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

Sheriff again warns of check scams

The Donley County Sheriff's Office is again warning people not to fall for check-cashing scams that have appeared in the mail of some residents.

The latest report was from a resident who received a check for more than \$4,000 to be a secret shopper. The letter accompanying the check was from British Columbia, Canada.

Sheriff Butch Blackburn has said in the past that if you aren't owed money for a purchase and you aren't being paid for a known service, be wary of any check you receive.

TDSHS to hold shot clinic here Tuesday

The Texas Department of State Health Services will hold an immunization clinic next Tuesday, January 8, in Clarendon.

The shot clinic will be held from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the TDSHS office at Five Medical Drive.

All clinic times are subject to change or cancellation due to weather conditions or scheduling conflicts.

C of C names light contest winners

The Clarendon Chamber of Commerce has announced the names of the over-all winners in its holiday lighting contest.

The Outstanding Lights, award went to Glenn and Susan Bailey, and honorable mention was given to Dan and Teresa Dronzek, Jewel and Bill Houston, and Roy and Barbara Williams.

Check your voter's registration card

Two Donley County officials are asking people for their assistance now that new voters' registration cards have been mailed out.

County Tax Assessor Wilma Lindley and County Clerk Fay Vargas say if you receive a card for someone who no longer lives in Donley County or for someone who is deceased, please call or return the card to Lindley's office.

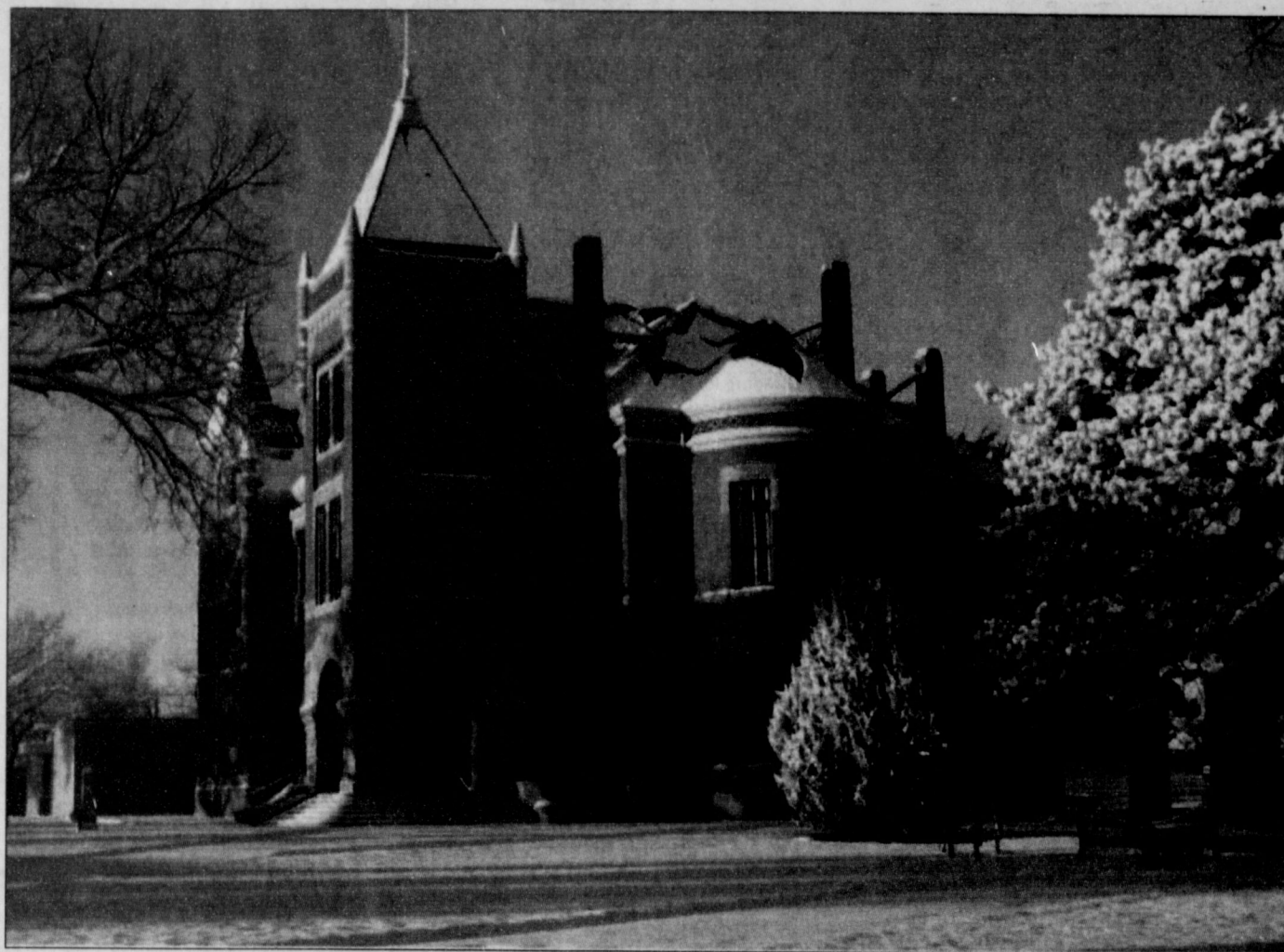
Lindley also says everyone needs to check their cards and make sure both the physical and mailing addresses are correct.

Ritz Theatre to host chamber orchestra

The Wellington Ritz Theatre will present The Amarillo Virtuosi Orchestra in concert with tenor Eric Barry, Scott Beckett on trumpet, and conductor and pianist Michael Palmer at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 6.

The Amarillo Virtuosi Chamber Music Amarillo's premiere chamber orchestra, is comprised of some of the finest violin, viola, cello, and bass musicians from throughout the Panhandle of Texas as well as New Mexico and Oklahoma.

Tickets are \$10 and may be purchased the day of the performance or by calling at 447-5803.



