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## THIS WEEK

- 2 Job applicants need to get a good grip on some basic skills.
- 4 An Arts Festival showcases the talent of several area citizens.
- 6 A local woman celebrates her 102nd birthday.
- 8 And an exchange student is enjoying her time with a Hedley family.

All this and much more as *The Enterprise* reports in this week's amazing edition!

## Burglary results in arrest of two men

The burglary of a barn north of Clarendon resulted in two arrests last week.

Chase Wilson, age 19, of Childress was arrested last Monday, October 19, for Burglary of a Building; and Taylor Morgan of Stephenville, also age 19, was arrested two days later on the same charge.

Donley County Sheriff Butch Blackburn said Wilson and Morgan were arrested in connection with the burglary of Homer Hardin's barn. One gun, assorted tools, and other property stolen from the barn have been recovered, but the investigation is still open as authorities search for two other guns.

The suspects are currently out on bond.

## Donley County 4-H to host Fall Festival

The Donley County 4-H Club will host its annual Fall Festival this Saturday from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Clarendon Community Center near the rodeo grounds.

Admission to the event is free, and game tickets will be five for one dollar. Highlights of the evening will include games, caramel apples, popcorn balls, and cake walks.

A chili supper will also be held at the festival and will include a drink and dessert at \$4 for children and \$6 for adults.

## Shot clinic will be held in here Nov. 10

The Texas Department of State Health Services will hold an Immunization Clinic in Clarendon on Tuesday, November 10, at the TDSHS office at Five Medical Drive.

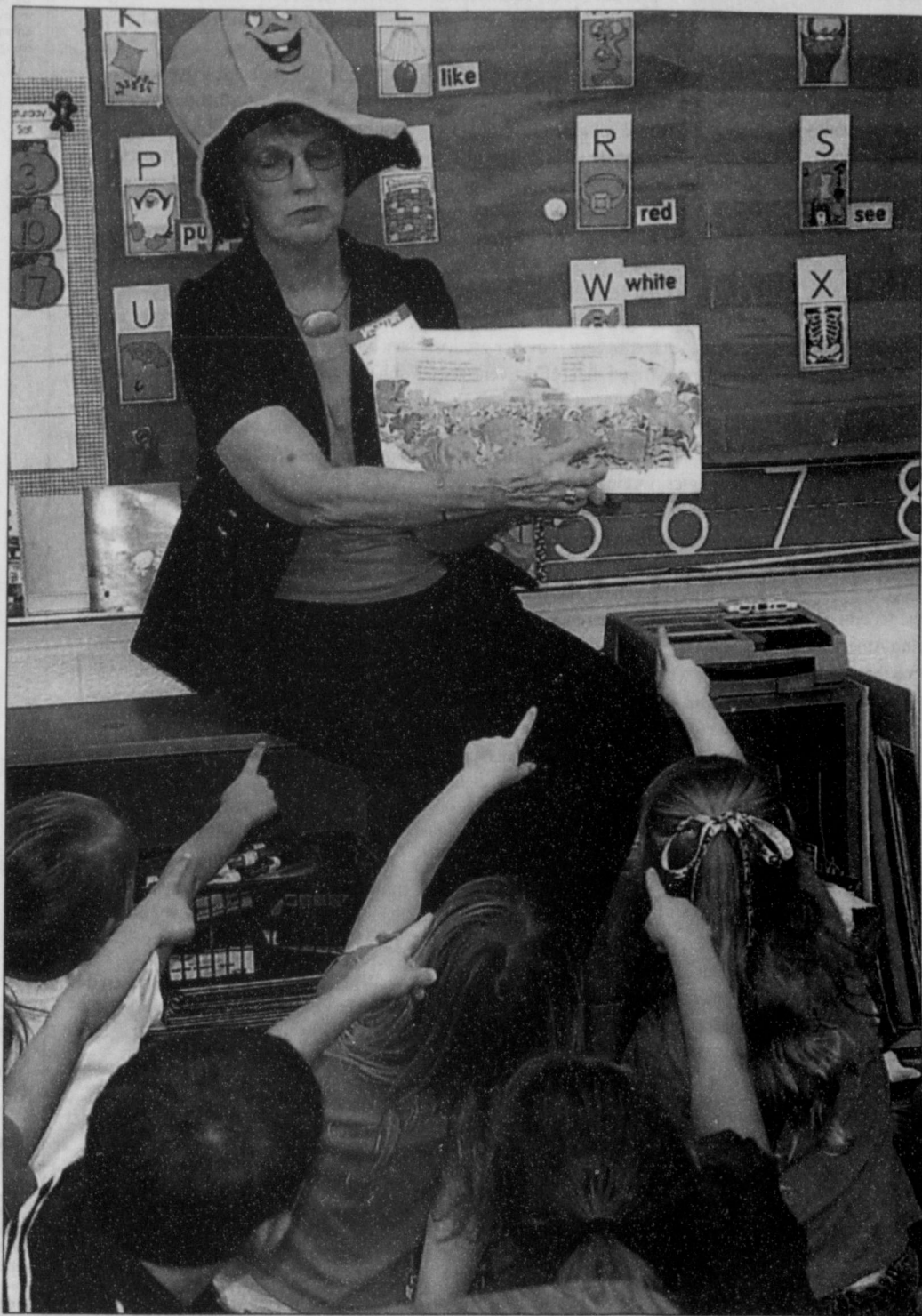
Immunizations will be given to the first ten clients from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and to the first 10 clients from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

## Group voices support for water districts

TEMPLE - Soil and Water Conservation District Directors attending the 69th annual meeting of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts in Arlington and who represent the state's 216 soil and water conservation districts (SWCDs), agreed to support the Texas groundwater districts' current authority.

