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

SBA, PRPC to host veterans' job fair

The SBA Lubbock District office and the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission are sponsoring a "conference for Veteran-Owned Businesses and a Veteran Job Fair" with our area businesses, area education institutions, and government entities.

The conference will be Thursday, September 25, 2008, at the Ambassador Hotel, Amarillo, Texas, from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. The program will start with a lunch from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. There will be breakout sessions geared toward both the business owners and to the individuals seeking employment. The attendees will also have ample time to visit your booth or table.

If you would like to participate and reserve a booth to promote procurement and business opportunities to veteran-owned businesses or to reserve a booth as a potential employer of veterans, reservists, and National Guard soldiers, please call today. The booth space will be \$150 each. Please show your pride and support for these men and women.

CC sets next dates for Bulldog Days

New students this fall are invited to attend a Bulldog Days weekend this summer at Clarendon College.

Students will have the opportunity to tour the campus, meet with academic advisors and financial aid counselors, and register for classes.

The next session will be held July 25-26.

The cost of the event is \$25 and includes three meals and a Clarendon College t-shirt. Parents and guests are welcome to attend with the new students.

For more information, please call Brandi Havens at 874-3571, ext. 107.

Cowboy poets to be featured in Amarillo

The monthly Cowboy Poetry Breakfast, sponsored by the Southwest Cowboy Poets Association, will be Saturday, July 12, at 8:00 at the Big Texan in Amarillo.

Headliner Ed Havrell of Iowa Park is a true Native Texan, having bred quarter horses for 40 years. Retirement gives him the time to spend on writing cowboy poetry. One of the highlights of his career is appearing at Red Stegall's Ft Worth Show. Gennie Peters, secretary of SWCPA, will emcee.

Following the headliner, members of the SWCPA will join in the entertainment with cowboy poetry and music of heritage, southwestern cowboy culture, cowboy experiences, tragedies and hilarious happenings revealing the western creed. The public is invited.

Nursing home now in private hands

Donley County taxpayers are no longer in the nursing home business.

The sale of the Medical Center Nursing Home closed June 30, and hospital board chairman Alan Fletcher said the hospital district received all its money from the buyer Monday.

"It's done," Fletcher said Tuesday morning. "We've notified our bond company, and we intend to pay down a huge portion of the hospital

district's debt soon."

The final sale price was \$1.11 million.

Effective July 1 the nursing home's name became Community Care Center of Clarendon and is owned by Clarendon Skilled Care, Ltd., of Denton.

Facility administrator Billy Ray Johnston said Tuesday that his staff was working well with the new owner and said he does not anticipate any changes other than

the way the administration handles some things.

"The employees seem fine with it (the sale)," Johnston said. "There is some fear of the unknown, but I don't think we have anything to fear. I don't see a change in the care we provide."

The hospital district will pay a fee to the new owner for services from December 1, 2007, to July 1, 2008; and after other expenses are paid, the district will be left with

about \$958,000 to put towards its bonded indebtedness of approximately \$1.3 million.

"We'll know by the end of the week what our final debt payments will be and when will be able to get that paid off," Fletcher said.

Fletcher said the district will remain responsible for indigent care and the ambulance service.

The hospital district now proceeds with its new fiscal year without the expense of the nursing

home and will hold a budget hearing July 22.

"It looks good," Fletcher said. "The plan is to do away with personal property taxes, and then future tax reductions will depend on what it takes to run the ambulance service."

"I think the sale gives us the option to continue having the best ambulance service for a community our size in the Panhandle, and hopefully we'll be able to raise salaries to keep it that way," Fletcher said.



Presenting the colors

Slim Stevenson carries the American flag into the COEA Arena last week as part of the 131st annual Saints' Roost Celebration.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / KARI LINDSEY

Good crowd marks annual celebration

A good sized crowd filled with fellowship and tradition was present during this year's 131st annual Saints' Roost Celebration Friday, July 4, on the Courthouse Square.

The day started off with tours of the restored 1890 Courthouse followed by the Craft Fair on the square.

The Al Morrah Shrine Club served 750 plates of barbecue this year, which is down from 934 last year and 882 the year before. Funds from the annual barbecue are used in conjunction with the Khiva Temple of the Shrine in Amarillo to help pay for the transportation of kids to the Shriners' burns and crippled children's hospitals.

The Old Settlers Reunion was also held Friday morning. Lee Jones traveled the greatest distance of 2500 miles to be here. The oldest woman present was Helen Lamberson at 91; and J.T. Lamberson, age 95, earned the right to be called the oldest old settler present as well as the person living in Donley County the longest. J.T. and Helen Lamberson were also the old settlers that were married the longest: a good 75 years.

The Chamber of Commerce reports that the Clarendon Jr. High Cheerleaders won first place in the float division, and the Shriners placed second. In the Riding division, the Mule Skinners won first place for the second year in a row, and the Sharp family placed second.

In the Antique Vehicles division of the parade, Sherol Johnston won first, and Redell Johnston placed second. Linda Crump won first place in the Miscellaneous division, and Country Bloomers Flowers & Gifts placed second.

The Kids' Parade led the full

parade; and winners were Easton and Elliot Frausto in the 0-4 Division; Jayden Moss in the 5-8 Division, and Brigg Hawkins from Cleburne in the 9-12 Division.

Several organizations held fundraisers, and the following are the results available at press time. The winners of the Lions Club Cow Patty Bingo were Larry Hicks, Jesus Hernandez for his daughter Jenci, and John Morrow. The Clarendon Fire-belle's Penny Raffle winners were Mike Wisenhunt, Randy Crump, and Rudy Jantz. Eloy Comacho was the winner of the \$500 worth of gas from the Chamber of Commerce. Mike Word won the John Deere riding lawn mower given by the Friends of Donley County Activity Center that supported Donley County 4-H. Joe Zillmen was the winner of the custom commemorative spurs from the Clarendon Masonic Lodge, and Bob White won the barbecue grill that supported the Donley County Ag and FFA members.

The Henson's annual Turtle Race was held Saturday afternoon. There were altogether 164 participants; and the winners were Madison Swift of the 0-4 division, Chardy Craft of the 5-8 division, and Josh Clinton, the grandson of Mike and Nera Spier, of the 9-14 division.

The Turtle Art Contest winners for the 13-16 age division were Cody Wood, age 13, with 1st place and Kelsey Floyd, age 15, with 2nd place. The 7-9 age division winners were Colt Wood, age eight with 1st place and Cire Jaurequi with 2nd place.

The Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment Association held a two-day ranch rodeo and other events, which are reported in a separate story.

M&M Ranch wins annual rodeo

The M&M Ranch took top honors during the Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment Association's annual Ranch Rodeo last Friday and Saturday.

The M&M team's scores beat out 19 other local and regional teams as working cowboys put their skills to the test as part of the 131st annual Saints' Roost Celebration. The team was made up of Vance Molesworth, Sterling Molesworth, Chad Mason, Toby Schenk, and Marty Daniels.

Finishing second was Jernagin Cattle Co. with the team of Jamie Jernigan, John Kelly Walden, Justin Bruton, Jake Bruton, and Casey Armstrong.

The Bit Ranch was third with the team of Danny Bennett, Teal Bennett, Tate Bennett, Klay Waters, and Rex Green.

The Top Hand award was won by Chad Mason of the M&M Ranch, and Tate Bennett of the Bit Ranch

took home the Top Horse award.

The Wild Mare Races were won by Johnny Mangum, Chris Downer, and John Walden on Friday night and Martin Oliver, Shelby Stepp, and J.T. Christopher on Saturday night.

COEA also hosted events Wednesday and Thursday, July 2 and 3.

