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NEWS at a glance

Early balloting begins next week

Early voting for this year's General Election begins Monday, October 21, in the Clerk's Office of the Donley County Courthouse Annex.

Registered voters can cast their ballots during regular business hours. There will be no Saturday voting this year since no one requested it.

Early voting continues through November 1, and the General Election will be held November 5.

Club will host Candidates' Night

The Howardwick Friendship Club will hold their monthly meeting and a candidates' night on Friday, October 18, at 6:30 p.m. at the Howardwick City Hall.

Bring a covered dish and hear the views of the local candidates.

MCNH to host Trick or Treating

No tricks, just treats at Medical Center Nursing Home's annual Halloween Party on Thursday, October 31, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Come join the fun with all eir ghouls and goblins handing out goodies. They will treat you with hotdogs and all the fixings. Afterwards, there will be trick or treating door to door with the residents.

They will also sponsor a coloring contest. Contest rules are available in this issue. Winners will be announced Thursday evening.

Come on out and fill the kids up before they start on the

Burton Library to hold Open House

The Burton Memorial Library will host an Open House & Book Sale on October 26 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Refreshments will be served, and activities include a story time, a Guess The Pumpkin Weight Contest, and a Favorite Mask Contest.

Proceeds from the book sale will benefit the projects of the Friends of the Library.

Cubs looking for used uniforms

The Cub Scouts are in need of slightly used blue scout shirts. Patches can be left on or taken off.

If you have a shirt that you would be willing to donate or if you would like to make a donation so that a scout can have a uniform, please call Karla Devin at 874-9298.

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Hedley. 7 The Fire Department announces the winners of the annual poster con-

9 And the Broncos put the stomp on the Shamrock Irish. All this and much more in this k's hypoallergenic edition!

HISD dedicates building to Messer

Hedley school officials dedi- getting Hedley kids through English has his own classroom. expansion to the late Evelyn Messer ligently last Saturday as part of the 51st annual Cotton Festival.

Public School for more than 30 years, tion. teaching English and drama while running the school library.

one find people so wholly dedicated the new addition. to the development of children than teachers. "Certainly one of those that Messer."

cated their new \$1 million facility or helping them learn to write intel-

the school cafeteria for an all-school new administrative offices. Messer, who passed away in reunion responded with enthusiastic

A plaque was presented to Mess-

"Maybe future generations will 400 people. Hedley," said Superintendent Bryan read it," Hill said, "and maybe it will Hill, who praised several long-time help us remember her contribution."

The expansion includes four new classrooms - one of which is stepped The large crowd assembled in in a lecture hall style - as well as two

The highlight of the expansion 2001, had worked in the Hedley applause as Hill made the dedica- is a new multimedia room which serves as a combination library and auditorium. A large, elevated stage in er's husband, Doyle, and a similar the multimedia room is available for "Few places in this world can plaque will be affixed to the wall of school programs and plays, and the room can accommodate seating for

The \$1 million project was partially funded through an Instructional Following the dedication, the Facilities Allotment grant from the you cannot help but think of when crowd was allowed to tour the new state. The IFA money will cover you walk into this addition is Mrs. addition, which has nearly doubled approximately 84 percent of the cost the floor space of the school's while the taxpayers of the Hedley Hill said he could not imagine main building. For the first time in school district will pick up the rest the number of hours Messer spent decades, every teacher at HISD now through a 15-year bond.



State grant will

Superintendent Bryan Hill and Doyle Messer



Top float

The Hedley Lioness Club had the First Place Float during the parade at the 51st annual Cotton Festival

Crowd braves wind at Cotton Festival

having a good time.

Complete results were not available at press time, but Blackie Johnson of Memphis got the Best of Show Vehicle division, and Sam Jett and

The Lions Club served barbecue third. for lunch, and the Lioness Club also had concessions available.

Organizational Float Division with second and third. The Antique Tractor Show was the Khiva Temple and the Hedley one of the early events of the festival. Class of 2012 coming in second and the Howardwick Fire Department city could lose the money if it did not

Wilkinson was first followed by Leon building.

The Kiddie Parade was the first Hall and the Khiva Mule Skinners. Cotton Festival were greeted by event of the afternoon followed by Kelby and Kaley Shields won the blustery weather Saturday in Hedley, the Grand Parade. The Hedley Lion- Recreational Vehicle division, and but that did not deter the crowd from ess Club took home first place in the Jared Moran and Wes Shields were

> placed first, Paymaster Gin was David Moss won the Classic second, and Jack Barton was third.

act quickly. Watson moved, seconded by After the parade, an all-school Knorpp, to adopt the resolution the Stegall Family were second and reunion was held at the Hedley accepting the grant. Tibbets and

improve airport

With a tie-breaking vote, the Board of Aldermen last Tuesday accepted a state grant to make \$886,000 in improvements to the Clarendon Municipal Airport.

The project provides for the reconstruction of 800 feet of the the spring of 2004. north end of the runway, which is of the remaining 3,800 feet of the be implemented; and the runway will

The grant from the Texas Department of Transportation requires a ten percent match from the city, a fact which caused concern from some aldermen.

"Nobody would deny that we need this money," said Alderman Michael Tibbets. "The question is shouldn't we spend \$88,000 on

that the opportunity was too good to finished as quickly as possible.

turn down. "We simply cannot afford to pass

up nearly \$900,000," she said. Knorpp further argued that matching funds for the grant might be paid for through a bond issuance which would include money for city

street improvements. The board debated the flexibility of an October 8, 2002, deadline to accept the grant. Based on information presented by board consultant Colby Waters, Alderman Tibbets said to make a decision. But Knorpp and In the Miscellaneous Division, Alderman Bob Watson thought the

School Cafeteria followed by the Alderman Tommy Hill voted "nay," the tie-breaking vote in favor of the

The city has been working to get the grant for the airport for approximately four years beginning when Smiley Johnson was on the board. The project should be completed in

In other city business, the alderdeteriorating, and the rehabilitation men discussed a proposed lease runway. In addition, the taxiways, ness at the airport. Dusty Abbott, apron, and turnarounds would be who intends to establish a business rehabilitated; erosion control would to repair and maintain small aircraft, requested a 30-year lease for a new hanger to be built near the current pilots' lounge. The aldermen agreed to certain terms of the lease and requested the city attorney to draw up the agreement for presentation at the next meeting.

City Superintendent Jim Roberts gave an update regarding the recycling center and the work of McKay Engineering. The board requested the city attorney to send a letter to Alderman Janice Knorpp argued Gary McKay about getting this job

> Librarian Carolyn Blackerby updated the board on the community TIF grant and invited them to the Library's Open House on October

> The letters sent to the citizens who have livestock in the city limits: were discussed. There was a misunderstanding that City Clerk LeAnn Marcum had not signed the letters. Marcum presented photocopies of the letters which were clearly signed.

The board approved Ordinance the board could wait until December 343, which amends Ordinance 331 and increases trash rates by \$1.80

The board re-appointed Myles Shelton, Jerry Woodard, and Todd Knorpp to the Economic Development Board. Mayor Tex Selvidge had indicated he no longer wished to serve on the EDC Board, and the In the Animal Division, Tiffany dedication of the new addition to the and Mayor Pro-tem Mark White cast aldermen appointed Mayor Pro-tem Mark White to take that seat.

Officers arrest two women on drug charges

week by the Donley County Sheriff's second-degree felony amount.

Department.

Barbara Jean Smith, age 43, was Essie Jean McCampbell of also arrested under a sealed indict- investigation and work on the drug Clarendon was arrested last Monday, ment last Tuesday, October 1, and September 30, under a sealed indict- charged with the same offense. Smith burn said. ment, according to Sheriff Butch is claiming Dallas as her place of residence, Blackburn said.

Both women were arraigned by with the cases.

Two women are out on bond charged with Delivery of a Con- County Judge Jack Hall last Tuesday, following drug arrests made last trolled Substance (cocaine) in a and bond was set at \$20,000. The women made bond the same day.

