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NEWS at a glance

Citizens can cast ballots early now

Early voting in local elections is now underway and continues through April 29, 2003.

The cities of Clarendon and Howardwick, the Hedley Independent School District, and the Donley County Hospital District all have competitive races this year. Early voting by personal appearance is being held in each entity's administrative office.

The election for local offices will be held Saturday, May 3, 2003.

VFW Post to host rally for US troops

The Donley County Memorial Post 7782 announced today that a "Support Our Troops" rally will be held at the Donley County War Memorial on Saturday, May 3, at 11 a.m.

This is one of hundreds of rallies that will be held that weekend by members of the VFW and its Ladies Auxiliary nationwide as part of VFW Loyalty Day.

"It's important to our military who are fighting for our freedom to know that America stands united in support of them," said Post Commander Dale Powers.

Cub Scouts plan recruitment night

Clarendon Cub Scouts will host Blast Off With Scouting recruitment night for all boys in kindergarten through fourth grade on April 24 at City Park from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Boys will enjoy hot dogs with all the trimmings along with making Monkey Bread in a Dutch oven. The Webelos will have a presentation on rockets, and other fun activities have been planned for the evening. There will also be information on joining Scouts and on summer camps.

All boys who are not already members of Cub Scouts are invited to attend and learn more about Cub Scouting. One parent or guardian must attend with the child.

For more information, call Karla Devin at 874-9298.

Enterprise office closed Thursday

THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE office is closed this Thursday, April 17, to allow for some slight remodeling.

The office will re-open on Friday, and deadlines will remain unchanged for next week's issue. Please submit your news items and photos by noon on Monday and your classifieds and ads by 5 p.m. on Monday.

Inside:

- 1 It's tax time again and a bunch of nutty folks don't want their taxes to be lowered.
- 2 It's the City of Clarendon vs. the phone company in a legal smack down over surcharges.
- 3 Tommy Hill's still in front of other candidates, but will he be the King Turkey?
- 4 And the Bulldogs need one win for the conference title.

All this and much more in this week's indefatigable edition!

Chase ends when suspect hits patrol car

A Donley County deputy was hospitalized following a high-speed chase through Clarendon Monday, but it was unclear what had caused the officer to collapse.

Deputy Joe Stewart was in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo Monday night where he was reported to be conscious and talking. Sheriff Butch Blackburn said doctors have said the collapse was apparently not trauma related and further tests were scheduled for Tuesday.

Stewart was the first to respond when Jesse Wayne Christopher was reported to be ramming cars in the

parking lot of Clarendon College's Bairfield Activity Center at 4:29 p.m. The officer saw Christopher, age 22, running his Chevrolet pickup into the car belonging to the subject's wife.

Christopher also reportedly threatened to kill a Clarendon College employee who attempted to intervene.

After the deputy tried to stop Christopher, the sheriff said the subject fled south on Collinson Street and a chase ensued which eventually involved the sheriff, three deputies, and a state trooper.

Christopher reportedly took sev-

eral city streets and then went south on SH 70 with highway speeds up to 100 mph. He came back on CR 12 and then got onto Parks Street, where he headed north to Fourth Street and turned east.

Sheriff Blackburn said at this point he was ready to call off the chase and let the subject go for fear of injuring a citizen.

"I wanted to end it because he [Christopher] had no regard for anyone's safety," he said. "We were having to watch every intersection, and he's just blowing through them."

Stewart was stopped at the inter-

section of Fourth and Jefferson when Christopher rammed the front end of his patrol car.

Blackburn removed the subject from his truck and subdued and cuffed him with the assistance of off-duty Trooper Pecos Hagler and Reserve Deputy Gary Thomas. Christopher was then walked to the nearby Donley County Jail and locked up.

Stewart, who had gotten out of his vehicle under his own power after the arrest, approached Blackburn and started to collapse. The sheriff caught his deputy, who was cared for by

Reserve Deputy Jim Mincey while Blackburn called for an ambulance.

The deputy was transported by Associated Ambulance Authority to Claude where he was transferred to LifeStar and taken to the hospital. Blackburn said Stewart had lost consciousness at one point during transport.

At press time, Texas Ranger Gary Henderson had been called in to assist with the investigation. Charges were pending against Christopher, but Blackburn said they would definitely include Aggravated Assault and Felony Evading.

Vault doors will soon shine again

The vault doors in the Donley County Courthouse are beginning to shine with new life as a Dallas conservator works to remove more than a century of dirt and grime from their surfaces.

Michael van Enter discussed his work on the doors with county officials, project architect Chris Hutson, Texas Historical Commission representative Lyman Labry, and Phoenix I project manager Stephen Dodge during a construction conference last Thursday.

Van Enter and his crew have been working to remove coal soot residue and dirt to reveal hidden colors in the artwork on the doors. Original paint will be touched up only minimally. They are also bringing out colored bands along the top of the vault doorframes that may have been added in the 1930s based on the type of paint.

"You're really lucky somebody in the 1930s didn't decide to put an Art Deco design over these doors," van Enter said.

The doors were manufactured in Cincinnati, Ohio, by the Mosler & Bahmann Company and carry an order date of January 1883. They were apparently then kept in storage until sold for use in the local courthouse in 1890.

Artwork on the doors was likely done by indentured servants, van Enter said. Three of the doors depict landscape scenes, but a fourth door stands out for its sailboat scene, which van Enter says is in the Impressionist style and was very advanced for the time period.



Michael van Enter shows a partially cleaned vault door in the Donley County Courthouse to Stephen Dodge of Phoenix I. Enterprise Digital Photo

"They must have had at least one artist that was more in tune with what was happening in Europe at the time," he said. "A Polish or Czech painter was probably responsible for some of the work. Three of the doors were definitely done by the same hand."

Trim work on the doors is painted with gold and bronze dust covered by shellac. Decorative elements on the backsides of the doors are made with ground glass covered by shellac, which gives a luminescent quality to the accents.

Van Enter's team first vacuums the dust from the door, washes them with an alkalinizing solution, then a neutralizing solution. A solvent wash is then used, followed by another round of alkalinizing and

neutralizing.

One door in the office formerly used by the county agent was badly stained at some point when someone sprayed an ammonia-based cleanser on it. A cocktail of chemicals, which included some strong alcohols, was used by van Enter to lift the stain and reveal the beautiful artwork hidden beneath.

The conservation work on the vault doors is part of the overall restoration of the 1890 building, which county officials say is coming along at a brisk pace. Scaffolding around the exterior of the building is expected to come down some time next week.

For more project information, go to www.ClarendonOnline.com and click on the courthouse icon.

Newspaper founder enters Hall of Fame

The Panhandle Press Association inducted former local publisher Lewis Henry Carhart into the PPA Hall of Fame during the association's 93rd annual convention in Amarillo last Friday.

Carhart was recognized for his role as being the first editor in the Texas Panhandle and for establishing the territory's first newspaper, which today is known as THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE.

Born in New York in 1833, Carhart was a Northern Methodist Episcopal minister in Sherman, Texas, when he became interested in developing land in West Texas in 1877. In the spring of 1878, he led a group of Christian colonists to a site at the juncture of Carroll Creek and the Salt Fork of the Red River where he established Clarendon and named it in honor of his wife Clara. At the time, only Mobeetie and Tascosa existed as towns in the Panhandle, and neither one had a newspaper.

Carhart became the first editor in the Panhandle when he established, THE CLARENDON NEWS, on June 1, 1878. Dedicating its purpose to the "promotion and upbuilding of North-western Texas," Carhart established the NEWS as a six-column, four-page newspaper. Carhart served the paper as its editor and business manager and was assisted by James H. Parks, who served as the local editor while Carhart continued to travel to gather supplies and settlers for the colony.

With very few businesses in the new colony, early advertisers were mostly from Wisconsin and Ohio, and most of the early "news" articles were designed to promote the ideal location of the colony and to encourage even more settlement of the area.

News items were gathered in Clarendon, Carhart contributed articles and sermons, and the content was then shipped to Carhart's cousin, Dr. John Wesley Carhart in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, for printing. The issues were then shipped back to Sherman, Texas, and freighted from there to Clarendon.

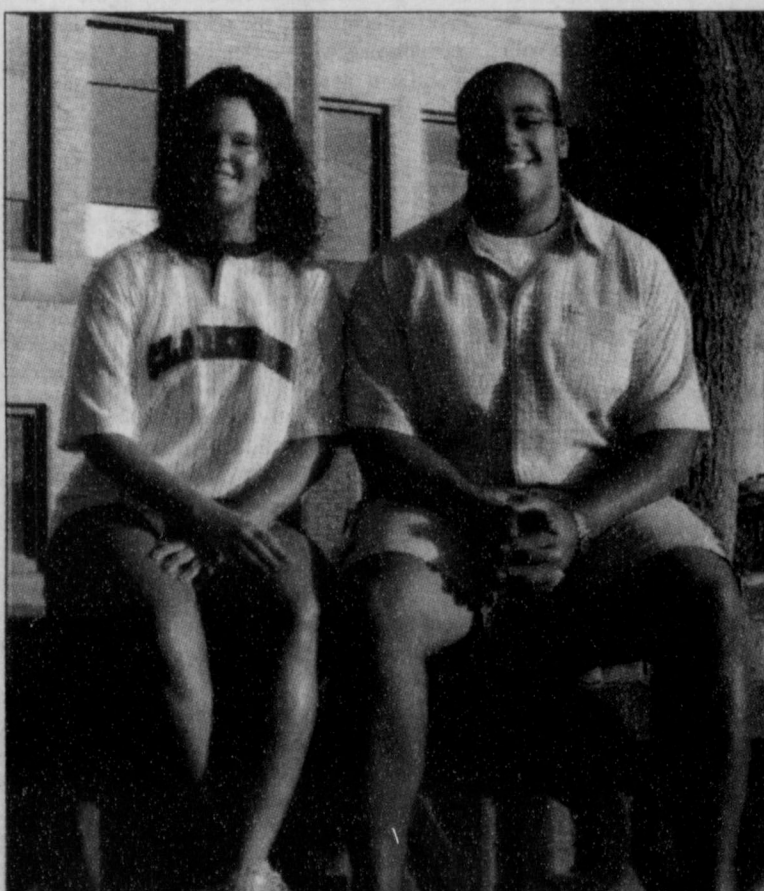
In 1880, Carhart assisted his cousin's son, Ed Carhart, in setting up the area's first printing press in Clarendon and worked with him for some time before turning the entire business over to him.

In February 1888, L.H. Carhart helped organize the territory's first regional press association, The Panhandle Editorial Association made Carhart an honorary member for his role as the "first editor of the Panhandle region." He addressed the opening of the first convention in Canadian and was named to serve on the Permanent Organization committee. By the close of the convention, Carhart was appointed to the Executive committee to represent Donley County.

Carhart later moved to Hot Springs, Arkansas, and eventually migrated to California where he died in a Union soldiers' home in 1922.

Despite going through many changes of ownership as well as name changes, Carhart's creation has endured and has been published continuously since 1878.

Carhart joins former local publishers J.C. Estlack and G.W. Estlack in the PPA's Hall of Fame. Other area newspapermen inducted this year were Gary Netzer of the AMARILLO GLOBE-NEWS, David Rasco of the AMARILLO GLOBE-NEWS, and Danny Andrews of the PLAINVIEW DAILY HERALD.



Miss and Mr. CHS

Brandi Betts and James Williams were named Miss and Mister CHS recently. Other student honors are listed on page five. Enterprise Digital Photo

Enterprise receives honors from PPA in celebration of 125th anniversary

THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE received special recognition for its upcoming 125th anniversary during the annual convention of the Panhandle Press Association last Friday night.

The oldest newspaper in the Texas Panhandle was presented with a plaque honoring its years of service to the citizens of Clarendon and Donley County since 1878.

"We were quite surprised by the PPA's extraordinary recognition," publisher Roger Estlack said. "The association board had requested that we set up a special display during the trade show to reflect the history of our paper, but we had no idea they would take this step during the Past Presidents' Dinner."

"We are very appreciative of the honor and the thoughtfulness of our fellow journalists."

The ENTERPRISE was further spotlighted Friday night when the newspaper's founder, L.H. Carhart was inducted into the Hall of Fame.

"Our 125th anniversary is

coming up this June, and readers will be seeing much more about this event as we get closer to that time," Estlack said. "We've got a lot of things in the works right now, including an anniversary edition and the placement of a Texas Historical Marker."

The local newspaper also fared very well the next day when the winners of the PPA's 2002 Better Newspaper Contest were announced.

THE CANADIAN RECORD won the General Excellence Award with the ENTERPRISE a close second for the top honors.

The ENTERPRISE received three first place plaques, four second place plaques, and four third place plaques.

Christi Ross won first place in the Humorous Columns category with judges saying her writing had "great comedic timing" and were "very, very funny." Articles by Carrie Helms and Roger Estlack placed first in Feature Stories, and Estlack also placed first in Feature Photography. Cheryl Johnson won second

place in the Advertising Initiative contest, and Estlack placed second for his Editorials. The ENTERPRISE also took second in Spot News Photography and Society Section.

Third place finishes were received in Headline Writing, Front Page Layout, News Writing, and Special Sections. ENTERPRISE sports writer Sandy Anderson also received Honorable Mention for her work.

The ENTERPRISE competed in Division I for weekly newspapers of all sizes. The contest was judged by members of the South Texas Press Association.

Attending the 93rd annual PPA convention from Donley County were Editor Estlack and Russell and Scarlett Estlack. Randy White attended the Friday luncheon with other representatives of area Rural Electric Cooperatives, who were among the meal sponsors; and Jay O'Brien attended the Past President's Dinner with representatives of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, which was also a meal sponsor.

editor's
Commentary

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

NPT This column has been rated NPT by the Enterprise Institute for Reader Friendliness. A grade of humor is advised.



