, milk
 Wed: Baked potatoes with ham and cheese or PBJ sandwich, tossed salad, carrots, peaches, milk
 Thur: Goulash or hamburgers, tossed salad, corn, hot rolls, fruit mix, milk
 Fri: Sub sandwiches, potato chips, carrots, lettuce, tomatoes, apples, milk

Hedley Schools
 Breakfast
 Mon: Breakfast bar, toast and jelly, dry cereal, fruit juice, milk
 Tues: Egg sausage bake with cheese, dry cereal, fruit juice, milk
 Wed: Breakfast sandwich, dry cereal, canned peaches, fruit juice, milk
 Thur: Biscuit and gravy, sausage patties, butter and jelly, cereal, juice, milk
 Fri: Cinnamon rolls, cereal, peanut butter, fruit juice, milk
 Lunch
 Mon: Beef enchiladas, rice, beans, chips and salsa, salad, fruit, milk
 Tues: Lasagna, corn, tossed salad, canned peaches, hot rolls, milk
 Wed: Chicken strips, potatoes and gravy, green beans, sweet pea salad, rolls and honey, salad, fruit, milk
 Thur: Hamburger steak, onions and mushrooms, potatoes and gravy, potato salad, salad, fruit, rolls, milk
 Fri: Ham and cheese subs or Philly steak subs with lettuce, tomato, pickles, onions, and olives, mixed fruit, cookies, chips, milk

Donley County Senior Citizens
 Mon: Barbecue chicken, baked beans, onion rings, potato salad, Rice Krispie treat, bread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
 Tues: Roast beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, Jell-O with bananas, cookies, roll, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
 Wed: Smothered chicken, parsley potatoes, zucchini and tomatoes, carrot copper pannies, peaches and pears, bread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
 Thur: Smoked sausage, steamed cabbage, macaroni and tomatoes, Carolina salad, pastries, cornbread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
 Fri: Catfish, hominy casserole, turnip greens, coleslaw, cherry chocolate ripple, hush puppies, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Hedley Senior Citizens
 Mon: Chicken and dumplings, fried squash, tossed salad, plum cobbler, corn muffin, milk, tea, coffee
 Tues: Beef stew with peas, carrots, tomatoes, onions, potatoes, and celery macaroni salad, banana pudding, corn muffin, milk, tea, coffee
 Wed: Steak and gravy, mashed potatoes, black-eyed peas, pear halves, cake, roll, milk, tea, coffee
 Thur: Chicken strips, potato soup, carrot-raisin salad, apricot cobbler, corn muffin, milk, tea, coffee
 Fri: Mexican casserole, Spanish rice, refried beans, tossed salad, sliced peaches, chips or crackers, milk, tea, coffee

Basketball season captures interest of town

Sunday night was the Community Thanksgiving Service with James Ivey Edwards of First Methodist delivering the sermon at First Baptist. It's inspiring to see a town come together to worship, and Clarendon is nothing if not inspirational.

It's also interesting to watch basketball games in the Colt Gym with the doors open. You never know when the ball might escape the players and go flying through one of the open doors. If you're lucky, the ball won't get far, but if you're not, it could be halfway out in the parking lot before anyone catches up to it. Time outs due to ball escape can make a game take a long time.

Still it is very obvious that basketball season has begun. Junior high through junior college teams are busy with pre-season games and tourna-

ments, and little guys are (or will be shortly) dribbling all over the place. It's the season of optimism. Anything is possible.

For instance, the Clarendon College Bulldogs men's basketball team is currently undefeated. And the women's basketball team has beaten both Midland College and Howard College. Howard had a good record last year. But Midland is ranked third in the nation among women's junior college teams and was the runner-up in last year's national championship. And Clarendon beat them last weekend. Not too shabby. In fact, achievements like that are pretty darn impressive.

The Thomas baby has arrived. I'm sure all of Clarendon joins me in welcoming young Master Samuel Jacob Thomas as a citizen of our fine



around Town
By Gail Shelton
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community. We're glad he's here and that Mom and Dad are apparently surviving so far. Congratulations to Onita on another fine addition to the grandchild collection. She may have to get sideboards on her grandmother necklace.

Y'all join me in sending a "Get Well Soon" to Mary Beth Nelson and her fractured femur. She will be a long while recuperating, but I know everyone wishes her well and that it's no longer than necessary. People, you have just got to stop breaking things. We barely get Mary Neil back in place at the bank, and Mary Beth

breaks something. This has simply got to stop. No more. Okay?

In other news, Christmas will be inaugurated in downtown Clarendon next Saturday. Not the one on Thanksgiving weekend, but the next one after that, December 1. I want to make sure that everyone comes downtown sometime Saturday and comes into the library because I will be there signing my book. Yes, my book is finally out, but you have to act quickly if you want a copy, because it will have a short shelf life - or you can come to the library and get one signed by the author.

Hide-and-Sheikh by Gail Dayton, Silhouette Desire #1404. Nothing edifying or improving. It's pure brain candy. Entertainment. But very well written entertainment. At least come by and talk to me.

Ministry plans to share Teddy bears

By Joburta Helms

The Downtown Ministry Center has been blessed with many, many teddy bears. We want to pass the blessing on to the children, friends, and neighbors of Clarendon.

If you know someone who needs a special Christmas blessing, come by the Ministry Center and pick out a bear from them. If you need help delivering your Blessing Bear, contact Jean Ledbetter at 874-3926 or Joburta Helms at 874-2528. The Ministry Center will also share some of the donated bears with the Angel Tree as well as City Church in Amarillo. Both organizations prepare gifts for underprivileged kids at Christmas.

The Ministry Center will have a Teddy Bear tree in the Christmas tree Silent Auction for the Old Fashioned Christmas. The proceeds from the sale of this tree will be used to purchase food items for the pantry. We appreciate the community for the food items purchased and left at Thriftway. Because of your generosity, food is being distributed weekly. It is greatly appreciated.

The Ministry Center with the help of local youth organizations and church groups will be making Christmas boxes for children of our community. We are asking small items to put in the boxes. Needed items include: school supplies, small bottles of shampoo, soap, tooth brushes, socks, caps, gloves, small toys, candy canes, small books or coloring books. You may leave the items at the Ministry Center anytime you see it open or in the boxes at Thriftway.

Work in progress report on the Center: The "big room in back" is changing daily thanks to the volunteer work of several members of the Texas Baptist Retired Builders of Amarillo. Ed Musser of Canyon and Gene Davis of Amarillo joined Eddy Helms and Buck Welty to build stairs to the upper floor. Their time and work is appreciated. Come by and see what is going on at the Ministry Center.