"This is part of our ongoing situation in Donley County," Black-

Texas Department of Public Safety Narcotics Officers assisted

Bronco Parents to host Fall Festival next Saturday

The Bronco Parents' Fall Festi-

Clarendon Athletic Program.

All proceeds from the festival out on the chance to 'throw a wet val Extravaganza will be held Satur- will help support Broncos/Lady sponge' at your favorite coach or day, October 26, from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Broncos athletics throughout the take a picture with a Bronco football player. They will also have a costume The Bronco Parents donate their This year's festival will feature contest for children in kindergarten time to the organization to benefit the exciting booths, games, a cakewalk, through twelfth grade. Winners will and a concession stand. Don't miss be announced at 8:00 p.m.



Bronco mania

Trainers, cheerleaders, and band members join the varsity Broncos as they celebrate their victory over Shamrock last week. Enterprise Digital Photo

guest Commentary

Lawsuits catch consumers in the crosshairs

Whether it's a crack in the city sidewalk or a trace of beef in the fast food French fry, eventually there will be a lawsuit. Win or lose, we, the people, are the ones who

Welcome to the no-man's land where most consumers live. It is a pockmarked battleground squarely between insurance companies on one side and ever more inventive plaintiff lawyers on the other.

Everyone agrees that when a wrong is done, the harmed should be compensated by those found to be responsible. Unfortunately, the system of civil justice that is supposed to make sure that the harmed are made whole has flaws. Compensation too often far exceeds all limits of common sense; theories of damages under the law have become more and more farfetched; and settlements reached and judgements rendered almost always eventually come out of our own pockets.

Who would disagree that people harmed by their doctors should be compensated? But for every 100 doctors in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, there are 350 medical malpractice claims filed. Most of these lawsuits fail, but every legal defense costs thousands of dollars. Who pays? We do. First the doctors are hit with malpractice premium rate hikes of 100 percent or more. These higher costs then cause consumer health insurance rates to escalate dramatically. Employers then scale back health coverage.

Consumer groups, who take funding from trial lawyers, simply blame insurance companies who, they say, want to gouge doctors because these companies have lost money in the stock market. But 14 of 17 malpractice underwriters have left Texas in the last two years because they can't raise rates fast enough o keep up with the litigation costs. It's pretty tough to gouge if you aren't writing policies, so this explanation just doesn't hold up.

Four years ago, lawsuits alleging harm from mold were virtually non-existent in Texas. In the last two years, however, Texas has seen 40,000 insurance claims for "toxic" mold. Yet internationally respected experts in immunology and microbiology say that the public hysteria manufactured over mold has absolutely no foundation in medical science. These facts have not stopped lawsuits claiming memory loss and neurological damage. For consumers it is an expensive hoax; insurance rates have doubled for many homeowners.

After a 32 million dollar "toxic" mold judgement, the ruse swung into high gear. Pictures of mold remediators in environmental "moon suits" inspired thousands of others to seek relief from the supposedly dangerous mold in their homes. Meanwhile, Continuing Legal Education courses are offered on how to best sue on behalf of clients with mold in their homes. Some dubbed it, "mold

Responsible nursing homes have been in the news lately saying that they are one lawsuit away from bankruptcy because they can no longer afford their malpractice insurance. A nursing home reform law for the completely justifiable purpose of punishing those who were responsible for poor conditions and inadequate care was recently enacted. But built into that reform were plaintiff lawyer designed elements that created an open season on all nursing homes.

With insurance companies on one-side and plaintiff lawyers on the other side, some Texas physicians have decided that their profession has become impractical, and they are taking early retirement. Many long-term nurses are fleeing a profession they now see as too risky. For consumers in many counties in Texas, having a baby delivered or finding affordable homeowners insurance is becoming increasingly difficult.

As consumers, we can be grimly amused with stories of lawsuits against fast food companies on behalf of clients who didn't know that eating a lot of double cheeseburgers might make them fat. We can watch while billions of dollars of state tax revenues evaporate into higher and higher health insurance costs. Or, we can tackle the flaws in our civil justice system, which are costing us so much money.

As a lawsuit reform group, we believe that compensation for "economic" damages should not be limited but that highly subjective "non economic" damages in medial malpractice cases should be capped at a reasonable level. California enacted such a solution in 1975, and medical malpractice rates there have remained stable and below the national average ever since. There are other solutions to this death-by-lawsuit spiral in which we find ourselves that can go a long way toward restoring a measure of common sense to our civil justice

We are developing, for example, legislation which would act as a disincentive for those who think of a lawsuit as a lottery ticket by encouraging parties in litigation to reach realistic and reasonable settlements early in the process. Also important is the recognition by those who serve on civil juries that lawsuits should make a harmed party whole, not an overnight millionaire.

Our efforts to win fair changes in our system have not stopped lawsuits, nor should they. But until the public itself takes a stand for a civil justice system driven more by justice than by greed, we can all expect to pay more from the middle of the battlefield.

lichard W. Weekly is President and CEO of Texans for Lawsuit within our borders. leform, a statewide civil justice reform organization.

Studying may be hardest part of college

Congratulations, Broncos! I was so excited to be a part of your first win of the season! I came home this weekend for Fall

Legend has it, we did not have Fall Break until a professor, now sainted, lobbied for 10 years to have a three-day weekend scheduled in October.

I decided to call off Thursday and turn mine into a four-day weekend. I slept late and missed Chapel, then went back to sleep and missed my first class. After lunch I decided it was useless to even try my afternoon class, so I went home.

I would like to point out that this was a pictures. rare exception and that I have never missed a class until that day. I vowed that if I was going to skip, it had better be good.

I know that it sounds like all I do is eat donuts and stay out to all hours of the night, but I really do study and work. It's just that studying is not funny and you really do not want to read about my poor studying habits.

It really was funny, though, the first time I tried to seriously study. I never really learned how in high school because I got by pretty well, if I do say so myself, without having to do it much.

It was probably the first week of class, and a friend and I decided we could not go out or do anything until we did some



reading. We figured it would be best if we did it together to keep each other on track so that the minute we were finished we could go do something fun.

I love to read, but I have never been able to read a textbook. Not since third grade when they stopped using so many

In junior high, I would come home and lay all my books around me in a circle. When I got bored with one, I would turn around and read another one until I got bored with it. The cycle went on until I had everything read. I may have gotten a little confused at times, but I did it and I could keep it in my short-term memory bank until class. Then I could forget it.

It seems nothing has changed. I simply could not do it. I could not sit still and read the textbook.

I got up and got a snack. Then I had to have a drink. I got up to go get a highlighter. I got up to go get another book. I had to sharpen my pencil. I wanted a pen instead. I needed a hair-thingy to keep homework, which including some textbook my bangs out of my face. I was cold and

I needed socks. I got hot and I wanted

Someone was making noise and I had ESSONS to go see what was going on. I needed music to help me concentrate. I had to get a different CD. I didn't like the song that was playing and had to skip to my favorite song. I even started reading her art textbook because it was more interesting than

> It went on for about half an hour, and finally my friend told me to get out. I was distracting her, and she could not study. At least I tried, you know.

I hope this dispels any idea that I might not be using my time wisely. Going to IHOP is not an excuse to get out of studying, but a reward for being good all week and getting all of my work done.

To get out of studying, you see, I have a horrible list of vile and indecent vices like jewelry making, sewing, making birthday cards or special gifts for people, re-decorating my room, reading poetry, writing columns for The Clarendon Enterprise, etc.

There is an old saying that I try to live by: "Man can do an immeasurable amount of work as long as it is not the work he is supposed to be doing at the moment."

Oscar Wilde probably said it, but I cannot be sure. I did not read that chapter

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Saddam presents clear danger to America

Congress has no greater responsibility than to provide for our nation's defense. And no decision we make requires more careful consideration than the authorization of the use of armed forces, which may send America's sons and daughters into harm's

After experiencing the aftermath of the tragic 1993 battle in Mogadishu, Somalia, that claimed the lives of 18 American servicemen, I have expressed grave reservations about sending our troops where no clear U.S. security interest is at stake. In the cases of our deployments to Haiti, Bosnia and Kosovo, I consistently called on the President to come to Congress and make the case to the American people.