Larry Drgac, Chairman of the Trans Pecos SWCD with headquarters in Fort Stockton, and whose district sponsored the resolution of support, said, "There is a concern, that though recent legislation failed to pass, there will be continued effort to create a water supply district with expansive powers which could impact the State's current Groundwater Conservation Districts ability to achieve their statutory purposes.

"Texas SWCDs do not favor any new entity that would add another level of bureaucracy that would diminish and compromise the authority and jurisdiction of local districts," Drgac added.



## Storytime

Retired teacher Gayle Hankins reads "Spookley, the Square Pumpkin" to students in Mrs. Starnes Clarendon Kindergarten class last Tuesday. Hankins presented books to the students of Mrs. Potts Kindergarten class of Hedley and Mrs. White and Mrs. Starnes Kindergarten students of Clarendon on behalf of the Donley County Retired Teachers Association entitled "Noodles - I Love School." Members of the Donley County Retired School Personnel Association say they are still interested in the students of this county and are striving to continue to make a difference in their lives.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ANNDRIA NEWHOUSE

## Probation visit yields multiple felony charges

Two Clarendon residents are facing multiple felony charges after a drug bust here last Wednesday.

David Burrow, 29, was already on probation for Possession and Transporting Anhydrous Ammonia when adult probation officer Mark C. White visited his home accompanied by Donley County Sheriff Butch Blackburn October 21.

Blackburn said that during the visit, it became apparent that illegal drug activity was going on. A search of Burrow's home and garage revealed an air tank that had been converted to hold anhydrous ammonia and also turned up methamphetamines and crack cocaine.

Burrow and his companion, 39-year-old Dondra Simpson, were arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance and booked into the Donley County Jail.

Authorities then searched a storage facility rented by Burrows

and discovered another container and some anhydrous ammonia.

Burrow and Simpson were both arraigned last Friday by Judge Connie Havens. Burrow faces two first degree felony charges of Possession of Controlled Substance as well as two felony counts of Possession or Transportation of Certain Chemicals with Intent to Manufacture Controlled Substances. His bond was set at \$200,000.

Simpson was charged with two first degree felony counts of Possession of Controlled Substance, and her bond was set at \$100,000.

Also working on this case were Donley County Chief Deputy Randy Bond and Deputies Mike Spier, 39-year-old Dondra Simpson, were arrested for Possession of a Controlled Substance and booked into the Donley County Jail.

Both Burrow and Simpson were still in custody at press time.

## Enterprise will recognize local service men, women

THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE is compiling a list of active and reserve military personnel from Donley County and plans to recognize those patriots in next week's edition.

"We support our men and women in uniform and think it's time they get some recognition for their service," said ENTERPRISE publisher Roger Estlack.

The paper has 33 names so far and is asking readers to call or e-mail with names of those they know of people who either live here

or who have graduated from Hedley or Clarendon High Schools and are now serving in the United States armed forces.

The names will be available on our website - www.ClarendonOnline.com - as we get them and then will be listed in a large display ad next week ahead of Veterans Day.

Businesses, individuals, or organizations who would like to appear on the ad also are asked to call Julie, Anndria, or Roger at 874-2259.

## Texas voters to decide fate of 11 propositions

Voters across Texas will head to the polls next Tuesday to decide the fate of eleven proposed constitutional amendments.

Early voting by personal appearance continues through this Friday, October 30, in the County Clerk's office. Next Tuesday's polling locations are as follows: Precinct 101 - Bairfield Activity Center at Clarendon College, Precinct 102 - Howardwick City Hall, Precinct 201 - County Courthouse, Precinct 301 - Assembly of God Fellowship Hall, Precinct 303 - Hedley Lions Club, and Precinct 401 - Clarendon Church of Christ Family Life Center.

Check your voter's registration card for precinct number.

The ballot issues facing voters are as follows:

Proposition 1 (HJR 132) would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to allow a municipality or a county to issue bonds and notes to finance the purchase of buffer areas or open spaces adjacent to military installations. The buffer areas would be used to prevent encroachment or to construct roadways utilities, or other infrastructure to protect or promote the mission of the military installation. The municipality or county may pledge increases in ad valorem tax revenues for repayment of the bonds or notes.

Proposition 2 (HJR 36 - #1) would amend the constitution to

authorize the legislature to provide for the taxation of a residence homestead solely on the basis of the property's value as a residence homestead, regardless of whether the property may have a higher value if it were used for other purposes.

Proposition 3 (HJR 36 - #3) would amend the constitution to require the legislature to provide for the administration and enforcement of uniform standards and procedures for appraisal of property for ad valorem tax purposes.

Proposition 4 (HJR 14 - #2) would amend the constitution to establish the national research university fund to provide a source of funding that will enable emerging

research universities in this state to develop into major research universities. The amendment would require the legislature to dedicate state revenue to the fund and to transfer the balance of the existing higher education fund to the national research university fund. This amendment would further require the legislature to establish the criteria by which a state university may become eligible to receive and use distributions from the fund.