Feds just keep flushing our money away

America's annual financial prostate exam came and went Tuesday as our "friends" in Congress continue to spend money like there is no tomorrow.

While President Bush had given us some hope of relief, the Democrat-controlled Senate effectively sliced the White House's \$726 billion tax cut proposal in half recently. Yes, I know the Republican Party technically controls the Senate, but frankly, the GOP "leadership" has become just as weak and ineffective as I had feared. Those guys have no spines. "Minority" Leader Bill Frist and his impotent colleagues continue to let moderate Republicans and Democratic hardliners call the shots de facto.

This week (down and to your right), we have Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchinson's personal assurance that in Congress they "are working to relieve Americans from excessive taxation." Come on, Kay. You're from Texas. Surely you know as well as I do that that is the biggest stinking pile of b... well, you know.

Kay's idea of being helpful is introducing a bill to allow Americans to deduct the state and local sales taxes they paid during the year from their federal income taxes. It sounds great, and it might even really save Texans the \$700 million she says it would. But be honest. Who the hell is really going to keep up with every red cent of sales tax they pay every time they make any purchase. I have my hands full keeping up with what the Infernal Revenue Gestapo considers "legitimate" business expenses, and now you want me to keep a record of every 8.25 cents I spend on every dollar of every taxable thing I buy! That's insane!

Here's an idea for you, Kay. Slash our federal tax rate in half and tell your honorable pals to STOP SPENDING SO MUCH MONEY!

Sorry, folks... lost my head there for a moment. That would never work because of course it makes too much sense.

Back to the Bush proposal. It's been cut in half, and many Dems along with several donkeys in elephants' clothing would have us believe that we just can't have even that much of a cut since the deficit is on the rise. And their usual mantra seems to be working on the common folk. An Associated Press poll has found that 61 percent of Americans are against tax cuts at this time.

Where did they get these people? Who did they talk to? Do they actually pay taxes?

Take Joseph Ames from Boise, Idaho, for example. The AP did, and Mr. Ames told them the Congress needs to consider "who is actually affected by these tax cuts" because "I hear a lot of talk about the little man getting stomped on."

Friends, Mr. Ames is a glittering jewel of ignorance. He is a moron, a nimrod, a fool.

No one gets stomped on by tax cuts. People get stomped on, stomped down, kicked, raped, run over, spit on, and generally disrespected by taxes that are too high; and those people include "the little man."

Now, I'm as concerned about the federal deficit as the next guy, but as always the problem is not a lack of tax revenue. The problem is rather a complete lack of any self-control on the part of the people spending the money - namely Congress.

Led by liberal Democrats and their accomplices in the GOP, the government just continues to waste our money on frivolous things. Look at the recent war appropriation as an example. Bush requested \$74.7 billion for the war. Congress inflated that to \$78.5 billion and included \$2.9 billion for the airline industry. Frankly, I'm tired of subsidizing the airlines; it's time to cut them loose and let them fly or crash on their own.

According to Citizens Against Government Waste (CAGW), the war appropriation had all kinds of things that were attempted to be shoehorned into it - things like fixing leaky dams and drought aid for catfish farmers.

CAGW also has come up with some even better recent examples of flushing our dollars down Uncle Sam's crapper. Try these on for size: • \$7.7 million for the Alaska Wide Mobile Radio Program; • \$6.2 million for wood utilization research (so we can figure out what wood is used for, I guess); • \$2 million for the Kodiak Pier in Alaska; • \$750,000 for the National Baseball Hall of Fame; • \$500,000 for catfish health in Stoneville, Miss.; • \$50,000 for the Marion County Library in South Carolina to establish a computer lab; and • \$90,000 for the National Cowgirl Hall of Fame and Museum in Fort Worth.

I fully appreciate the fact that one man's pork barrel project is another man's economic stimulus. And maybe - just maybe - I would feel better about the whole thing if Rep. Mac Thornberry was bringing home \$3 million to restore the old Antro Hotel or \$2 million to fix up the Mulkey Theatre or even \$50,000 to support the Saints' Roost Museum.

But he isn't, and really, I don't want him to. What I do want is for the Republicans in Congress and in the White House to get serious about cutting spending - and I mean deep cuts, the kind that cause pain.

We've waited long enough for fiscal responsibility. It's time to bring out the veto pen and strong-armed congressional tactics to get the federal government back in its box.

'Tank' team races to derby car finish line

I had an incredibly exciting weekend. I started out Friday with nothing but a camouflage t-shirt and a Kevlar helmet, and I ended up \$30 richer on Sunday.

Sunday marked the First Annual Behrens 500 Derby Car Race. It's a dorm-sponsored event where teams of 10 or more build a car and race around the parking lot stopping to eat nasty food and do silly things. My roommate Whitney and her boyfriend Blake headed up the team with seven of our friends.

We were going for a "support our troops" kind of theme. We raided the Army Surplus store for desert camo and helmets and gas masks. All in all, I think I spent eight bucks.

I won't tell you how we got a shopping cart, but suffice it to say, we didn't spend a lot of money on it. We got a bunch of leftover Masonite and scrap building materials from the theatre workshop.

Blake works in the theatre building sets and hanging lights and doing all kinds of construction work like that, so he had connections to get us tools and supplies.

He and my comrade Josh cut the back out of the cart so Whitney and I could slide in real fast, and he cut a hole in the front

life's Lessons

By Carrie Helms

for us to put our feet through. He even built a turret at the top to put our heads through.

It worked well in the time trial and practice before the race.

Sunday night. Race time. We show up. A motley crew with our aviator sunglasses and desert camo face paints, ready to face the enemy and send them packing for the sake of this great land we call America.

The other cars weren't much to look at. They didn't put the time and effort into theirs like we did. One group had a shopping cart decorated to look like a baby carriage. Three great big guys in diapers took turns riding in the cart. It wasn't pretty.

The first stop was a water event, and our rider had a little trouble getting in and out the way we had intended. I was next and decided it would be easiest just to dive in headfirst and pull my feet up behind me.

The only problem was there were some sharp edges where the guys cut up

the cart, and I scratched my hands up pretty badly. The guy pushing the cart had to stop and eat Spam at stop number two.

Spam is an essential part of every kind of contest because it must be the single most revolting product ever invented by man. What is Spam made of? It's just not natural.

When it was my turn to ride again, I got the best stop ever. I just had to eat two donuts and drink a bottle of orange juice. No big deal. I stuffed my face, and the two guys on my team took forever. I think I impressed them.

All told, we won! We crossed the finish line neck and neck with the Baby Boomers, but the photo finish showed the Turban Tankers were the undisputed winners of \$300.

We had so much fun, we decided to get t-shirts that say "Tanks for letting us beat you," or "Tanks for not winning the Derby Car Race."

The moral of the story: nothing is impossible with a little bit of ingenuity, duct tape, and good old-fashioned elbow grease. But be sure and wear gloves when handling a shopping cart; they can be dangerous.



Thornberry commends troop performance

Two weeks into the war with Iraq, one thing became clear - our troops are performing superbly and are proving yet again why they are the best in the world.

In just 14 days, our military and our Coalition allies:

- Flew thousands of air missions, striking Iraqi leadership and Republican guard targets.
- Raced across more than 200 miles of Iraqi territory - through enemy fire and inhospitable terrain - to reach the capital city of Baghdad.
- Secured Iraq's southern oil fields, helping to prevent a potential environmental disaster and the possible destruction of critical resources that the Iraqi people will need once Saddam Hussein has been removed.
- Launched devastating attacks on terrorist targets in northern Iraq.
- Accepted the surrender of over 3,500 Iraqi soldiers.
- Rescued one of our prisoners of war.

While it is not possible to know for sure, there are strong indications that Iraq's leadership is in disarray and that members



with Rep. Mac Thornberry

of their families are trying to flee the country. There also continue to be questions as to whether Saddam Hussein is still alive.

Of course, not all the news is good. As of March 31, the United States has lost 51 of our troops. Seven of our soldiers have been captured, 15 are reported to be missing, and others still have been wounded. While these losses and casualties are small when compared with those suffered by Iraq, they are tragic nonetheless. I know the thoughts and prayers of every American are with the family and friends of those who gave their lives defending our freedom and with those who remain in harm's way keeping us secure.

Clearly, this is not an easy fight. We are at war with an entrenched regime that has ruled Iraq with an iron and bloody fist for over 20 years. It

is a regime that governs through fear and thinks nothing of putting women, children, and innocent civilians in the line of fire. It is a regime that killed over 5,000 of its own citizens with chemical weapons, and continues to torture and execute those who speak out against it today. As President Bush has stated, our fight is not with the repressed people of Iraq. It is with Saddam Hussein and his henchmen.

Despite the pundits who are now turning up on TV to warn of gloom and doom and talk about how things are going wrong, we will win this war - there can be no doubt about that. The challenge is to look beyond the television images and the minute by minute reporting that is good at capturing a moment but often misses the big picture.

In this conflict, freedom and justice will persevere over fear and cruelty. It may take time. And it will likely lead to more injuries and further loss of life. But America - acting for the security of the civilized world and the principles in which we believe - will be victorious. And the world will be a safer place as a result.

Congress working to relieve tax pressures

April is a special time in Texas. It brings bluebonnets, warm weather, and the season opener of baseball. But it also gives rise to the most dreaded time of year - tax day.

Each April 15, millions of Texans dutifully organize their paperwork, fill out their forms, sign on the dotted line, and send their tax returns to the Internal Revenue Service. Some merit a check from Uncle Sam, others end up owing money. But no matter what the outcome, one thing is certain: Texans are singled out for double taxation.

States and local governments raise revenue in a variety of ways. Some levy income taxes, some impose sales taxes and others use a combination of the two. Citizens who pay state and local income taxes can offset some of what they pay by taking a deduction on their federal tax. But those without an income tax - like Texas - cannot deduct the sales taxes paid to support state and local government.

The philosophy behind these deductions is simple and straightforward: people



with Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchinson

should not have to pay taxes on their taxes. The money given to one level of government should not be taxed by another level.

In 1986, a landmark tax reform law eliminated the deduction for state and local sales tax, but not the deduction for income tax. As a result, 23 million taxpayers from states like Texas, who pay sales tax but no income tax, have been penalized ever since.

This discrepancy has a significant impact on our state. According to the Texas Comptroller, if taxpayers could deduct their sales taxes, more than \$700 million would stay in the hands of Texans. This could add almost \$900 million in economic stimulus.

In February, I introduced legislation to correct this inequity. My bill would give

all taxpayers the option of deducting state and local sales taxes or income taxes when calculating their federal taxes.

Additionally, Congress is working to accelerate the 2001 tax relief and make it permanent. Currently, because of the procedure we were forced to use to pass the tax cuts in 2001, it will sunset in 2011 and the relief will disappear. It is imperative to have stability in our tax code. Americans must be able to plan for the future and make work, investment and retirement decisions based on consistency. An ever-changing tide of tax laws makes that impossible.

This April as you file your taxes, you can do so with the certainty that in Congress, we are working to relieve Americans from excessive taxation. We want to make sure our tax code is fundamentally fair. At a time when our economy is lagging and many people find themselves coming up short, it is more important than ever to allow Americans to keep more of their hard-earned money.

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City joins suit against Valor Telecom

The City of Clarendon joined a lawsuit against Valor Telecom last week seeking to prevent the phone company from imposing new surcharges on its customers.

Valor is seeking to recover more than \$7.6 million with the proposed surcharges on Extended Local Calling (ELC), according to information presented during last Tuesday's regular city meeting. The proposal would set interim monthly per line surcharges of 99¢ for residential customers and \$1.98 for business customers.

The company is further seeking to increase fees on customers paying \$3.50 per residential line and \$7 per business line for ELC services by \$3.50 per residential line and \$7 per business line. This would effectively double the cost of ELC services.

"I think we need to do something," said Alderman Bob Watson in

moving to join the lawsuit. "They've gone crazy with rate increases, and we need to stand up for our citizens."

ELC allows local customers to call nearby cities (such as Amarillo, Pampa, Hedley, Memphis, and others) without incurring long distance charges. Local phone customers approved adding the service about six years ago.

Clarendon joins 24 other cities in the lawsuit.

In other city business, Gary Hunt addressed the Board of Aldermen regarding his property on US 287 across from the college campus. A deed restriction dating back to 1945 required that if the owner of the property ever asked for city utilities, the property would automatically revert back to the original owner - which in this case was the city. The board approved Hunt's request to change the restriction to require the owner to

pay for installing the utilities if they are requested.

Dee Dee Autry presented a budget amendment for the Clarendon Economic Development Corporation to allow for funding two new projects. The aldermen approved the amendment and also approved the projects which allow for \$20,000 to expand Clarendon Manufacturing & Distributing, Inc., and \$15,000 for a new peanut facility to be built by Texoma Peanut.

A proposed ordinance banning the use of engine brakes in the city limits was discussed and tabled.

A proclamation declaring April as Fair Housing Month was adopted.

The city approved a contract allowing the local sanitation department to take trash to the Pampa landfill. The city currently uses the Memphis landfill but keeps a contract with Pampa as a backup location.