After the tragic events of September 11, Congress authorized President Bush to use force to destroy the terrorists responsible for the horrific attack.

Now President Bush has asked Congress for authorization to use military force to deal with the threat Saddam Hussein poses with weapons of mass destruction. We must once again answer the question: What is the U.S. security interest? Why Saddam? Why now?

I doubt there is anyone in America who doesn't feel as I do: If we could have prevented September 11, we certainly would have. We didn't have warning, and we paid a heavy price. I believe this experience has led our President to think differently about protecting our homeland.

I believe he doesn't want to wait until an enemy is finished building his deadly arsenal and is ready to attack from a position of strength. It is one thing to turn three commercial airliners into weapons of mass destruction. It is another to have a nuclear missile ready to deploy or to arm unmanned aerial vehicles with anthrax ready to ship anywhere in the world.

Each generation of Americans has been called to defend our freedom. Each time, our forefathers and mothers have answered the call. Our generation's time of national trial has come. We are being called to stop a new kind of enemy - one that is spread throughout the world, even

This enemy purposely kills itself in order to harm others. It is patient, building



its resources, and striking when and where we are least prepared, using a different method each time. This enemy requires a new kind of defense. Deterrence alone is not enough.

America has learned hard and valuable lessons in the past few years. The first terrorist attack on the World Trade Center occurred in 1993, a bombing that killed six Americans and injured more than a thousand. What did we do? • In 1996, Hezbollah extremists

Khobar Towers in Saudi Arabia, killing 19 American service members and injuring 500 others. What did we do? • In 1998, al-Qaeda terrorists bombed

bombed the U.S. military barracks at

the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania, killing and injuring hundreds. What did we do? • In 2000, al-Qaeda terrorists again

attacked Americans, this time bombing the USS Cole in Yemen, killing 17 American service members and injuring scores more. What did we do?

· And in 2002, the devastating attacks of September 11th.

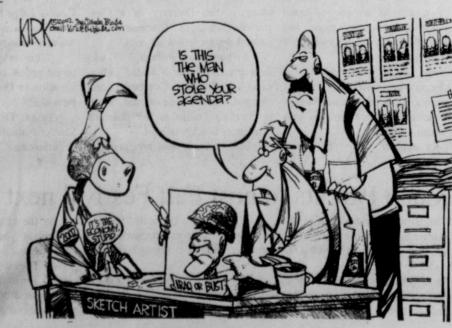
Our nation finally was awakened and put the pattern together, to see the threat to the very freedom we cherish. We are now fighting terrorism - and we must follow

The President has asked for authority to meet this threat. Congress gave him the wide latitude to root out terrorism. Along with our allies, we are doing that job in

So why Iraq? Why now? Because we have learned the lessons of complacency; of not being prepared. The President is saying, "Do we wait for the attack or do we take steps to prevent it?" Our post-September 11th defense strategy demands we

If all diplomatic efforts fail and if U.N. weapons inspectors are not allowed unfettered access to suspected sites, our President wants to be able to take away Saddam's means to destroy us. It is our responsibility to give the President the authorization he needs.

The question of whether the security of the U.S. is threatened has been answered - and the answer is yes. The consequences of inaction are unconscionable, and we must act now, before we once again realize it is too late.



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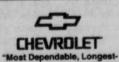
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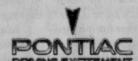
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New Arrival

inches long.

Billy and Kristy Lefevre of

Amarillo would like to announce

the birth of their son, Hunter Reese.

He was born on September 8, 2002,

weighing 7 lbs, 31/2 oz. and was 191/2

Eddie and Gayle Hankins of Claren-

don and Bruce and Dorothy Lefevre

of Roaring Springs. Great grandpar-

ents are Harry and Freida Swift of

Amarillo, D.E. and Ruth Hankins of

Lubbock, and Omar Parks of Roaring

The proud grandparents are

¿ Qué Pasa?

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

Christian Men's Breakfast • First United Methodist Church • 7

October 18 Howardwick Friendship Club's Meet the Candidates Night

Broncos v. Memphis • at Memphis • 7:30 p.m.

Howardwick City Hall
 6:30

October 21

Breast Cancer Screening • Medical Center Nursing Home

October 25 Broncos v. Wellington • Bronco Stadium • 7:30 p.m.

October 26 Open House & Book Sale .

Burton Memorial Library • 9 a.m.

October 29

Clarendon Lions Club Charter Banquet . Lions Hall . 7 p.m.

October 31

October 27

Daylight Savings Ends

November 5 Election Day

November 11

Community Menus October 21 - 25

Mon: Oats, toast, fruit, milk lues: Breakfast burrito, fruit, milk led: Pancakes, juice, milk ur: Cereal and toast, fruit, milk

Mon: Ravioli, mixed vegetables tossed salad, cinnamon appl

Tues: Crispy chicken salad, carrot sticks, nutmeg pears, crackers, milk Wed: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, broccoli casserole, rolls, lazy daisy

Thur: Fish, French fries, coleslaw, hush puppies, apricots, milk Fri: Ham and cheese sandwich, potato chips, lettuce, pickles,

Hedley Schools

Mon: Breakfast sandwich, toast and elly, dry cereal, fruit juice, milk Tues: Biscuit and gravy, sausage patties, butter and jelly, cereal, juice,

patties, dry cereal, fruit juice, milk Thur: Breakfast burrito with salsa, cereal, fruit juice, milk Fri: Peanut butter and toast, muffins,

Mon: Beef or chicken fajitas, grilled peppers and onions, pinto beans. tossed salad, mixed fruit, milk Tues: Fish nuggets, macaroni and cheese, black-eyed peas, salad, fruit,

corn, rolls, milk Wed: Chilli cheese dog or chicken pot pie, com on the cob, salad, fruit, milk Thur: Spaghetti and meatballs, green beans, tossed salad, applesauce, bread sticks, milk

Fri: Ham and cheese subs or Philly steak subs with lettuce, tomato, pickles, onions, and olives, mixed fruit,

Donley County Senior Citizens Mon: Meatloaf, mini baked potato, peas and carrots, stewed tomatoes, peaches, bread, coffee, tea, lowfat

turnip greens, coleslaw, pear crisp, cornbread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk Wed: Beef enchiladas, pinto beans, Spanish rice, tossed salad, nutty fruit square, tortilla chips, coffee, tea,

Thur: Chicken potpie, zucchini and tomatoes, macaroni salad, lemon lush, roll, coffee, tea, lowfat milk Fri: Brisket, baked beans, onion rings, potato salad, apricots, roll, coffee,

ley Senior Citizens Chicken and dumplings, ed cabbage, pea salad, cake, uffin, milk, tea, coffee

Old friends gather for 51st Cotton Festival

They arrived on Friday afternoon and tended to the money. got settled at Mother's house, and we and visited with several people they eat lunch with Su-San. didn't remember.

didn't remember him nor he them. I years ago.

The next persons we saw were Connie Wilson. Judge Ernie and Sandy Houdashell and Allen Cope. Allen came hoping to get to call bingo, but there was no bingo this year. What are things Watt. coming to?

at Dublin or Goman. Maybe both. Anyway, they were there, and that's ninety. She's amazing.

eating when I see them.

Lake and John and Jo Carson from Lubbock. He gave me an update on painted ass. Leon's condition which is better but

had breakfast with the Baptist Youth. occasionally.

October 20-26, 2002, is National

Childhood lead poisoning is the

Lead Poisoning Prevention Week.

most preventable environmental dis-

ease in young children, but approxi-

mately 1 million children still have

been previously screened and 2)

elevated blood lead levels.

Goal is to stop lead poisonings

One of the national health objec- lead-awareness community events,

tives for 2010 is to eliminate child- and educational campaigns will

hood lead poisoning in the United be conducted nationwide. CDC,

States (objective 8-11) (1). The aim the U.S. Environmental Protection

of National Lead Poisoning Preven- Agency, and the U.S. Department of

tion Week is 1) to raise awareness Housing and Urban Development are

about the importance of screening collaborating to coordinate activities

at-risk children aged 1--2 years and and offer aid to local lead poisoning

to urge persons to take precautions Poisoning Prevention Week activities

to eliminate children's exposure to is available through state or local

those aged 3--6 years who have not prevention campaigns.