Proposition 5 (HJR 36 - #2) would amend the constitution to authorize the legislature to allow for a single appraisal review board for two or more adjoining appraisal entities that elect to provide for consoli-

dated reviews of tax appraisals.

Proposition 6 (HJR 116) would amend the constitution to authorize the Veterans' Land Board to issue general obligation bonds, subject to certain constitutional limits, for the purpose of selling land and providing home or land mortgage loans to veterans of the state.

Proposition 7 (HJR 127) would amend the constitution to allow an officer or enlisted member of the Texas State Guard or other state militia or military force to hold other civil offices.

Proposition 8 (HJR 7) would amend the constitution to authorize the state to contribute money, property, or services to other states. See 'Election' on page three.

## USDA announces DCP, ACRE signup

Bruce Ferguson, Executive Director of USDA's Farm Service Agency in Donley County today announced that enrollment for the 2010 Direct and Counter-cyclical Program (DCP) and the Average Crop Revenue Election (ACRE) program has begun and will continue through June 1, 2010.

"We at FSA urge producers to make use of the eDCP automated website to sign up," said Ferguson. "The electronic service saves producers' time, reduces paperwork and speeds up contract processing at their local FSA offices."

Ferguson adds eDCP is available to all producers who are eligible to participate in the DCP and ACRE Programs and can be accessed at www.fsa.usda.gov/dcp. To access the service, producers must have an active USDA eAuthentication Level 2 account, which requires filling out an online

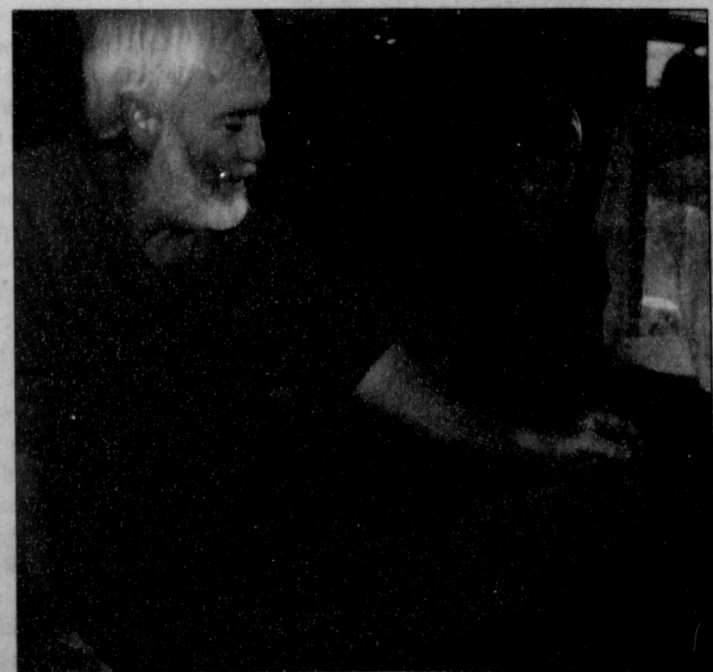
registration form at www.eauth.egov.usda.gov followed by a visit to the local USDA Service Center for identity verification. For those without internet access or if they prefer, producers can also visit any USDA Service Center to complete their 2010 DCP or ACRE contract.

USDA computes DCP Program payments using base acres and payment yields established for each farm. Eligible producers receive direct payments at rates established by statute regardless of market prices. For 2010, eligible producers may request to receive advance direct payments based on 22 percent of the direct payment. USDA will issue advance direct payments beginning Dec. 1, 2009. Counter-cyclical payment rates vary depending on market prices. Counter-cyclical payments are issued only when the effective price for a commodity is below its target price.

The effective price is the higher of the national average market price received during the 12-month marketing year for each covered commodity and the national average loan rate for a marketing assistance loan for the covered commodity.

The optional ACRE Program provides a safety net based on state revenue losses and acts in place of the price-based safety net of counter-cyclical payments under DCP. A farm's payment is based on a revenue guarantee calculated using a 5-year average state yield and the most recent 2-year national price for each eligible commodity. For the 2010 crop, the 2-year price average will be based on the 2008 and 2009 crop years.

An ACRE payment is issued when both the state and the farm have incurred a revenue loss. The payment is based on 83.3 percent of the revenue loss. See 'Signup' on page three.



## Steady hand

Chuck Bailey of Amarillo paints a horse on wood as Ben Estlack of Clarendon watches during the Clarendon Arts Festival last Sunday afternoon at the Bairfield Activity Center.

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**Election:** Continued from page one.

erty, and other resources for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of veterans' hospitals in this state.

Proposition 9 (HJR 102) would define what is a state-owned public beach. The public, individually and collectively, would have an unrestricted right to use and a right of ingress to and egress from a public beach. The amendment would authorize the legislature to enact laws to protect these rights.

Proposition 10 (HJR 85) would amend the constitution to autho-

ribe the legislature to provide that members of the governing board of an emergency services district may serve terms not to exceed four years.

Proposition 11 (HJR 14 - #1) would amend the constitution to provide that the taking of private property for public use ("eminent domain") is authorized only if it is for the ownership, use, and enjoyment of the property by the State, its political subdivisions, the public at large, or by entities granted the power of eminent domain, or for the removal of urban blight. The amend-

ment would prohibit the taking of private property for transfer to a private entity for the purpose of economic development or to increase tax revenues. The amendment would also limit the legislature's authority to grant the power of eminent domain in the future unless it is approved by a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to each house.