Cubs place at District Derby

Cub Scouts from Clarendon Pack 437 competed in the District Pine-wood Derby in Pampa Saturday. They competed against over 70 scouts from the area. Taylor Smith won third place in the Tiger Cub Division. Trajen Johnson placed fourth in the Best Finish category. Neil Devin and Tyler Smith also competed well in their divisions. Pictured are Trajen Johnson, Neil Devin, Tyler Smith, and Taylor Smith.

weather report

Day	Date	High	Low	Prec.
Mon	7	71°	32°	-
Tues	8	62°	31°	-
Wed	9	59°	21°	-
Thur	10	75°	22°	-
Fri	11	81°	38°	-
Sat	12	78°	32°	-
Sun	13	81°	36°	-

Total precipitation this month: 0.00"
Total precipitation to date: 0.89"
Total precipitation in April last year: 2.17"
Total YTD total last year: 3.92"

weekend forecast

Friday, April 18
Iso. T-Storms
75°/43°

Saturday, April 19
Iso. T-Storms
69°/44°

Sunday, April 20
Mostly Cloudy
65°/40°

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Hedley city aldermen cancel election, table Valor Telecom issue

The Hedley Board of Aldermen called off this year's city election during their regular meeting April 7.

With all candidates running unopposed, the board voted to declare those running for office duly elected.

Incumbent aldermen Jim Lollar, Bruce Howard, and Abbey O'Neal will keep their seats on the board.

In other city business, the board approved leaving the city's access line rates for telecommunication services at the current levels, which are residential \$1.31, non-residential \$3.02, and point-to-point \$4.59.

The board considered and approved amending the city budget.

The aldermen agreed to have the city engage the services of the Panhandle Regional 911 Network to bring the street address system up to standards and map the addresses.

The board tabled a resolution authorizing intervention in the case of Valor Telecom seeking to implement Extended Local Calling surcharges.

Aldermen also voted in favor of purchasing a mosquito fogger.

Looking Back

15 Years Ago

THE CLARENDON PRESS, April 14, 1988
• The Lady Broncos collected 12 medals at the Wellington Skyrockets Invitational Meet on Saturday with first place wins in individual competitions by Andrea Edwards, and Larinda Pettit - who set a meet record in the discus with a throw of 119' 2½". The relay team of Stacy Smith, Stephanie Luttrell, Shawanda Weatherston, Shawn Butler, Chrystal Havens, and Triva Denney also placed first.

50 Years Ago

THE DONLEY CO. LEADER, April 16, 1953
• Fire destroyed the Clarendon Ice Plant and Old Opera House here Saturday morning. The blaze was believed to have been started by sparks from a cutting torch while removing a brine tank. The building was said to have been built in 1900. It was an old landmark that will be remembered by many Panhandle residents for many years to come for the dances, operas, and other major attractions that were held there.

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- Verificación de sueldo (talones, forma de impuestos)
- Proof of public assistance (WIC, Medicaid, food stamp case letter)
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April 17
United Christian Men's Breakfast • Methodist Church • 7 a.m.

Poetry Reading • Bairfield Activity Center • 6:30 p.m.

Band Boosters meeting • Bronco Band Hall • 7 p.m.

April 18
Howardwick Friendship Club • Howardwick City Hall • 6:30 p.m.

April 19
2003 Turkey Strut Festival

MCNH Easter Egg Hunt • Medical Center Nursing Home • 12 p.m.

April 20
Easter Howardwick Sunrise Service • Howardwick City Park • 7:09 a.m.

April 21
San Jacinto Day

April 24
PTK Car Wash • Bairfield Activity Center • 1 p.m.

"Blas Off With Scouting" • City Park • 6 p.m.

April 23
Secretary's Day

May 3
Local Elections

Community Menus

April 21 - 25

Clarendon Schools
Breakfast
Mon: No School
Tues: Oats, toast, fruit, milk
Wed: Pancakes, juice, milk
Thur: Eggs, toast, juice, milk
Fri: Cinnamon rolls, juice, milk
Lunch
Mon: No School
Tues: Beans and cornbread, French fries, spinach, fruit mix, milk
Wed: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, apple cobbler, rolls, milk
Thur: Mexican casserole, beans, salad, fruit Jell-O, milk
Fri: Hotdogs, French fries, salad, fruit, milk

Hedley Schools
Breakfast
Mon: Breakfast sandwich, toast and jelly, dry cereal, fruit juice, milk
Tues: Biscuit and gravy, sausage patties, butter and jelly, cereal, juice, milk
Wed: Pancake and syrup, sausage patties, dry cereal, fruit juice, milk
Thur: Breakfast burrito with salsa, cereal, fruit juice, milk
Fri: Peanut butter and toast, muffins, dry cereal, fruit juice, milk
Lunch
Mon: Beef taco, pinto beans and rice, green chili casserole, tossed salad, fruit, corn bread muffins, milk
Tues: Barbecue beef on a bun or ham on a bun, fries, salad, fruit, milk
Wed: Chicken fried steak, potatoes and gravy, broccoli and cheese, salad, fruit, rolls, milk
Thur: Pizza, corn, tossed salad, applesauce, bread sticks, milk
Fri: Chicken on a bun or steak on a bun, later tots, lettuce, tomato, fruit, milk

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Barbecue beef, baked beans, onion rings, potato salad, apricot cobbler, bread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Tues: Chicken strips, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, three bean salad, pumpkin brownie, bread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Wed: Beef fajitas, Spanish rice, pinto beans, tossed salad, creamy apple, flour tortilla, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Thur: Sliced turkey, yam patties, broccoli, Carolina salad, Jell-O with fruit, bread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Fri: Steak and gravy, mashed potatoes, asparagus, tossed salad, chocolate cream pie, roll, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Calfish, onion rings, spinach, coleslaw, baked apple, cornbread, tea, milk, coffee
Tues: Spaghetti and meat sauce, California blend vegetables, fried okra, sliced orange, brownie, garlic toast, tea, milk, coffee
Wed: Chicken and dumplings, mixed greens, tossed salad, fruit cobbler, cornbread, tea, milk, coffee
Thur: Steak and gravy, baked potato, black-eyed peas, apple rings, chocolate pudding, roll, tea, milk, coffee
Fri: Chicken strips, broccoli and rice, Harvard beets, carrot and raisin salad, bread pudding, roll, tea, milk, coffee

Caravan of authors to sign books at Burton Library

A new concept is being developed where a group of Panhandle of Texas authors gather together, travel to a library, museum, or other sponsoring entity, to meet the public, offer their work for sale, and autograph purchases for buyers.

Burton Memorial Library will host the caravan on Saturday, April 19, from 10 a.m. to noon with several local and area authors including Clarendon residents Gail Dayton and Bill Russell.

Dayton was recently named a finalist in the 2002 RITA Awards, the romance novelist's equivalent of an Oscar which is sponsored by the Romance Writers of America, for Best First Book with *Hide-and-Sheikh*. Her May release from Silhouette Desire, *Her Convenient*

Millionaire, is her second book. Dayton also writes a weekly society column for THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE.

Russell, who is not a native Texan, wandered into the Panhandle in 1991; and upon arrival, he began writing for the PRAIRIE DOG GAZETTE which was published in Clarendon. He is a correspondent for the AMARILLO GLOBE-NEWS while acting as docent for the Saints' Roost Museum in Clarendon. He called upon his newspaper background to search out obscure or temporarily lost written records of area history. He now works as an assistant at Clarendon College Library and manages to collect some of the lore of the Llano.

Other authors coming to Clarendon include Jodie Thomas, Delbert Trew, Louise

Carroll George, Cleon Odell Roberts, and Terry Burns.

Jodi Thomas of Amarillo is the author of 18 novels and four short story collections. Her November 2002 release, *The Texans' Wager*, recently reached #16 on THE NEW YORK TIMES Bestseller List.

Delbert Trew was born in Ochiltree County and has lived most of his ranching life on the Llano Estacado. He has been the owner of the Alanreed Ranch since 1949 and the home of the Trews today. Since his retirement in 1985, he has been a supervisor of the Devil's Rope and the Texas Old Route 66 Museums in McLean. He has published six books and writes a weekly news column for the AMARILLO GLOBE-NEWS.

Louise George is a native of Texas, living in Dumas for over thirty years. Her interest in the heritage of the area and a desire to pay tribute to her mother's generation were the combinations that triggered the writings of *Some of My Heroes are Ladies, Women 85 to 101 Tell About Life in the Texas Panhandle*.

Cleon Roberts was born in New Mexico but grew up in West Texas. His particular interest is the pioneers that history forgot.

Terry Burns' work includes seventeen years of writing newspaper columns, over 200 articles published in magazines, inspirational fictions, poetry, and non-fiction.

The public is invited to attend the book signing. A portion of the sales proceeds is donated to the Burton Memorial Library.

Clarendon gearing up for Turkey Strut Festival

I had the privilege of going to Levelland last week for UIL's Regional One-Act Play competition. I spent all day watching five plays - not six, because I didn't drive quite fast enough to catch the first one. I suppose everyone knows by now that Clarendon's play, "Children of a Lesser God", was not one of the two that advanced to State.

I thought while watching all the performances that I was glad I didn't have to pick the plays that advanced to State, (even if I am prejudiced and absolutely certain that Clarendon's play was the best of the bunch, no matter what the judge's outcome says). By the time they reach Regional, only the very, very good are left in the competition.

Every play was extremely well-done. Even the one that presented "Macbeth" as populated by vampires. That one did catch me off guard, I have to admit. (No, that play did not advance to State.)

The cast will perform their play for the local theater-going public sometime in the near future - depending on when all the students are in town at the same time. I'm not sure anyone knows when that will be at this point. Activities and athletics are still keeping them all very busy.

Regional UIL competition was the day after the play competition, and their sponsors came by to watch Clarendon's play. Many of the students in the play also competed in



around Town
By Gail Shelton
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last Friday's academic arena. I've asked how things went, but apparently not the right folks. I just got "Oh, we did okay." Still, I know Roger will have the results elsewhere in the paper. Look for them.

This weekend is the Turkey Trot Festival. Apparently it's become quite popular - or at least somewhat popular - outside of Clarendon. And if folks want an excuse to come visit Clarendon and enjoy our amenities, we're just as happy to give them one. I'm not sure what all activities

they'll have - besides the one I'm participating in - but do come on downtown and see. The more the merrier, right?

I especially want you to stop by the library Saturday morning between ten and twelve for a book signing. My new book isn't supposed to be on the stands till next month, but Clarendon is getting the sneak preview. I hope you come by and say hello so I can introduce you to my writer friends.

Easter is this weekend, and I am given to understand that many local residents will be departing to visit relatives. Many others will have relatives coming to visit them. Whatever your circumstance, I hope you have a blessed and happy Easter.

Seniors make crafts during monthly class

By Vida O'Neal

Our April craft class was held on Tuesday, and we learned a few decorative painting techniques, which we used to decorate paper maché flowerpots. They all turned out cute. We hated that Ruby Thompson couldn't make it to show us her craft. We will reschedule her at a later date.

If you would like to join us in making crafts, come to the center on the second Tuesday afternoon of each month at 1:30.

We had two winners in our Friday fundraiser. The lucky ladies were Helen Phelps and Jan Root. Each of these ladies won a cute Easter bunny donated by Pearl Hermesmyer.

Our get-well wishes go out to Tom and Jeanette Stephens and Preston Judd.

Our condolences to the families of Jack Leeper and Marie McCracken.

Reminders:
April 21, 28: Dance Club, 6 p.m.
April 22: Game Night, 6 p.m.
April 25: Hall County Blood Pressure Clinic, 11:30 a.m.
April 29: Birthday/Anniversary Supper, 6 p.m.

Swine smooching will take place this Friday

The Donley County Hospital District is hosting a "Kiss a Pig" contest to benefit the American Cancer Society's "Relay For Life," and the polls will be open to the public from Monday, April 14, to noon on Friday, April 18.

The candidates for Medical Center Nursing Home are Alan Graham, Holly Eads, Jim Thornton, and Linda Thornton. Candidates at the Associated Ambulance Authority are Debra Hill and Anna Bishop.

The top person for each entity will have to kiss the pig. The swine smooching will take place on Friday, April 18, at 2 p.m. on the MCNH parking lot.

It's only a penny per vote. Come by the nursing home to cast your coin and then come back Friday to watch the fun.

A Little Extra Gift

By Mary Beth Nelson

I set the lovely bouquet of lilacs on my dining table and breathed their delicate fragrance. This is one of the main delights to which I look forward each spring.

To me, the lilac bush is another simple pleasure, which God provides for moments of peace from His countless miracles of nature. At the appearance of the first green leaves, I often become anxious for the burst of lavender that is promised when buds begin to form. I realize, however, it is not in God's plan for the process to be rushed. The blossoms will emerge in due time. I must have patience.

I think the blooming of a flower will always fascinate me. To be able to watch such a transformation is, for me, one of those little extra gifts from God. In our world where daily living can occasionally be hectic, the lilac bush can become one of many comforting retreats which God has placed all around me if I will take time to recognize, accept, and enjoy them.

Bible Thought: "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven." Ecclesiastes 3:1 (NIV)

Mary Beth is a freelance writer for various inspirational magazines and books.

Hedley Methodists will hold sunrise services this Sunday

I think spring has finally arrived. The lilacs are in full bloom, and the mulberry trees in the front yard are full of blooms that look like green woolly worms. They are falling all over the yard, and the grackles are back.

That's the big black birds that make such a mess on the sidewalks, build nests, lay eggs, and hatch baby birds that fall out of the nests. There is nothing uglier than a naked little bird sitting on the ground with its mouth wide open. I'd almost wish the trees were gone, if for no reason than to get rid of those birds.

I feel sorry for Joleta Owens. Her husband, Gary, had back surgery last week. They have the Coyote Ridge Ranch just south of Hedley. While Gary's laid up, Jo will have to tend to things. I don't recall how many gates there are to get to their house, but she will have to open and close them each time she comes out. Get well soon, Gary.