Give thanks for America and those who defend her

The rain started in the early hours Wednesday morning and continued almost continuously until Saturday morning. Keith told me it overflowed a five-inch gauge at his house and one at my house, so I guess we got close to six inches of slow, gently soaking rain. It was beautiful, and I loved it. It was foggy as Louise Farley and I went to Amarillo both Wednesday and Friday mornings.

I would have loved to be at home at Giles during the lightning and thunder. I always enjoyed the thunderstorms and watching the rain. You can't get close to a storm in town the way you can in the country.

I enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner at school with a hoarde of other people Thursday. I went with Rhonda Shaw.

I saw Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Jones and Blackie and Shirley Johnson of Memphis. There were lots of other people there, but I wasn't close enough to recognize them. I did recognize Ronnie and Janie Hill, Buford and Jerry Holland, and Dorine Conatser with her son, John, and his wife Diane.

I went to a basketball game Tuesday night and saw Hedley play Hart. I missed the girls' game but the boys played an unusual game. It was close all the way through, and during the last minutes of the game all the Hart players had fouled out but one lone boy. He got a rebound, and if he'd made his lay up he would have won. I think the score was 52-51. I never saw anything like it.



watt's Happening
By Peggy Watt
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Troy and Kathryn Monroe have a new baby boy. They called him Collin Trent, and I got to hold him at the Thanksgiving dinner Thursday. I'd forgotten how little a two week old baby is. So tiny and sweet. He was sleeping so naturally I thought he was sweet. When he was awake, it might be a different story all together.

As we gather together with loved ones this Thanksgiving, we must surely be aware of how blessed we are to be living in the wonderful land where we are free to worship God in

whatever way we wish to. And we should give thanks to God for those who are willing to serve in the armed forces to keep this nation free.

Hedley is proud of its young men who are members of America's armed forces. They are Michael Gay and his wife Mandy, Johnny Hoggatt and his wife Jana, Chris King, James Hoggatt, and Kenneth Dishong and his wife Jennifer.

I included the wives of the service men because they make as many sacrifices as the men who serve. These young men stand ready to go into battle and fight to keep America free to celebrate Thanksgiving and all the freedoms we take for granted.

Have a happy and peaceful Thanksgiving.

Donley County Senior Citizens to vote on new board members

By Vida O'Neal

Members of the Donley County Senior Citizens will be voting on new board member soon. Those running will be Gerald Mulanax and Gerald "Buddy" James, whose terms will end at the beginning of the year.

These two fellows will be running again this year with the addition of Lee Roy Jackson, Merle Owen Krammar, Wanda Beddingfield, and Paulette Kidd. Four board members will

be elected for the next term.

Next week, we will publish a short inquiry on each participant. The election will be held November 27 with absentee voting starting on November 20.

Our Membership Drive to the Senior Citizens is drawing to an end. The fee for the membership remains at just \$1.00. If you have not paid your dues, please try to get this done. The DCSC will be closed

November 22-23 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

The annual supper for our volunteers will be held on December 13. Those of you that are attendees of this volunteer supper, please mark your calendars. The invitations will be sent at a later date. This is in appreciation of those of you who donate your time, efforts, and love to help out at the center.

Get well wishes go to Nita

Meador, Tommie Saye, Fern Berry, and Ruth Levitt. Our condolences to Billy Wood and family (loss of Henry Woods), and L.C. Keith and family (loss of L.C.'s daughter).

Sharon Grady, Eva Bright, Pattye Holton, and Vida O'Neal wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Reminders:
 Nov. 26: Dance Club, 7 p.m.
 Nov. 27: Birthday/Anniversary, 6 p.m.
 Nov. 30: Blood Pressure Clinic, 11:00 a.m.

Competitions, dance, good times for JA Ranch reunion

The JA Ranch Reunion of 2001 has come to a close. There were about 50 people who enjoyed the rodeo events on Friday night consisting of sorting an doctoring.

The winners of the sorting were Rhett, Billy, and Brent Cauble. The winners of the doctoring were Ricky Bud Clark, Willie McCleskey, and Nick Auker. This team also won the average. Prizes for each event were headstall buckles made by Wade Brannon from Silverton, along with headstalls made by Jim Stevenson of Clarendon. Belt buckles made by Wade Brannon were given to the average winners.

The children had a good time running the barrels and rescue race.

They all receive a T-shirt purchased from Gregory Enterprises. Russell Baldwin of Clarendon announced the event while Ray Nikley of Claude flagged. The cattle were furnished by Gene Hommel of Clarendon.

Saturday was a success with about 100 people enjoying the day. The mess hall was reserved for photo albums and written stories, and there were plenty of both. The chuckwagon was set up in Nina Bivin's yard with beans on the spit and coffee brewing. The dinner tables were set up under the trees in the driveway. Steve and Pam Lewis cooked the barbecue. Everyone brought their own lawn chairs or sat on the green grass. Folks gathered around the wagon and

enjoyed music by Glen Spiller and his daughter, Hannah. Ray David, Red Berry, Tony Sparks, and Rhett Cauble. A senior citizen carrying two canes did a jig for us.

After lunch, the children (ages 0-13) participated in a dummy roping. The prizes were a headstall made by Wade Brannon for first place, a rope bag monogrammed by Malana Hale for second place, and a kids classic rope for third.

The 0-5 year old winners were Weston Hollowell, first; Duncan Stewart, second; and Kolt Stevenson, third. The 6-10 year old winners were Oscar Auker, first; Cedar Stevenson, second; and Hali Hollowell, third. The 11-13 year old winners

were Brett Cauble, first; and Makayla Fields, second.

There was a horseshoe-pitching contest after all these events were over. Brent Cauble made a set of toilet paper holders for the horseshoes contest winners. Susie Cauble and her mother-in-law, Moni Berry, were the proud winners of the contest.

A barn dance was held later that evening with Rhett Cauble, Red Berry, Glen Spiller, and Randall Gates making up the band.

Tony Sparks served as president for the JA Ranch Reunion, and Vanell Stevenson served as secretary.

If you would like to see more of the JA Reunion, visit online at www.ranches.org.

Comptroller opens new Texas Tomorrow enrollment period

AUSTIN - Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander today announced that Texas families may enroll children in the Texas Tomorrow Fund from now through May 24, 2002.

"With the Texas Tomorrow Fund, Main Street Texans don't have to worry about Wall Street volatility," Comptroller Rylander said. "You're not only locking in your child's college tuition and required fees, you're also buying peace of mind at a time of economic uncertainty."