Additional information about the proposed amendments can be found online at <http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/whatisonthe-ballot.shtml>

**Sign-up:** Continued from page one.

(85 percent in 2012) of the farm's planted acres times the difference between the State ACRE guarantee and the state revenue times the ratio of the farm's yield divided by the state expected yield. The total number of planted acres for which a producer may receive ACRE pay-

ments may not exceed the total base on the farm. In exchange for participating in ACRE, in addition to not receiving counter-cyclical payments, a farm's direct payment is reduced by 20 percent, and marketing assistance loan rates are reduced by 30 percent.

The June 1, 2010, deadline is mandatory for all participants. USDA will not accept any late-filed applications.

For more information on DCP or ACRE, please visit your FSA county office or [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov).

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Tues	20	91°	59°	-
Wed	21	82°	55°	.06"
Thur	22	60°	40°	.10"
Fri	23	51°	35°	-
Sat	24	65°	34°	-
Sun	25	75°	40°	-

Total precipitation this month: 0.72"  
Total precipitation to date: 14.72"  
Total precipitation in Oct. last year: 1.32"  
Total YTD last year: 10.55"

**weekend forecast**

	Friday, Oct. 30	Sunny 59°/39°
	Saturday, Oct. 31	Sunny 66°/41°
	Sunday, Nov. 1	Sunny 65°/40°

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



**Box Top Total**  
Students at the Clarendon ISD Functional Living Center counted 2,342 Box Tops and 439 Campbell's Labels for Education this past week. The Box Tops will bring in a check for \$234.20. The money will be used for the annual Wonderland Park trip in May for students that met their Accelerated Reader goals all year. Shown here are Laura Howard, Nick Overstreet, Thad Hall, Porsche Henderson, Adrew Adams, Sabra Patton, Jaqueda Harris, Martin Santos, and David Green. If anyone has Box Tops or Labels for Education, please drop them off at the Clarendon Elementary office or send them to school with any student.

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## Hedley c-c runners advance to regionals

By Tangele Copelin

The Hedley Owls and Lady Owls competed in district cross country on Monday the 26th at Cooper Breaks State Park near Crowell.

The Lady Owls finished 2nd overall with Valley barely edging them out by just 4 points. Haley Chambless placed 3rd with a time of 13:46, Sierra Shelp placed 8th with a time of 14:05, and Kaylee Shields placed 11th at a time of 14:39. From there it was Cassidy Burton, Sierra Wheatly, and Kallie Verstuyft.

"These Ladies have worked hard all year to reach their goal of advancing to Regionals, and I am very proud of them," stated Coach Mike Prescott.

For the first time in several

years the Hedley Owls had a boys' cross country team. Coach Aaron Marks had worked with the boys trying to work around their football schedule and managed to get enough boys to run for a team. His patience paid off with the boys' team placing 3rd overall to advance to Regionals.

Running for the boys' team were; Reid Copelin 7th place, Danny Garcia 14th, Jacob Widener 23rd, Dylan Pettit 24th, and Bryan Evans 29th.

Both teams will compete at Regionals on November 7 in Arlington.

Hedley Junior High only had two students competing in cross country. Bailey Wood had her personal best time to place 3rd, and Denver Chambless placed 16th.



The Hedley boys' and girls' cross country teams qualified for regionals in Arlington. Shown here are (back) Reid Copelin, Jacob Widener, Dylan Pettit, Danny Garcia, Bryan Evans, (front) Haley Chambless, Cassidy Burton, Sierra Shelp, Kallie Verstuyft, Kaylee Shields, and Sierra Wheatly.

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## Broncos succumb to Wheeler, focus on Memphis

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos went into Friday night's game confident they could bring home a victory. But the Wheeler defense took advantage of several Clarendon turnovers to post a 43-0 win.

Offensively, the Broncos strug-

gled as they only mustered 85 total yards, which was down considerably from previous showdowns. Interceptions and fumbles plagued the Broncos as they tried to get something going to put points on the board.

"I don't know how to explain what happened," head coach Gary

Jack said. "They capitalized on five turnovers that were worth about 30 points. They took advantage of every mistake we made."

Wheeler led by 22 points at the half, with one of those scores coming right before the break. According to Jack, despite the deficit, he felt the

Broncos were still in the game.

The game with the Cyclones will be a must-win for the Broncos to secure a place in the playoffs. "We can't look past Memphis," Jack said.

The Broncos will play at Memphis Friday night beginning at 7:30 p.m.

## Colts continue to run through opponents

The Clarendon Junior High seventh and eighth graders are currently 5-1 on the year and are continuing to take down opponent after opponent.

Their latest win came at home against Wheeler with a 30-20 win.

According to Coach Clint Coley, the Colts spread out the scoring in the game. Terance Wilson caught a touchdown pass and converted a two-point conversion. Chance McAnear ran for one score and two-point conversion and threw another two-point score, and Zack Laroe threw for a touchdown. Charles Mason ran for a touchdown in the game, and Cody Harjo added a six plus a two-point bonus.

Defensively, Tres Hommel and Cody Harjo each recovered a fumble.