Snow blankets the Donley County Courthouse Square following a winter storm that moved through the area last Thursday night, making roads hazardous and forcing motorists to find refuge with local churches.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

Snow strands motorists in Clarendon

Old Man Winter snuck up on Donley County and those traveling through it last Thursday night when a brief but heavy snow blanketed the area.

The Donley County Sheriff's Office logged one accident at 7:32 p.m. two miles east of Lelia Lake; but as the snow piled up, the traveling quickly became very treacherous. Another accident happened - this one north of Hedley - shortly after 8 p.m., and then numerous accidents and stranded

vehicles were reported over the next several hours.

Local motels were full before the accidents started happening, the sheriff's office reported, and stranded motorists were soon being cared for by local churches.

The First Baptist Church had 20 people come in to its Downtown Ministry Center between the hours of 10 p.m. and midnight, and the First United Methodist Church accommodated about 40 people in its Fellowship Hall between 10:45

and midnight.

One rollover was reported to the sheriff's office at 1:18 a.m. six miles west of Clarendon on US 287, and another was reported at 4:16 a.m. west of Lelia Lake.

Sheriff Butch Blackburn said the accidents could have been much worse, but that one accident near FM 1260 east of Clarendon backed up traffic to Hedley and kept people from moving too fast.

"That kept people from speeding," he said.

Despite the high number of accidents, the Associated Ambulance Authority only had to transport two people to the hospital in Amarillo.

National Weather Service Cooperative Observer Tommie Saye reported a total of three inches of snow in Clarendon.

Motorists left the Baptist and Methodist facilities by noon Friday, and Blackburn said roads in the area were generally wet but clear by 2 p.m.

Broncos defeat Highland Park to win Greenbelt Classic

By Sandy Anderberg

Twenty-seven boys and girls teams participated in the 2007 Greenbelt Holiday Classic Tournament held at the Clarendon Gymnasium December 27-29, and the Broncos outlasted 13 of them to claim the Championship over Highland Park.

The 56-54 defeat of the Hornets came after wins over Bible Heritage, Groom, and Stratford. The Broncos defeated Bible Heritage 107-16 in the first round and bested the Groom Tigers 92-33 after their first win.

Six players finished in double figures in the Bible Heritage game. Alton Gaines led with 19, and Johnny Gaines had 18. Aaron Gordon and Dalton Askew put in 13 each, and Derrick Shelton and Tré Brown added 11 and 10 respectively. Nathan Gribble had 9, and T.J. Brown finished with 8 while Jadon Thornton had 6.

The game against Groom had similar results as the Broncos won 92-33. Four finished in double

figures and all players contributed to the win.

Scoring: Askew 23, J. Gaines 17, A. Gaines 15, T.J. Brown 10, Thornton 8, Shelton 7, Gribble 4, Gordon 4, and Tré Brown 4.

The Broncos faced a good Stratford team in the third round and earned a 56-37 win. Clarendon began the game with an offensive edge over the Elks in the first quarter. They continued to play aggressive offense and pumped in 24 points after their break to secure the win.

Scoring: T.J. Brown 22, J. Gaines 9, Askew 8, A. Gaines 4, Thornton 4, Gribble 3, Tré Brown 2, Shelton 1, and Stephino McCampbell 1.

The win over Stratford put the Broncos in the Championship game against Highland Park Saturday afternoon. It went down to the wire, but the Broncos played to a 56-54 win.

HP jumped out to a seven-point lead, and the Broncos found themselves struggling offensively in

the first quarter of play. But things went their way in the second period as they worked hard to get even with the Hornets. A three-point shot at the halftime buzzer put both teams at 28 at the break. Both teams came out fighting after the break and were determined to get the win. But things went the Broncos' way as they stayed focused until the end.

"It was good getting back into the flow," Coach Colby Waldrop said. "The kids did a good job, and they were really excited. We got two big wins over two 2A schools. We'll keep working hard to prepare for District play."

Scoring: T.J. Brown 21, Shelton 18, A. Gaines 10, J. Gaines 2.

"Overall the tournament was a big success," Waldrop said. "We heard a lot of good comments from several schools, and they want to come back next year."

The three-day tournament was held at both Bronco Gyms and the Bulldog Gym at Clarendon College. T.J. Brown was named All-



Stephino McCampbell tries to keep the ball in bounds for the Broncos during last week's Greenbelt tournament match-up with Stratford.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / KARI LINDSEY

Tournament Most Valuable Player, and Alton Gaines, Derrick Shelton, and Dalton Askew were named to

the All-Tournament Team. Macy Shadle was the lone Lady See 'Tournament' on page 5.

USDA issues disaster payments for crop, livestock losses

WASHINGTON - Acting Agriculture Secretary Chuck Conner announced that USDA has begun issuing payments to tens of thousands of farmers and ranchers across the country who suffered losses because of natural disasters.

"Numerous agricultural producers suffered financial hardships in recent years because of floods, wildfires, tornadoes and other weather-related disasters," Conner said.

"These funds will provide assistance to producers affected by these disasters."

USDA is currently processing about \$1 billion in payments under the Crop Disaster Program, the

Livestock Compensation Program, and the Livestock Indemnity Program. Sign-up for these programs is ongoing. The programs provide payments to agricultural producers who suffered crop, livestock, and feed losses in 2005, 2006, and before Feb. 28, 2007. But, producers must choose one year for which to receive payments.

The Crop Disaster Program (CDP) provides benefits to farmers who suffered quantity and quality losses from natural disasters and related conditions that happened in 2005, 2006 and for 2007 crops if the crop was planted or prevented from being planted before Feb. 28, 2007. At this time, USDA is only compen-

sating producers for quantity losses under this program. Payments for the quality losses will not be distributed until early 2008, after sign-up for quality loss.