"With the Texas Tomorrow Fund, you pre-pay your child's college tuition and required fees at today's prices," Comptroller Rylander said. "Later, when your child is ready for college, the State of Texas absolutely guarantees those expenses will be paid, no matter how much costs soar in the future."

In kicking off the Texas Tomorrow

Fund's annual enrollment period, Comptroller Rylander urged families to take advantage of quick, convenient online enrollment at www.texastomorrowfund.org.

"About 40 percent of the families who signed up for the Texas Tomorrow Fund during the last enrollment period submitted their applications online," Comptroller Rylander said. "When you visit the Texas Tomorrow Fund Web site, you can get answers to your questions and apply immediately. There's no paperwork, no check to write, no concern about mail security, and no excuse to put off investing in your child's future."

More than 16,000 Texas Tomorrow Fund contracts were sold during the last enrollment period that ended May 25, 2001. Since the program began in 1996, more than 115,000 Texas families have enrolled in the Texas Tomorrow Fund, and about

8,000 students are now attending college using prepaid tuition.

The Texas Tomorrow Fund allows parents, grandparents, or others to prepay a child's tuition and required fees for up to five years at a Texas public or private university, two years at a community college, or two years at a community college plus two years at a senior college. Texas Tomorrow Fund benefits may also be used at out-of-state colleges. Texas Tomorrow Fund payments may be made in a lump sum or in annual or monthly installments.

"By the time today's newborn is ready for college, tuition and required fees for four years at a Texas college or university is expected to soar to almost \$61,000," Comptroller Rylander said. "If you enroll your newborn in the Texas Tomorrow Fund, four years of tuition and required fees will be locked at \$15,131, and you

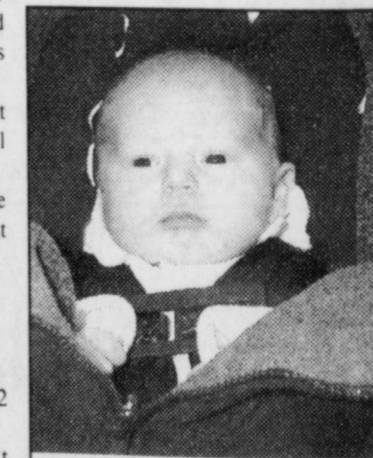
can pay in installments of just \$132 per month.

"If four years of college won't fit in your budget, you can prepay tuition and fees for one year of college for as little as \$35 a month, or one year of community college for as little as \$18 a month," Rylander said.

The cost of tuition and fees at Texas public colleges and universities has nearly doubled since 1992, and continues to rise about 7.5 percent per year. Returns on traditional savings accounts and investments may not be enough to cover soaring college costs.

"The Texas Tomorrow Fund makes saving for college easy, economical, and absolutely safe," Comptroller Rylander said.

For more information, visit the Texas Tomorrow Fund Web site at www.texastomorrowfund.org or call 1-800-445-GRAD (4723).



Dear Clarendon,
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 Since we are blessed here that children are raised by the community, they said that for the next 100 years or so, please tell them about all my behavior. (They made me write that, and I think that is excessive and ask for your discretion.)
 Thanks again and may you have a wonderful, blessed holiday season. I am looking forward to finding out what the holiday season means. Dad and Mom assure me it is a time of giving thanks for all our blessings and for Christ who was born to save us from our sins.
 Samuel Jacob Thomas

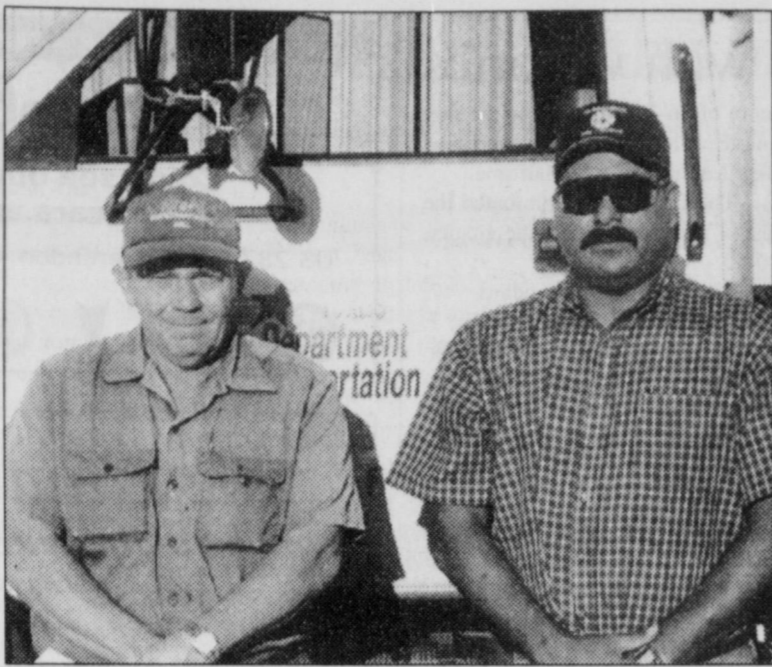
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Local men win TxDOT Truck Roadeo honors

Refugio Benavidez and Benny Osburn of the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) Childress District Donley County Maintenance Section were the top finalists in their section at the district Truck Roadeo held at the Childress Airport.

TxDOT sponsors the Truck Roadeo as part of the fleet safety training. Drivers are scored on two different levels. First, they drive through an obstacle course designed to simulate truck maneuvers encountered during a normal workday. Then, they identify safety defects on equipment within specific time limits.

Benavidez and Osburn received a special award at the Childress District Safety Awards Banquet last week in Childress.



Benny Osburn and Refugio Benavidez of the TxDOT Donley County Maintenance Section were top finalists in the district Truck Roadeo held recently in Childress.

Photo courtesy of TxDOT.

First Baptist plans 'Spiritual Warfare' seminar

The First Baptist Church of Clarendon is planning a Spiritual Warfare Seminar led by Jim Everidge of Lighthouse International Ministries beginning Sunday, November 25, through Tuesday, November 27.

Services on Sunday will begin at 10:50 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Weekday services will begin each evening at 7:00 p.m. There will also be noon services on Monday and Tuesday, beginning with a meal in the Fellowship Hall at 11:50 a.m. and a devotional service at 12:25 p.m., following a meal.

Jim Everidge served as pastor of Robinwood Baptist Church in Segoville, Texas, from 1978 until 1993, and then First Baptist Church of Sachse, Texas, until 1999. Both churches experienced exceptional growth when they made prayer a matter of priority in the life of their church.