The average winner of Thursday's Bronc Riding Competition was Garrett Maness.

In the first go around, first place went to Tell Good; and in the second go around, Garrett Maness won first.

Calf scramble winners from the four nights were Trevor Cobb, Brandon Miller, and Jonathon Cartwright (Wednesday); Ray Jaramillo, Stormy Reynolds, and Brandon Miller (Thursday); Kaden Bennett, Ranch Hargrove, and Easton Frausto (Friday); and Jonah Sell, Zach LaRoe, and Tanner Reynolds (Saturday).

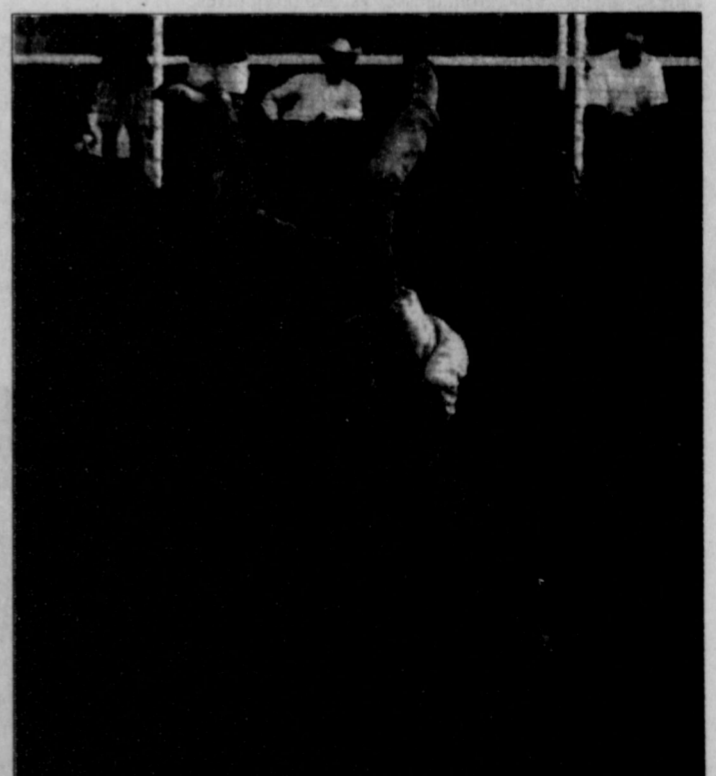
Junior Calf Riding was held all four nights. Winners were Jake Bacha (Wednesday), Dalton Benson (Thursday), Sierra Sharp and Clay Koetting (Friday), and Kylie Waters (Saturday). Overall Calf Ride winners were Dalton Benson and Kylie Waters.

Winners of the Junior Steer Riding were Jake Clevinger (Wednesday), Jake Bacha (Thursday), Dalton Benson (Friday), and Ethan Bertan (Saturday). Overall Steer Riding winner was Jake Clevinger.

Jake Owens took home first in the Junior Donkey Riding on Friday and Saturday nights and had the best score overall. Dalton Benson won on Wednesday and Thursday.

The Overall Junior Rodeo winners from Wednesday night were Smith SJ, first; Coon Ranch, second; and Covered K, third.

See 'Rodeo' on page 3.



Casey McCleskey hangs on tight during the donkey ride as part of the Saints' Roost Celebration last week.

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Battle in Iraq part of larger War on Terror

Dr. John Howard gave an impressive presentation at the First Baptist Church Sunday evening with an overview of what his life was like this past year. Howard, who also holds the rank of captain in the US Marines, was deployed to Iraq for several months and saw first hand the conditions in that country. But the salient message delivered by the good doctor was not about the interesting weather phenomenon in that country or the modesty of our servicemen's living quarters or the standard of medical equipment on the air base there. No, the most important part of Howard's presentation was the reason that the United States is in Iraq.



editor's commentary
by roger estlack

Howard noted the "steady drumbeat" of calls by politicians to bring our troops home, and he reminded the audience that America – and indeed all of Western civilization – is at war, whether it admits it or not. "We are fortunate that we have not had an attack on our soil since 9-11," Howard said. "But it is foolhardy to say we are not at war." The doctor noted that most Muslims in the world are peaceful. The portion of Muslims who are radicals is limited to about 10 or 15 percent, he said, but in a world with one billion Muslims, it is still a lot of people who are hell-bent on destroying the West and everything it stands for – religious freedom, personal liberty, and equal rights for all men and women. We are fortunate to have a volunteer force of fighting men and women – including several from Donley County – who are willing to face the threat Islamic terrorists present in order to preserve not just our American way of life but civilization as we know it. That may sound like an over-the-top statement, but it is not. Terrorism has struck all around the globe in recent years; and while these attacks are not all coordinated, they are nonetheless a part of an overall campaign led by a minority of one of the world's religions. This war, which began long before September 11, 2001, will not be won any time soon. Its battles will rage long after the US mission in Iraq is complete. And victory in the name of Liberty and Self-Determination will come only after many years of vigilance in the face of hatred.

Sugar and spice...

Our family broke new ground last week. After decades of nothing but Estlack boys, we welcomed a girl into our midst when my wife gave birth to our beautiful daughter, Elaina. I know nothing about raising a girl. Dad always had a clever philosophy about the difference between raising boys and girls, but it's not quite fit for publication. Suffice it to say girls are more trouble than boys. At least that's what I've always heard. So you can imagine that it was with much trepidation that I received the news from the sonogram technician a few months back that Benjamin would be having a sister. "Are you sure?" I asked. She was, and my mind raced with thoughts of the way junior high girls squeal when they are excited, Barbie dolls, pink froo-froo stuff, complete overuse of the word "cute," the number of shoes her mother already owned, \$200 prom dresses vs. \$80 prom tuxes, the general drama that seems to go with every teenage girl's life, and the prospect that Dad's shotgun might have to be used for something other than pheasant hunting in a few years. We left the doctor's office that day and headed for Toys R Us. When the same scenario played out with a baby boy on the way in 2006, I walked out with a twenty dollar teddy bear named "Sonny." This time my wife went in the store with me, and we left a hundred dollars inside. I worried how my son would react to the new member of our family, and my Mom admitted her own nervousness, noting that she has never changed an infant girl's diaper. We were going to be left to rely on the experiences of my in-laws, who have plenty of girls on their side, and of close friends with good track records on raising young ladies. But all – or at least most – concerns were swept away last Wednesday night after I held my baby girl in my arms and each one of us in turn instantly fell in love with her. And Benjamin... well, no one was more excited than he was when shouting, "Baby!" and "Ella!" repeatedly in the hospital. Now he rushes to her side if she cries, sure that her pink teddy bear is the best cure for whatever is wrong. Monday morning I roused him from bed to go to the sitter, and the first thing he said was "baby?" One week into life Elaina is proving to be no more difficult than her brother was at her age. She sleeps well and has a beautiful smile when she chooses to grace you with it. Girls may be more trouble – especially when we hit the teen years. But I'm confident that this girl will be worth it.