Juanita Brown is home from a week's stay in the hospital in Childress. Her daughter, Marie Norton, is here from Denver as well as Grace Burkhalter who lives here.

Pick and LaQuita Cox are enjoying a visit with LaQuita's sister, Rita Hudgens of Childress and their granddaughter, Jordan Cox, from McLean.

I got a packet of pictures from Guy last week. The package was open when I got it, and I accused Caroline of opening it and taking some of Christian's pictures before giving it to me. When I called Guy, he told there was only five pictures. I can't believe how Christian has grown. He looks like a little boy rather than a baby. I'm looking forward to their



watt's Happening
By Peggy Watt
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visit next weekend. Karen gave me a picture of Rance recently, and I took it to Mother. She said, "That's Keith. How old is he now?" I told her it was Keith's son, and she said he sure looks like Keith. And he does. If you knew Keith when he was that age, you'd recognize Rance.

I had a nice visit with Mary Beth Nelson a few days ago. She's such a nice person.

Margaret Holland, Dot Messer, and I went to Memphis Tuesday. We went to Margaret's daughter, Nancy Stephens', shop and looked at all the pretty stuff. Then we went to the nursing home and visited with Mother. She's doing well and seemed to know Margaret and Dot. She said Leonard Mullins was there almost every day. I'm glad. I can't get down very often, and she needs to see her family.

The Methodist Church at Hedley will have a Sunrise Service on Easter Sunday, April 20, at 7 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend. The service will be held on the north side of the church by the cross. Bill and Tanya Combs will have some special music, and Pastor Gary Boles will bring an Easter message. Afterward, we will enjoy brunch in the family room (basement). Everyone is invited.

My sympathy to the Jack Leeper family. Jack and I were in the same class at Hedley School many years ago.

Happy Easter to everyone.



EMT class graduates

Graduation for the EMT-Basic class was held March 31 at the Associated Ambulance Authority. Pictured are (front) Anna Bishop, (second row) William Harrell, Brenda Hill, Heather King, Crystal Crump, April Judd, Janette Burns, (third row) Andrea Coxey, Lori Lindsey, Lee Ann Cook, Tiffany Shadle, Amy Klinnart, Pat Archuleta, Debra Hill, Anita Aaron, (fourth row) Mike Hare, Jason Collier, Dustin Babcock, Brent Aaron, Lance Ollinger, Andy Wheatly, and Mike La Roe.

Tanning beds raise cancer risk

Tanning beds have been marketed as a "safe" alternative to sunbathing outdoors. However, tanning is actually an unhealthy habit. This is because the radiation that causes tanning also causes deep skin changes that can lead to skin cancer.

Tanning, whether outdoors or indoors, is caused by UV-A (Ultra-violet-A) radiation. This radiation causes damage at an even deeper level than a sunburn and changes underlying skin structure in a way that can lead to skin cancer at a later time. UV-A also causes wrinkles and premature skin aging.

If you would like a little more color in your skin, a safer alternative is to use one of the many self-tanning lotions on the market. According to the American Acad-



family care Corner
By Dawn Watson
COUNTY FCS AGENT

emy of Dermatology (www.aad.org <http://www.aad.org>), self-tanning lotions containing DHA are safe and produce a color change that lasts approximately five to seven days.

Skin cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer in the United States. And, although many people think a tan makes you look healthy, your skin will stay healthier and younger looking if you avoid getting a tan. Texas Cooperative Extension and Texas Cancer Council remind you to take charge of your health-it makes good sense!

Local veterans group to adopt soldiers stationed overseas

The VFW and its Ladies Auxiliary was founded over 100 years ago. The purpose of this organization is to promote patriotism and to help with the ever increasing battle for veterans' rights and benefits.

It is also their duty to support the American troops during war time as well as peace time. They have been supporting the American troops since its formation in 1899. This organization and its members are once again at the forefront of trying to find ways to show this support.

One of the ways is through a program called Military Assistance Program (MAP). This program was designed to help boost morale of

the men and women of our armed forces. The Adopt-A-Unit program is one of the many facets of the MAP program. This program allows the various VFW posts and their Ladies Auxiliary to select one or more active duty or reserve units to correspond with and to send care packages. It also allows us to know when the troops can receive packages from home once they are deployed. In fact, the VFW and its Ladies Auxiliaries are one of the few organizations authorized to collect and distribute these packages according to the Department of Defense.

They also work closely with the Family Support Centers in this

region. Please do not try to send cash donations to the Family Support Centers directly. They must first go through the VFW and its Ladies Auxiliary.

Post 7782 and its Ladies Auxiliary have opted to adopt the 974th Quartermaster Company. G.J. Martindale and Sam Gerald, both of Clarendon, are in this unit. It is also their understanding that there are several other young men and women from Clarendon College in this unit as well.

Like Susie Q's, they are asking that you donate the same type of items she listed to the VFW so we can put care packages together for

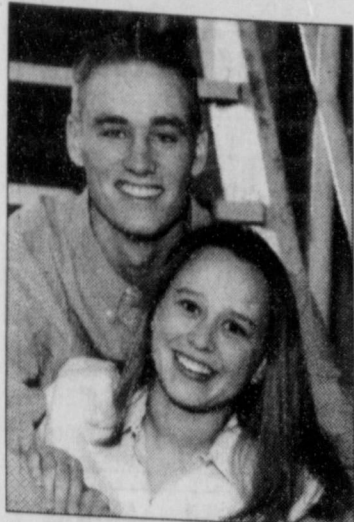
this unit. The units cannot receive these packages until they are settled in Iraq and know what their mailing address will be.

In addition to adopting this unit, they will do their best to support Nathan Floyd, Jake Thorton, and any other member of this community that they have knowledge of and have an address for.

If you know of someone from Clarendon who is in the service, please call the VFW with their name and address.

For more information about the program or for a list of items needed for care packages, please call 874-VETS.

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Aaron Jeffers and Shyla Garcia

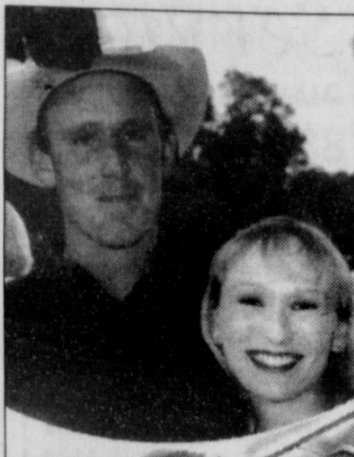
Garcia-Jeffers to wed

Tony McWilliams of Amarillo and Larry Garcia of Dumas announce the engagement of their daughter, Shyla, to Aaron Jeffers.

Aaron is the son of Jamie and Larry Jeffers of Clarendon.

The couple plan to be wed on June 14, 2003, at 6:00 p.m. at the Temple Baptist Church in Dumas.

Friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend.



Blake Pennington and Jennifer Hastey

Hastey-Pennington plan wedding in May

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Hastey of Elkhart, Kansas, are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer, to Blake Pennington of Rockford, Colorado.

Blake is the son of Tom Pennington of Rockyford, Colorado, and Rebecca Friendenberger in LaJunta, Colorado.

Jennifer is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hastey of Clarendon and Dora Ward of Perryton.

The wedding will be held on May 10, 2003, in Amarillo.

Friendship Club to meet

The Howardwick Friendship Club will meet Friday at 6:30 p.m. for a potluck supper at Howardwick City Hall.

The program will be conducted by Steve Drillette, Warning Coordination Meteorologist for the National Weather Service. They will also hear from the candidates for Mayor of Howardwick and for Aldermen.

At our last meeting, Lynn Dishong won a gift certificate donated by Steve's Steakout in Clarendon. Sharon Thomas won a birdhouse crafted and donated by Bobby Murdock.

Stay calm when dealing with cheating spouse

Dear Chloe: My husband has been having an affair with a married woman in town for several years. I just found out about it. I guess it's true the wife is always the last person to know. There is no question that this is true and not a rumor. The weird thing is nothing ever changed between my husband and I, even though he was having this affair for years. He doesn't know that I know, but both of the other spouses do. They have agreed to let me tell him. I feel so blind-sided that I don't even know where to start. So, I am starting with your column. I will make sure he reads it, then take it from there. A Very Strong Woman

Dear Strong Woman: I applaud your strength. When you do speak to your husband, use facts, try to stay calm, and don't say anything that you will regret later. It's very important that you know where you stand as to the future of your marriage before you confront him. I am not on his side at all. I just want you to protect yourself, your future, and your needs. It is a small town. You are taking a very gutsy approach, but I can tell from your letter that you have your reasons for doing so. You are a strong woman; hold on to that. Chloe

To Someone Who Knows Too Much: Due to the content of your letter, I would like to respond to you one-on-one to preserve your anonymity. You may send a letter via email or with a box number only. Chloe

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Clarendon man member of WTAMU SIFE team

The Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) team from the Pickens College of Business at West Texas A&M University including Clarendon resident Shanon Martin is headed to national competition thanks to a regional championship earned April 1 in Memphis, Tenn.

In all, 14 WTAMU students participated at the regional event, where they secured a berth in the SIFE USA National Exposition May 11-13 in Kansas City, MO. The national champion will compete in the SIFE World Cup this October in Frankfurt, Germany.

Active on more than 1,400 college and university campuses in 33

countries, SIFE focuses on teaching entrepreneurship and the free market system.

Martin is a sophomore accounting and finance major.

Judd completes basic training in San Diego

Marine Corps Pfc. Derek A. Judd, son of Terry J. Hickey of Hedley and Wayne S. Judd, of Las Vegas, Nevada, recently completed 12 weeks of basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego designed to challenge new Marine recruits physically and mentally.

Judd and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a. m., by running three miles and performing calisthenics.

Judd also spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat, and assorted weapons training.

Recruits also received instruction on the Marine values - honor, courage, and commitment, and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

Recruits ended the training with The Crucible, a 54-hour team evaluation culminating in an emotional ceremony in which recruits are presented the Marine Corps Emblem and are addressed as "Marines" for the first time in their careers.

Judd is a 2000 graduate of Western High School of Las Vegas.

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Hill remains on top as Turkey King race nears end

Alderman Tommy Hill is still the top bird as Turkey King with just days to go in the voting.

"I am not a turkey," Hill insisted this week, but local voters seem to think otherwise as they ran the total in his money jar up to \$159.60 by Monday.

His closest competitor, former Howardwick alderman Nancy Davis, is gaining on him but has a lot of work to do with only \$95.39 so far.

More than any candidate in the last three years, Davis seems to want the crown so badly that it is becoming sad. Last week several sources - including Enterprise staff members - saw her roaming around town in a

turkey suit with plastic feathers made out of what appeared to be chopped up trash bags.

Meanwhile, mass confusion entered the election last week as anti-poultry gremlins struck THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE and sent the regular election update into a digital limbo out of the view of the editor. In short, the story was never printed.

"I don't know what happened," the editor and first Turkey King said. "I'm sure it wasn't our fault, though, because this is an award-winning paper, and we wouldn't let something like that happen."

To recap: Last week, election officials cleared out the flock and

rung the necks of 14 low-performing candidates. The candidates are now Hill, Davis, Benny Osburn, Annette Osburn, and Mark C. White (the banker).

Mr. Osburn is in third place this week with \$64.85. He had shot out of the coop like a bird with his tail feathers on fire to claim the third place last week after being asleep on the roost the week before with only 14¢ to his name.

But things may be tense in the Osburn household as the Mrs. is now in fourth place with \$62.52. She had been slightly ahead of her husband last week.

White (the banker) appears to

be hopelessly stuck in fifth place with \$34.63. He only added 52¢ to his total from last week, and reliable sources say he has personally threatened his employees to prevent them from voting for him.

Voting continues through Saturday morning, April 19, and the winner will be crowned as Donley County's third Turkey King during the annual Turkey Strut Festival on Saturday evening.

The money jars are in position at Duckwall's, and the time is now to cast your vote for your favorite bird. The candidate with the most money wins, and all the other usual rules apply - as vague as they may be.

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Turkey Festival to strut around town this weekend

The third annual Donley County Turkey Strut is to be held Saturday, April 19, in Clarendon with activities planned through out the day.

The family fun event starts at 10 a.m. with a Pet Show and Contest at Millie B's, where local critters can compete for the title of Best Pet in the County. Also from 10 a.m. to noon is a book signing featuring Delbert Trew and his friends at the Burton Memorial Library.

From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Suna AutoMall will host the Battle of the Area Chambers of Commerce Chili Cook-off. Chili tasting is free, and KLSR will have a live remote.

At noon, the Medical Center Nursing Home will host its annual Easter Egg Hunt and Hot Dog Lunch.

A free kite-flying contest will be held at Yankee's RV Park at 2 p.m.

There will also be festivities up

and down Kearney Street from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. with booths featuring arts, crafts, and bake sales as well as glass blowing demonstrations, the National Wild Turkey Federation, and merchant sales.

Dairy Queen will host a 50s Party from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. with KEFH providing the golden oldies music. At 4 p.m. DQ will have a Banana Split Eating Contest for the top five Turkey King candidates.

Judge Jack Hall will defend his title as the Mattress Race Champion at 5 p.m. in the 300 block of S. Kearney, followed by the crowning of the third Donley County Turkey King, the Kids Turkey Strut Contest, and the Karaoke Street Dance.

VFW Bingo starts at 7 p.m. at the VFW Hall, and the Sandell Drive-In will have its feature at dusk.

For more information about the Strut, call 874-2421.