The Livestock Compensation Program (LCP) compensates livestock producers for feed losses resulting from natural disasters that occurred between Jan. 1, 2005, and Feb. 28, 2007. Producers who suffered losses caused by blizzards that started in 2006 and continued into 2007 are eligible.

Producers in primary or contiguous counties that were declared secretarial disaster areas or counties declared presidential disaster areas between January 1, 2005, and Febru-

ary 28, 2007, are also eligible.

Additionally, USDA will soon issue more than \$11 million to Alabama, Florida, Idaho, Mississippi and Oklahoma through the LCP Catfish Grant Program. Alabama will receive \$3,121,477.94; Florida \$34,879.25; Idaho \$6,968.00; Mississippi \$8,123,840.88; and Oklahoma \$5,651.10. USDA also approved the following six states to receive funds through the Catfish Grant Program: Arkansas, California, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana and Texas. USDA will distribute funds to the six states after they conduct sign-up and submit requests for payments.

The Livestock Indemnity

Program (LIP) compensates livestock producers for livestock losses between January 1, 2005, and February 28, 2007, that were caused by natural disasters, including blizzards that started in 2006 and continued into 2007. Producers in primary or contiguous counties that were declared secretarial disaster areas or counties declared presidential disaster areas between January 1, 2005, and February 28, 2007, are also eligible.

Farmers and ranchers can apply to receive benefits through these and other disaster programs by visiting their local FSA service center. Find more information at: <http://disaster.fsa.usda.gov>.

Obituaries

Lee

Joe Ernest "Ernie" Lee, 31, died Sunday, December 23, 2007, in Amarillo.



Services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday,

December 27, 2007, in the Community Fellowship Church in Clarendon with the Rev. Roger Smith, Pastor, and Rev. Darrell Burton, Pastor of the Martin Baptist Church in Clarendon, officiating. Burial was at Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon. Services were under the arrangement of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Ernie was born March 3, 1976, in Groom to Joey and Brenda Lee. He lived in Clarendon most of his life and graduated from Clarendon High School in 1994. He worked for

Chamberlain Motor Company until 1999 and had been working for Lee's Insurance Agency since that time. He was a member of the Turkey Lions Club. He was also a member of the Martin Baptist Church since November 11, 1984.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Fred Row on February 27, 1997; his grandmother, Marjorie Row on November 25, 2007; and two sets of great-grandparents.

Survivors include his parents, Joey and Brenda Lee of Clarendon; two brothers, Robert Lee and wife Kylyn, and Jason Lee, both of Amarillo; his grandparents, Orville and Ruth Lee of Flomot; two uncles, Ricky Row of Clarendon, and Roger Lee and wife Shonda of Flomot; an aunt, Teresa Lee of Turkey; and many cousins, classmates, and friends.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials be to a local Lions Club of choice or the Lions Eye Bank of District 2T-1, Northwest Texas Hospital, 1501 S. Coul-

ter, Amarillo, TX 79106.

Sign our online guestbook at www.RobertsonFuneral.com.

Daniel

Harold Louis Daniel, age 72 died Friday, December 28, 2007.

Memorial services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, December 31, 2007, at Polk Street United Methodist Church. Rev. Marty Hamrick will officiate. Arrangements are by Schooler Funeral Home, 4100 South Georgia.

Harold was born April 10, 1935, to Ethel Hartman Daniel and Ray S. Daniel in Amarillo. He married Barbara Beck of Canyon on June 3, 1957, in the Polk Street Chapel. He graduated from Amarillo High School in 1953 and was awarded a scholarship to Yale University.

After graduation in 1957, he entered SMU where he earned a Masters Degree of Theology. He served as Campus Minister at the University of Wyoming and at Montana State University before pursu-

ing a doctoral degree in Behavioral Science and Educational Research at Nova University. While studying for the degree, he was asked to coordinate an off-campus Masters Degree Program in Puerto Ordaz, Venezuela, where he collected data and wrote his dissertation on predicting the educability of the functionally illiterate.

After three years in Venezuela, the family returned to Amarillo where he worked as a health planner before he became Associate Minister at Polk Street Methodist Church, where he served for thirteen years before retiring to New Mexico to begin tree farming.

While living in Amarillo, he served on several boards including Wesley Community Center, the American Red Cross, Friends of the Library (chair), Men's Garden Club (chair), and the Amarillo Ministerial Alliance.

A lifelong learner, he enjoyed a wide range of reading. He also enjoyed visiting with family and

close friends, watching sporting events, and pursuing ranching interests with his brother-in-law Don Beck.

Dr. Daniel is survived by his wife Barbara and their children Colin and Delia Daniel of Bozeman, Montana; Alicia Daniel and husband Jim McCobb of Burlington, Vermont; Trevor Daniel and wife Shawn Ralston of Missoula, Montana; and Andrea McKinney and husband Blake of Salem, Oregon; grandchildren Amanda and Colin Daniel, Camille and Emma McCobb, Ben, Mark and Will Ralston-Daniel, and Braxton, Lillie and Daniel Ben McKinney.

The family suggests memorials be sent to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), PO Box 9068, New York, NY 10087, or to Polk Street United Methodist Church.

The family will receive visitors following the service in the Social Hall of Polk Street UMC.

weather report

Day	Date	High	Low	Perc
Mon	24	54°	21°	-
Tues	25	62°	30°	T
Wed	26	45°	19°	-
Thur	27	28°	16°	26
Fri	28	33°	11°	-
Sat	29	47°	15°	-
Sun	30	54°	26°	-

Total precipitation this month: 1.62
Total precipitation to date: 23.30
Total precipitation in Dec. last year: 3.23
Total YTD last year: 19.77

weekend forecast

	Friday, Jan. 4 Mostly Sunny 60°/28°
	Saturday, Jan. 5 Mostly Sunny 62°/31°
	Sunday, Jan. 6 Mostly Sunny 65°/34°

Information provided by: Tommie C. Saye
50 yr. Cooperative Observer, National Weather Service

Irrigation conference to be Jan. 16

AMARILLO—Producers trying to maximize water resources and meet the demand to produce more corn can find the latest information on irrigation technology and timing at the annual irrigation conference in Amarillo, said a Texas Cooperative Extension specialist.