Prevention Week, events such as state 800-424-5323.

My friends, Gwen Holan and Jason Sargent, Mark Montgomery, Sue Brown, came from Tulia to and Alisha Montgomery cooked, and attend their first Cotton Festival. the young people bussed tables and

After breakfast we went back to went out on the town. We ate stew Mother's where we were joined by and cornbread with the Lionesses Jeneda Gay of Lefors. We all went to

The first person I re-introduced parade. While we waited, I mingled them to was Blackie Johnson. They with the crowd. I saw Bill and Dorothy Martin, Jim and Cecilia Lemons, Brown, Leroy and Mary Pullum, and how beautiful she was.

> Hall and a bunch of third and fourth She lives in Clayton now. graders pulled in a pickup by Karen

I was especially glad to see Elsie a group of men whom I thought was uate that year. I managed to graduate attended the Lelia Lake School Shaw and her girls, Wanda Patterson the Hedley American Legion. The in '57. and JoAnn Regan. I think they live posted the flag and played the "Star Spangled Banner."

I always get a lump in my throat what's important. I'm not sure how when the flag goes by and someone old, or young Elsie is, but she's past sings the national anthem. There was a bunch of young people standsaw Stuart and Kay Messer ing in front of us and they laughed was passing. Are kids not taught to me I saw Thelma Shields from Lelia respect the flag any more?

I saw the Shiners and the Mule Memphis Quail. Jesse Freman was here from Skinners with Jimmy Owens and his

I recognized Jack Usrey's hat. I wonder if it's the same hat he's Early Saturday morning, we always worn or if he gets a new one Tahoka, and her sister Peggy Stevens them, but she seemed to enjoy every-

proclamations, free lead screenings,

Information about National Lead

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Martha Lowe was there with a bunch of pictures made at the last Then we got ready to watch the school reunion. I can only say, Leggitt, and Vicki Knowles are to be

I visited with Don and Mickey Youree. I don't see faces but recogdon't know how anybody could ever Jerry and Sandra Finchum, Eugene nize voices. Mickey said that since Bryan Hill made the dedication and forget Blackie, but it was at least fifty Schwertner, Mary Opal Nash, Louise I couldn't see her face, she'd tell me

> Sara Carter is still as pretty as In the parade, I saw Judge Jack when she was Cotton Festival Queen. plaque will be hung in the hallway

> After the parade, my group was joined by Evelyn Hendrix. We were on so many of us for so many years. I recognized Jack Moreman with all in the class of '56 but didn't grad-

> > Lewis. I have not seen LaQuitta in of Fort Worth, came and went with more than fifty years. She lives in them. They got there in time for the Mena, Arkansas,

Grace Burkhalter was at the and their kids. It seems we're always and talked all the time when the flag She lives just across the yard from too cold.

Mack and Betty White were not seen in years. there. Mack was helping with the music after the parade.

was here from Tulia. They were with one and everything.

their sister, Betty Morgan. I saw Cheryl Wooldrige and her mother and Arlene Thompson. I also saw Wanda Pickett, Johny and Nancy Brumley, Glendon and Bonnie Cherry, Norene Murray, Kathleen Pixley, and Curt

Kathy Spier, Mary Farris, Jon commended for a job well done.

The new addition to the school was dedicated. Superintendent presented the Messer family a plaque dedicating the library to the memory of Mrs. Evelyn Messer. An identical outside the library. How appropriate! Mrs. Messer was such an influence

Buford and Jerry Holland reunion Saturday. Their son, Glyn-Later at the school I saw Sandra dol Holland of Turpin, Oklahoma, Penn, Beth Wynn, and LaQuitta and Jerry's sister, Drucilla McBrayer school dedication and reunion.

All in all it was a nice weekend. school. I see her almost every day. As usual the wind blew, but it was not

I missed all the queen contes-Blackie and Don Springer live in tants in their pretty dresses on pretty floats but got to see a lot of people I'd

And I was glad that Mother got to see so many people who remem-Erma Jean Bailey was here from bered her. She might not remember



submit the name of a woman who is a positive role model for girls. Each of the women selected will be notified of her award in January by local Girl Scouts. On March 7, 2003, all recipients will be honored at a banquet in Amarillo.

Nominations forms are available by calling 356-0096 and must be received by no later than December

Clover Kids to meet

Donley County 4-H Clover Kids will meet on October 24 at 4:00 p.m. at the Family Life Center at 3rd and Carhart) H. IVIAVU

4-H Clover Kids is an educational program for youth five to eight years old (kindergarten through second grade). The 4-H Clover Kids is a place youth, parents, and leaders have fun and learn to work together in club meetings, activities, and special events. Centered around the family, the organization encourages parents to become involved in their child's 4-H Clover Kids Club.

For more information call the Extension Office at 874-2141.

In the Master's Hands

By Mary Beth Nelson

our Texas Panhandle skies promise to

offer each morning when we awake,

especially during seasonal change. Do

Imagine, if you will, the sugges-

We can never be certain of what



health departments. Additional infor- Do you hear that?

This year's theme is "Discover mation about preventing childhood Jesse Aebischer-Like listens to the heart of Paramedic Anita Aaron the Rewards of Lead-Safe Living." lead poisoning is available at http://during. Fire Prevention Week 2002 last Thursday at Clarendon Ele-As part of National Lead Poisoning //cdc.gov/nceh/lead or by telephone, mentary School.

Red hats all the rage at Les Beaux club meeting

wear purple...'

At least those of us that have make it, because just before the lun- saw everyone in their cute red hats. scone was first cousin to a biscuit, Band will play early. That means you cheon, Spot the Dalmatian decided to go touring.

will be at Burton Memorial Library

19, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

loads of fun. Parents are encouraged

Time for Imagination Station tion Station.

Everyone is invited to come At Imagination Station they will be

Last week was a pretty good edibles in the college parking lots, week. The college students all got I'm sure. But he not only strolled adopted out - I certainly hope y'all across the entire college campus, he are better "parents" than we are. decided to hike across the Big High-We're going so many different direc- way. By the time I dashed down the tions and the students are going so hill (foolishly, I took off after him on many other directions it's almost foot) he was on the north side of the years - I'm not a hat fashion histosome doing.

me. I had intended to look up a Texas and all thoughts of red hats had long and lavender in the clothing. Tech baseball cap that I know resides flown out of my Swiss cheese mind. in the closet somewhere, but didn't I remembered when I walked in and tastes like. I'd always known that a Dick Bivins Stadium, and the Bronco

judging "best hat" because every- things to them, like stick in raisins them, but hey. It's Saturday. You can Only the day before, he'd wan- one's was great. Karla Devin had or other kinds of "adulteration." take a nap in the afternoon. Come dered down the hill in search of a cute little 40s (plus or minus ten And they do, but it makes them taste cheer them on.

something for everyone at Imagina- tion and create their own paper mask. Mask. Prizes will be awarded to the

around By Gall Shelton

impossible to get together. But they highway, checking out all the bushes rian) era thing with a tiny veil and in the little roadside park there. For- flowers. Lori Howard's hat had to Les Beaux Art Club held its tunately, a student offered to go get date from somewhere in that era too. October meeting a week late last him in her car. I collected him beside Made of red felt, it had a tall stand- and to worship. week on the second Friday rather the track and made him walk all the up brim in the front that shrank to than the first. The ladies put on their way back up the hill and home. He's less than half the size as it swooped purple dresses and red hats for a "Red in pretty good shape for a middle- around to the back. Zell SoRelle's Hat" luncheon, after the old poem aged dog, but he was walking uphill hat was all brim - literally. It didn't end-er" than I once was. Friday that begins "When I am old, I shall slower than I was, and that takes have a crown, just a little band that Anyway, on Friday, he decided brim in place. Tommye Duncan dec- rest of the state, but I'm glad I stayed red hats wore them. A number of to go check out the student parking orated a red straw cowboy hat with ladies had red scarves in their hair. lots again. This time I went after him big flowers, and Terri Askew also did I could have done that since I have in a vehicle, but by the time I tracked the red cowboy hat thing, only witha gorgeous red scarf I rarely get to him down and took him home, it was out the flowers. It was fun seeing all wear any more, but it didn't occur to time to already be at the luncheon, the hats and all the shades of purple football players in place, too. They