In 1999, with a strong sense of God's Leading, he resigned First Baptist Church in Sachse and formed Lighthouse Ministries with a challenge in his heart to call men and women, and ultimately America, back to God before it is too late. Since that

time, he has been active in leading Prayer Seminars and Spiritual Warfare Seminars in churches throughout America.

Everidge and the support staff of Lighthouse Ministries share in the conviction that the only hope for America won't be won at the State Capital or even in the White House. It must begin at God's house with God's people.

Everyone is invited to attend every service. A nursery will be available for those needing it.

Constable case awaits ruling

Both sides in the Swinney v. Donley County case argued summary judgment positions before District Judge David McCoy here last week, but as of this Tuesday morning there was still no decision in the matter.

County Attorney Pro-tem Kaye Messer said she still feels confident about the county's position and said Judge McCoy told participants he would rule fairly quickly.

At issue is whether county commissioners set an unreasonable salary for former constable Jimmy Swinney, who ran last year as a write-in

candidate for a position which had been vacant more than 30 years. Swinney took office in January, filed suit against the county in June, and then resigned in September when he failed to become licensed as a state peace officer.

Meanwhile, Donley County commissioners began advertising last week to seek applicants for the vacant position. No final decision has been made on whether to replace Swinney or leave the office vacant. Messer said the county retained the right to reject any or all applicants for the job.

Girl Scouts looking forward to Christmas

By Linda Rowland

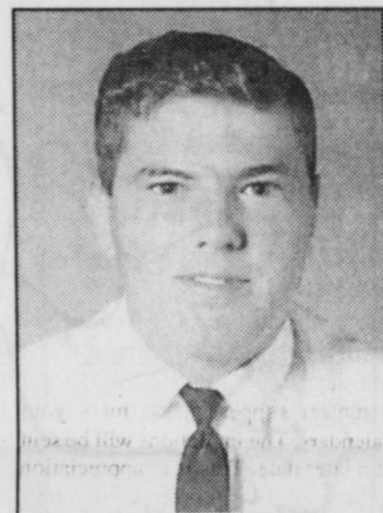
Clarendon Girl Scouts will be decorating the Lions Club lawn with lights and ornaments on November 25 at 2 p.m. This is a father/daughter event.

There will be hot chocolate and snacks prepared by the scouts for refreshments during the decorating. Dads, come out and have some fun with your wonderful daughters.

The Girl Scouts will meet at the Lions Club on November 30 at 6

p.m. to turn on the Christmas lights. The community is invited to share this experience. The troops will be singing Christmas carols and serving snacks. There will be hot chocolate available in exchange for a can of food.

The girls are collecting can food for the needy and we hope everyone will pitch in. If you have any questions, please contact Stacie Hall at 874-3803 or Denise Bertrand at 874-3372.



Look Who's Over The Hill! Happy 50th Birthday!

Hutchison asks mail be sent to regional office

Because of the presence of anthrax found in the Hart Senate Office Building, all mail delivery to Capitol Hill was stopped on October 16, Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison said.

"I want to make sure Texans know not to expect responses if they have mailed a letter to any member of Congress in Washington, DC," the senator said. "The best way to let me know your opinions on legislation is to send an e-mail or send mail to my regional offices."

Constituents can send e-mail to senator@hutchinson.senate.gov. The nearest regional office is located at 500 Chesnut Street, Suite 1570, Abilene, Texas 79602.

Retired teachers to meet

The Donley County Retired School Personnel Association, Local Unit will meet Monday, November 26 at 6:00 p.m. in the Church of Christ Family Life Center.

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Friday, Nov. 30

5-7:00 County Wide Lighting
6:00 Girl Scouts Tree Lighting, Lions Club

Saturday, Dec. 1

8:30-5:30 Quilt Show, Eads Furniture and Appliance
9-10:30 Community Fellowship Church Breakfast With An Angel
9:30 Craft Show Opens
10:00 Merchants Open
Decorated Tree Viewing - Downtown Ministries
Entertainment, Art Club Cake Walk, Kids Crafts, PTA Bake Sale & Sodas
11-2:00 Tour of Churches
1-4:00 Tour of Homes
2-5:00 Saints' Roost Museum Open
4:00 Decorated Tree Auction
6:00 County Tour of Lights - Howardwick, Clarendon, Lelia Lake, Hedley
7:00 Saints' Roost Museum Dance
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Lady Bulldogs beat #3 team in the nation, 69-64

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Bulldog's patience and perseverance have paid off big early in their season. They took control and defeated #3 Midland College in the Pre-Conference WJAC Tourney in Borger November 15-17.

Playing aggressive defense and take-charge offense, the Lady Bulldogs showed their dominance against Midland. Sophomore Ravon Justice took control and scored 22 points. Sisters Nidia and Nivia Garcia added to the win with 10 and 6 points respectively. Freshman post player Sancho Lytle added 10 points from the inside. Colby Davis, Vasha Adams, and Esther Chavez each helped with 7 points.

The final score was 69-64

"It was a good game for us," said Coach Wade Scott. "The girls played well and competed hard."

In the second game of the tournament, the Lady Bulldogs went head to head with Odessa College. The outcome of the game was 74-63 in favor of Odessa. Even though the Lady Bulldogs were coming off a big win, the still fell to Odessa's three-point game. Odessa connected on ten 3-pointers.

Scoring for the Lady Bulldogs were: Lytle 25, Justice 17, Nidia Garcia 9, Chavez 7, Lana McCandless 4, and Nivia Garcia 1.

The Lady Bulldogs played a third game in the tournament against Frank Phillips College and defeated them soundly to give them third place in

the tournament. The final score was 82-45.

The Lady Bulldogs held FPC to only 14 points in the first half. Lytle was again the high scorer with 20 points. Justice, Davis, and Quandra Ridley each added 11. Nidia Garcia added 10, Chavez had 9, and Nivia Garcia had 3. Heather Black, Adams, and Hayley Hugley each added 2 points.

The Lady Bulldogs will host the Coca-Cola Classic on Friday and Saturday, November 30 and December 1, beginning at 6:00 pm. Participating teams will be Western Oklahoma State College, Hardin Simmons JV, and Frank Phillips College. December 6, the Lady Bulldogs travel to Sterling, Colorado.

Good luck, Lady Bulldogs!

Bulldogs beat Ranger, Seminole to remain undefeated

By Sandy Anderberg

They just keep going and going. The Clarendon College Bulldogs look to be unstoppable. They're perfect so far this season, and they want to stay that way.