The High Plains Irrigation Conference and Trade Show is scheduled for Jan. 16 at the Amarillo Civic Center, said Leon New, Extension irrigation specialist and agricultural engineer. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. The cost is \$15 and includes a catered lunch.

"We want to present current information that will help growers make wise decisions in preparing for the approaching crop season," New said.

Program topics will include pump efficiency, power and pumping cost; matching crop acreage

to available irrigation; crop water management; crop production and economics; and biofuel crops, he said.

A highlight will be a growers' panel, New said. Growers continually make changes in their irrigation system and fuel needs, crops grown, marketing strategies, chemicals applied, tillage practices, equipment purchased and other management practices to offset increasing production costs.

This year's conference includes five experienced growers who will share how they have changed to confront the challenge.

Continuing education units have been applied for and will be offered for pesticide applicators, certified crop advisers and Irrigation Association certified irrigation designers. For more information, contact New at 806-677-5600.

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Conair Blow Dryer - \$26.99
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Clarendon Church of Christ
ZEAL NOT BASED ON KNOWLEDGE

(Romans 10:1-4) Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved. For I can testify that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge. Since they did not know the righteousness that comes from God and sought to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. Christ is the end of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.

Paul dearly loved his Jewish brethren! As he went out to speak to the Gentiles, he also would speak to his former brethren. He understood that they loved God, but, they could not go to Heaven if they continued to live under the old law. There was a better covenant (Heb. 7:22) now. There was a better priest (Heb. 7:25-28) also. But, as he wrote in the text, (Rom 10:1-4), they weren't saved. The reason they weren't saved in that they were still trying to live under the old law and that they have rejected God's Son. They would not submit to God's righteousness. They didn't believe that Jesus was God's Son.

The scriptures teach that God is no respecter of persons. John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Here is at least one condition that is placed on a person accepting God's grace and that is belief that Jesus Christ is God's Son and that He died for all of us.

As Paul said in our text, there are people who are zealous for God, but, their zeal is not based on knowledge. We should all make this application. It doesn't matter how we feel if our feelings and zeal are based on error. Sincerity will not guarantee Heaven for anyone. Please think on this. There is no "backdoor" into Heaven (Matt. 7:21).

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Community Calendar

January 3, 5
White Deer JV Tournament • TBA

January 3 - 5
Claude Varsity Tournament • TBA

January 8
Broncos v. Panhandle • In Clarendon
• J.V. boys 5 p.m., Varsity boys 6:30 p.m.

January 12
Junior Livestock Show

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Menus

January 7 - 11
Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Steak fingers, tater tots, macaroni, tomatoes, apple crisp, wheat rolls.
Tue: Chicken fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, beets, jello, whipped cream, rolls.
Wed: Butter beans, ham, potato wedges, salad, cheesecake, cornbread.
Thu: Barbeque Sandwich, pickle slices, pork'n beans, potato salad, cookies.
Fri: Roast, brown gravy, bakers potatoes, mixed vegetables, salad, pastry day, bread.

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Chicken strips, potato soup, fried okra, pea salad, sliced peaches, corn bread.
Tue: Stuffed bell peppers, tater tots, peas, carrots, okra salad, baked apples, roll.
Wed: Steak, gravy, broccoli casserole, buttered carrots, tossed salad, pineapple whip, roll.
Thu: Cheese burger, French fries, lettuce, tomato, onion, muffin, bun.
Fri: Cat fish, onion rings, spinach, coleslaw, strawberry shortcake, hush puppies.

Clarendon CISD
Breakfast
Mon: Cereal, toast, pears, milk
Tue: Sausage, biscuit, gravy, peaches, milk
Wed: Pancakes, juice, milk
Thu: Eggs, toast, jelly, apricots, milk
Fri: Cinnamon rolls, juice, milk

Lunch
Mon: Corn dog, blackeye peas, salad, fruit, milk.
Tue: Chili, pinto beans, fruit crackers, milk.
Wed: Chicken stroganoff, mashed potatoes, green beans, fruit, roll, milk.
Thu: Ham and cheese sandwich, chips, pickles, fruit, milk.
Fri: School Holiday

Hedley ISD
Lunch
Mon: Spaghetti, meat sauce, peas, carrots, salad, fruit, rolls, milk.
Tue: Pizza, corn, orange quarters, tossed salad, fruit juice, milk.
Wed: Chicken sticks, mashed potatoes, cut green beans, salad, fruit, hot rolls, milk.
Thu: Tacos, Spanish rice, salad, apple sauce, chips, salsa, milk.
Fri: Cheese burger, oven fries, lettuce, tomato, apple slices, juice, milk.

Hedley relative facing multiple surgeries

Thought for the Day: Psalm 71: 16 "I will go in the strength of the Lord God..." When you were growing up, did you have a super-hero? Many of us grew up on Superman, Batman, Green Lantern, Spider-Man and all those other comic book characters. Perhaps we found ourselves wishing that we could have that kind of strength or those kinds of powers.

Of course, as we grew older, we grew out of that, but in our relationship with God, we can find a different kind of strength. Maybe it's not a physical strength, but it is a spiritual strength—the strength to face the world, to go out and proclaim the love and grace of God.

In the strength of the Lord, I shall speak of His name. With joy in my heart, My voice shall proclaim. I shall know no fear As His love I share; For I am part of His strength, When the Lord is there.

Prayer: Lord, help me to face each day in the strength of your presence. Amen.