Congress should reclaim authority

By Robert A. Levy

The Supreme Court recently turned down environmental groups that sought to stop Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff from ignoring laws that might impede construction of a border wall. That cleared the way for Chertoff to act as a super-legislature with unprecedented powers granted to him by Congress. He made the most of his newfound clout, suspending more than 30 statutes, including the National Environmental Policy Act, Endangered Species Act, Clean Air Act and Solid Waste Disposal Act. It is time to review Civics 101: The legislature enacts the laws; the executive branch enforces them. Lawmaking is for Congress and cannot be delegated to the Department of Homeland Security. Surprisingly, federal agencies now dwarf Congress when it comes to making rules that control what Americans can do. The Code of Federal Regulations, which covers hundreds of independent and executive agencies, comprises more than 200 bound volumes. By comparison, the U.S. Code, containing all laws passed by Congress, is a mere 35 volumes. In effect, Congress has delegated much of its legislative authority to an unelected alphabet soup of bureaus that tell us how to live. The U.S. Supreme Court blessed this trend during the New Deal: Legislators may delegate their authority so long as Congress "shall lay down... an intelligible principle to which the person or body authorized... is directed to conform." What constitutes an intelligible principle? Basically anything: Not a single post-New Deal statutory program has been invalidated as an unconstitutional delegation of legislative power to the executive branch. Consider one recent case, *Whitman vs. American Trucking Associations Inc.*, which asked whether Congress, in the Clean Air Act, could empower the Environmental Protection Agency to set air-quality standards. Congress directed the EPA to "protect the public health" with "an adequate margin of safety." The court of appeals ruled that Congress "failed to state intelligibly how much is too much." The Supreme Court, unfortunately, disagreed. What makes *American Trucking* so outrageous is that the so-called intelligible principle ("protect the public health"

with "an adequate margin of safety") was logically impossible to apply. The pollutants in question were dangerous at any concentration above zero so there was no margin of safety. What's more, the pollutants occur naturally; the EPA could not have eliminated them if it wanted to. The point to take away from both these cases is that delegation has become a recipe for irresponsibility. Congress gets to claim credit for the supposed benefits of, say, a border fence, yet dodge culpability for the associated environmental costs. Now that the Supreme Court has declined to intervene, the ball is back in Congress' court. A responsible Congress should reclaim its authority and reinvigorate the non-delegation doctrine. Political philosopher John Locke said, "The legislative (branch) cannot transfer the power of making laws to any other hands." The legislative power, Locke said, is "to make laws, and not to make legislators." Robert A. Levy is senior fellow in constitutional studies and co-author of *The Dirty Dozen: How Twelve Supreme Court Cases Radically Expanded Government and Eroded Freedom*.



Support healthy youth lifestyles

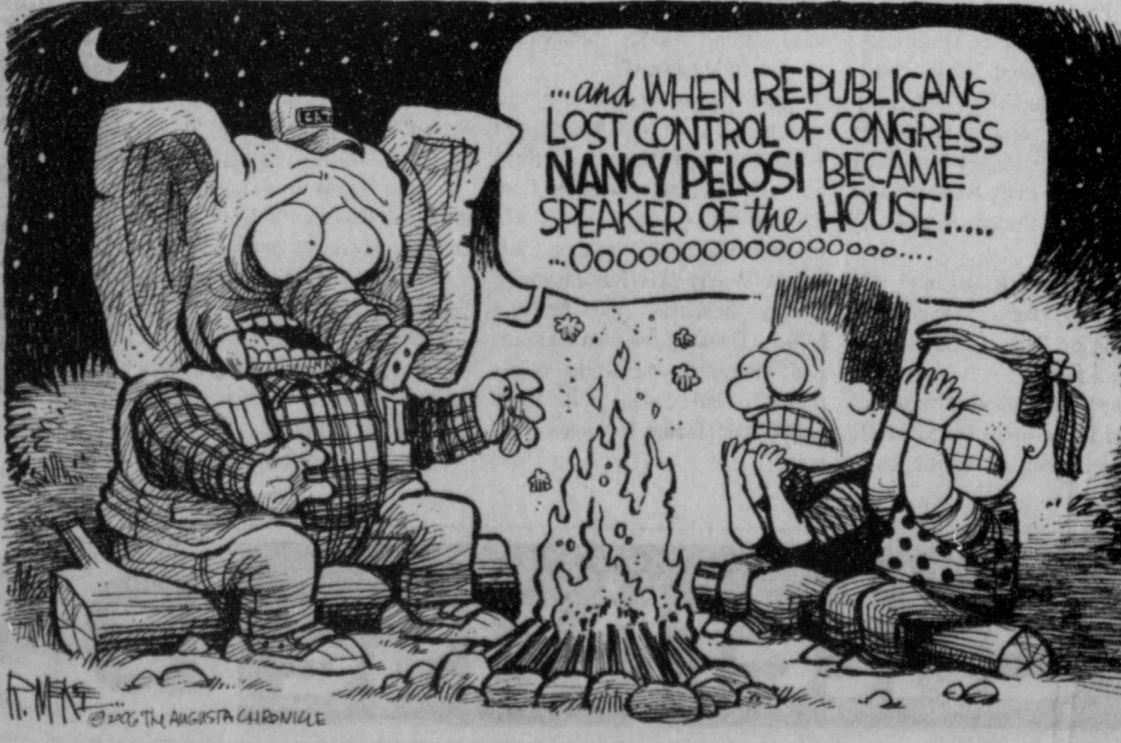
Summer in Texas is now in full bloom. Unfortunately, many children will spend their free time not on swings at playgrounds but in front of televisions at home, consuming hours of programming full of advertisements for unhealthy foods. Others will spend time on the Internet instead of playing outside with their friends. This lack of physical activity among our youth is contributing to an American healthcare crisis: childhood obesity. We must work together to reduce the harmful influence that inactivity can have on our kids, and promote healthy living that is vital to their long-term well-being. Texas ranks sixth nationally in the percentage of obese youth (ages 10 – 17), and many of these children are at risk of significant health problems, including Type 2 Diabetes. Since 1990, the number of children diagnosed with Type 2 diabetes in our country has jumped 15-fold. This is extremely troubling because diabetic children face lifelong medical problems. Fortunately, a number of broadcasters and corporations are taking steps to foster healthy and active lifestyles. They

are demonstrating that they are willing to be part of the solution. The Walt Disney Company is phasing out the use of its characters in promotions that market unhealthy products, and it is developing shows that demonstrate the benefits of exercising and eating well. Nickelodeon, one of the national networks for youth, has an initiative called "Let's Just Play," which inspires young viewers to be more active. On the network's annual "Worldwide Day of Play," it suspends programming for a block of time so kids can go outside and run around. I hope that Texas parents will help me support the continuation and expansion of these efforts. Broadcasters in our state are also creating initiatives that nurture wholesome living. Many of these endeavors are community-based and address physical, nutritional, and mental health.



capitol comment
by sen. kay bailey hutchison

This is a good start, but there is much more that can be done to curb the epidemic of childhood obesity. We can help shape the content of the shows our children listen to and watch by encouraging media companies, broadcasters, and marketers to air responsible programs and advertisements. Finally, a foundation for healthy habits must be reinforced at home. In the 2008 Farm Bill, I created an elementary school pilot program that invites parents to become involved in nutritional education along with their children. This initiative is modeled after the very successful Coordinated Approach to Child Health (CATCH) Program which helped significantly reduce the number of overweight fifth graders in El Paso. By using the major influences in a child's life – from parents, to teachers, to their favorite television characters – we can help reverse childhood obesity. We can all be part of a national movement to cultivate positive lifestyles and good health that young Americans can carry into adulthood.



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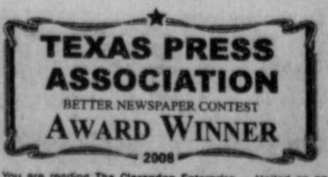
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Howard talks about life in Iraq

For nearly a year, Clarendon was without its doctor as he answered the call of his Uncle Sam to serve America in Iraq.

Dr. John Howard left a year ago in June for training in North Carolina and California before being deployed to Al Asad Airbase west of Baghdad. Sunday he addressed a large crowd in the First Baptist Church to thank his community for their support and let everyone know what he had seen.