There will be a variety of material for winners

pretty darn good. I must have tasted three different kinds of scones (a.k.a. biscuits), all excellent, and I didn't even scrape the surface of the sorts of things available to eat. The luncheon was held at Community Fellowship Church. It was the first time many of the ladies had been in the new building, and everyone was favorably impressed. It's a lovely place to meet

Did everyone enjoy watching the Broncos win Friday night in overtime? I'm much less of a "bitter nights in the fall tend to be colder fit around her head to hold the wide in the Panhandle than in most of the for this one. It was good to watch the

I enjoyed watching the band practice after the game with all the sounded even better than they usually I also now know what a scone do. Contest is this coming Saturday at It's a good thing no one was but had heard that people tend to do have to get up early to come watch

Children's story hour is a time to

If you would like more informa-

ing, a hobby that will last a lifetime.

Masks will be on display during Children ages 3 and up are invited to

you agree? Henry W. Beecher once said, "The first hour of waking is the rudder that guides the whole day."

tion of the song title, "Everything's Coming up Roses." I was certainly tempted to believe it as I awoke one morning, several months ago, to a delectable, rosy glow permeating the entire room. Quickly rising to investigate this pinkish cast piecing through my window drapes, I stepped out on my front porch. I once again became awed by the magnificence of God's

The sun was rising to take command of the daylight hours in the eastern horizon was pure gold. My gaze slowly traveled counterclock wise to the north where golden rays blended into wispy apricot streaks. The western sky reflected a burst of breathtaking pink and purple variegated fluffiness. The colorful display reinforced my awareness of God's supreme power and abundant bless-

Completing the circular kaleidoscope, a brilliant star accompanied a silver half-moon lingering against a southern blue-grey softness. What a glorious way to start a

new day!

Before reluctantly returning inside from the artistic masterpiece I had just witnessed, I once more beheld the splendid spectrum. I smiled with a "Thank You, Lord" as it seemed to assure that all would be well. I knew the day was in the Master's hands.

Bible Thought: "The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of His hands." Psalms 19:1 (NIV)

Mary Beth Nelson is a freelance writer for various inspirational magazines and

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to come and participate. There is be encouraged to use their imagina- there will be a contest for Favorite tion, call the library at 874-3685,

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After story time, children will on October 26. At the open house,

in Clarendon this Saturday, October of people who wear masks of some masks. This will be a fun time of introduce children to the joys of read-

Benavidez takes on role as TxDOT supervisor

Refugio (Fu) Benavidez was recently selected as Donley County Maintenance Supervisor.

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Fu began his TxDOT career in December 1993 as a Maintenance Benavidez Technician I. He

quickly moved up to Maintenance Technician II in 1995, Maintenance Technician III in 1997 and became crew chief in March 1998. His advancement to Maintenance Supervisor was effective last month.

two daughters, Cierra age 15 and Mariah age 10. In addition to his duties with TxDOT, he is a Level II Fire Marshall Association and has talent. recently become a certified EMT.

Smith retires at TxDOT Steve Smith, Donley County Maintenance Supervisor, recently retired with over 27 years of dedicated service to TxDOT.

Steve began his career with TxDOT on October 1, 1974, as a Maintenance Technician I. He was promoted to a Maintenance Technician II in 1977 and Maintenance Technician III in 1984. He obtained the position of Roadway Maintenance Supervisor in January

Smith was honored with a retirement reception at the Donley County Maintenance Office on September 4.

"I have enjoyed my time with TxDOT, and have plans to stay busy after retirement," Smith said.

Butts attending SMU

Lydia Butts of Clarendon is a first-year student at Southern Methodist University this fall.

Butts is one of 1,380 members of the Class of 2006. SMU's total enrollment this fall is 10,962.

Lelia Lake ex-students reunite over weekend here

Clarendon College.

1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, ers present were Lou Myers and Thelma Shields. School board members present were Bufford Holland and Lacy Noble. Entertainment was Fu and his wife Katherine have a medley of songs by Bill and Margie Phillips and Ernest Johnston's wife, Beth, his daughter Donna, and granddaughters Amanda and Alicia. Carol

"Sam Hill" Pit BBQ catered the Holcombe, Dorothy Martin, Janette Head, Ueta Usrey Bedard, Jo Usrey Classes that were recognized Juandell Brown Christian, Adelle were: 1930, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, Fox Hurst, Patty Shields Lemons, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1955, 1956, Floyd, Billy Joe English, Lacy and

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The Lelia Lake Ex-Student by the following: Les and Lou and Billie Morrow, Pearlene McCui- Francis Brogdon, Wiley and Wilma Reunion was held October 12, 2002, Myers, Earl and Susie Shields, James ston, Bill and Margie Phillips, Jerry Reynolds, Christine Kennedy, James at the Bairfield Activity Center at and Virginia Stavenhangen, Bill and Billie Williams, Pearl Jenkins R. Phillips, Onita Rampy Thomas, Bobcock, Juanita Gregory Meador, Bridges, Mary Callhoun Mahaffy, A short business meeting was Barbara Helms, Mary Jane Smith, Leroy McKee, Randel and Eddean held before the meal was served. Lovie and Nancy Taylor, Jessie Callahn Hamilton, Othelia Bowling Bamberger, Boyd and Chris White, Graham, Bob and Joann Kidd, Scott and Shirley Aten Roberts, Gene and Bobbie Seago Moore, George and Edith Monk White, Bobbie Richey Marilee Smith Self, Nova Moor- various items. ing, Glyndol Holland, Grady and 1957, 1958, 1959, and 1961. Teach- Mary Lee Noble, Buford and Geral- Peggy Wilkinson, A.K. and Becky second Saturday in October, 2004. dine Foster Holland, Drucella Floster King, Mattie Lou McKee Nivens, Dodson, Ike Noble, Jean Gregory Anna Sue McKee Weatherly, Billy Baten, Roy Chauveaux, Doyce and Ray and Janice Johnston, W.D. and Flo English, Patsy Hill, Sue Seago Faye Stavenhagen, Robert and Jula Hill, Bobby Doyce and Danie Hill, Mae Porter Small, Thelma Shields, Kenneth and Nadine Wilkerson, Ronnie and Brenda Monk Hall, Her-F.G. Crofford, Wayne and Glenda bert and Hazel Shields, Mary Jones, Chenault and grandson Stock, Joyce Billy and Geneva Hill, Jackie Richey Fire Rescue Instructor for the Texas Stepp topped off the evening with his Johnson Jackson, Nell Johnson Clawson, Donald and Carolyn Gray, J.E. and Susie Kidd, Ted and Bowman, Jacquetta Owens, Alicia A wonderful day of visiting, Marilyn Swindle, June and Ray Rays, Amanda Rays, Ernest and Beth sharing, and reminiscing was enjoyed Neel, Ray and Marty Monk, Odell Johnston, Donna Rays, Darrel and

and Josephine King, Tom and Daine Bobbie Jackson, Bunny Owens, and Lacy Lee and Jan Noble.

After the meal, an auction was held to raise money for a scholarship to Clarendon College. Great fun was had by all bidding on pictures and

The next reunion will be on the They appreciate everyone for making the effort to attend and helping to make such a special day.

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56°/37°

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Looking Back

20 Years Ago

THE CLARENDON PRESS, October 14, 1982

· Stephanie Holland was crowned the 1982 Cotton Queen during the Cotton Festival in Hedley this past weekend. Mandi White is the 1982 Future Queen.