Places at Houston Show

Cheyenne Noble of Clarendon exhibited Cule Benjamule Abetta Ass at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo recently. Noble placed third in hunter open out of 27 entries, sixth in hunter under saddle open out of 27 entries, second in youth poles, third in coon jumping, fifth in heeling, fifth in steer stopping, and was eleventh overall in the NASMA year end world ranking. Noble also exhibited Garth Brooks in a Skirt at Houston and placed fourth in halter, sixth in youth driving, fourth in Western pleasure, and fifth in donkey showmanship.

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Clarendon ISD Trustees cancel May election

The Clarendon ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session April 8 in the CISD Functional Living Center.

Superintendent Monty Hysinger presented a certification from Mary White that the candidates for this year's school board election were unopposed. Orders were presented declaring the candidates, Wayne Hardin and Joe Lemley, duly elected.

The board approved the sale of tax delinquent property on three lots in Howardwick.

A resolution supporting the

Region 16 Educational Service Center was presented and approved as was a resolution supporting the current school finance systems.

The board voted in favor of placing Roger Estlack and Cheryl Johnson of THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE and Patrick Robertson of KEFH on the State Media Honor Roll.

Trustees voted to offer a teacher contract for the 2003-2004 school year to Suzanne Taylor.

Administrative reports were given by Hysinger, Elementary Principal Mike Word, and Athletic Director Roger Hoeltzel.

Clarendon Head Start to consider applications

Clarendon Head Start will take applications for next school year for enrollment consideration on May 6.

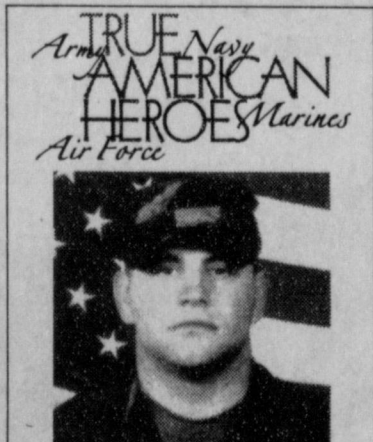
Children who will be four years old on or before September 2, 2003, and meet the qualifications will be considered for enrollment.

You must bring your child's birth certificate, income verification (check stubs or tax return for the previous year), immunization record, Social Security card, documentation of disability (if applicable), and proof of public assistance (food stamp card, AFDS benefits, Medicaid, WIC, SSI, or HUD).

Appointments are being set up for May 6, beginning at 1 p.m. and must be made by calling the Elementary office at 874-3855.

School seeks K-graders

The Clarendon Elementary School is trying to locate all children who will be starting Kindergarten here next year. If you know of a child that will be 5 by September 1, 2003, contact the Elementary office by April 29 at 874-3855.



TRUE AMERICAN HEROES
PFC Edward William Bromley, U.S. Army, Stationed in Freidburg, Germany. Will be deployed to Kuwait on May 24. Donley County family: The late Pete Bromley, grandfather; Alice Johnson, great grandmother; the late Ruby Bromley, great grandmother; nephew of Jim and Leslie Owens.

If you have a son, daughter, brother, sister, or other relative with ties to Donley County, please send their name, rank, branch of service, station, relationship, and a photo to news@clarendononline.com or to PO Box 1110, Clarendon, TX 79226.

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Band wins Sweepstakes

CHS Bronco Band participated in the UIL Region I High School Band Contest in Boys Ranch on April 9, 2003. The Band received the Sweepstakes Award for receiving a one in the concert performance and a one in the marching contest held in October. The band received a 1-2-1 in stage performance and 1-1-1 in sight reading.

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Construction to begin soon on CC Equine Center

A new Equine Center will soon be built on the western edge of the Clarendon College campus following the letting of subcontractor bids totaling \$937,256 last Tuesday.

The Board of Regents approved spending \$655,153 for the 73,600 square foot off-white metal building with green trim which will house the main arena.

The building was intended to have included a classroom, office, restrooms, and concession area, but

those elements were deleted from the project when the bids exceeded the initial estimates for the center. College officials say those items can be added later when funds are available.

Regents also approved a bid from WWW of Thomas, Okla., to build the indoor and outdoor arena and two round pens at a cost of \$82,740.

A bid from MD Barns/Bowers Construction of Amarillo to build 84 horse stalls and a 36'x72' barn

near the new center for a price of \$198,363 was also approved.

Construction on the project is expected to begin in just a matter of days and should be completed by the end of August.

The new CC Equine Center, which is funded entirely through donated money, will house new equine science and intermural rodeo programs designed to attract 65 to 80 new students to the Clarendon campus next fall.

Beautification Club to host Sunrise Service

The Howardwick Beautification Club will host an Easter Sunrise Service at 7:09 a.m. on Sunday at the Howardwick City Park.

Dr. Genoa Goad of the Howardwick First Baptist Church will conduct the service. Music will be provided by the Howardwick Baptist Church, and a continental breakfast will be served at the Howardwick City Hall immediately following the service.

The club met on April 8, 2003, with Vice President Joyce Hardin in charge and 15 members present to elect new officers for the upcoming year. Nancy Davis was elected President. Other officers include Leona Lingerfelter, vice president; Millie Dishong, secretary and reporter; Greta Byars, treasurer; and Rosemary Winters, telephone chairman.

Greta Byars reported that the corner bed and the park are in desperate need of lots of work and water.

Dawn Watson, Donley County Extension Agent, presented a program on how to buy bedding plants and how to care for roses. If anyone would like a copy of this program, call Millie Dishong.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on May 13 at the City Hall at noon. Bring a salad and join them.

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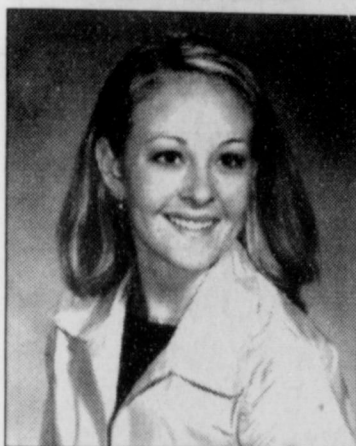
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Sawyer gets scholarship

Jamie Sawyer of Clarendon is the recipient of the Horton A. and Mildred Proctor Hobbs Scholarship for academic year 2003-04.

This \$1,000 award is given in recognition of her high academic achievement and university and community involvement.

Jamie is a junior majoring in Food and Nutrition/Dietetics in the College of Human Sciences at Texas Tech University. She is the daughter of Sonja Sawyer of Clarendon.

PTK sets carwash, raffle

Phi Theta Kappa's annual car wash will be held Thursday, April 24, at 1:00 p.m. by the Bairfield Activity Center at Clarendon College.

PTK is also selling raffle tickets for a Model 44 Russian Carbine 7.62x54R caliber rifle. The raffle will be held at Steve's Texas Steakout on Monday, April 28, 2003, at 6:00 p.m. You need not be present to win. To purchase tickets, call Vickie Liles or Michael Tibbets at 874-3571.

Proceeds from both fundraisers benefit PTK scholarships.

The Lion's Tale
By Allen Estlack

Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting on April 15 with Boss Lion Myles Shelton in charge.

We had 14 members and three guests. Charla Crump, Lacy Austin, and Justin Hagel were guests of the club and presented the program. Justin and Lacy entertained with humorous poems and stories. This is a program recommended for all.

Clarendon College plays baseball this weekend against Frank Phillips College. One more win and they will win district. The college let the bid for the new equine center, and construction will start right away.

A Girl Scout Gold Award Banquet will be April 27 at 2:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church. Melissa McAnear and Kelsey McQueen will receive the award.

Also on April 27, Robert Shelton will receive his Eagle Scout Award at the Bairfield Activity Center.

This weekend is the Turkey Strut Festival in Clarendon.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

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Last week I placed an ad in the paper and left out some key people in the success of the judging contests. I would like to thank the following people that have been important in not only this contest but over the years.

Cynthia Ewing for her help in entering the teams, tabulating the results, and in the general operation of the contests. In addition, she has helped with all the leadership events each year. Cynthia was instrumental in having the results for 2,300 students by 3:00 p.m.

Charla Crump and Laban Tubbs for help with the leadership contests.

Don Robinson and Larry Gray for their help over the years in providing animals and help in various ways.

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Sid Ewing
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Michael Tibbets
Gary Rudolph
Lon Adams
Steven Hays
Ronnie Edwards

I am sure I have left off some other people but it was not intentional. It takes a lot of people to host the leadership and judging events held on the Clarendon College campus each year. These activities do not cost the college money and are the largest recruiting events held on the campus. They also bring a lot of revenue to the town through the purchase of gas, meals, and motel rooms.

Thanks again for everyone who has helped over the past years, and I hope that you will continue the support in future years.

Jerry Hawkins

Bulldogs need one win to claim championship

By Sandy Anderberg

The CC Bulldogs were only one game shy of a sweep against New Mexico Military Institute April 11 and 12.

The three wins gave the Bulldogs a 15-5 conference record and left them one game out of becoming the Northern Conference Champions.

The only loss of the two-day double header came in the first game. NMMI bested Clarendon by one run, ending in a 4-5 loss for the Bulldogs.

Pitcher Nate Melek got the loss, and Ringo Galarza hit well enough to record a home run and two RBIs, but it was not enough for the Bulldogs.

"We did not swing the bats real well," Head Coach Bulldog Trent Petrie said.

The Bulldogs regrouped and got

a huge win in the second game by the final score of 17-3. The winning pitcher was Nick Pauza. The Bulldogs had a more prosperous day with their bats, and several players were perfect from the plate. Adrian Abraham went 3/3 with two doubles, three RBIs, and two stolen bases. Adam Pelley was also 3/3 with one RBI and a stolen base. Ryan Rohlinger was 4/4 with a double and five RBIs, while Galarza hit 50% with two RBIs and a sacrifice fly. Carlos Cardenas was 2/4, and Dustin Brooks hit 1/3 with two stolen bases.

The Bulldogs continued their winning way the next day as they defeated NMMI 16-3, and pitcher Jeremiah Stewart got the win. Abraham 2/4; Rohlinger 2/3 with a home run, double, and four RBIs; Galarza

3/5 with a triple and one RBI; Cardenas 3/4 with two triples, three RBIs; and Brooks 1/1 including two sacrifice flies, two RBIs, and three stolen bases.

The Bulldogs won the final game 9-1 over NMMI, and Marcus White was credited with the win. Again it was Abraham hitting 3/4 with a triple, two RBIs and four stolen bases; Rohlinger 2/4, triple, and two RBIs; Zac Stokes 1/3 home run and three RBIs.

"We were very disappointed to drop a game to the last place team in the conference," Petrie said. "But the guys did a good job of coming back and winning the next three games. We will play Frank Phillips this week, and we only need one win to seal up the win for the Northern

Conference Championship. We definitely have the upper hand against Frank (Phillips). Last time we played them in Borger we won three out of the four games."

As of now the Bulldogs have a three-game lead over New Mexico Junior College. The Bulldogs will face off against the Southern Champions in a best two out of three series to decide the overall champion. Advancement into the Regional Tournament will give the Bulldogs an opportunity to play in the double-elimination, eight-team tournament held in Abilene.

Come out and watch the Bulldogs take on Frank Phillips College April 18 and 19 at the Clarendon College baseball field. Game times each day are at noon.

Broncos stop Lefors, 16-1

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos are back on track as they soundly defeated Lefors in a district game at home that was held April 8. The final score was 16-1.

Senior pitching ace Todd Hoeltzel got the call from the mound, held Lefors to one hit, and threw twelve strike outs. Coach Brad Elam was pleased with his team's play.

"We played better and did a good job of putting the ball in play," Elam said. "We still made some base running mistakes, but we are still in good shape to make a play off run."

Hoeltzel and Jeremy Howard scored three runs each in the win; and Hoeltzel, Lee Stegall, and Adam Leeper each added doubles. Stephen Ford hit a triple to aid the Broncos in their victory. Will Betts was 2 for 2 with 2 runs scored, and Bryan McFarland added a hit and two runs.

"Jeremy (Howard) and Bryan (McFarland) set the table in the first two slots by reaching base seven out of eight times," Elam said.

Saturday, April 12, the Broncos hosted Follett for a double header and fell short in both games. The final scores were 2-18 and 1-16.

Howard pitched the first four innings in the first game and threw five strikeouts before being relieved by Leeper, who chocked up two strikeouts in his debut from the mound. Leeper added a double and one RBI. Jordan Zehr had one RBI, Hoeltzel was 1 for 2 with a stolen base, and Kevin Green went 1 for 2 from the plate. McFarland pitched the start of the second game, and Betts came in to pitch with a little over an inning left in the game. Also in his first time on the mound, Betts threw one strikeout. Stegall brought in a run and Betts went 1 for 2.

"We played a good playoff team, but we were a little disappointed in our effort. We are not playing like we are capable, and we are not getting on base or running the bases well."

"We have three more tough district games," Elam said. "If we win out, we will win district."

The Broncos have two district games left and will host Memphis on April 18 beginning at 4:30 p.m. They will travel to Claude April 21 for their last regular season game.

Edwards bound for regional golf meet

By Sandy Anderberg

Senior Ronna Edwards will be making her fourth trip to the Regional golf meet that will be held April 22-23 in Levelland. Edwards qualified for the meet by shooting a 101 in the first round and a 96 in the second round for a 36-hole total of 197.

The top finisher was Andrea Conley from Memphis who shot a 181 and the sixth place finisher shot a 199.

"Ronna has golfed better this year than her placings have revealed," golf coach Mike Ray said. "She will be in contention for a spot at state, but she will have to shoot well."

Others competing in the district meet were Tara Kidd 242; Ashlee Kidd 243; Kelsey McQuien 258; and Sarah Ray 296.