"It was interesting," Howard said. "Most of the people who did not want to go to Iraq were from California, and most of the people who did want to go were from Texas. I think that's a testament to the patriotism of Texans."

Howard showed slides of cramped living quarters on base and

also of the gear he and other Marines wore.

"A Marine fully loaded carries 80 to 90 pounds of gear," Howard said.

The base Howard served on was manned by not only US troops but also British, Australian, and Ugandan servicemen.

Two nearby landmarks were the Well of Abraham, which is mentioned in the Bible, and a mass grave, which has the distinction of being the final resting place of the Iraqi soccer team, the members of which were ordered executed by Saddam Hussein's son after they lost a game.

In the face of terrible sandstorms and fierce heat, Howard and his comrades tried to maintain as

normal a life as possible, including celebrating Christmas and attending regular church services.

"I think it would have been more difficult without my faith to sustain me," Howard said.

The doctor also said he thought the people who stay behind have it harder than those who are deployed, and expressed his appreciation for the community who supported not only him but also his wife and practice while he was away.

Howard closed his remarks by reminding the audience why America is in Iraq, noting Saddam Hussein's well-publicized state sponsorship of terrorists and saying that our nation is most certainly at war even though there have been no attacks on our soil since 2001.



New officers

The Clarendon Lions Club installed new officers last Tuesday. Shown here are Membership Chairman Richard Sheppard, Tail Twister Jerry Woodard, Secretary Russell Estlack, Vice President Chuck Robertson, Boss Lion Cameron Word, Lion Tamer Bobbie Thornberry, Treasurer Roger Estlack, Song Leader Bill Auvenshine, and Third Vice President Debra Kuhl. Not shown is Second Vice President David Smith.

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Fri	11	85°	63°	-
Sat	12	93°	63°	-
Sun	13	97°	69°	-

Total precipitation this month: .23"
Total precipitation to date: 5.82"
Total precipitation in June last year: 3.41"
Total YTD last year: 16.05"

weekend forecast

	Friday, July 11 Mostly Sunny 96°/67°
	Saturday, July 12 Partly Cloudy 95°/67°
	Sunday, July 13 Partly Cloudy 94°/68°

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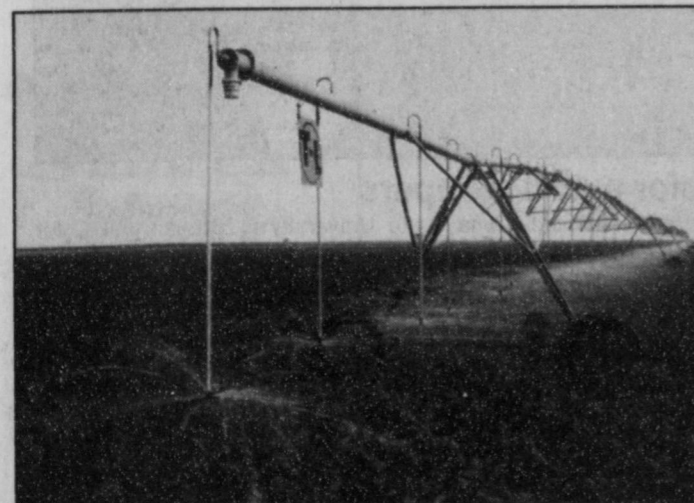
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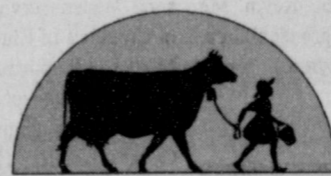
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July 11
Burton Memorial Library Story Hour
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July 12
First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School Day • FBC • 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

July 14 - 15
Community Fellowship Church Vacation Bible School • City Park • 6 - 8 p.m.

July 25 - 26
Bulldog Days • Clarendon College

September 27
Col. Charles Goodnight Chuckwagon Cookoff • Saints' Roost Museum

Menus

July 14 - 18

Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Chicken salad, squash casserole, cottage cheese/pineapple, carrot cake, bread/crackers.

Tue: Sliced ham, broccoli au gratin, salad, brownies, biscuits.

Wed: Roast/brown gravy, scalloped potatoes, salad, fruit cobbler, rolls.

Thu: Chicken strips/gravy, mashed potatoes, celery sticks/cheese dip, cantaloupe, bread.

Fri: Cheeseburger/trimmings, tater tots, pickle slices, chips, pastry day.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Hamburger steak with grilled onions, fried okra, peas & carrots, blueberry muffin, chocolate pudding, biscuit.

Tue: Ham salad sandwich, tater tots, lettuce and tomato, watermelon, sliced bread.

Wed: Catfish, onion rings, spinach, cole slaw, cobbler, corn bread.

Thu: Chicken pot pie, fried okra, corn, jello salad, pudding, roll.

Fri: Steak & gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered squash, cantaloupe, bread pudding, roll.

Communications bombards everyone daily

By MaryRuth Bishop, AgriLife Agent
Life is a series of conversations.

Every week, the average person receives: 682 e-mails, 12 text messages, 10.8 pieces of junk mail, and 1.5 personal letters.

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tional value is priceless. The recipient can keep and reread it forever.

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If you are like most people, you want to contribute, make a difference, and have a positive impact; but maybe you don't know what to do, where to go, when the "right" time is, or how to get others involved. Letter writing is one of the simplest yet most powerful ways to create a healing experience for yourself and for the people you love the most.

Letter writing can help you

release negative feelings constructively. Once the negative feelings are out of your mind and onto the paper, there is a sense of well being. Through this process you can uncover new options and solutions.

Take action today. Select the person - a family member, friend, co-worker, or someone you haven't spoken to in a long time whom you want to thank for what he or she brings to your life. Choose a postcard, letter, or card.

Take a few minutes to write a warm, sincere message that clearly communicates your love and appreciation for that person.

Decide if you want to add any special touches like unique paper,

scents, photographs, drawings on the envelope, or a specialty stamp. The process of letter writing helps you to understand your feelings, thoughts and attitudes.

Spend some time on someone through a letter.

Coming up: If you are interested in participating in the monthly quilt activities beginning in September, please call the office and let us know. We will mail out the sign up form in August.

Kids puppetry is coming July 22 at the Burton Memorial Library from 2:00-5:00 p.m.

This activity is open to all youth from upcoming 3rd graders to seniors in high school.

Chatty Kathy

by Kathy Spier

The Hedley Senior Citizens is raffling off a King Size Quilt with two pillow shams and one throw pillow. We will be giving it away at the Hedley Cotton Festival in October. Tickets are \$1 each or a book of six for \$5.

If you are looking for a good dog please go see the small Border collie mix that is at the Vet Hospital with Guy Ellis. He is beautiful and would make someone a very good pet. He would be good with the elderly or the young. I found him roaming the roads and took him to Guy. I want to take this opportunity to thank Guy for helping me with this beautiful dog. He has gone above and beyond his duty to help me. His whole staff is wonderful. I named him Jo-Jo.

RECIPE: BACK RIBS WITH SWEET-SAVORY SAUCE: 1 cup chili sauce, ¼ cup grape jelly, 1 Tablespoon plus 1 ½ teaspoons dry red wine or beef broth, 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard, 4 ½ pounds pork loin back ribs, 3 cups water. To make sauce, in 1-quart saucepan, heat chili sauce, jelly, wine and mustard over medium heat, stirring occasionally, until jelly is melted. Heat coals or gas grill for indirect heat. Cut ribs into serving pieces. Place ribs in 4-quart Dutch oven; add water. Heat to boiling; reduce heat to low. Cover and simmer 5 minutes; drain. Cover & grill pork over medium coals 15-20 minutes, brushing with sauce every 3 minutes, until pork is no longer pink and meat begins to pull away from bones. Heat any remaining sauce to boiling, stirring constantly; boil and stir 1 minute. Serve sauce with ribs. Prep Time: 45 min. Makes 8 servings.