The Colts will their last home game Thursday, October 29, against Memphis beginning at 5:00 p.m.

## Jr. Owls play Lefors

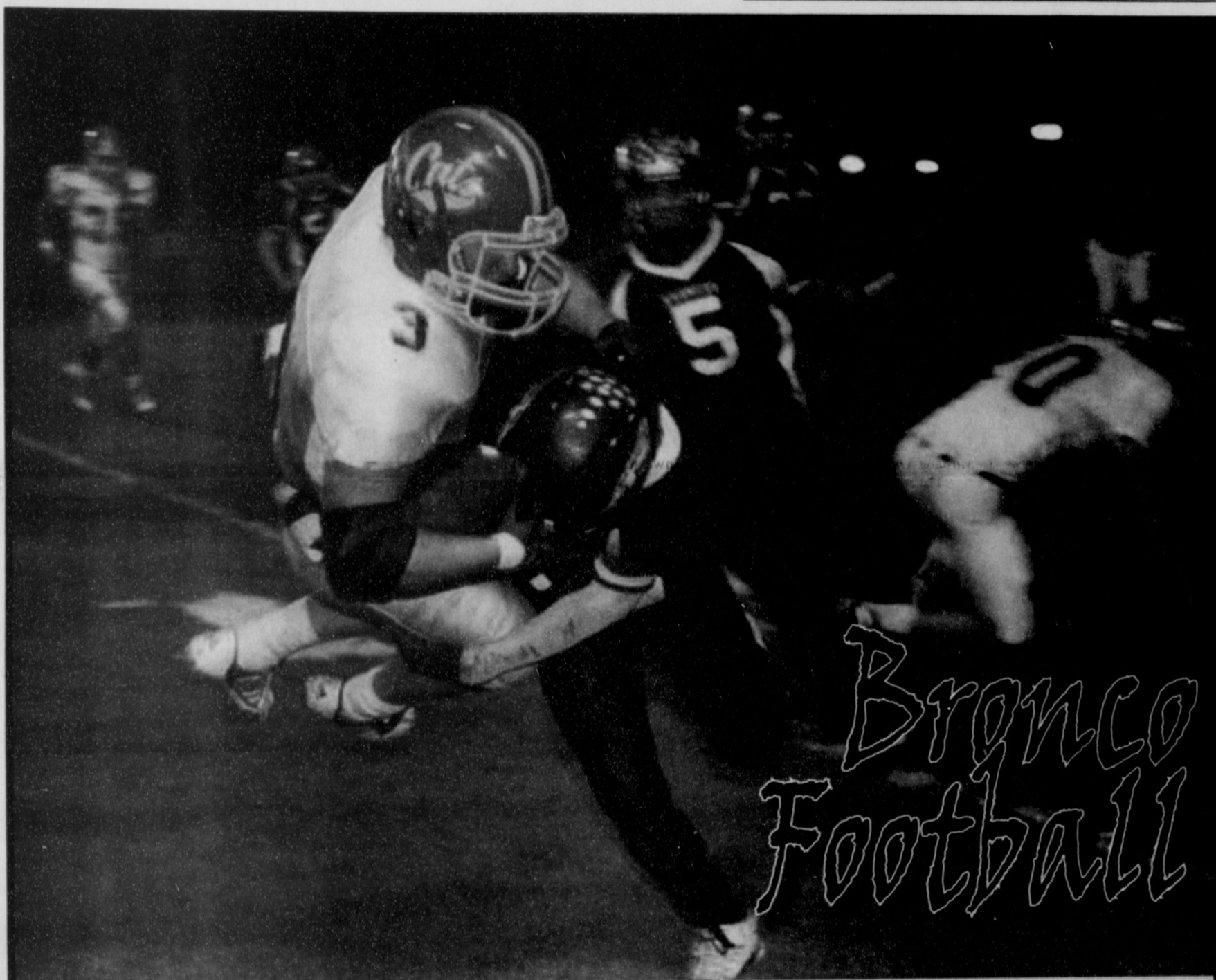
The Hedley Junior High boys traveled to Lefors to play some tough football on Thursday, October 23.

With the help of lineman Seth Ruthardt and Wyatt Wheatly, Kyle Lindsey was able to push through the Lefors Pirates defense and quickly score for the Owls.

The Pirates tied the game 6 to 6 at the end of the first quarter. The second quarter proved the Owls could play tough defense with Tony Siatta, Denver Chambless, and Lindsey and Jake Owens holding the pirates not allowing them to score. Chambless had a great passing game hitting Grayson Morris for about 15 yards and then hitting Siatta for a TD pass to allow the Owls to pull ahead 12 to 6 at half time.

Lefors scored once in the second half, and the game ended with the Owls losing 12 to 19.

The Junior High Owls will take on Miami Thursday, October 29, with the game beginning at 5:30.