No one has called me to report

any news so this is what I know. Mom and I went to Burleson last Thursday morning in time to go to the hospital with Jack, my brother. The doctors think the artery to his legs is blocked, and they are going to "Roto-Rooter" him as Jack says. He does have a blocked artery to his left leg; but before they can fix that, he has to have open heart surgery to replace an arterial valve.

When that heals, then he will have surgery to fix his leg; and then, as if that is not enough, he has to have another heart surgery to put in a stint and do one bypass. This all will start somewhere around February 1, 2008. Please keep him in your prayers.

I did hear from David Moss last Tuesday night, and he wanted me to tell everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year for him. He has been calling a few times to catch up on old times. I have not seen him since we were in the 7th. Grade in the Lelia Lake School. It is always nice to hear from old friends.

I am sorry that no one is calling news into me, but maybe once everyone knows that I am doing this, they will call in.

Hope you all had a wonderful Christmas, and I hope good things to all in the coming new year.

Recipe: EggNog Cookies:
Ingredients: 2 1/4 cups flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon, 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg, 1 1/4 cups white sugar, 3/4 cup butter, softened, 1/2 cup eggnog,

1 teaspoon vanilla, 2 large egg yolks - Directions: Preheat oven to 300 degrees. In a bowl, combine all the dry ingredients together. In a large bowl, cream together the sugar and butter until it resembles a grainy paste. Add eggnog, vanilla



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and egg yolks and beat at medium speed until smooth. Add the flour mixture and beat at low speed until blended. Do not over mix. Drop by teaspoons onto ungreased baking sheet, 1 inch apart. Sprinkle lightly with additional nutmeg. Bake for 23-25 minutes or until bottoms turn light brown. Transfer from pans immediately to cool.

Reminders:
Holli White and the ADVO Workshop for Handicapped Adults needs, your donation to their fund at Amarillo National Bank. Remember your pets and animals in this weather. They need shelter too.

Feel good things:
Song: "Nearer My God to Thee" - This song always makes me feel closer to God. I hope it does for you, too.

Remember, this country was founded with God by our side and we need Him more today than we ever have. Praise Him and talk to Him - He will get us thru this hard time.

State launches new memorial sign program

AUSTIN - To help inform the public of the dangers of drinking and driving, a new program is being implemented by the Texas Department of Transportation that will allow friends and family members of DWI victims to purchase memorial signs to be placed near the location of fatal crashes.

The program is the result of legislation aimed at reducing the more than 1,670 traffic fatalities in 2006 that involved drivers under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

The 80th Texas Legislature created the program at the request of Julie Blasingame. A drunk driver was involved in the death of Mrs. Blasingame's daughter, Rachel. Ms. Blasingame will be the first participant in the program.

"I would love to see these memorial signs all over Texas as constant reminders for our drivers to not drink and drive," said Blasingame.

"So many grieving families will want to honor their loved one's memory in this way because they know that good will come from it. They know their loved one won't be forgotten and it will cause many drivers to think about how their actions affect others. Nearly every family in Texas knows someone who has been affected by a drunk driver."

The legislation creating the program required TxDOT to develop administrative rules governing the operation of the program. Those rules became effective on December 6 and the department has published a new web page that contains all the information a person needs to participate in the program.

(http://www.txdot.gov/services/traffic_operations/memorial_sign.htm)

The cost to obtain a memorial sign is \$300, which will help TxDOT defray the cost of the sign. The sign will identify the victim (or family name), date of the crash, the phrase "Please Don't Drink and Drive", and the phrase "In Memory of".

The program requires that fatal crashes must have occurred on a state highway and bans memorializing impaired drivers killed in a traffic crash.

An erected memorial sign will remain in place for one year, after which it will be offered to the person(s) who made the original application for participation in the program.

Make good on new year's resolutions

By MaryRuth Bishop, FCS Agent

It's that time of year again when many people resolve to improve their health. The problem is that most good intentions get derailed within a few weeks.

Make this year the year you make good on your New Year's resolutions. Whether your goal is to lose weight, exercise regularly, or stop smoking, use this guide to maintain your motivation and avoid common pitfalls.

Bad habits that keep you from optimal health such as smoking, drinking, or overeating don't have to follow you into the New Year. You must prepare yourself psychologically, however, if you don't want them hanging around for another 12 months.

Experts agree that no matter how stubborn a habit you've developed, there are ways to break negative patterns and keep healthy resolutions throughout the New Year. The trick is to keep everything in perspective.

Focus on realistic goals with measurable results. You need to break things down into small steps that you can manage.

For example, instead of trying to lose 50 pounds, focus on losing five pounds at a time. And instead

of trying to lose five pounds a week, focus on losing a pound a week.

Create bite-sized jobs for yourself that you'll be able to accomplish. If your goal is too big, you'll feel defeated before you even get started.

When deciding on your New Year's resolutions, it is easy to get swept up in hopeful yearning. As the clock ticks away the final minutes of the old year, the excitement of it all can be intoxicating. You believe you'll be able to tackle your goals effortlessly. But after the rush of New Year's celebration fades and reality sets in, your ambitions can once again seem insurmountable.

The key to achieving even your most lofty goals is to get started immediately. Action precedes motivation, not the other way around. People often think that they should wait until they are motivated to start doing something good for themselves. They'll say, "I'll start that diet or fitness program when I'm really well rested and have a lot of energy." But it doesn't work that way.

Instead of waiting for inspiration to act on your goals, you need to take action first, and inspiration will follow. Your initial action doesn't have to be anything big. Just by putting on your sneakers and hopping

on the treadmill for 10 minutes, you will make that energy you are "waiting" for materialize.

Once you initiate an action -- the smallest of actions -- you pick up momentum, and you'll realize 'hey, this isn't so bad,' and it will be a lot easier to keep moving forward and to stay motivated.

Avoid perfectionist thinking. While we certainly always want to better ourselves, it is healthier to think in positive terms than it is to focus on how much we fall short of our aspirations. In other words, students should view the grade of an A- as better than a B, rather than not as good as an A.