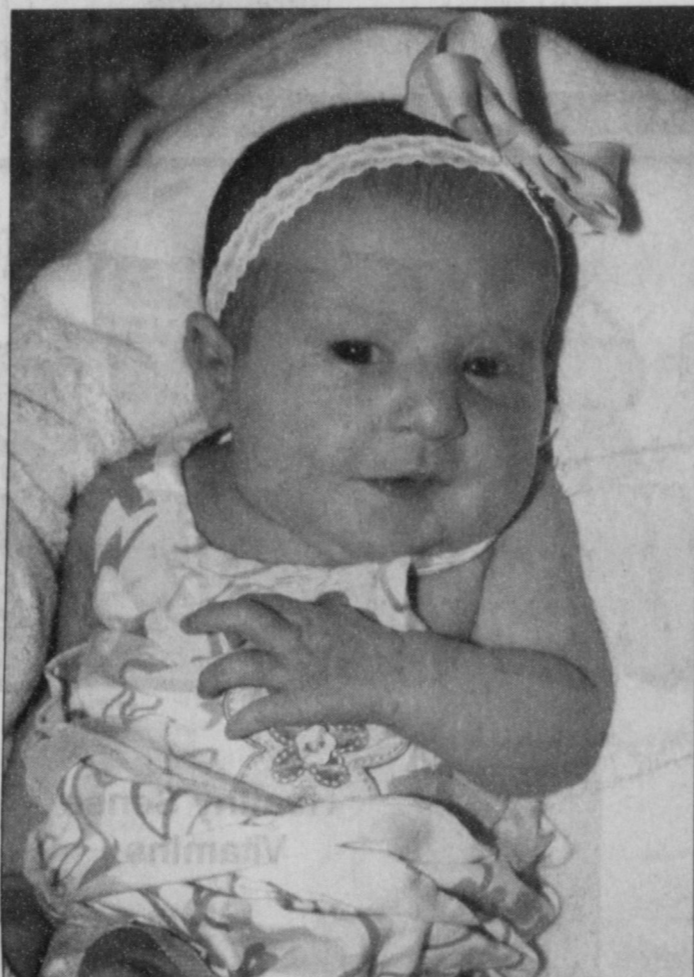
The Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting July 8, 2008, with Boss Lion Cameron Word in charge.

We had 19 members and four guests this week - Courtney Newhouse, guest of Lion Chuck Robertson; Taylor Shelton, guest of Lion Jim Shelton; and Nathan and Daniel Estlack, guest of Lion Russell Estlack.

Lion Walt Knorpp reported on the results of the Cow Patty Bingo.

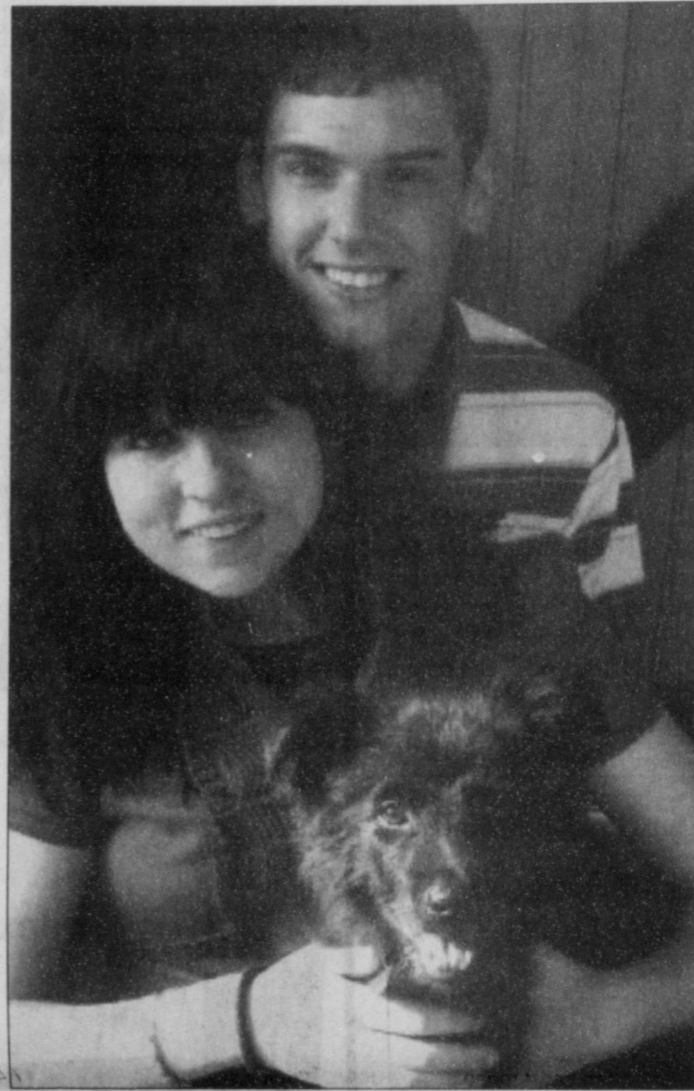
The club voted to sponsor the Col. Charles Goodnight Chuckwagon Cookoff again this year.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.



New arrival

Benjamin Estlack is pleased to announce the arrival of the Enterprise's latest special edition. His sister, Elaina JoLee, was born Wednesday, July 2, 2008, at 8:33 p.m. in Amarillo. She weighed 8 lbs., 1.6 oz. and was 21 inches long. Proud parents of "Ella" are Roger and Ashlee Estlack of Clarendon. Grandparents are Doug and Nancy Lee Kidd and Helen and the late Allen Estlack, all of Clarendon. Great grandparents are Bob and Joan Kidd of Clarendon, the late Billy Lee and Billie Jo Johnson, the late Homer and Athlynn Estlack, and the late Arlin and Bernice Hartzog. Ella is named in honor of her mother, her maternal grandmother, her maternal great grandmothers, and her maternal great grandfather.



Rachel Davis and Grady Swearingen

Swearingen, Davis to exchange vows

Mr. and Mrs. Jason Davis of Liburn, Georgia, are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Rachel Elizabeth Davis, to Mr. Grady Oakes Swearingen, son of Mr. Bobby Swearingen

and Mrs. Becky Swearingen of Clarendon.

The couple will be married on August 16, 2008, at the Northlake Church of Christ in Tucker, Georgia. They will reside in Abilene.

Obituaries

Barrow

Dorothy Dale Powell Barrow, 90, of Big Spring, died.

Memorial services were held Saturday July 5, 2008, at 2:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Big Spring. Interment with her late husband Col. Ret. Sam Hardy Barrow will be held at a later date at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio.

Dorothy's parents were the late Currie Coleman and Ivy Lemon Powell of Clarendon, Texas. She attended Clarendon High School, graduated from Clarendon College, and attended West Texas State, Gamma Phi, in 1938. She married Robert Earl Linder II in Clarendon in 1939 and he preceded her in death in 1966. She married Sam Hardy Barrow in 1986, and he preceded her in death in 2007. Dorothy was a devoted mother and a friend to untold numbers. She lived an amazing life and spent nearly all her many years in Texas. She was very close to her family and was proud that all her children finished college. She was active with many worthwhile groups

all of her life and cared for all living things.

She is survived by five children, Robert Earl Linder III, Michael Coleman Linder, Mary Kathryn Lara, Val Joe Linder, Kevin Mc Carter Linder, eight grandchildren, and 18 great grandchildren.