The boys also competed at the District meet, but no one qualified for the next level. Tim Leeper 194; Jeremy Howard 198; Kevin Green 208; Taylor Shelton 220; and Cameron Word 221.

Lady Broncos claim district title for second time

By Sandy Anderberg

Playing one of their last season games, the Lady Broncos made short work of Aspermont as they defeated them 32-12 and claimed the District Championship. This is the Lady Broncos' second district title in the three years since softball was established at CHS.

Sophomore Laura Dzedzic was the big hitter as she slammed in a home run and added a double to help guide the team to their win. Seniors Christine Holden and Brandi Betts are two of the

players that have been with the Lady Bronco squad from its origin they helped with two singles with Holden also adding a triple.

"I am excited about being district champs," Coach Kathy Barton said. "We are looking forward to the play-offs."

Teammates Betts and Holden felt the same way as Barton.

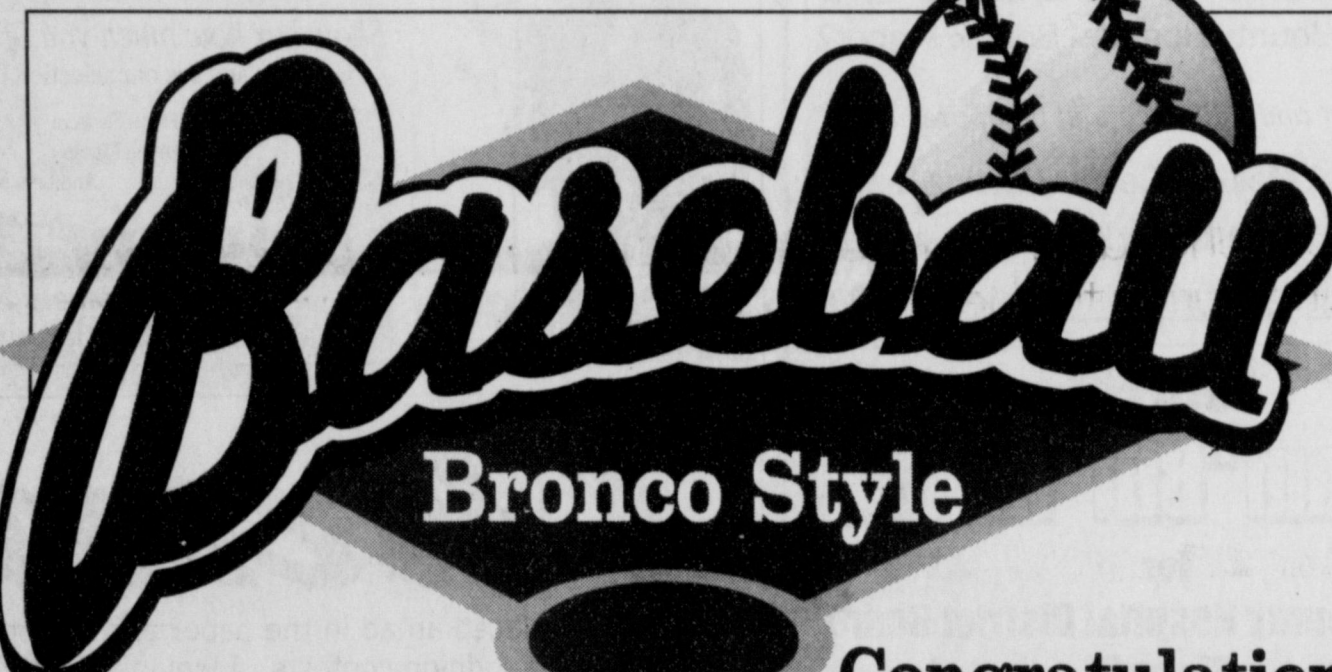
"I am ready for the play offs," Betts said. "The expectations of this year are very high. I am happy to be a part of the district champions. I expect us to go further this year

than last."

Others posting hits were: Jamie Simmons 2 singles; Lacey Eads 1 triple, 1 single; Haley Shelton 1 single; Brittney Hall 2 singles; Shanna Shelton 1 double; and Kayla Martindale 2 singles.

The Lady Broncos will play a practice game at Wichita Falls against City View High School this Friday, April 18, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

The girls look to face Loraine in a Bi-District match up the week of April 28.



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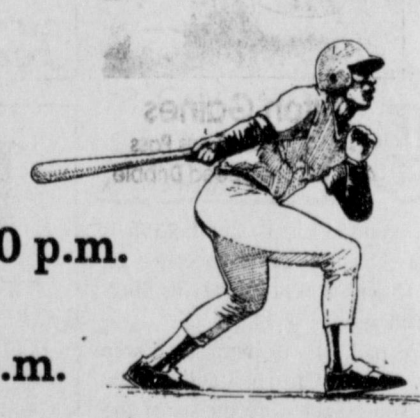
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2	Richard Anderson	Sr
3	Jeremy Howard	Jr
4	Ty Lewis	So
5	Grady Swearingen	So
6	Adam Leeper	Jr
7	Michael Bruce	Fr
9	Jordan Zehr	Sr
12	Todd Hoeltzel	Sr
13	Will Drackley	Fr
14	Will Betts	Fr
15	Kevin Green	Sr
16	Ty White	Fr
19	Dusty Martindale	Jr
20	Bryan McFarland	Sr
21	Lee Stegall	Jr
22	Morgan Robinson	Fr
23	Tim Sanchez	Fr
24	Steven Ford	Fr
Coach: Brad Elam		
Asst. Coach: Wade Calloway		
Managers: Serenity Shay, Lydia Hartman		

Lady Broncos		
2	Destiny Weatheron	So
3	Christine Holden	Sr
4	Laura Dzedzic	So
7	Brittney Hall	Jr
8	Sarah Depew	So
10	Lacey Eads	Jr
11	Haley Shelton	Fr
12	Kayla Martindale	So
14	Kristin White	Fr
15	Kaitlyn Howard	Fr
16	Brandi Betts	Sr
17	Shanna Shelton	So
18	Jamie Simmons	So
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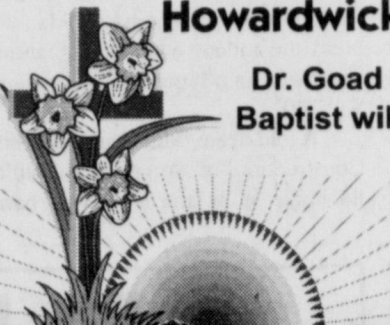
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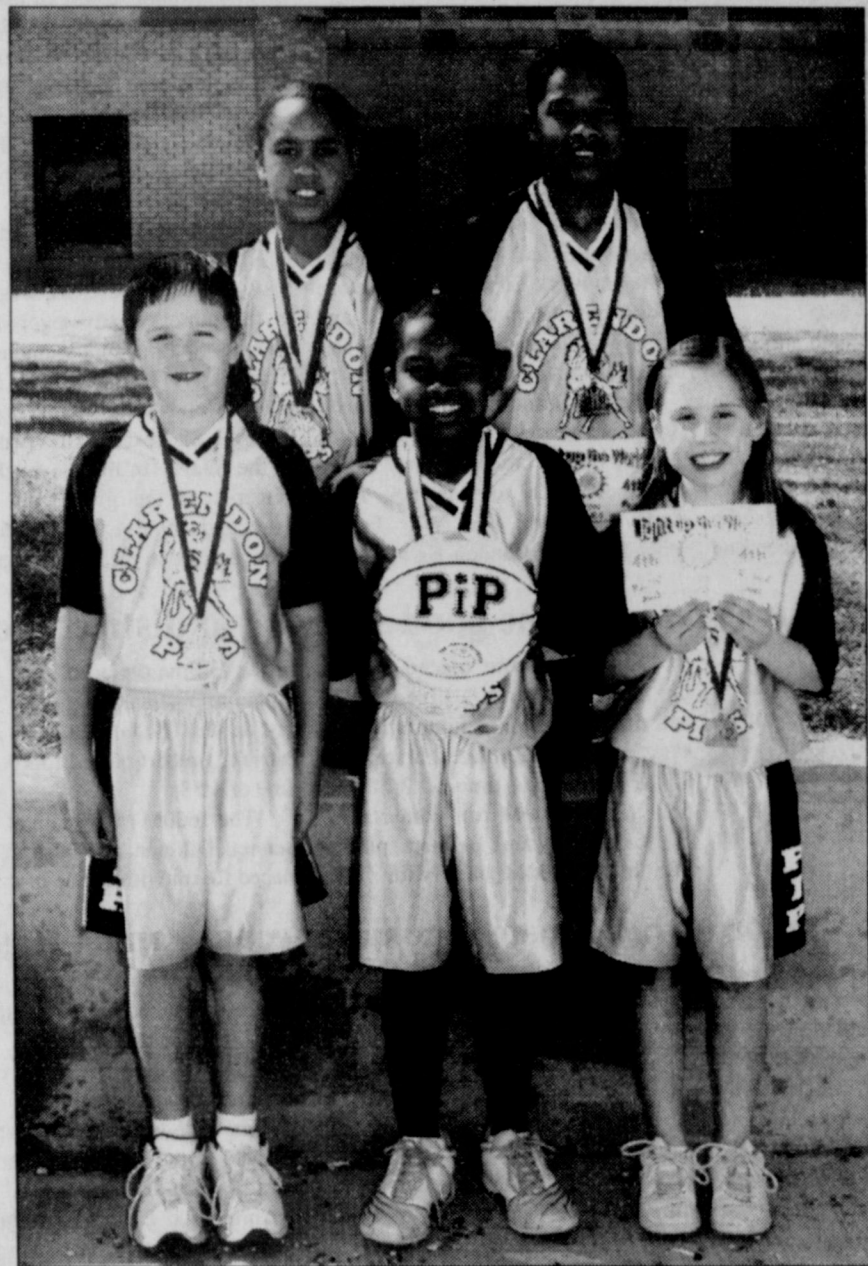
The National PIP Festival was held in Abilene, Texas, on March 7 and 8. The Clarendon PIP Group took five kids to compete against over 700 kids from around the country. All five from the Clarendon Group placed high in their age division.

We are very proud of these players and hope that more kids can attend and compete at next year's National Festival. We also hope to take a group to compete in the Group Event.

We are extremely proud of these kids and how each one did very well in their events. We are also proud of all the PIP kids who performed at games throughout the season.

We would like to thank all the businesses and individuals that donated money and gifts for our fund-raisers. All of the money raised was used to purchase our PIP performance uniforms. The kids were really excited about performing in their new uniforms.

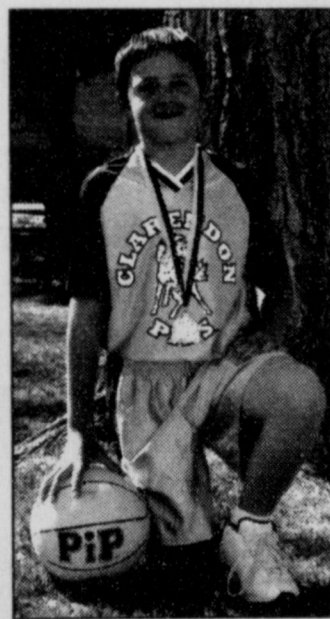
All the Clarendon PIP coaches attended the Festival and have lots of new ideas, skills, and drills that we will be using during the next PIP year. We hope to see everyone back at our August sign-ups.



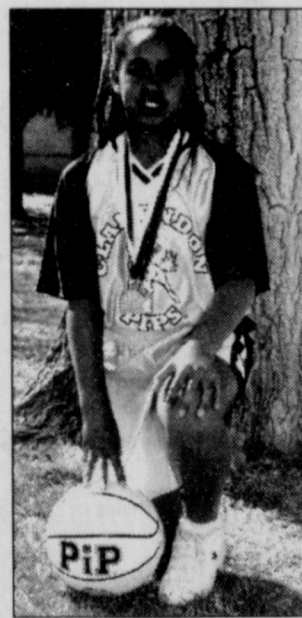
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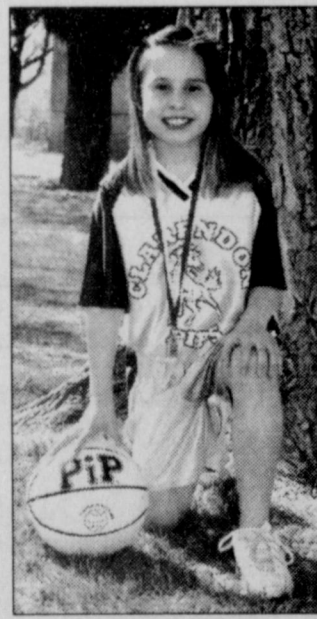
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4th - 4 Cone Speed Dribble



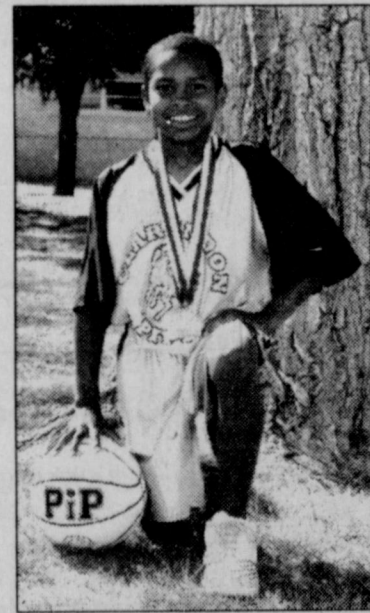
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Trevela Dronzek
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1st - 4 Cone Speed Dribble