. The Clarendon Bronchos grabbed their third shutout of the season Friday night as they destroyed the luckless Shamrock Irish, 33-0.

50 Years Ago

THE DONLEY Co. LEADER, October 16, 1952. Donley County Commissioners appointed Jack E. Gray as the new county judge Monday to fill the unexpired term of W.J. Williams. The vacancy was created

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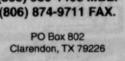
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Devin wins regatta races

Nelson Devin was the Grand Champion when Cub Scout Pack 437 held its annual Rain-gutter Regatta last Saturday at the Fire Hall.

Twenty-three Cubs participated in the races, and everyone received participation patches.

Results were as follows: Overall - Devin, Grand Champion; Clayton Shields, first runner up; and Matthew Lunsford, second runner up. Den 1 - Brandon McAfee, first; Marc Roy, second; and Jordan Stone, third. Den 2 - Trajen Johnson, first. Den 3 - Clayton Shields, first; Neil Devin, second; and Brayden Phillips, third. Den 4 - Matthew Lunsford, first; David Johnston, second; and Dustin Crump, third. Den 5 - Nelson Devin, first; Eli Short, second; and Ty Tubbs,



First place winners in last Saturday's Rain-gutter Regatta were Nelson Devin, Brandon McAfee, Clayton Shields, and Trajen Johnson. Not pictured: Matthew Lunsford Enterprise Digital Photo

Sheriff's Report:

Deputy assists motorist on Hwy 287

dispatched to 1-40 for pursuit

of unauthorized use of motor

vehicle out of New Mexico.

300 block of S. Kearney St.

subject on 6th and Koogle.

12:08 p.m. - Deputy out with male

7:54 p.m. - Dispatched to 100 block

of S. Goodnight for break in.

12:42 a.m. - Minor accident in 100 block of W. 7th St.

2:16 a.m. - EMS assist. 9:20 a.m. - Responds to minor accident in 200 block of S. Kearney. 5:10 p.m. - Minor traffic accident in

300 block of S. Sully. 7:35 p.m. - Out at residence of N. Hartzell.

8:21 p.m. - EMS assist on Burkhead Oct. 11 and Jackson

Oct. 9

5:53 p.m. - Check suspicious activity in 1000 block of E. 3rd. 6:35 p.m. - Back to same location.

Made contact 8:08 p.m. - Out with subjects on foot on E. 3rd St.

Oct. 10

3:20 a.m. - Welfare check in 800 block of S. Johns.

8:43 a.m. - To jail with two males in custody for theft.

11:13 p.m. - Dispatched to N. SH 70 for fight - possible weapon.

1:54 a.m. - Check security of business in 300 block of S. Kearney. 3:24 a.m. - Assisting motorist on US 287 at Ayers Rd. in Clarendon. 6:04 a.m. - EMS assist in 600 block of

Gary St. in Howardwick. 11:45 a.m. - Welfare check in 400 block of Blair St. in Hedley.

5:15 p.m. - Out at residence in 400 block of W. 4th.

10:42 p.m. - To check truck reported parked in turning lane on US

9:57 a.m. - Sheriff and Deputy 12:38 a.m. - Out at college. Reported

5:15 a.m. - EMS assist in 600 block of Collinson.

7:37 a.m. - Dispatched to residence 11:56 a.m. - Minor traffic accident in in 900 block of E. Montgomery

9:23 a.m. - Dispatched to 100 block of Angel in Howardwick. Strong presence of kerosene.

4:04 p.m. - Dispatched to college unknown disturbance.

8:50 p.m. - To family dispute, shots fired in 1000 block of W. 3rd.

2:17 a.m. - Disturbance on US 287 at S. Koogle. 9:23 a.m. - Out in 200 block of E.

Barcus. Neighbor reporting disturbance

4:01 p.m. -Check two juvenile vandalism on city females property.

> Summary Arrests - 5 Ambulance - 11 Fire - 1



The Lion's

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting October 15 with Boss Lion Myles Shelton conducting the meeting.

We had 11 members and one guest - Eddy Eads, guest of Lion Walt Knorpp

The final report on the Pancake Supper was given by Lion Roger

The 80th anniversary banquet is scheduled for October 29 at 7 p.m.

We voted to participate in the Lions District Coat & Shoe Project for Girlstown girls.

Lion Hysinger predicted the high school's winning streak would be continued this week at Memphis. There being no further business,

we were adjourned. **ENTERPRISE DEADLINES News & Photos**

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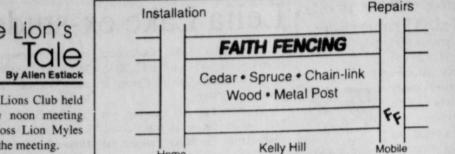
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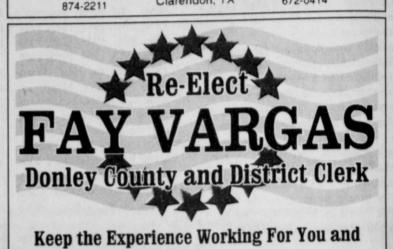
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Blackburn says associations will call businesses

Responding to the increased number of businesses wanting to assist law enforcement officials and build a stronger partnership in the fight against crime, Sheriff Butch Blackburn this week announced that Donley County businesses are being invited to become Associate Business members of the Sheriffs' Association

Membership appeals will go out in the mail after October 15. The funding will provide critical technical resources, training, and legislative support on key criminal justice issues. In addition, dues will be used to

support crime prevention and awareness programs, promote public safety, fight drug abuse, provide additional training for sheriffs and their deputies, and provide scholarships for children of law enforcement officers. Contributions are tax deductible. funding

government increasingly to secure, the Associate Business Membership drive has taken on greater importance than ever before," Blackburn said. "The funding is vital to helping us carry out our mission of making our communities safer places to live, work, and play.'

Businesses not receiving a membership appeal or desiring more information can obtain it by contacting the Sheriff's Association of Texas at 1601 S. IH-35, Austin, Texas 87841, or on the Web at www.txsheriffs.org.

The Associate Business Membership Program was begun to better help local sheriffs protect the lives and property of citizens and their

"I encourage every business receiving a membership appeal to consider joining forces with us by becoming an Associate Business Member. It is a valuable investment in our future," Blackburn said.

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God - Is He or Isn't He?

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"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." So stated Moses in the first chapter, the first verse, the first book of the Bible Genesis 1:1.

Who is right? Is there a God, or isn't there? Is Exodus 20:11 correct when it asserts: "For in 6 days Jehovah made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day..."? Or did organic evolution produce all that you see before you today?



There is no middle ground here. Any attempt to remain neutral automatically is synonymous with unbelief. Whatever decision you reach, it is an important one.. And who among us makes important decisions without first gathering, sifting, examining, scrutinizing, and weighing all the facts of the case? The question then arises, what is the evidence offered for God's existence?

If there is a God, then there is an eternal heaven to be gained and an eternal hell to be avoided. If there is a God, then nothing else really matters; if there is no God, then nothing matters at all. If there is no God, then the atheistic creed of life, with the grave as the end and a life to be filled with pleasures of the moment, is entirely satisfactory. On the other hand, if there is a God, and if the Bible is His inspired Word as it claims to be, then suddenly we come face-to-face with the stark realization that mankind was created with a purpose - and a lifetime to fulfill that purpose. To succeed means joy forever with God in eternity; to fail is to fail throughout all eternity satisfactory. On the other hand, if there is a God, and if the Bible is His inspired Word as it claims to be, then suddenly we come face-to-face with the stark realization that mankind was crated with a purpose - and a lifetime to fulfill that purpose. To succeed means joy forever with God in eternity; to fail is to fail throughout all eternity.

If you would like to examine the evidences for God's existence, we invite you to attend a three day seminar titled Science & Nature: Two Votes for God, being held November 8, 9, and 10 at the Church of Christ in Clarendon. The seminar will be at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, November 8 and will deal with such issues as scientific evidences for God's existence, a scientific examination of the theory, the Bible's inspiration, and many others.