View setbacks as lessons for growth. Mistakes can be and usually are opportunities for learning. If you fall short of your goals, ask yourself what kept you from achieving them and then try to make corrections. People who like to sail understand this navigational concept. You almost never go directly from point A to point B. You set a course and periodically take readings of your position and make adjustments as you go along.

Don't make absolute resolutions. Keep them realistic. Instead of saying you won't yell at your kids, resolve to yell at them less often.

Don't keep your resolutions to yourself. Tell someone you trust about your resolutions. It helps to share your goals with friends, who can gently nudge you in the right direction when you veer off course.

Give them some meaning. People sometimes make goals that aren't necessarily meaningful to them. Your goal should be something you really desire to change or achieve, not something that society says is good for you to do or your family members would like to see you do. If you don't have strong, internal motivation within yourself, you won't be successful.

Take baby steps. Set realistic goals that are attainable, and then take small steps that are likely to be met with success toward those goals. Don't try to lose 10 pounds in a week or quitting smoking cold turkey with no preparation. Instead, try joining a weight loss program and try to lose a pound a week, or join a smoking cessation group.

Fine-tune your spirituality. For example, if one of your goals is to get fit, you may also resolve to get outdoors more often instead of going to the gym. Time outside will help you get in balance with nature, and will honor both the physical and spiritual sides of yourself.

Howardwick Friendship Club hosts festive time at City Hall

Christmas 2007 has come and gone, and I hope you had a good one. We were blessed with our daughter and her husband, Lori and Chris Allen from Amarillo, sharing Christmas with us and phone calls from the rest.

Ole Jim has finally learned to be careful of what he wishes for. Ask about it next time you see him; he can give lessons. Our health is good unlike last year, and our hearts weren't shattered like our friends Joey and Brenda Lee. I hope everyone felt the love of Jesus as we celebrated His birth.

The Friendship Club held the monthly meeting December 21; and if you guessed Santa Claus was the main attraction, you would be right. Sixty-plus came to enjoy the food, the singing led by Pat Archuleta with Jan Campbell on keyboard, and the blessing of food led by Edwin Campbell. We sang "Happy Birthday" to a number of people and "Happy Anniversary" to Bob and Betty Hammock, who celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary.

Lee Ann Cook and crew did a good job decorating City Hall;

and, as usual the food was great.

Anita Johnson should have gotten her Christmas wish; she was the first on Santa's knee again this year. The Friendship Club and community of Howardwick wish everyone a very best Christmas and hope to see you next year.

Please keep our sick and hurting in your prayers. The flu bug is making its rounds, and Shiann Cook had a growth removed from her throat and is recovering well. Remember our troops and families; say an extra prayer for them.

Fire Department Chief Jeff Cook would like to thank everyone for their help this year and asks for a safe New Year so be careful.

From my house to yours, thank you for your encouragement, and don't forget to call with news. I wish everyone a blessed, healthy, and prosperous New Year.



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Tournament: Lady Broncs defeat Bible Heritage girls, 88-33

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Bronco named to the All-Tournament Team on the ladies' side.

The Lady Broncos played Bible Heritage in the first round and handily defeated them 88-33. The ladies totally dominated their opponent on both ends of the court, and five players finished in double figures. Abbie Massingill had 18, Macy Shadle scored 14, Jenci White had 12, Abby Patten finished with 11, and Erin Holland had 10. Sade Cobb had 8, Janae White had 6, Jill Cornell and Cortnee Thornberry each had 4.

The ladies faced Lockney, who were named the eventual tournament champions, in the second round and were defeated 45-60. It was slow going for the Lady Broncos as they struggled against the Lady Horns in the second half.

Scoring: Shadle 21, Cobb 8, Massingill 6, Holland 4, Thornberry 4, and Janae White 2.

The ladies took on Hedley in

the third round; and despite leading in the first half, they lost to the Lady Owls in overtime 39-44.

Clarendon led 22-13 at the end of the first half, but allowed their opponent to get back into the game and play to a tie at the end of regulation.

"We played hard in the tournament," Coach Randy Yelverton said. "We played well for a half in each of the Lockney and Hedley games. We need to learn to play under pressure, and we need to pick it up on offense."

Scoring: Cobb 10, Holland 8, Massingill 8, Jenci White 7, Shadle 4, and Cornell 2.

Both the Broncos and the Lady Broncos will participate in the Claude Tournament January 3-5 and will play at Bushland January 11.

The Broncos will host Panhandle January 8 at home beginning at 5:00 p.m.



Hedley's Julie Woodard (left) tries to get past Lady Bronco Macy Shadle, who made the All-Tournament team during the Greenbelt Holiday Classic here last weekend.

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Drugs in the News

Dispose of Unused Prescription Drugs

New attempts to protect the environment and prevent the abuse of prescription drugs is resulting in suggestions as to how Americans should dispose of outdated or no-longer-used drugs. Earlier this year, the federal government launched new guidelines for the proper disposal of drugs, which included the mixing of drugs with coffee grounds or kitty litter. A recent report indicates that over 6,000 pharmacies around the country have signed up to participate in a project with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. Enrolled pharmacists provide a list of abuse-prone drugs to the public.

The EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) indicates that most city sewage handling systems are not designed to handle pharmaceuticals and personal care products. They claim that mixing drugs with kitty litter or coffee grounds is usually a better alternative to flushing drugs down the toilet. Place the mixture into empty cans or bags that can be sealed and put in the trash. This helps protect small pets and children from being harmed accidentally.



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Lady Broncos

3	Jenci White	Jr.
10	Erin Holland	Sr.
11	Jill Cornell	Sr.
12	Janae White	Jr.
15	Kia Bryley	So.
20	Abbie Massingill	Jr.
21	Cortnee Thornberry	Jr.
22	Bailey Starnes	Jr.
23	Abby Patten	Sr.
24	Sade Cobb	Sr.
25	Macy Shadle	Jr.