This past weekend, the Bulldogs hosted the Pizza Hut Bulldog Classic. The Bulldogs defeated their opponents, taking the first game into overtime.

The Bulldogs played Ranger Jr. College for the second time this year with the same outcome. Clarendon defeated Ranger in overtime, 110-100.

Down by 10 points in the last 7 minutes, the Bulldogs scrambled back to tie the game with just seconds left in the game.

"We had the last possession of the game and could have won in regulation, but we couldn't convert," said Head Coach Tony Starnes.

The game went into overtime,

and the Bulldogs showed their dominance to take the game from Ranger.

According to Starnes, there were three Ranger players that they hadn't seen in their first meeting. One was a big scorer for Ranger, but the Bulldogs didn't let that hinder them. They stayed focused on the task at hand and came out with the win.

Scoring for the Bulldogs were: Lonnie Cooks 16, Roland McDougal 16, Raymond Shaw 15, Mike Wallace 13, Richard Gilliam 12, Jamaal Shell 11, Lee Robinson 10, Chris Packer 6, Ali Koroma 6, and Jacobia Platt 5.

Saturday night the Bulldogs went up against a good Seminole team. They put up a hard fight, but the Bulldogs came out on top, 115-108.

The Bulldogs finally came up against the size that they were anticipating when they played Seminole. They (Seminole) had two players that stood head and shoulders above

everybody else at 6'10" and 6'8". The Bulldogs haven't gone up against that so far this season.

"These kids were big," said Starnes. "They're a great team with a lot of athletic ability. We knew we would have to work hard and stay mentally tough."

The Bulldogs did just that. Their size worked to their benefit, according to Starnes, as Seminole's big guys had trouble containing the CC players.

"Our players responded well to the situation," said Starnes. "We

really hadn't gone up against a team that executed in the post position like Seminole did."

Scoring for the Bulldogs were: Wallace 22, McDougal 20, Shaw 17, Koroma 10, Platt 9, Packer 10, Shell 7, Gilliam 7, Cooks 5, Dexter Drayden, and Robinson 3.

The Bulldogs will be headed to Denison November 23 and 24 to take part in the Grayson County Classic. The Bulldogs will play Panola Jr. College from East Texas on Friday and Grayson at 6:00 Saturday night.

The family of Bill and Donna Hall invite all friends and family to join them in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary on December 1, 2001, from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. at Howardwick City Hall.

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Broncos JV squad wins one, loses one

The Bronco junior varsity team opened up against a strong Dumas team and fell, 95-19.

Dumas took charge in the opening quarter. Their size and quickness dampened the Broncos' attempt to match up against them.

According to Coach Danny Brittain, the Broncos did a lot of good things against the Demons.

"We did show a lot of hustle in the second half."

Scoring were Drew Sell 5, Richard Anderson 4, Justin Johnson 4, Alex Polly 2, Tim Sears 2, and Jeremy Howard 2.

The Broncos went up against Claude Friday night and had more success on the court. The Broncos

defeated the Mustangs, 47-26.

"Our kids came out with a great point to prove," said Brittain. "They played hard all of the way through."

The Broncos had two players in double figures. Sophomores Drew Sell and Justin Johnson came away with 13 points each.

"We had a few rough spots," said Brittain. "But overall we were very proud of the entire team."

Also scoring were Polly 6, Anderson 5, Grady Swearingen 2, Matt McCabe 2, Adam Leeper 2, Chuck Robertson 2, and Robert Shelton 2.

The Bronco JV team will go up against Hedley November 27 at home beginning at 5:00 pm and will host a tournament December 1.

JV girls drop two games

The Lady Broncos played their first two games of the season last week beginning with Dumas Tuesday, November 13. Dumas came out on top, 60-15.

Going up against a 4A team was tough for the Lady Broncos, and first game jitters seemed to take over from the tip off.

The Demonettes took charge and controlled the tempo and scoring of the game.

"It was a tough game to begin our season with," said coach Kathy Barton. "We need to do a lot of work to improve. I look for this team to do some good things, but it is going to take time to figure out who works well together out of 22 girls."

Scoring were Equilla Weatherston 7, Angel Williams 4, and Brandi Martindale 4.

The ladies took on the Claude Lady Mustangs Friday night at Bronco Gym. Despite playing a much better game than their season opener, the Lady Broncos couldn't overcome a slow first half and lost, 38-35.

Coach Barton was encouraged.

"This was a good game for the JV team. After a sluggish first half, we fought back and made it a good game."

Barton was still concerned about the jitters the girls had but feels it will pass with time.

Their scoring was more balanced than the first game, and several Lady Broncos contributed to the game.

"I liked seeing that so many of the girls scored," said Barton.

Scoring were Christine Holden 7, Williams 6, April Ballard 6, Jessie Anderberg 5, Weatherston 4, Crystal Lawler 3, B. Martindale 2, and Kayla Martindale 2.

The Lady Broncos are looking forward to going up against Hedley at home on Tuesday, November 27, beginning at 5:00 pm and will host a tournament December 1.



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Lady Broncs open with two wins

By Sandy Anderberg
They play with intensity, a determination coveted by many, and a will to get the job done. The Lady Broncos have begun their 2001-02 season with two wins, one of which was against 4A Dumas.
The Lady Broncos went up against Dumas November 13 in Bronco Gym and defeated the Demonettes, 64-41.
Head Coach Mary Karr was pleased with the Lady Broncos' play in her coaching debut in Clarendon.
"We're excited about opening the season with a win over 4A Dumas," said Karr. "We're also very pleased

about our TEAM effort."
Karr has been stressing TEAM to the Lady Broncos, and, so far, it's paying off.
The Lady Broncos came out on fire in the opening quarter of the game. Their lead stunned the Demonettes, who found themselves scrapping for every point. The Lady Broncos continued their scoring attack and never let up against Dumas. The entire game seemed to belong to Clarendon.
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Bryley had 19, 17, and 12 points respectively. Junior Kylen Karr added 10 points.
Friday, November 16, found the Lady Broncos at home against the Claude Lady Mustangs. Clarendon won the game handily with the final score, 61-32.
The Lady Mustangs just couldn't get things going against the Lady Broncos' strong defense. Frustration overtook Claude early in the game. Again, Coach Karr gave credit to a strong defensive effort and balanced scoring.
"The girls played very solid

defense and offensively our scoring was balanced."
Scoring for the Lady Broncos were: Lemley 16, Aduddell 12, Karr 8, Bryley 6, Lacey Anderberg 5, Claire Rodriguez 4, May Butler 4, Lacey Eads 4, and Brandi Betts 2.
The Lady Broncos will continue their basketball schedule after Thanksgiving November 27 at home against the Hedley Lady Owls. The game will begin at 6:30 pm.
The Lady Broncos will then participate in the Floydada Tournament November 29 through December 1. Good luck, Lady Broncos!