There is no charge whatsoever for the seminar; all sessions are free. No collections of any kind will be made. Numerous handout materials will be made available free-of-charge to each participant. The speaker is Dr. Bert Thompson, former professor in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M University, and currently adjunct professor of Bible and Science, Southern Christian University in Montgomery, Alabama. Everyone is invited.

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The Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department held their annual Open House and Fire Prevention Poster Contest Saturday at the Fire Hall.

Cookies and drinks were enjoyed by all the youngsters. They were also treated to a ride on the fire truck.

Winners of the contest were: (Pre-K and HeadStart) 1) Caleb Cobb - first and Carlee Adams - third. 2) Alysse Simpson - second. (Kindergarten & First Grade) 3) Kristin Miller - second, Zachary LaRoe - first, and Christian Ramirez - third (not pictured). 4) (Second and Third Grade) Amanda Powell - first, Jordan Kime - second. 5) Emilee Blum - third. 6) (Fourth and Fifth Grade) Neil Devin - first, Blanca Ramirez - second (not pictured), and Ashlyn Tubbs, third.

Judges for the contest were Vida O'Neal of the Donley County Senior Citizens, Paulette Kidd of the Texas Panhandle Mental Health, and Gerald Mulanax of Country Bloomers Flowers and Gifts. The first place winners received a Savings Bond courtesy of Community Bank, Herring National Bank, Donley County State Bank, and Clarendon Insurance Agency.

Hedley Honor Roll 'A' Honor Roll

First grade: Bailey Wood, Denver Chambless, Maggie Collins, Deborah Howard, Kyle Lindsey, Jacob Owens, Seth Ruthardt, and Dwayne Thomas. Second grade: Austin Adams, Lydia Howard, Brady Montgomery, Zach Sargent, and Sierra Wheatly.

Third grade: Samantha Harmon, Josh Llewellyn, Kayla Elam, and Justine

Fourth grade: Reid Copelin, Braden Montgomery, Kaylee Shields, Kallie Verstuyft, Jenny Allen, and Clint

Fifth grade: Morgan Wheatly, Cole Farris, Marlee Sargent, Alex Sharp, and Brook Martin. Sixth grade: Skyler Conatser and

Shandy Koetting. Eight grade: Ruth Ann Howard and

Katie Gregory. Ninth grade: Julie Funderburg, Ben

Shaw, and Kyra Stevens. Tenth grade: Allison Hill and Stephen Howard.

Eleventh grade: Lacey Wallendorff. Rebekah Howard, Treva Rowland, Brittney Bennett, and Kasi Woodard. Twelfth grade: Lauren Hill, Lisle Rowland, Tommy Wells, Bradley Conatser, and Jimmie Marcum.

'AB' Honor Roll

First grade: Brittany Moore and Oscar

Second grade: Jamie Lollar, Lacie Like, and Alex Mejia. Third grade: Jacob Ramirez, Willie Lewis, Patricia Valles, and Joey

Fourth grade: Laura Howard, Tamra Burnam, Jose Villarreal, Katterinna Johnson, Jasie Sargent, Miriam Garcia, and Kelsey Ramirez.

Fifth grade: Will Monroe, Haley Hall, B.J. Like, Brittney Netterville, and Kayla Lambert.

Sixth grade: Peter Howard, Kelby Shields, and Lauryn Kellas. Seventh grade: Autumn Dillman,

Jonathan Edmonson, Danielle Smith. Deston Chambless, Sam Lovely, Elizabeth Hrbacek, and Patrick Lambert. Eighth grade: Jaci Copelin, Brayden Bennett, Seth Koetting, Callie Wynn, Will Verstuyft, Daniel Allen, and Justin

Ninth grade: Jindy Gregory, Megan Hall, Carmen Garcia, and Wes Shields

Tenth grade: Roper Copelin, Cole Llewellyn, Eric Alston, and Sarah Eleventh grade: Joe Patterson, Haley

Bennett, and Cori Cantrell. Twelfth grade: Evange Ramirez,

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TxDOT building new rest areas east of Hedley

portation (TxDOT) hosted a pre- tion created by former Hedley High historical features unique to their first class facilities", said Tracy Cain, construction meeting on Thursday, School student Josh Collins and will location and will give travelers a TxDOT Area Engineer. "It is impor-September 26, 2002, at the TxDOT resemble a railroad depot. They will more safe and pleasant place to stop. tant for the traveling public to have a District Office in Childress. The purfeature separate parking areas for They feature security cameras in safe place to stop and rest, and these pose of the meeting was to discuss trucks and cars as well as sheltered both the north and south locations, facilities will provide a great service the construction of the safety rest picnic areas. area project in Donley County.

about 18 months.

The theme of the twin struc-

These safety rest areas will be this area can lull many drivers to schedule, and storm shelters for awarded to SEDALCO Construction identical facilities on both the north sleep", said Childress District Engi- motorist, caught on the highway and south sides of the roadway and neer, Craig Clark. "Studies show during inclement weather. will be located on US 287, 3.8 miles that if a driver will stop and rest for their trip".

These safety rest areas are tion.

The Texas Department of Trans- tures was selected from a presenta- designed to incorporate natural and restroom facilities that will be on a to all drivers." "The wide flat roadways through regular cleaning and maintenance

Inside an air-conditioned lobby, east of Hedley. Construction started as long as 15 minutes, they will be travelers can enjoy kiosk showcasing last month and is expected to last much more alert when they resume local interest and weather updates, Construction. as well as maps and tourist informa-

The \$10 million contract was Services of Fort Worth, TX. TxDOT Construction Inspector is Larry Davis and Scott Richard will be the Job Superintendent for SEDALCO

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CC Jazz Band plans Fall Concert Oct. 17

The Clarendon College Community Jazz Band will hold a fall concert on Thursday, October 17, at 7 p.m. in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Auditorium. The concert will feature trumpet soloist John Decker, and admission is free.

The Clarendon College Community Jazz Band is under the direction of Jennifer Willison and Todd Baker. For more information, please contact Kevin Gausepol at 800-687-9737 or (806) 874-3571.

CC offers computer class in Wellington

Clarendon College will offer computer fundamentals (POFI 1091) in Wellington. The class will meet each Monday in November and the first Monday of December from 6 to On the fence 9:15 p.m. The cost of the class is \$48, and no books are required.

447-5267.



Gallagher Power Fence Inc. representatives Greg Morrissey and Judd Pearce were at Clarendon College on Friday, October 11, to discuss multiple wire power fence systems with the Ranch & Feedlot Operations For more information, please class. The students learned the mechanics and economics of power fencing in the classroom and later contact Mrs. Gail Coleman at 806- participated in building a five-wire power fence.

Conservation trees available from SWCD office

seedling trees for windbreaks, shel- sites. terbelts, erosion control, reforesta-SWCD.

County landowners. Evergreen spe- can be kept free of drifted snow. cies as potted trees are available in

Landowners wanting to plant adaptability to harsh environmental experiment station measured the fuel

tion, and other conservation type high winds, and extreme snow drift- winds. The windbreak protected plantings may place orders now for ing experienced in the Great Plains home used 23 percent less fuel. Weldon Sears, District Conser- breaks can relieve much of this hard- the Donley County SWCD at 874vationist, says 30 species of trees ship. Properly planted wind barriers 3576 ext. 101, or come by the office and shrubs, both deciduous and will reduce wind velocities and trap in Clarendon at 4th and Sully. Tree evergreens, are available to Donley snow so that farmyards and feedlots order forms and helpful planting

Tree windbreaks increase the available at the office. addition to bare root varieties. The value of a farm or ranch. They small potted trees have exceptional also reduce fuel costs. A Nebraska and get your order in.