Bills

Carroll Edwin Bills, Sr., 83, died Sunday, July 6, 2008, in Clarendon.

Services will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 10, 2008, in the Clarendon Church of Christ with Chris Moore, Minister, and Carroll Edwin Bills, Jr., officiating. Burial will be held with US Navy Honors in Memorial Park Cemetery in Vega. Services are under the arrangement of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon

Carroll Edwin Bills was born

at home in the Neri community of Hood County to Jackson Hezekiah and Margaret Jane Ridley Bills, the youngest of seven children. Mr. Bills was a gospel preacher and a talented song leader, serving congregations of Churches of Christ in Texas, New Mexico, Missouri, and Arkansas. He was a graduate of the Neri School and Granbury High School in Hood County, Brantley Draughn Business College, and Texas Wesleyan College, with further study at Abilene Christian College, Harding College Graduate School, Freed Hardeman College Graduate School, and West Texas State University. As soon as he was old enough, he enlisted in the Navy Sea Bees and served honorably in the South Pacific during World War II, attaining the rank of Machinist Mate Third Class. He was a member of several volunteer fire departments, including Camden, Ark., Vega and Howardwick.

Mr. Bills was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers; and four sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Linn Tracy Bills, with whom he shared a marriage of over 60

years; a son, Carroll Edwin Bills, Jr. and wife Cari of New Knoxville, Ohio; four daughters: Susan Permenter and husband Bob, and Melinda Fango and husband Steve, all of Amarillo, Rebecca Hillman and husband Richard of West Lafayette, Indiana, and Ruth Byrd of Jefferson, Texas; Also surviving are grandchildren, Andrew Jackson, Amanda Betzen, Angie Reid, Page Love, Jason Permenter, Lance Permenter, Kelley Permenter, Chris Fango, T.J. Fango, Nick Hillman, Beth Hillman, Michael Byrd, and Bradie Byrd; 15 great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Honorary casket bearers will be the Howardwick Volunteer Fire Department.

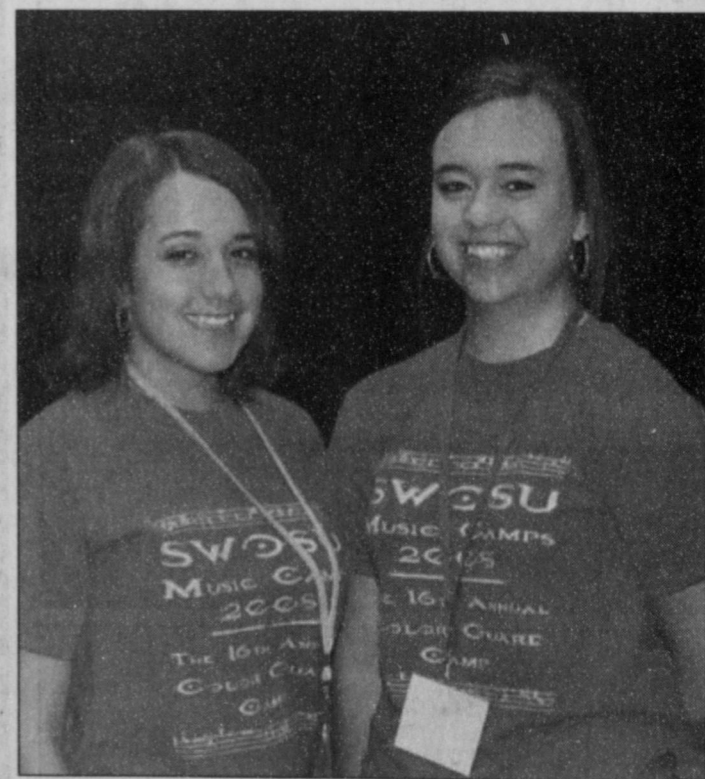
The family requests that memorials be to the World Bible School Ministry of the Clarendon Church of Christ, PO Box 861, Clarendon, Texas 79226 or High Plains Children's Home, 11461 South Western Street, Amarillo, Texas 79118.

The family will be at 401 Meredith Circle in Howardwick.

Sign our online guestbook at www.RobertsonFuneral.com.



Bills



Color guard campers

Southwestern Oklahoma State University's 16th annual Color Guard Camp was held recently on the Weatherford campus. The students learned new flag routines and gathered ideas to incorporate into their schools' color guard units. Among the students attending were (from left): Sam Mendez and Elissa Holland, both of Clarendon.

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Buck Creek monitoring moves into protection

WELLINGTON - Results from a three-year monitoring study indicate that Buck Creek in the south-eastern part of the Texas Panhandle is not excessively contaminated, and experts are advocating it should be taken off Texas' list of impaired water bodies.

"Overall the creek is in good shape," said Lucas Gregory, project manager with the Texas Water Resources Institute in College Station. Gregory and other officials met with landowners to announce the findings and discuss the future of the Buck Creek project.

"Several locations periodically exhibit elevated bacteria levels," he said. "So until it comes off the list, something has to be done to determine and manage the source of the bacteria."

Buck Creek is an unclassified freshwater stream that originates in Donley County near Hedley and runs east-southeast through Collingsworth and Childress counties before entering the southwestern corner of Harmon County, Okla., where it empties into the Red River.

Monitoring of the Buck Creek

Watershed, a part of the Red River Basin, began in 2004 after it was determined that the stream did not meet all Texas Surface Water Quality Standards enforced by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Gregory said.

Only 20 water samples were taken from 1996 to 2001, and bacterial levels failed to meet water quality standards. If the impairment persisted, federal and state agencies could impose regulations that could impact the use of the watershed, he said.

To prevent this, several groups began working together, and Dr. John Sij, Texas AgriLife Research agronomist at Vernon, took on the project to gather data that would determine bacteria levels and their cause.

The work, funded by the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board through the Environmental Protection Agency, includes efforts by AgriLife Research, Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Texas Water Resources Institute, Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Red River Authority, Soil and Water

Conservation Districts, and Texas Parks and Wildlife.

The main objective of this project was to obtain a sufficient amount of data from multiple locations in order to make a scientifically sound decision about the bacterial impairment of the water, Gregory said. Fifteen sample sites were established along the creek, and bi-weekly sampling was conducted from 2004 to 2007, which established a data set that now will be sent to the state environmental commission for review, he said.

But the work doesn't end there. The next step is to establish a Watershed Protection Plan and do some bacteria-source tracking, Gregory said.

It is anticipated this portion of the project should be completed by August 31, 2009.

Phyllis Dyer, research technician for AgriLife Research at Vernon, conducted the water sampling over the past three years. She will now collaborate with Dr. George Di Giovanni, AgriLife Research microbiologist in El Paso, who will use DNA analyses to match E. coli

colonies found in the water to a library of DNA 'fingerprints' gathered from human and animal species found in the watershed.

This will include collecting fecal samples from known animals (either identified visually or with a game-camera photo), from fresh road kill or from trapping, Dyer said. Each warm-blooded species has a different fingerprint for E. coli.

The samples are streaked for purification and then an isolated colony will be sent from Vernon to El Paso for the actual DNA matching, Dyer said.

"The whole point is to better understand what is causing these elevated bacteria levels, and then evaluate management practices that have the highest potential to reduce bacteria loading in the creek," Gregory said.

By developing a Watershed Protection Plan, Gregory said land owners will be in a better position to secure cost-share funding for putting some of the needed management practices on the ground through this voluntary and stakeholder-driven program.