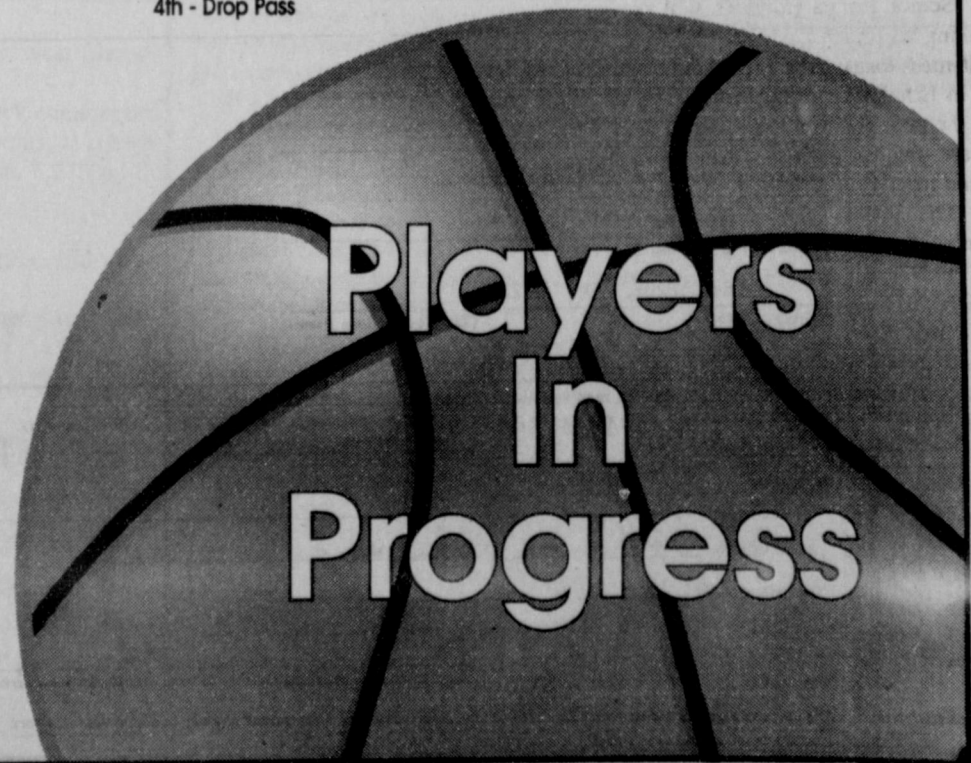
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Johnny Gains
1st - PIP Shots
1st - Between Legs Pass
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2nd - Spin

Also attending the Festival

David Johnston • Chance McAnear
Taylor Gaines • Kenzie Perryman
Bradley Watson



Hill sisters advance to regional tennis tourney

By Tangela Copelin

The doubles team of sisters Lauren Hill and Allison Hill of Hedley teamed up to advance to the Regional Tennis Tournament in Levelland on April 23 and 24.

The Hill team placed second at the District Tournament in Canyon April 2 and 3. Their teammates, Kasi Woodard and Sarah Bolin placed fourth in the doubles competition.

Hill and Hill were seeded second in the tournament and drew Stray-Kirby from Cotton Center in the first round. Hill-Hill won the match 6-4, 6-1. Woodard and Bolin were seeded fourth in the tournament when they drew Mata-Flores of Amherst in the first round. Woodard-Bolin won the match 6-0, 6-0. Both teams advanced to the second round of play.

Woodard-Bolin beat Hughes-Payne from Valley 6-1, 6-1 while Hill-Hill met Conrad-Homen of Groom. Hill-Hill split sets but won 4-6, 6-2, 6-0. Both teams advanced to the second day of the tournament.

Woodard-Bolin started the second day against the number one

seeded team of Burgin-Crowell of Groom in the semi-finals. The Groom team won 6-3, 6-2 but Woodard and Bolin took them to deuce most of the games.

Hill-Hill met Acker-Birkenfeld from Nazareth, who was seeded third, in the semi-finals. Hill-Hill split sets against, but were defeated 4-6, 6-3, 7-5.

The Hedley teams would meet each other to play for third place. Hill-Hill won the match 6-2, 6-2 but it was a good match. There were several games that went to deuce. Woodard and Bolin placed fourth in the tournament. Acker and Birkenfeld defeated Burgin and Crowell allowing Hill and Hill an opportunity at the playback. The score was close throughout the match, but Hill and Hill won the first set 7-0 in the tie-breaker and won the second set 6-4.

Kale Brandon and Stephen Howard competed in the doubles bracket of the boys division. They played Pearson and Irlbeck from Happy and won 6-3, 6-0. In the second round, Brandon-Howard met

the number one seeded team in the tournament. Hedley was defeated 6-0, 6-4. This was only the second tournament that Brandon and Howard played together in and proved to be compatible together.

Competing in the boys' singles bracket were Aaron Hanes and Travis Hrbacek. Hanes drew a bye the first round and in the second round was matched with David Garcia of Amherst and defeated him 6-4, 6-1. Hanes advanced to the quarterfinals but was defeated by Chris Gonzales of Cotton Center 6-1, 6-0. Hrbacek played Regalado from Valley in the first round and lost 6-0, 6-0.

Brittney Bennett played in the girls' singles bracket, but being her first year to compete, she was moved to the junior varsity level. Bennett won her first match 8-6 against a girl from Happy. In the second, Bennett played well but was unable to capture the win. She lost to Katie Britten 6-8 in the finals. In the playback, Bennett played the girls from Happy again and won 8-4. Bennett received second place in the tournament.

Williams, Betts named Mr. and Miss CHS

Clarendon High School recently announced the Best of CHS Awards. James Williams and Brandi Betts were named Mr. and Miss CHS.

Others receiving awards were Richard Rodriguez and Lacey Anderberg. Best Dressed; Lee Stegall and Sarah Ray. Best Personality; Judge Smith and Brandi Martindale. Most Athletic; Tim Anderson and Lacey Anderberg. Most Courteous; James Williams and Brandi Martindale. Most Friendly; Eric Pitts and Lindsey Howell. Most Humorous; Eric Pitts and Brandi Martindale. Most Spirited; Kevin Green and Valerie Taylor. Most Studious; Eric Pitts and Valerie Taylor. Most Successful; and Eric Pitts and Chantelle Kelly. Most Talented.

Hedley Jr. High tracksters make good showing at district meet

By Tangela Copelin

The Hedley Junior High track teams traveled to Silverton for district competition on Monday, April 7.

Callie Wynn was the only Lady Owl to compete at district and placed second in the 200M dash with a time of 31.3.

Jonathon Giffin placed first in the 2400M run with a time of 9:28 and fifth in the long jump with 14' 4". Seth Koetting placed first in the 800M run with a time of 2:21 and first in the 1200M run with a time of 3:59. Brayden Bennett placed fifth in the 400M dash with 1:12.

Justin Dillman placed fifth in the triple jump with a jump of 32' 0" and first in the 110 hurdles with a 20.5. Patrick Lambert placed fourth with a time of 4:58.

The 1600M relay team of Giffin, Bennett, Dillman, and Dustin Thomas placed fourth with a time of 4:58.

Clarendon JV, junior high compete in tennis meet at Pampa High

Several tennis players took part in the junior varsity meet held April 10 at Pampa High School.

Lydia Hartman finished in 2nd place as she defeated Wimberly from Claude 8-1 and Schenk from Vega 8-4. Hartman faced Klinger from Wellington in the finals and was narrowly defeated 6-7, 6-2, and 6-7.

Grady Swearingen fell 8-5 to Holland, who eventually made the semi-finals. Tim Sanchez also com-

peted for the Broncos and defeated Menefield from Shamrock 8-3 in the first round before losing to Julian from White Deer, who later competed in the finals.

The Colts and Lady Colts hosted a triangular meet Monday, April 7, with several players participating. The meet consisted of players from Clarendon, Hedley, and Lefors.

Eighth graders who competed were Todd Thompson, Ladez Cap-

tain, and Brad Sell. Seventh graders included Jill Cornell and Erin Holland.

CJH will compete in the district meet May 5 in Wellington.

The high school players are will compete at the Regional meet April 23 in Levelland. The doubles' teams of Amina and Uthala Abdullah and Taylor Shelton and Chase Thornberry will participate in a Regional qualifiers meet in Plainview on April 17.

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NOTICE OF City ELECTION
(AVISO DE ELECCION _____)

To the Registered Voters of Clarendon, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados del Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 3 2003, for voting in a General election, to elect a Mayor and two Alderman

(Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el de de 20 para votar en la Elección para _____.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES
(DIRECCIONES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Clarendon Independent School District Administration Office
Hedley Lions Club
Howardwick City Hall

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at
(La votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

Clarendon City Hall
(location) (sitio)

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 16, 2003 (date)
(entre las de la mañana y las de la tarde empezando el de de 20 para votar en la Elección para _____.)

and ending on April 29, 2003 (date)
(y terminando el de de 20 para votar en la Elección para _____.)

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows:
(La votación en adelantada además se llevará a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera:)

Date (Fecha)	Hours (Horas)
n/a	

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(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Linda Smith
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)
(Nombre del Secretario de la Votación En Adelantada)

P.O. Box 1089
(Address) (Dirección)

Clarendon, TX 79226
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April 25, 2003
(date) (fecha)

Issued this the 24th day of February, 2003.
(Emitada este día de de 20 para votar en la Elección para _____.)

Linda Smith
Signature of Presiding Officer (Firma del Oficial que Preside)

*If early voting is not going to be conducted on either Saturday or the last Sunday during the period of early voting, delete this part.

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NOTICE OF General ELECTION
(AVISO DE ELECCION _____)

To the Registered Voters of Donley County, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados del Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 3 2003, for voting in a General election, to elect Donley County Hospital District Board members Places 1, 2, 3

(Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el de de 20 para votar en la Elección para _____.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES
(DIRECCIONES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Clarendon Independent School District Administration Office
Hedley Lions Club
Howardwick City Hall

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at
(La votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

Medical Center Nursing Home, Ten Medical Center Drive
(location) (sitio)

between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 16, 2003 (date)
(entre las de la mañana y las de la tarde empezando el de de 20 para votar en la Elección para _____.)

and ending on April 29, 2003 (date)
(y terminando el de de 20 para votar en la Elección para _____.)

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows:
(La votación en adelantada además se llevará a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera:)

Date (Fecha)	Hours (Horas)
n/a	

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
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Holly Eads
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)
(Nombre del Secretario de la Votación En Adelantada)

P.O. Box 1007
(Address) (Dirección)

Ten Medical Center Drive
(Address) (Dirección)

Clarendon 79226
(City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

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4/25/03
(date) (fecha)

Issued this the 11 day of April, 2003.
(Emitada este día de de 20 para votar en la Elección para _____.)

Don D. Thornberry
Signature of Presiding Officer (Firma del Oficial que Preside)

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CITY OF HEDLEY ORDER TO CANCEL ELECTION

At a meeting properly called, at which a quorum was present, on motion duly made and seconded, it was ordered that the election scheduled for May 3, 2003, be canceled due to the fact that all candidates for the positions on the ballot are unopposed. It is also ordered that the following candidates be appointed to office and they be sworn in after the date of the election. City Council: Bruce Howard City Council: Abby O'Neal City Council: Jim Lollar The undersigned certifies that the above order was passed and approved 17-11tc

LEGAL NOTICES

on the seventh day of April, 2003, by the City Council of the City of Hedley, Texas. Janie Hill, Mayor Randy Shaw, City Secretary 17-1tc

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Testamentary for the Estate of Johnny M. Pricer, Deceased, were issued on March 28, 2003, in Cause NO. 2838, pending in the County Court of Donley County, Texas, to Everett L. Hill. Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the Estate addressed as follows: Estate of Johnny M. Pricer c/o James T. Shelton Attorney at Law PO Box 1370 Clarendon, Texas 79226 All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated the 8th day of April 2003. By James T. Shelton Attorney for the Estate 17-11tc

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LARGE HOUSE & GOOD BUY - 4 bedroom, 2 bath, modern kitchen with built-in Gen-air cook top and double oven, dishwasher, utility, large den/living/dining area with wood burner fireplace, concrete cellar, well or city water option, 121 sq. ft. storage/well house building at 203 S. Wells for \$54,999. REDUCED TO \$39,900.

WEST CLARENDON - 2 bedroom, 1 bath, living, utility, sunroom, central heat, car port, storage shed, fruit trees, corner lot at 700 S. Johns Street. \$30,900. FURTHER REDUCED TO \$19,900.

CLARENDON COMMERCIAL - Clarendon's most beautiful downtown building, better known as Greene's Dry Goods Store Building, but suitable for countless types of business, 5192 sq. ft. ground floor, 4196 sq. ft. mezzanine, and 2875 sq. ft. basement, wide stairway up and down, lots of shelving and showcases, in good condition and priced for only \$65,000.

LELIA LAKE - HOUSE AND 2 1/2 ACRES - 1,681 sq. ft., stucco, 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, living, dining, kitchen, utility, sunroom, central heat and air, well, well water, irrigation system, pump, acreage, fenced, resort atmosphere. \$5,999. REDUCED TO \$25,000.

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LELIA LAKE - 4 1/2 miles S., 160 acres, 115 ac cropland, balance native grass, new circle irrigation system and lots of underground pipe, natural gas, additional domestic well, abundant deer and other game, joins big ranch country on county maintained road for \$150,000.

LELIA LAKE - 4 miles S., 150 acres, 113.4 acres cropland including 36.6 acres in CRP, balance grass, irrigation well with side-roll system, natural gas, paved F/M road to corner of property, lots of deer and other game, joins big ranch country for \$108,000.