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Broncs open season with tough game

By Sandy Anderberg
The Clarendon Bronco basketball team began their 2001-02 season with a tough game against a good Dumas team last Tuesday night. The final score was 81-56 with Dumas getting the victory over the Broncos.
The Broncos fought hard but couldn't get things rolling against the good 4A team. The Broncos had three players in double figures and their free throw shooting percentage was good at 55.
Coach Wade Callaway in his first year at the helm of the Broncos is optimistic about his team's ability despite the loss to Dumas.
"We went into the game with the attitude that it was really just a third practice for us," Callaway said.
The Broncos' practice time has been limited since the end of the football season. But Callaway knows that is something that can be easily fixed with more intense practices.
The Broncos' strategy is still to go into every game expecting to win. He refers to the Bronco basketball team as a "blue-collar team."
"It may not be pretty, but we'll get the job done," said Callaway.
Their number one goal for the year according to Callaway is "to outwork everyone they play." He feels good about some of the good things the Broncos did against Dumas.
"We handled the tangle things well," said Callaway. "We can control the hustle and transitions of the game."
Scoring for the Broncos were: Jarad Lax 16, James Williams 11, Todd Hoeltzel 10, Cody Watson 6, Micah Sparks 5, Dusty Martindale 4, Jeremy Ray 2, and Cameron Word 2. Judge Smith and Landon Shields are also members of the Bronco squad.
The Broncos faced off against Claude Friday night and lost, 54-40.
The Broncos came out playing hard. They traded baskets back and forth through three quarters of the game and led Claude by one at the beginning of the final quarter.
But the fourth quarter belonged to Claude as they outscored the Broncos fifteen points. The Broncos' free throw percentage was 43 percent compared to 55 percent for Claude.
Coach Callaway and the Broncos are still trying to settle into one another's way of doing things.
"We're always disappointed when we lose," Callaway said. "We have to keep in mind our goal... District. We need to stay patient as we're adjusting to a new system and keep improving every time out."
The Broncos go up against Hedley after the Thanksgiving break November 27 at home beginning at 8 p.m. They will be at the Floydada Tournament November 29 through December 1.
Good luck, Broncos!

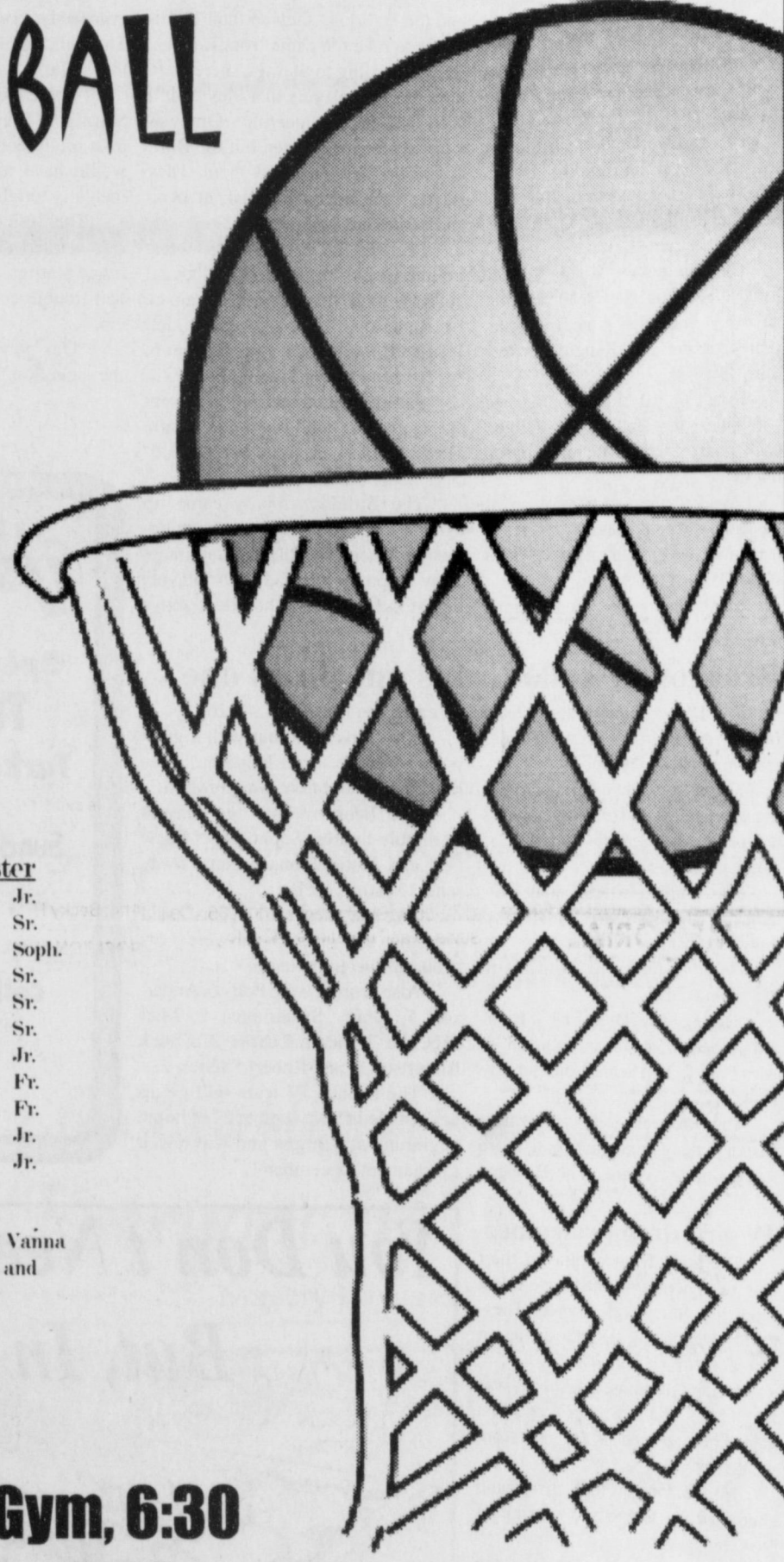
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CC names raffle winner
The Clarendon College baseball program sponsored a raffle which was won last week by Joyce McKinley of Albuquerque, New Mexico. The winner had her choice of a four-day three-night Las Vegas vacation or \$500.00 in cash. The prize was donated by Jerry Woodard of Clarendon and Herring National Bank.
CC Coach Trent Petrie expressed his gratitude for the community's support of the baseball program and also for the support of Woodard and Herring National Bank.