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Sheriff's Report: Holiday activities keep officers busy last week

June 30, 2008

8:42 a.m. - JP office, Hedley
12:21 p.m. - Welfare check, 200 Blk. S. Parks St.
2:01 p.m. - JP Office, Clarendon.
5:49 p.m. - To City Park, juveniles turning over tables.
9:30 p.m. - 6th and Gorst Sts, fireworks.
11:09 p.m. - EMS assists, 100 Blk. N. Sully St.

July 1, 2008

2:39 a.m. - EMS assist, 700 Blk. S. Johns St.
2:51 a.m. - En route to NWT.
11:09 a.m. - 800 Blk. W. 2nd St., customer causing disturbance.
1:41 p.m. - 8th and Kearney Sts., fireworks.
5:20 p.m. - Carhart St., assist animal control.
7:04 p.m. - Check security at airport.
9:01 p.m. - Semi stalled, Hwy. 287 at S. Koogle; wrecker dispatched.
9:50 p.m. - EMS assist family exposed to gas leak, location not logged.

July 2, 2008

10:26 a.m. - Stranded motorist, Hwy. 287 at S. Kearney St.
1:42 p.m. - At annex.
2:25 p.m. - At government apartments, E. 4th St.
3:29 p.m. - Assist constable, 600 Blk. W. 2nd St.
4:36 p.m. - At annex.
6:49 p.m. - Disturbance, 700 Blk. N. Rosenfield St.
7:20 p.m. - Standby at rodeo.
7:44 p.m. - Standby at rodeo.
7:56 p.m. - Standby at rodeo.
10:35 p.m. - UTL fireworks, Columbia St.; Howardwick.

July 3, 2008

12:40 a.m. - Check reported smoke, 700 Blk. S. Johnson St.
9:05 a.m. - Loose livestock, Hwy. 287; near Giles.
7:06 p.m. - Standby at rodeo.
7:16 p.m. - Standby at rodeo.
8:19 p.m. - See caller, 900 Blk. W. 2nd St.
10:35 p.m. - Fight at Sandy Beach, Greenbelt Lake.
10:51 p.m. - To jail, 1 male in custody; reckless driving.

July 4, 2008

12:02 a.m. - To jail 1 male in custody, disorderly conduct.
2:01 a.m. - 200 Blk. S. Carhart St., carbon monoxide; monitor sounding.
10:41 a.m. - See caller, 3rd and Jefferson Sts.
1:14 p.m. - Leading "Kid's Bicycle Parade".
4:17 p.m. - Vehicle accident, Hwy. 287 at S. Koogle St.
7:22 p.m. - Vehicle accident, Hwy. 287 at S. Koogle St.
9:00 p.m. - To jail, 1 female in custody.
10:24 p.m. - En route to N. sully, fireworks; every direction.
11:16 p.m. - 4th and Hawley Sts., fireworks reported.
11:40 p.m. - To jail, 1 in custody.

July 5, 2008

1:03 a.m. - Assault, 200 Blk. S. Goodnight St.
1:16 a.m. - To jail, 1 male in custody.
1:28 a.m. - To jail, 1 male in custody.
2:46 a.m. - To Kincaid Park, adult

male; lewd gestures.

3:45 a.m. - Loose livestock, Hwy. 287 N. E. County Line; Constable unavailable.
11:32 a.m. - See caller, 500 Blk. S. Koogle St.
4:41 p.m. - To jail, 1 male in custody.
7:20 p.m. - Hwy. 287 E., cut with caller.
8:21 p.m. - To jail, 1 male in custody.
9:10 p.m. - Out at residence, 4th St.
10:07 p.m. - Transport 2 from N. 70 to location, Hwy. 287 Parks St.
10:59 p.m. - See caller, 200 Blk. S. Goodnight St.

July 6, 2008

1:48 a.m. - See caller, B. Park; Greenbelt Lake.
3:24 a.m. - To jail, 2 in custody.
7:44 a.m. - Family disturbance, 100 Blk. N. Sully St.

Summary:
Arrests - 14
Fire Dept. - 3
EMS - 11

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Forgiveness is the central theme of Christianity. For us to go to heaven, we must be forgiven of our sins. Before becoming a Christian, one must believe that Jesus is the Son of God (John 3:16); repent of our sins (Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38); confess Jesus as the Savior before men (Matt. 10:32); and be baptized for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38). Once a person becomes a Christian, he or she can be forgiven by confessing his or her sin and praying to God for forgiveness (1John 1:7-10).

But, what about man forgiving others? What must happen for forgiveness to be extended to others? Jesus spoke concerning this in the book of Luke. (Luke 17:3-4) "Take heed to yourselves. If your brother sins against you, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him. And if he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times in a day returns to you, saying, 'I repent,' you shall forgive him."

Forgiveness requires more than one person. God doesn't forgive unless there is repentance. Jesus said that for forgiveness to be extended to another, there must be repentance. A person may not even know that they have done someone wrong; this is why Jesus said to rebuke that person. A person may not know they are in the wrong or may be so proud that they won't repent. Until a person repents, there can be no forgiveness. There should always be a willingness to forgive and readiness to forgive.

If a person has sinned against his fellow man, he is not right with God. God requires repentance of the violator. The one who has been sinned against has a responsibility to go to this person (Matthew 18:15) "Moreover if your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he hears you, you have gained your brother." Our standard of forgiveness can't be higher than God's. If He requires repentance, who are we to bypass this step. If we are concerned about another's spiritual welfare, we will go to him and encourage him to repent. Let us all extend forgiveness where warranted and always be ready and willing to forgive one another.

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Rodeo:

Continued from page one.

The Top Hand winner for the Junior Ranch Rodeo was Tyler Spillers, and the Top Horse went to Dakota Kennedy.

Beef winners for the four days of rodeo were Jim Braddock, Amanda Hill, Holly McClesky, and Brian Miller.

Sorting was held on Saturday, July 5, and the results are as follows:

First: Robbie Selzbrenner, Gary Fletcher, and Allen Fletcher; Second: Randy Crump and Brad Shadle; and Third: Elwynn McClesky, Willie McClesky, Randy Crump, Trey Paul, Tysha Millie, Ray Paul, Cassie O'Neal, Brad Shadle, Chris O'Neal, Alex McAneer, Chance McAneer, and Bob Spiller.

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Watson, White grab tournament victory

By Sandy Anderberg

Cody Watson and Mark White shot a 68 in the 18th annual Black and White Tournament at the Clarendon Country Club on July 4. Their four under par topped the field by two strokes.

Doug Kidd and Jackie Bell and Guy Ellis and Carroll Duncan tied for second with a 70.

Forty-five players participated in the Club 18-hole scramble on the Fourth; and the team of Mike Santos, Mark Morris, Mark Stevens, and Bob Permenter took the number one spot after a play off on the card with a 57.

The team of Chris Linquist, Junior Rodriguez, Josh English, and Trent Brickman also shot a 57 but were awarded second place after the card play off. Jon Permenter, Jeremy Howard, Jennifer Clark, and Slick

Johnston were third with a 58; and the team of Bill Avenshine, Audie Watson, Bob Kelly, and Diana Esch finished fourth with a round of 60.

Dan Ashford (88 years old) shot under his age last week in the weekly men's game when he turned in an 84, and he took the top spot for the day with a net 61. Travis Wilson shot a 66 for second, and Mike Santos was third with his gross score of 67. Sherol Johnston had a low gross of 86 to win the women's game on Thursday, and Quida Gage had low net of 71.

There will be a Two-Man Tournament Saturday and Sunday July 12-13, and the Friday night nine-hole scrambles will resume this Friday at 6:00 p.m. The pool and grill are open each day, and the dining room is open each Friday night and Sunday noon.