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hardship. Successfully planted wind- plantings this spring should contact maintenance information is also

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Panhandle Mental Health Board meets

The Texas Panhandle Mental Health Mental Retardation Board of Trustees met on September 30. Jack Sawyer, ASC Industries Director, gave a presentation regarding TPMHMR's seven vocational work-

Dean Copeland, Chairman of the Board of Trustees (Pampa), announced the re-appointment of Ms. Elaine Vivens and Dr. Sam Reeves, both of Amarillo, to the TPMHMR Board of Trustees. The board ratified

In a closed session, Sandy Skelton, Executive Director of TPMHMR, submitted his resignation to the Board of Trustees. Mr. Skelton was recently selected to serve as Chief Executive Officer for the Texas Council of Community MHMR Centers, Inc., in Austin. The Council provides legislative advocacy, public awareness, and other business and technical services for its forty-two community mental health and mental retardation centers throughout the

The Board of Trustees approved the renewal of the Texas Interagency Council on Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) contract for \$1,729,301. A request for \$10,000 in funding to provide Peer Support Services at the Agape Center by the Amarillo Mental Health Consumers Association was also approved by the Board.

Any individual served by TPMHMR, their families, agency personnel, services providers, or the general public who have complaints regarding services provided by TPMHMR may contact Susan Kitchens, Rights Protection Officer, at 806-349-5607.

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Obituaries

Funeral services for Richard E. Nall, age 72, of Wellington were held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, October 11. 2002 at the First United Methodist Church with Danny Jones of Calgary, Alberta, and Danny Davidson of Memphis, officiating. Burial was held in North Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Adams Funeral Home in Wellington.

Mr. Jones died Tuesday, October 8, 2002, in Memphis. He was born on September 30, 1930, in Folley, Texas, to James E. Nall and Ottie Mae Folley Nall. He was a Moor-Man Feed Representative since 1964. He attended school in Turkey and graduated from Flomot in 1948. He married Jane Jones on September 17, Hight 1950, in Clovis, New Mexico. She was six years old.

ister, Melba Juandell Nall, in 1927. Inc. Survivors include two sons,

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ington of Flomot; six grandchildren; and three great grandchildren.

Glenn Harris, Harve Williams, and Kenny Tunstall. Honorary pallbearers were Earl Lynn Bartlett, Wayne Jennifer Hight of Dallas; two step-Cudd, Sam McGill, Robert Proctor, daughters, Becky Swearingen and John Holton, and Texas/New Mexico Carrie Mays, both of Clarendon; one MoorMan Feed Representatives.

Cemetery Association of Wellington, don; three grandchildren; and four of Amarillo and Nina Floyd of Ama-Turkey, or Flomot.

bringing home a win against the Cowboys came back to score once Brandon.

Graveside services for Larry died in 1994. He attended Tarleton Richard Hight, age 57, were held State University. He came to Wel- at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October lington in 1960 from Flomot. He 12, 2002, in Citizens Cemetery in Henry was a cowboy for the Mill Iron Clarendon with Rev. Bryan Knowles, been an active horse trader since he Church in Clarendon officiating. p.m. on Monday, October 14, 2002, Arrangements were under the direc- in Union Hill Cemetery in Lakeview

Hedley Owls began district play on a successful point after kick. The the combination of Centenno and

The Owls were first to score run and point after kick. Stephen one more time in the fourth quarter

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Second quarter action saw the Owls were the only team to put rent district record is 1-0. They will

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Owls begin district play with win over Happy

more before halftime on 7-yard

Dr. Ricky Nall and Linda of Chil- October 9, 2002, in Amarillo. He dress, and Jim Bob Nall and Diana was born April 11, 1945, in Fredrick, Arrangements were under the direcof Shamrock; one daughter, Leigh Oklahoma, and had been a resident Blakemore of Scottsdale, Arizona; of Clarendon much of his life. He two sisters, Jimmie Dean Ballinger taught in the public school system of Foruna, California, and Erma in several area towns for most of Lorene "Ermie" and Bill Dean Wash- his life before retiring. He married Vivian Gayle Molder on August 3, 1995, at Clarendon. She preceded Pall bearers were Johnny Holton, him in death on December 26, 1999. Don Donaldson, Richard Sims, He was a member of the First Baptist

> Survivors include one daughter, step son, David Moss of Clarendon; step grandchildren.

The family requests that memo-

Graveside services for Connie Ranch from 1960 to 1964. He had Pastor of the Community Fellowship Lee Henry, age 91, were held at 2:00 He was preceded in death by a tion of Robertson Funeral Directors, with Rev. Darrell Burton, Pastor of the Martin Baptist Church in Clar-Mr. Hight died Wednesday, endon, and Blake McWhirter, great

The Cowboys managed to score

nephew of Mrs. Henry, officiating tion of Robertson Funeral Directors,

Mrs. Henry died Friday, October 11, 2002, in Memphis. She was born June 2, 1911, in Cook County, Texas, and had been a Hall County resident most of her life. She married Alan Thomas Henry in 1930 at Lakeview. He preceded her in death in 1978. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church in Memphis.

Survivors include one sister. Linnie Martin of Memphis: one brother, Woodrow Floyd of Mem-Memorials may be made to the one sister, Charlena Ford of Claren- phis; two sisters-in-law, Ollie Wilson rillo; seven nieces and nephews, Shirley Palmer of Tucumcari, New rials be to Citizens Cemetery Asso- Mexico; Ronny Martin of Golden, ciation in Clarendon or to a favorite Colorado; Connie McWhirter of Plains, Texas; Carolyn Davis of Memphis; Dwight Floyd of Memphis, Dwaine Floyd of Memphis; and Betty Butcher of Canadian; and numerous other family members.

The family requests that memorials be to Crown of Texas Hospice in Amarillo or to the Memphis Convalescent Center Activity Fund in

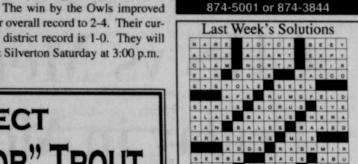
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The Lady Broncos ran at West exas A&M University Saturday, October 12, in a field of almost 200 This was the last meet before the district meet, which will be held Monday, October 21, at the WT Horse Center.

Clarendon runners

compete at WT

arcum. Brandon's point after to 16.

"This was a big meet," said Coach Kathy Barton. "The girls went out and worked hard and gave their best. I'm proud of them for vorking so hard."

Jessica Hernandez placed 49th with a time of 14:17, and Sarah Depew finished 52nd with a time of 14:21. Also running were: Kristin White 15:48, Shanna Shelton 15:57, Haley Shelton 16:02, Jessie Anderperg 16:31, and Claudia Thomas 17:

Running for the Junior Varsity were: Anndria Kidd 16:07, Kaityn Howard 17:01, Lacey Eads 17: 25, Destiny Weatherton 17:26, and Brittney Hall 18:08

Broncos running the 5K course were: Drew Sell 20:01, Bryan McFarland 21:01, Tim Sanchez 22: 35, Jeremy Howard 23:16, Stephen Ford 24:30, and Richard Anderson

"This group of boys showed a lot of heart to run," Barton said. "Especially after their big win Friday night. It took a lot of guts to go run the 5K

The junior varsity will run first at the district meet at 2:00 p.m., and the varsity will be running at 2:30 p.m. The varsity boys will run at 3: 00 p.m.

The top two teams in the 12team District meet will advance to the Regional cross-country meet with the top 10 individuals advancing as well. The Regional meet will be held in Lubbock November 2.

Howardwick aldermen raise city water rates

The Howardwick Board of Aldermen met in regular session October 8 in the Howardwick City

The board approved Ordinance 77 on a 3-1 vote with Aldermen Dewey Linley, Sam Grider, and Mike Rowland voting "aye," and Alderman Donald Holladay voting "no." The new ordinance will increase water rates in the City of Howardwick.

The rent for use of City Hall and the Community Building was discussed. The board agreed to raise the deposit to \$50 and to stop renting the tables and chairs.

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Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 5 noviembre de 2002 para votar en la Eleccion General para elegir Miembros del Congreso, Miembros de la Legislatura, y oficiales del estado, distrito, condadoy del precincto de la Estado de Texas y la enmienda constitucional que autoriza a la corte de comisionados de un condado a declarar inactivo el cargo de condestable en un precinto si el cargo no fue illenado por eleccion nombramiento por un periodo de tiempo prolongado y que contiene un procedimiento para la restitucion del cargo.

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