Head Coach: Randy Yelverton
Assistants: Kasey Bell & Alton Gaines
Managers: Courtney Shillings, Dominique Brady, Tanita Gaser, Dominique Mason

Broncos

2	Alton Gaines	Jr.
3	Aaron Gordon	Jr.
5	Johnny Gaines	Fr.
12	Nathan Gribble	Jr.
23	Stephino McCampbell	So.
24	T.J. Brown	Sr.
30	Derrick Shelton	Jr.
32	Dalton Askew	Sr.
33	Jadon Thorton	So.
41	Danzel Wilson	Jr.
42	Tre Brown	So.

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Resolve to store lawn chemicals safely in '08

COLLEGE STATION - While most plants go dormant in the winter, the chemicals that many people use for gardening remain active. That's why a Texas Cooperative Extension horticulturist urges people to winterize pesticide storage areas.

"Now is the perfect time to prepare a safe holding area for these materials," said Dr. Don Wilkerson, Extension horticulturist and EarthKind advocate. "This is important for environmental protection, human and pet safety, and for maintaining the effectiveness of the chemicals and fertilizers."

He said EarthKind is Extension's program for focusing on environmental stewardship in the urban landscape. Wilkerson said a storage area for lawn and garden chemicals should be: Secure from children and pets. Well ventilated. Lit well for product label reading. Dry and not prone to flooding. Large enough to separate spacing for herbicides, insecticides, and fertilizer. Enclosed so that spills can be quickly cleaned. Protected from

temperature extremes. He also noted that flammable liquids should be stored outside living areas and away from any potential ignition sources. An attached garage, for example, may not be the best place for this type of product.

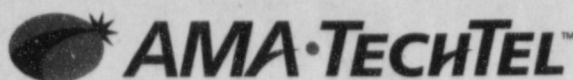
Chemicals should be kept in the original container, Wilkerson added, and never mixed in an empty food container.

"An updated storage inventory allows for keeping track of what has been placed in storage and also helps in planning purchases when spring arrives," he said. "Make a record of the product name, active ingredient, date of purchases and date/volume stored."

Storage problems can be minimized, Wilkerson suggested, if a person uses the list to plan ahead - buying only the amount of product that is needed for a season.

"Small containers that seem expensive may actually be the most economical over time if larger amounts do not have proper storage," he explained.

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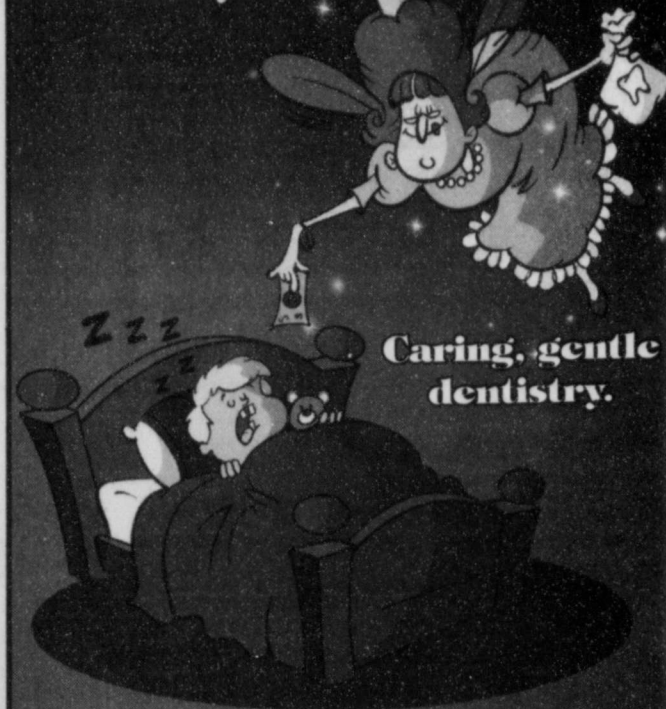
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416 S. Kearney • 874-5374
Pastor: Lyman Little
Sunday Services: 10:30 a.m.</p> |
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US 287 E • 874-3156
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Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 7 p.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.</p> | <p>First Baptist Church
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Rev. Lance Wood
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:55 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. GA & Team Kid Ministry
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9:00 p.m. College Ministry</p> | <p>St. John The Baptist Episcopal Church
Rev. Jim Aveni
301 S. Parks St. • 874-2511
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.</p> |
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300 S. Carhart • 874-2495
Minister: Chris Moore
Sun. Bible Class: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.</p> | <p>First Presbyterian Church
Fourth & Parks • 874-9269
Pastor: Rev. Robin Gantz
Fellowship: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11:00 a.m.</p> | <p>St. Mary's Catholic Church
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Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.</p> |
| <p>Church of Nazarene
209 S. Hawley • 874-2321
Pastor: Bill Hodges
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:30 p.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.</p> | <p>First United Methodist Church
420 S. Jefferson • 874-3667
Pastor: Tom Garmon
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Sunday: 8:30, 10:50 a.m.</p> | <p>St. Stephens Baptist Church
300 N. Jefferson St.
Pastor: Melvin Brooks
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sun. Service: 11:15 a.m.
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. (weather permitting)</p> |
| <p>Community Fellowship Church
12148 FM. 2162 • 874-0963
Rev. Roger Smith
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.</p> | <p>Clarendon Family Christian Center Church
511 E. 5th St.
Pastor: R.W. Ellerbrook
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.</p> | <p>True Church of God in Christ
301 N. Jefferson St
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Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sun. Service: 11:15 a.m.
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120 E. Third Street • 874-3212
Sunday Service: 11:00 a.m.</p> | <p>Hedley
First Methodist Church
200 N. Main St.
Pastor: Gary Boles
Sunday Service: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.</p> | <p>Jesus Name Apostolic Church
720 E. Montgomery • 874-2388
Rev. Calvin Burrow
Sunday Services: 3 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.</p> |
| <p>Church of Christ
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Sunday Service: 11 a.m.
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Sunday Evening: 6 p.m.
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Sheriff's Report:

Winter accidents keep officers busy

December 17, 2007

11:24 a.m. - Serve Potter Co. arrest wrt., Ashtola.
 11:35 a.m. - To jail, 1 male in custody; out of Co. wrt.
 5:09 p.m. - At residence, Ashtola; serve legal papers.
 8:31 p.m. - See caller, apts. E. 4th St.