All-Star Team

Hi-Plains Major League All Star team competed in the 2008 12-Year-Old West Texas 70-Foot Cal-Ripken State Tournament on Saturday and Sunday, July 5 and 6, in Pampa. The Hi Plains team is made of players from Clarendon, Claude, White Deer, and Panhandle. The team played Canyon in the first round and then played Pampa in a nailbiter game, losing 7-6, after having to play additional innings. Shown here are (back) Coach Chris Terrell, Manager Mike Terrell, Coach Gary Davis (middle) Zac Pointer, Claude; Bailey Morrow, Claude; Tanner Barnett, Panhandle; Jace Davis, Claude; Kyle Lindsey, Clarendon; Logan Johnson, Claude; (front) Austin Terrell, Panhandle; Seth Witt, Panhandle; Jason Durham, Panhandle; Kyler Brassfield, Panhandle; Jacob Miller, White Deer; and Tanner Richardson, Panhandle. PHOTO / BRENDA SPENCER

Local students earn honors at national history day contest

WASHINGTON, DC - After months of intensive research and success at district and state-level competitions, Clarendon High School students Paul Goetze and Amelia Taylor, along with their sponsor Lyndal Gillen, presented their projects at the annual National History Day competition, held at the University of Maryland College Park Campus in the Washington, D.C. area June 15-19.

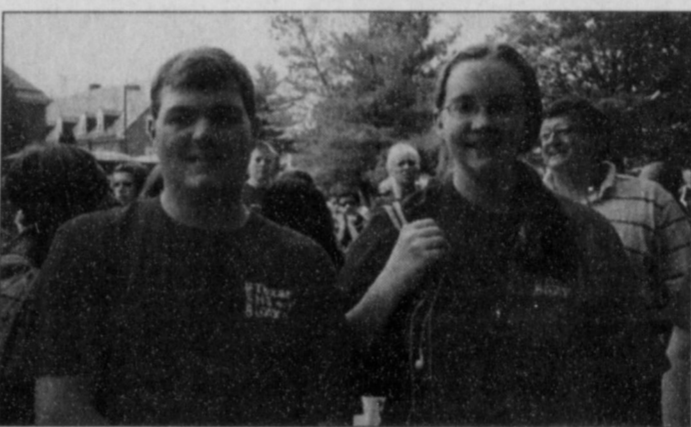
Paul placed second at the Texas History Day competition in Austin earlier this spring with his performance titled "An Honorable Compromise for an Ignoble Conflict: The Gentlemen's Agreement of 1908" and Amelia won first place with her documentary entitled "The Cuban Missile Crisis: The Cold War Comes to a Head."

Each fall more than half a million students nationwide begin the year-long National History Day program, competing in a series of history contests in their local districts and states.

The top students in each category are selected for participation in the national contest.

Participating students chose their own topics of study and research from original sources based on the theme Conflict and Compromise in History.

National History Day students research historic documents and artifacts, conduct oral histories, search the Internet for information on their topics, and travel to historic sites. They present their work in a variety of ways, by creating museum-type exhibits, video documentaries,



Paul Goetze and Amelia Taylor

original performances, or traditional research papers.

More than 300 historians and other education professionals evaluate the students' work at the national competition. \$150,000 worth of scholarships are awarded at the national awards ceremony to select students, and approximately 100 students took home cash prizes between \$250 and \$5,000 for superior work in a particular category of judging.

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Alzheimer's disease is named after a German physician Alois Alzheimer, who first described the condition in 1906. An estimated 5 million Americans have Alzheimer's. It typically destroys brain cells, causing problems with memory and behavior that significantly affects a person's work and social life.

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All-State team

Clarendon High School graduate Dalton Askew was on the list when the Amarillo Globe-News announced the Texas Sports Writers Association's All-State Baseball Team on July 4. Askew was the second team catcher in Class 1A. Across the state there were 45 athletes honored as first, second, and third team All-State players. Only one other Panhandle area player was named in Class 1A. The Panhandle was also represented by one player in each of Classes 2A, 4A, and 5A; and there were no area players honored in Class 3A.

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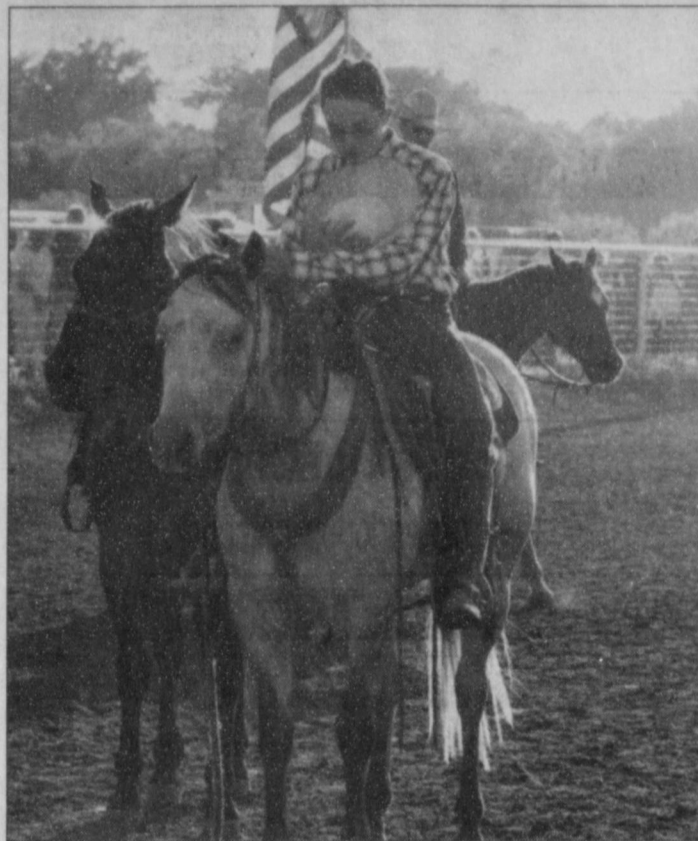
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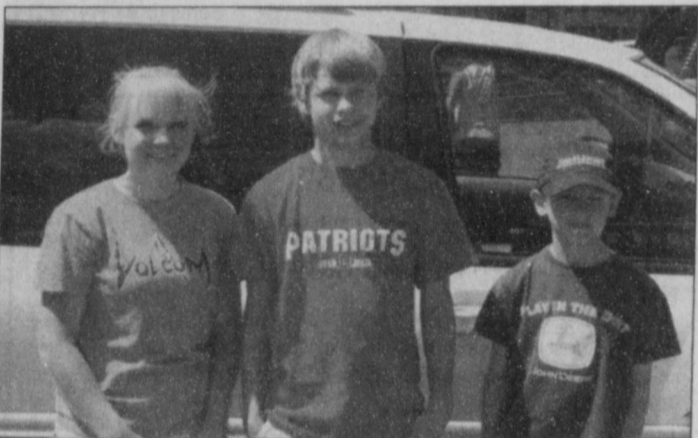
Chance McAnear rides along side a horse without a rider in silent tribute to his grandfather, Jimmy McAnear. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / KARI LINDSEY



J.T. and Helen Lamberson at the Old Settlers Reunion on the square. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / KARI LINDSEY



Jr. Ranch Rodeo winners from the Smith SJ Ranch: Chance McAnear, Mike Crump, Chris Crump, Cedar Stevenson, Tyler Spillers. COURTESY PHOTO / PENNY MCANEAR



Turtle Art Contest winners: Kelsey Floyd, Cody Wood, and Colt Wood. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK



Elliott and Easton Frausto, winners in the Kiddie Parade on July Fourth. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / KARI LINDSEY



Turtle Race winners: (back) Josh Clinton, (front) Chardy Craft with sister Izzy, and Madison Swift. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

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