GREENBELT - EXCEPTIONAL HOME - 3 levels, 3 bedroom, 3 bath, kitchen with all built-ins, dining/living, den, utility, wood burner fireplaces on two levels, built in television, oversized attached garage and storage, additional attached 3-car port, central heat and ref. air, landscaped with sprinklers, 2 lots back up to Carroll Creek, boat dock, (owner will sell with or without furniture and fixtures) at 105 Tyng. House only for \$135,000.

GREENBELT - W-A-T-E-R-F-R-O-N-T L-O-T AND NICE HOUSE overlooking beautiful Greenbelt Lake - 2 bedroom, 1 bath, kitchen, dining, utility, attached oversized double garage and large living/den with wood burner fireplace and lots of glass providing a view of the lake and wildlife that frequents the premises plus large covered porch also overlooking the lake, fenced backyard and nice yard building at Lease Lot #84 for \$135,000.

GREENBELT - W-A-T-E-R-F-R-O-N-T L-O-T-S (2) - with great view overlooking Greenbelt Lake from the residence which has 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, kitchen, dining, utility, central heat & air, and 2 wood burning stoves. Also basement which can be third bedroom, plus large 816 sq. ft. den. A great place to relax and enjoy the view. Fenced yard, 2 car port, and nice shop/storage building at Least Lots 148 & 149 for \$98,500.

GREENBELT - NICE HOUSE BUILT ON SITE - 2 bedroom, 1 bath, kitchen/dining, living, utility, FULLY FURNISHED - INCLUDING KITCHEN, neat, clean, and ready to move in at 251 Plainview Ln., Saints' Roost for only \$20,000.

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Eads takes first in local bass tournament

I was reading the sports page in the AMARILLO GLOBE-NEWS Sunday, and I read the article about Lake Whitney suffering a major Golden Alga fish kill. This is a terrible tragedy for the lake. Then I started to think about Baylor Lake and our own Greenbelt Lake. I wanted to know the answers of why and how this could happen.

I called the Texas Parks and Wildlife and talked to Joan Glass, Lead Biologist for Golden Alga Response, (254) 867-7956. She has been studying this alga for 15 years. She responded by e-mailing me her Status Report from March 3, 2003.

The report states that Golden Alga (*Prymnesium Parum*) has been documented in inland waters of Texas since 1985. It is a microscopic, flagellated member of the yellow-green algae family that is normally suspended in the water column. It creates a bloom, which is an explosive increase in the population of one or several species, and results in killing fish.

The alga releases several toxins that affect gill-breathing organisms, mainly clams and fish. In bloom

situations, toxins are released in sufficient quantities to kill fish that come in contact with it. The majority of the fish kills occur in the winter months when the water is cold. The alga prefers more saline waters than normal freshwater conditions. This may also contribute to bloom initiation.

As of now, there is limited knowledge of Golden Alga. Texas Parks and Wildlife is working with other agencies and two major universities to research the problem. Unfortunately, there is no funding from the state for this research at this time. I could go on and on about the alga, but what it boils down to is this is a big problem and no one really knows what to do to battle it.

Fortunately, right now there are no signs of the alga in Lake Greenbelt. But unfortunately, Baylor Lake has had the Golden Alga invade the small lake. I talked to Gary Self, Texas Game Warden, who works in that area, and he said that so far they have had a mild case of Golden Alga. A couple of weeks ago they did find some big flatheads dying, or dead, some bass and channel cats, but mostly shad and small carp. As of



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Monday, he said all they found were shad and carp in the previous week.

There has been a rumor going around that Baylor Lake and the marina were closed, but this is not true. There is even a bass tournament this coming weekend. As of Monday, the Golden Alga has not affected Childress Lake, but it was to be receiving a report on Tuesday for the latest testing at Baylor Lake.

The Donley County Bass Club held their first tournament last Saturday. The bass fishing was fair but improving daily with the warm temperatures we have had lately. Eddie Eads placed 1st with three bass. He caught his bass on Texas rigging and Carolina rigging using plastic worms in 4' to 8' of water. He was using red shad and watermelon colors.

Jack Eads placed 2nd with two bass. Jack and Eddie fished together and had a good day. Jack was also using plastic worms. He said he had

a big one that probably could have put him in first place, but it got off.

Curtis Schaefer won 3rd place with two bass. He caught his fish using shad-colored crank baits.

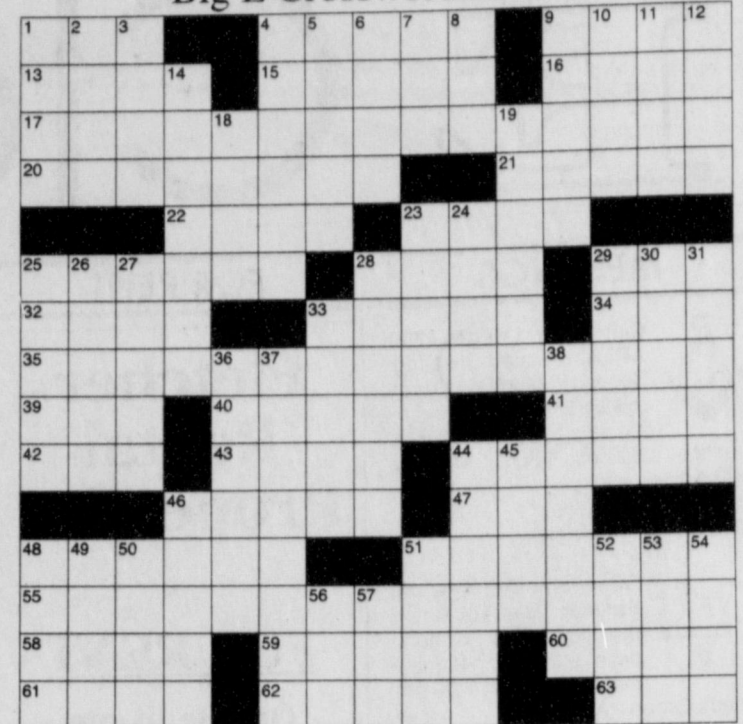
Bill Mooring took Big Fish honors with a 3 lb. bass. The next tournament is Saturday, April 26.

The fishing at Lake Greenbelt has been good the last couple of weeks. Mel Phillips held a Fun Tournament two weeks ago. There were several bass caught, including a 7.5 lb. bass. The bass are starting their yearly spawning activities and are aggressive. The females are feeding up before the spawn, and the males are building beds, insistent on defending their territory. This time of year you can catch bass using a variety of lures. So if one lure is not working, try another. All other fishing at Lake Greenbelt is fair to good.

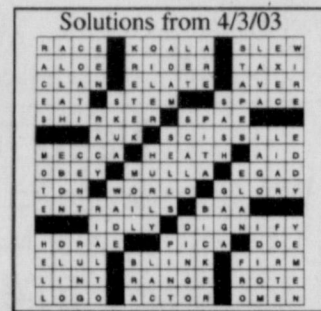
Hunters, may you always be safe and respect the land you hunt. Fishermen, catch a few fish for supper and release a few fish to ensure another great fishing day.

If you have any information or comments, you can e-mail me at gdol@nts-online.net.

Big E Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Outgoing
 - Indigo bush
 - Membrane
 - Maintains
 - African antelope
 - Competent
 - Triple-header movie
 - Forever
 - Religious writings
 - Woodrat
 - Women (French)
 - Perceiver
 - Ice
 - Tell on
 - About organ of hearing
 - Stable
 - Make cooler
 - John Gay Work
 - Drive
 - Moved suddenly
 - Egyptian goddess
 - Many not ands
 - Anagram of toys
 - March
 - Citizens
 - Potato state, abbr.
- DOWN**
- This (Spanish)
 - Monetary unit
 - Cowbarn (British)
 - Disgrace
 - Winged
 - Fancy
 - The compass pt.
 - Commercials
 - Restaurants
 - In bed
 - Protocist genus
 - Sediment from fermentation
 - Tune
 - Organic compound
 - Exaggerate
 - Hump
 - Unnumberable
- 25. Saying**
26. More
27. Runs down
28. Loved ones
29. East German city
30. Having a strong sharp smell
31. Manipulate
32. Take hold of (Brit.)
33. Social class
34. About small set of speech sounds
35. Pillagers
36. Dicot genus
37. Nearly horizontal passage
38. Dances
39. King of Huns (Scandinavian)
40. Garbed
41. Right
42. Supplemented with difficulty
43. Power
44. Resultant
45. Despot
46. Fiddler crabs
47. Title of respect



Obituaries

Leeper

Funeral services for Jack Thomas Leeper, age 67, were held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 10, 2003, in the Community Fellowship Church in Clarendon with Rev. Bryan Knowles, pastor, officiating. Burial was held in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Mr. Leeper died Tuesday, April 8, 2003, in Amarillo. He was born January 29, 1936, at Washburn, Texas, and had been a resident of Donley County most of his life. He married Scharlett Sue Banister on May 22, 1958, at Hedley. He was employed by the Texas Department of Transportation for 27 years, before retiring as Asst. Supervisor in 1998. He was a member and Deacon of the Community Fellowship Church. He had also served as a Deacon of the Martin Baptist and First Baptist Churches. He was a music director at the Martin Baptist Church for 15 years and had served as music director at many revivals and provided special music for many other events. He was preceded in death by

twin daughters, Lonna Sue and Donna Lou in 1961, his parents, one sister, and one brother.

Survivors include his wife, Sue Leeper of Clarendon; two daughters, Anna Gay Leeper of Friona and Scharla Miller of Claude; two sons, Tommy Leeper and Bryan Leeper, both of Clarendon; one sister, Lafern Gibson of New Jersey; three brothers, Wilburn Leeper of Quitaque, Benny Leeper of Belton, and Verrell Leeper of Kansas; and eight grandchildren.

McCracken

Funeral services for Marie Reynolds McCracken, age 91, were held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, April 14, 2003, in Robertson Chapel of Memories in Clarendon with Rev. Bryan Knowles, Pastor of Community Fellowship Church, and Rev. Darrell Burton, Pastor of Martin Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was held in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Mrs. McCracken died Saturday, April 12, 2003, in Amarillo. She was born August 5, 1911, in Clark County, Arkansas. She had been a resident of Alanreed before moving to Clarendon 30 years ago.

She married George McCracken on November 7, 1931, in Clarendon. She graduated from Groom Medical Nursing School and had worked as an LVN for 26 years at the Groom, Shamrock, and McLean Hospitals. She retired from the McLean Hospital after 13 years of service and then worked at Medical Center Nursing Home in Clarendon for six years before her final retirement. She was a member of the LVN Association, the VFW Ladies Auxiliary, and was a volunteer with Meals on Wheels for several years. She was a member of the Martin Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George McCracken on May 2, 1964; by a daughter, Patsy McCracken Cox in 1987; two sons, Bobby Lee McCracken in 1932 and George Dale McCracken in 1934; by three sisters; and by five brothers.

Survivors include one daughter, Peggy Cockerham of Howardwick; one son, Ronald McCracken of Houston; two sisters, Lorene McAnear of Clarendon and Martiel Webb of Amarillo; 12 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren; and 3 great great grandchildren.

Casket bearers were grandsons of Mrs. McCracken.

VFW, Ladies Auxiliary enjoy joint meeting

The Donley County VFW and Ladies Auxiliary enjoyed a delicious meal at a joint meeting April 7.

There is an over-supply of donations for the troops. Hold off until supplies can be delivered to troops. Remember to give non-perishables.

A special Bingo prize will be given for the Turkey Strut Festival on April 19. Bingo begins at 7:00 p.m. A garage sale is planned for May

2 and 3 at the VFW Hall. If you have items to donate, we would appreciate a call, and they will be picked up.

District 13 meeting will be held in Amarillo on May 3 and 4. A poppy display for June 18-24 was discussed. Bring your ideas to the next meeting.

We appreciate Betty Thomas, who donated books for the Veteran's Hospital and Nursing Home.

Support our troops, our President, and leaders. Pray for them all.

4-H kids compete in district contest

Several 4-Hers completed at the District 1 4-H Consumer Decision Making contest on April 5.

The contest allows contestants to demonstrate skill in making decisions based on facts and strengthen reasoning ability in consumer skills.

Clarendon had several young people representing Donley County 4-H and Clarendon ISD. In the Senior Division: Eric Pitts, Ashlee Kidd, Timothy Anderson, Lacey Anderberg, Eloy Camacho. Senior Division coach is Tashia Duncan.

In the Junior Division: Jacob Landrum, Dominique Mason, A.J. Horton and Brandi Mays. Junior division coach is Linda Horton.

Boll Weevil referendum ballots due next Monday

Cotton producers voting in the northern Rolling Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone referendum must have their ballots postmarked by Monday, April 21, to be counted.

Eligible producers who did not receive a ballot should immediately call 1-800-835-5832.

EQIP meeting April 24

The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) authorizes a locally driven process to guide and set local priority resource concerns and program direction.

It is the USDA cost-share program to assist farmers and ranchers address their resource-based concerns and problems.

To enact the EQIP, the Donley SWCD with the NRCS will conduct a meeting with conservation partners and interested persons or organizations April 24, at 1 p.m. in the Courson Center at Clarendon College.

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Greenbelt Electric Cooperative, Inc. 64th Annual Membership Meeting
Friday, April 25, 2003
Bura Handley Community Building
Wellington, Texas
1:30 p.m. - Registration
2:00 p.m. Call to Order
Registration
Business Session
Drawing for Attendance Prizes
Refreshments

64th Annual Membership Meeting

All members registering will receive a door prize and be registered for the attendance prize drawing.

GRAND PRIZE GIVEAWAY!

125th Year

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