### 2009 Bronco Roster

5	Stephino McCampbell	Sr.	5'11	175
7	Matthew Thomas	Sr.	5'9	165
8	Brayden Phillips	Jr.	5'9	150
10	Bradley Watson	Jr.	5'9	150
12	Johnny Gaines	Jr.	5'9	150
14	Troy Chambless	Jr.	6'1	180
19	Jadon Thornton	Sr.	6'0	165
22	John Levario	Jr.	5'6	125
24	Matt Henderson	Sr.	5'9	140
25	Glenn Weatherton	Sr.	5'5	125
26	Chris Crump	Jr.	5'11	180
32	Mike Crump	Jr.	5'11	180
33	Brady Miller	Jr.	5'6	130
35	Wes Williams	So.	5'6	145
44	Charleston Harris	So.	5'10	150
50	Dylan Wright	Sr.	6'0	175
51	Coby Braughton	Jr.	5'8	150
54	Jacob Pigg	So.	5'9	225
55	Trent White	Jr.	5'10	155
56	Trey Brown	Sr.	5'11	255
61	RJ Nino	Jr.	5'9	220
63	Lee Tolbert	Sr.	5'10	195
66	Clayton Shields	Jr.	5'11	175
70	David Roberts	Jr.	6'1	230
75	Jacob McCary	Sr.	5'10	185
84	Josh Krumwiede	Sr.	5'8	170
88	Ryan Hill	Sr.	5'10	135

# Clarendon vs. Memphis

Friday, October 30  
In Memphis, 7:30 p.m.

**Head Coach:** Gary Jack  
**Staff:** Johnny Nino, Brad Elam, Alton Gaines, Clint Coley, Randy Yelverton  
**Trainers:** Mariah Benavidez, Annie Patten, Elizabeth Christopher, Krista Reynolds  
**Cheerleaders:** Lauren Shelton, Jill Luna, Maci White, Jentry Shadle, Trevela Dronzek, Kae Hewett, Amber Keelin, Kaleigh West, Audrey Shelton

**Cheerleader Sponsor:** Terri Luna  
**Mascot:** Audrey Shelton  
**Band Director:** Megan Boon, **Asst.** Scott Strobel  
**Superintendent:** Monty Hysinger  
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## Drugs in the News

### New Psoriasis Treatment Approved

Last month the FDA approved the injectable drug Stelara (ustekinumab), a new treatment for moderate to severe forms of psoriasis. Health experts are saying good things about this new treatment, which is called by a number of names including monoclonal antibody, immunomodulator and biological. It joins other biologicals used for this condition, including Enbrel (etanercept), Amevive (alefacept), and Remicade (infliximab). It works by blocking the effect of proteins in the body involved with inflammation and the excessive production of skin cells. Reports indicate that when Stelara was recently compared to Enbrel in a head-to-head, three month trial, Stelara was more effective in reducing psoriasis activity. Since Stelara also reduces the body's ability to fight infection, there is a possible risk for infection. Psoriasis usually appears as inflamed and thickened or raised patches of skin that are often covered with silvery scales. Other treatments may include topical drugs like corticosteroids, light therapy (sunlight and narrowband UVB therapy), and oral drugs like methotrexate.



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# White celebrates 102nd birthday

**By Ashlyn Tubbs, Clarendon Enterprise**  
A rare event occurred at Community Care Center of Clarendon last week when one of the nursing home's residents, Virgie White, turned an impressive age of 102.

According to activity director Misty Speed, White gets along good for being her age. She can walk down the hall by herself and does very well even without a wheelchair. "Sometimes I wonder if I'm really this old," White said. "Even though some days I do feel as old as I am, I don't work as much as I would like to."

White was born October 20, 1907, to Dora and Amos French in Arkansas. She was one of four children. Her father was a farmer, and her mother and brothers always helped him in the field while she stayed home, cooked, and filled her mother's shoes by taking care of her siblings.

"I've cooked ever since I was a little bitty thing," White said. "My mom always let me when I wanted to. My favorite thing to cook was fried chicken and ham, too, since we raised pigs."

Even though White's family had no television or radio, she and her siblings still entertained themselves by playing games with each other.

"I had two brothers, and we played ball," White said. "And of

course, when we were little we played hide and go seek with each other."

Since her father farmed, White and her family moved around quite often. They lived in Arkansas, Oklahoma, and Texas. She completed her schooling in Oklahoma her seventh and eighth grade year.

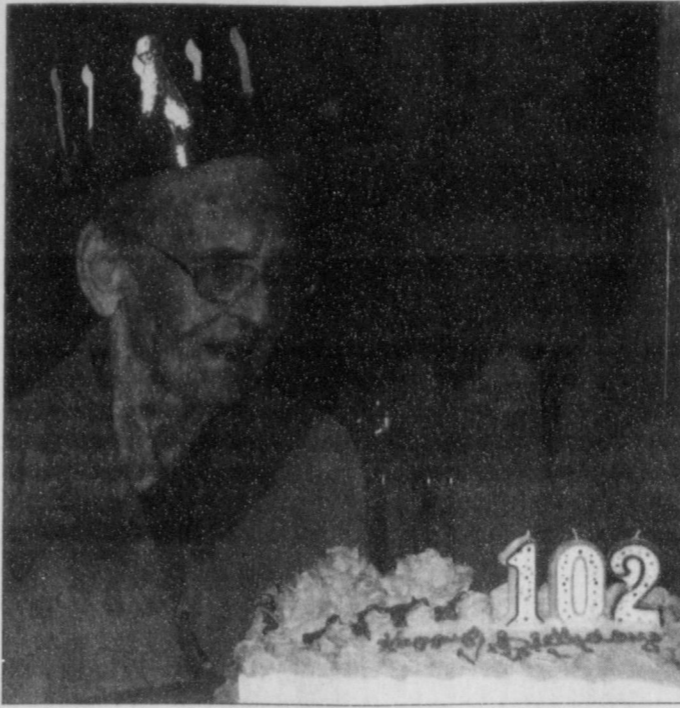
White said that her most favorite memories are those that she spent with her loved ones.