December 18, 2007

9:35 a.m. - Apts. E. 4th St., EMS also dispatched.
 11:01 a.m. - Vehicle accident, 300 Blk. S. Kearney St.
 3:46 p.m. - At DA office.

December 19, 2007

10:05 a.m. - Transport inmates x2 to Childress for court.
 2:34 p.m. - 5th and Leroy Sts., assist Home owner.

December 20, 2007

12:53 a.m. - Apts. E. 4th St., EMS also dispatched.
 5:53 p.m. - Debris on roadway, 6 m. S. Hwy. 70 S.

December 21, 2007

2:48 a.m. - Welfare check, juvenile; 200 Blk. S. Goodnight.
 6:30 a.m. - Hwy. 287 at S. Koogle, reported suspicious activity.
 6:42 a.m. - To jail, 1 male in custody, PI/ possible drug para.
 9:28 a.m. - Follow ambulance To NWT, 2nd deputy in ambulance with inmate.
 6:25 p.m. - Accident Hwy 70 N., vehicle v. deer.
 7:55 p.m. - UTL reported female walking, Hwy. 287 E. of Co. Rd. 13.
 8:04 p.m. - UTL reported 5-6 juveniles on baseball field.
 8:46 p.m. - Res. reporting destruction of property, 900 Blk. W. 7th St.

December 22, 2007

Numerous calls about road conditions, all directions.
 Conditions in Donley didn't get as bad as predicted, some minor problems on roadways.
 3:23 p.m. - Escort funeral procession.
 10:29 p.m. - Illegal burning, 1300 Blk. W. 7th St.

December 23, 2007

5:15 a.m. - At residence, 400 Blk. E. 5th St.
 12:14 p.m. - Possible break in, Court Yard.
 5:11 p.m. - Vehicle accident, Hwy. 203.
 8:52 p.m. - Check reported male walking, Hwy. 70 N.

December 24, 2007

Summary thru December 23 Arrests- 3 EMS- 9
 12:38 a.m. - EMS assist, 200 Blk. S. Parks St.
 10:21 a.m. - Transport inmate back from NWT.
 11:18 a.m. - Away from vehicle.
 8:05 p.m. - See driver, Hwy. 287 at South Koogle St.

December 25, 2007

12:49 p.m. - Reported vandalism, location not logged.
 3:59 p.m. - See caller, 700 Blk. W. 4th St.
 4:25 p.m. - Property dispute, 100 Blk. S. Goodnight.

December 26, 2007

12:13 a.m. - See caller, 600 Blk. W. 7th St.
 12:26 a.m. - 2nd location, 1st and Gorst Sts.
 5:28 p.m. - Away from vehicle.
 8:54 p.m. - See caller, 1000 Blk. E. 2nd St., possible break in.

December 27, 2007

1:10 a.m. - Check 400 and 500 Blk. S. Kearney St., all dogs responding to something.
 1:20 a.m. - 2 males walking.
 11:35 a.m. - Minor accident, S. Kearney and W. 4th St.
 2:22 p.m. - Escort funeral procession.
 3:26 p.m. - EMS assist, Co. Rd. B.
 4:55 p.m. - Serve legal papers, Howardwick.
 7:32 p.m. - Accident, Hwy. 287 2m. E. Lelia Lake.
 8:08 p.m. - Accident, 203 N. of Hedley.
 Numerous accidents, stranded vehicles and citizens next few hours. Road conditions not good north,

south, east and west. Sheriff Dept., DPS, TX Dot, EMS and FD out and busy for next few hours.

December 28, 2007

1:18 a.m. - Rollover, 6m. W. 287.
 4:16 a.m. - Rollover, 287 just W. of Lelia Lake.
 5:37 a.m. - UTL reported stranded vehicle, 2m. W. 287.
 People began to move about and the accidents come even faster. Several logged next few hours.
 7:02 p.m. - At High School gym.

December 29, 2007

1:04 p.m. - Dumpster fire, 700 Blk. E. Browning St.
 1:28 a.m. - Dispatched EMS station, adult male puncture wound to leg.
 2:08 a.m. - Montgomery St., caller reporting dogs abandoned, no food or water. Tracks in snow show dogs not abandoned, do have food and water.
 12:00 p.m. - Single vehicle accident, Lelia Lake.
 7:30 p.m. - Howardwick. Serve legal papers.

December 30, 2007

2:11 p.m. - Minor parking lot accident, 700 Blk. W. 2nd St.
 10:37 p.m. - 4th and Faker, destructive activity; juveniles and fire.

Arrests - 1
 EMS - 15
 FD - 4

Constable's Report

December 11 - 27, 2007
 Calls - 27
 Tickets - 19
 Summons - 3
 Arrests - 2

District Court Report

Rodolfo I. Rodriguez: DWI - Third or more, 10 days Donley County Jail and seven years community supervision, suspension of drivers license two years. Court cost \$361.00; fine \$2500.00; 11/19/07.

Grey Russell: Aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Four years deferred adjudication. Court cost \$361; fine \$2000; 12/13/07.

Theresa Lee Powell: Forgery financial instrument. Five years deferred adjudication. Court cost \$361; Fine \$0; restitution \$22,000.00; 12/19/07.

Russell Shane Klinnert: Burglary of a habitation. Eight years TDCJ; court cost \$348; fine \$2500; 12/19/07.

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