BRONCO BASKETBALL

TAKE IT TO THE HOOP



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November 29 - December 1

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The JA Ranch Reunion organizers would like to thank the following people for their help recently with our reunion: Wade Brannon, Jim Stevenson, Gregory Enterprises, Russell Baldwin, Ray Minkley, Gene Hommel, Steve and Pam Lewis, Malana Hale, and everyone who came out and enjoyed all the festivities. We would also like to thank each one that bought raffle tickets for the JA spurs made by Bill Homer of Groom.

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Where do you start to thank a community of friends who so unselfishly covered us in prayers? Never have we been so humbled by the thoughts and cares of so many. Each visit, each phone call, each card added to the lifted prayers that calmed our fears, strengthened our spirits, and aided in Gene's recovery. We know God heard you for we truly felt them. We know God answered your prayers for Gene is here today. We thought how in the world could we repay you. We can't, but we will try to be ready to go to our knees for each of you when you have a need. May God bless you all.

Gene & Kathy Hommel and family

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State Office: Construction Division, 200 E. Riverside Dr., Austin, Texas 78704. Phone: 512-416-2540.
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CLARENDON-FARM - 271 ACRES 9 MILES S/E OF CLARENDON - 173.8 acres in CRP at \$33.00 with 6 years remaining (~~\$5,735.00 annual payment~~), 1 domestic well, frontage on large major ranch provides unobstructed view for building site and makes this a favored feeding ground for deer and quail, offered at \$400 per acre.

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Clarendon

CLARENDON
• 618 S. Parks. Brick, 4 bedroom, 1 bath, cellar, fresh paint and some new carpet, partly remodeled on two lots. ~~\$50,000~~ \$46,000.
• Victorian home to be moved. 715 W. 6th St. \$15,000
• 3 1/2 acres with nice shop. 1109 W. 8th Street. ~~\$25,000~~ \$21,000
• 721 W. 3rd St. Fenced corner lots, stucco, recent remodel, one bedroom, one bath, nice carpet and kitchen vinyl. \$30,000
• 149 ac. all grass, dry creek with big trees. \$48,500
• 1009 W. 8th St. Nice and clean, two bedroom, one bath home with fireplace, covered patio, two car carport, one car garage, storage building. \$27,500.

DONLEY COUNTY
• 480 acres, beautiful lake, alfalfa, rye, one mile live water.
GREENBELT LAKE
• 182 Angel St., 3 bedroom, 2 baths, extra clean, 4 storage bldgs, nice landscaping, 2 lots, RV pad with hookups, partially furnished. ~~\$52,000~~. REDUCED TO \$40,000.
• 251 Plainview Lane, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, all electric with a wood burner stove, furnished, and ready to move into. Nice and clean. ~~\$27,500~~. \$22,000

HALL COUNTY
• 792 acs. 2 dirt tanks. One well, beautiful canyon, \$240 per acre.
• 1,653 acres. Very scenic, dirt tanks, one creek, lots of game. ~~\$300~~ \$260 per acre.

BRISCOE COUNTY
• 500 +/- acres, very scenic, good hunting. \$275 per acre.

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Operating loans available for farmers, ranchers

Low prices, tight markets, and reduced yields due to extreme climatic conditions will squeeze profit margins for some producers to the point where funding needed to produce next year's crop will be difficult to obtain.

As a result, the Farm Service Agency (FSA) announced the availability of operating loans for eligible farmers to secure next spring's planting needs. The November interest rate is five percent.

FSA provides low interest loans to qualified farmers unable to obtain credit from commercial sources. An operating loan may be issued directly from FSA or in the form of a guaranteed loan secured by the government but funded by a conventional agricultural lender.

"The basis of or loan program is to provide temporary credit to those who can demonstrate both need

and repayment ability," said Larry J. Goetze, Farm Loan Manager. "Our goal is to help farmers so that they will be able to obtain credit from private lenders when they are financially able."

Operating loans are used to purchase supplies and inputs for farming enterprises. Input items may include seed, fertilizer, livestock, feed, and equipment. Financing may also be used to pay for minor improvements to buildings and to refinance debt under certain conditions.

"Credit is usually extended to established farmers who have suffered financial setbacks because of economic downturns or natural disasters," said Goetze. "Farmers who do not qualify for conventional loans because of insufficient net worth are also eligible for the program."

US citizens operating a family farm are eligible for a loan if they

are unable to obtain credit from a financial institution, have the ability to incur debt, can demonstrate ability to repay the loan, and are not delinquent on any Federal debt.

"FSA doesn't just disburse loans," added Goetze. "We help our customers manage their finances by providing credit counseling and supervision through required farm and financial training course."

Direct operating loans can be made for up to \$200,000 and FSA can guarantee loans up to \$759,000. The repayment terms may vary, but typically will not exceed seven years for livestock and equipment. Crop funds are generally repaid within twelve months or when the commodities are sold.

Producers needing additional information should contact the FSA Farm Loan Office in Donley County at 874-3561.

Locals participate in WRCA rodeo events

High Card Ranch team members Dustin Crump, Dillon McCleskey, Colby McCleskey, and J.D. Baxter competed in the Working Ranch Cowboys Association (WRCA) Junior Ranch Rodeo finals on November 10, 2001, in Amarillo.

The High Card has had a competing team at the finals every year since the beginning in 1997. The team had to win a previous area rodeo to be eligible for the finals. They competed in the pony express race, the wild cow milking, and calf branding.