"When I was a little girl, we went camping a lot because my dad liked to fish down at the rivers and creeks," White said. "That was a lot of fun to me."

She married M.T. White, also known as Boge, in 1927. They had two sons and two daughters together. They were married for 46 years.

"The day of my wedding, I was pulling cotton," White said. "My family and I had come out to Quail, and we pulled cotton, and I married one of the guys I worked for. I went in, took a bath, got married, and went back out again and kept picking cotton"

White and her husband never lived four miles away from the Donley-Collingsworth County line in McKnight the entire time they were married until Boge retired. According to White's son, Delbert White, his mother wasn't the only person who lived in and around that area who lived to see her nineties



Virgie White

and even hundreds. One of those residents, Peggy DeBord, lived to be 105.

"I think it's pretty odd how about five of the residents of that area lived to be so old," Delbert said. "I guess they must have good water there, and it helped that they were all good workers. They all lived good lives."

When asked what her greatest accomplishment in her life is, White

said raising her family. Her family is spread out across Colorado, Missouri, Arkansas, and Texas. She has ten grandchildren, and is also known as a great great-grandma. Her oldest son is now 81 years of age.

"She is a great mother and a good friend to everyone," Delbert said in reference to White. "She has a kind heart, and she's so friendly. You can tell she still has a good mind by talking to her."



## Champions

Congratulations to the 3rd & 4th Grade Clarendon Broncos, who competed in the Championship Game of the Eastern Panhandle Youth Football league in Wheeler and for the second year won the championship title in overtime. The Broncos defeated the Canadian Wildcats, 12-6. The Broncos are coached by volunteer coaches Lance Wood, Casey Cobb, Ken Shelton and Jeremy Hicks. Fourth Grade Players are Albert Buckhaults, Mario Flores, Cooper Coley, Joshua Cobb, Colt Wood, Raylyn Shelton, Andy Davis, Payton Havens, Demarjae Cortez, Justin Christopher, Nathan Shadle, Devin Lynn Dickey-Christain, and Kade Hunsaker. Third Grade Players are Ben Haney, Gavin Word, Noab Elam, Preston Elam, Ryan McCleskey, Payton Hicks, Christopher Bruce, Dalton Benson, Isaac Dunham, Cameron Smith, Cole Franks, Chris Wilson, Ryan Ward, and Payton Morris.

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## CISD Trustees approve purchases

The Clarendon CISD Board of Trustees held its regular meeting October 12, 2009.

Among the items on the board's agenda, trustees voted to purchase video surveillance system from Guardian Security (Cisco System) for the Administration/Technology Building.

The board voted in favor of purchasing a utility tractor from ASCO for use at the ag farm and maintenance facilities.

A motion was approved to accept bids on the following tax delinquent property: James R. Copelin on S/2 Lot 2, All of Lot 3, N/2 Lot 4, Block 13, OT, Clarendon; Lots 7-9, Block 13, OT, Clarendon; Lots 16-18, S/2 Lot 19, Block 13, OT, Clarendon; Lot 247, Nocona Hills; Lot 265, Nocona Hills.

A public hearing was held to

discuss the district's 2009 School FIRST Rating and the annual financial management report. Clarendon CISD received a rating of superior achievement.

A proposal was accepted from John Chandler Ford for the purchase of a 2010 Ford Expedition EL-XLT for \$29,376.

The board nominated Dan Hall, Che Shadle, Casey Cobb, and Steve Carter to the Donley County Appraisal District Board.

Superintendent Monty Hysinger presented and reviewed the Tax Rate Survey 2009 for the Region 16 ESC service area. Seventy-seven percent of the school districts in the Region 16 area have a higher rate.

The board approved a motion to purchase a sound system from the Bronco Gym from Tarpley Media Systems for \$10,763.

## County hears about transmission lines

The Donley County Commissioners' Court met in regular session October 13 in the Commissioners Courtroom.

Commissioners heard a presentation from Cameron Fredkin of Cross Texas Transmission who said his firm will hold three meetings to discuss proposed routes for a transmission line that could come through Donley County. The meetings will be held October 27 in Childress, October 28 in Wellington, and October 29 in Memphis. Fredkin said they intend to present a plan to the Public

Utilities Commission in March.

The court nominated five people for the appraisal district board of directors - Bobbie Campbell, Steve Carter, Burl Hollar, Wilma Lindley, and Jeremy Powell.

The commissioners considered and approved construction plans and standard specifications for cattle guards on county roads. Guidelines are available in the judges' office and in the clerk's office.

Commissioners also approved justice of the peace court training for Connie Havens in Pct. 1&2.

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## Exchange student having fun living in US with Hedley family

By Ashlyn Tubbs, Clarendon Enterprise  
The lives of Diane and Johnny Conatser of Memphis are going to be a lot more "Sunny" for the next eight months.

That brightness comes from 15-year-old Sonsoles Cia, also known as Sunny, who is a foreign exchange student from Spain who will live in the Conatser household for the remainder of this school year until June.

"I wanted to be a foreign exchange student because I love to meet people, learn languages, and travel," Sonsoles said.