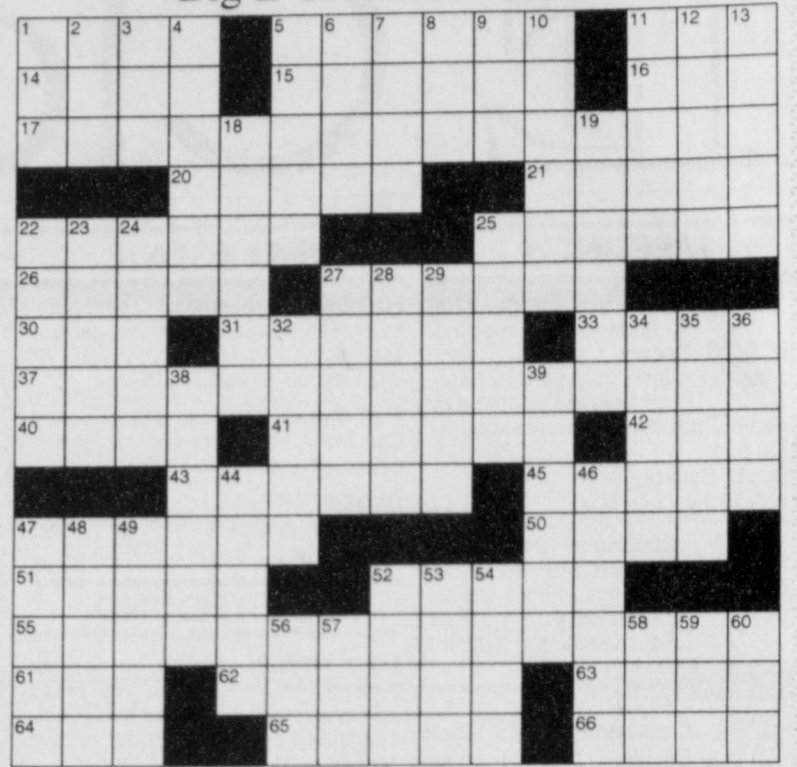
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Big E Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1. Hacks
- 5. Esteem
- 11. Returned material authorization, abbr.
- 14. Absorbed
- 15. Bullrings, for one
- 16. Food grain
- 17. Words heard at a trial
- 20. Base of statue
- 21. Reeds and sugar cane
- 22. Forms
- 25. Can or bottle
- 26. Not technical
- 27. Makes containers
- 30. Programs for arrays (Computers)
- 31. Recluse
- 33. Executes
- 37. Murder trial issue
- 40. Goidelic language of Ireland
- 41. Jean Paul ____, author
- 42. Manipulate
- 43. Readies
- 45. Locomotor organ
- 47. Preferences
- 50. Children
- 51. Drama awards
- 52. Any valuable or useful

DOWN

- 1. Electronic equipment, abbr.
- 2. Swiss river
- 3. Barrels per day, abbr.
- 4. Extensive plain without trees
- 5. Forays
- 6. Bulky grayish-brown eagle
- 7. Favourites
- 8. Unnihexium, abbr.
- 9. To, in Scotland
- 10. Discharge
- 11. French city
- 12. French river
- 13. Oil or perfume obtained from flowers
- 18. Resound
- 19. Exaggerate
- 22. Type of noose

- 23. One who expects
- 24. Reference book
- 25. Aquatic animal
- 27. Fishing vessel (Naut.)
- 28. Shaded colors
- 29. Sways
- 32. Razor clams
- 34. Extinguished, sort of
- 35. Black colors
- 36. Eyelid infection
- 38. Musical group
- 39. One who floors someone
- 44. Iranian city
- 46. Donated income regularly
- 47. Cloaks
- 48. White aspen
- 49. Nuthatch genus
- 52. Celery (Spanish)
- 53. Vomit
- 54. The dried leaves of the hemp plant
- 56. The winged goddess of the dawn
- 57. A large vessel
- 58. Honorable title (Turkish)
- 59. Annoy constantly
- 60. Tooth caregiver, abbr.

Sheriff's Report:

Suspect pounds on window in residential area

Nov. 12
9:24 a.m. - Responding to alarm in 500 block of W. 2nd St.
9:47 p.m. - Out at college dorm for a disturbance call.

Nov. 13
8:17 p.m. - To Nwth escorting inmate being transported via ambulance.

Nov. 14
11:50 a.m. - Assisting stranded motorist on US 287 at Kearney St.
2:10 p.m. - Transporting adult male to Nwth.
9:03 p.m. - Check report of reckless driving.

Nov. 15
12:15 a.m. - Put cow up on north SH 70.
3:40 a.m. - Responding to resident in 1300 block of W. Fifth Street. Male subject pounding on win-

dows.
11:53 a.m. - Transporting inmate back from Nwth.
4:20 p.m. - Responding to call from Clarendon resident at Hall County Hospital.

Nov. 16
3:16 a.m. - Check business at Howardwick for unresponding 911 call.

Nov. 17
7:39 a.m. - Cattle out two miles out on south SH 70.
6:04 p.m. - En route to jail with one male in custody for possible DWI.

Nov. 17
12:40 a.m. - En route to possible

break in at college dorm.
12:59 a.m. - At jail with two males for public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

10:03 a.m. - Responding to accident. No location listed.
10:36 a.m. - En route to accident at CR 10 off south SH 70. Brisco County Sheriff also notified.

Nov. 18
2:20 p.m. - Assisting stranded motorist on US 287 at CR P.

Summary
Arrests - 3
Fire Calls - 2
Ambulance Calls - 10

Annual Saints' Roost Museum Christmas Party
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Obituaries

Hatfield

Vivian "Marie" Corder Hatfield, age 46, of Amarillo went home to be with Jesus, her savior, on Tuesday, November 13, 2001.

Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 15, 2001, at Citizen's Cemetery in Clarendon with Mike Suiter of San Jacinto Church of Christ in Amarillo, officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Robertson's Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Marie married Stephen Edward Hatfield on September 7, 1976, in Amarillo. Steve and Marie lived in Rapid City, SD, until they moved to Amarillo in January 1983. Marie was preceded in death by Steve on May 20, 2000.

Marie is survived by her parents, Frank and Vivian Corder of Clarendon; one brother, Frank William Corder, Jr., of Clarendon; one sister, Kathy Lynn Corder Swanson of Amarillo; four nephews, William Henry Corder, James Edward Swanson, Richard Eugene Corder, and David Corder; one great nephew, James Ray Swanson; and two great nieces, Heather Renee Swanson and Danielle Nicole Swanson.

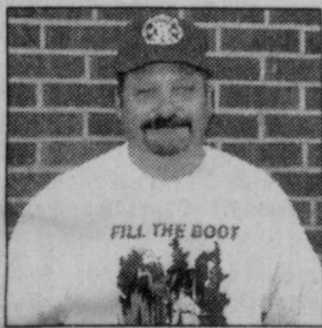
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Roy has been a member of the Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department for 13 years and has been married to his wife, Denise, for 25 years. He is a member of St. Mary's Church, where he is president of the Parish Council. He has been employed by the Texas Department of Transportation for four years. Roy and Denise have two children - Kirsten, who is a student at Clarendon College, and Robert, who is married and living in Tyler.

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