Due to positive experiences with hosting a foreign exchange student last year, the Conatser family was easily convinced to host again and eagerly looked forward to it.

"We had a girl from Korea last year, and we truly enjoyed her," Diane Conatser said. "That got us into it, and our coordinator asked us to host again this year."

The Conatsers had to choose to be the host parents of either Sunny or a German girl, but the decision for Sunny was made official due to Hedley sophomore Sierra Shelp's persuasion, because her and Sunny have the same birthday.

"Our birthdays are on June 13, and now she is my best friend here," Sunny said. "I love Sierra."

Sunny is the daughter of Jose Maria and Sonsoles Cia. She has two younger siblings, a 13-year-old brother and a seven-year-old sister. In America, she has only one older sister, 18-year-old Skyler Conatser.

"It's cool that I am the baby now," Sunny said. "I have always been the oldest until now, because I have an older sister, Skyler. I've always wanted to be the youngest though, because the oldest always wants to be the youngest."

Sunny and her family live by Madrid, Spain, in a suburb of the town Torrelodones, which she describes as bigger than Hedley, but smaller than Amarillo. She lives in a four-story house, complete with a garden and pool.

"It's different here in Hedley, but I expected it to be a shock," Sunny said. "There's a lot of trees where I live, and here there's no trees! I live in the mountains, so here to me is very different."

Living by the capitol of Spain offers teenagers like Sunny more entertainment than Memphis or Hedley does.

"There is all sorts of stuff to do in Madrid since it's the capitol, so it's a lot of fun," Sunny said. "I still have fun in Memphis though. I just hang out with my friends and ride around. I'm more comfortable in small towns than big cities, so I love Hedley and Memphis."

The school Sunny attends in Spain is quite different than Hedley ISD. It has a large campus and a

higher enrollment. School starts at 9:30 a.m. until 5 p.m., and classes are one hour long instead of 45 minutes with more breaks in between them. Instead of moving to each class, students stay in one classroom while the teachers move from room to room. The grading system is based on a scale of 1 to 10 instead of 0 to 100. In Spain, the school sponsors no extracurricular activities so students must participate in sports, band, theatre, etc., outside of school. Similar to America, Spain students are 18 years old when they graduate from school.

"I enjoy school better in America because it is easier here," Sunny said. "It's really hard to go to school in Spain. I don't have enough time to do anything else because school is so hard. I have to study a lot in the evenings to make good grades, so I have not enough time to participate in other stuff."

Sunny plans to attend college, possibly in America, to be either a photographer or an architect.

"I have more possibilities for me to come to college here since I'm a foreign exchange student," Sunny said. "But I would have to stay in America for my whole career, so I'm not sure yet."

Sunny speaks many different languages, which include Spanish, English, French, Portuguese, and a beginning native tongue spoken in northwestern Spain known as Galego, which she describes as a mixture of Spanish and Portuguese.

"Sometimes she has a hard time speaking English, and there are some words she tries to say that we get tickled at," Diane said. "Her English has improved some since she came here though."

One thing that is different in America than in Spain is the weather. Sunny is not used to the severe temperature changes Texas weather can experience in just one day.

"The weather in summer was like Spain's, but now in autumn I'm seeing some difference because some days can be a summer day and a winter day in the same day."

Sunny's hobbies include drawing, painting, skiing, sailing, taking pictures, shopping, playing sports, cooking, having sleepovers with her friends, singing and dancing.

"I'm a really bad singer, so I only do in the shower when nobody's home listening," Sunny said.

Sunny is talented musically; she plays the guitar, recorder, and hopes to take piano lessons soon. She also participated in soccer and volleyball in Spain, and she said that sports are played differently in America.

"In Spain, we just play sports to have fun," Sunny said. "You can be on a team, but they're just friendly games. You can win, but it's not so competitive."

Sunny's favorite American



Sonsoles "Sunny" Cia

movie is "Finding Nemo." Her favorite restaurant is the Olive Garden. She enjoys listening to all kinds of music, but some of her favorite artists are Rihanna, Simple Plan, and Green Day. She also loves animals, particularly her new tiny toy chihuahua puppy she named Tequila.

"She is going to try to teach Tequila Spanish, so he can be bilingual like her," Diane said.

Since her arrival in America, Sunny has had many new experiences; such as football games, pep rallies, and participating in powder-puff football and basketball.

"I love watching football," Sunny said. "And I love the pep rallies. We don't have them in Spain, and they're really good and fun."

She also had never seen a horned toad or a turtle, and she got the rare opportunity of seeing a bear when she went camping at Red River.

Sunny admits that she was a little apprehensive of being a foreign exchange student at first, but her American family has made her non-regretful.

"I think the Conatsers are the best family I could be with," Sunny said. "I was really scared at first about that because it would be a year with a different family, with new parents, sisters and everything. I'm so lucky."

As for the Conatser family, they thoroughly enjoy Sunny's presence with them and look forward to spending more time with her throughout this year.

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### Bugging out

Mrs. Conatser's Hedley sixth grade class shows off its bug collections for the year. They have been studying and classifying the different specimens for science class. Shown here are (back) Devon Guy, Lane Cabler, Brittany Bennett, Miles Patton, (front) Klaiton Moore, Jesse Pecina, Kelsey Wells, and Clay King.

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