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THIS WEEK

2 Respect is earned by those who work to make the community a better place.
4 Remodeling your bathroom takes longer than thirty minutes.
5 Hedley residents and students work together for the chicken barbecue.
7 And the Broncos thrash Vega.

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

Patriots Day to be observed this week

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7782 will remember the terrorist attacks of September 11 this Thursday with a short ceremony at the War Memorial on the Donley County Courthouse Square at 8:15 a.m. followed by a moment of silence at 8:46 a.m.

At 8:46 a.m., all places of business are encouraged to stop all business and have a moment of silence. Also please fly your flags at half staff all day until the close of business.

The VFW will also host a pancake breakfast Saturday at the VFW post home 811 E. 2nd Street from 7-10 a.m. Tickets are \$5.

Water district drops ad valorem tax rate

On August 20, 2008, the Board of Directors of the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District voted to lower the 2008 tax rate.

The District has been able to lower its tax rate each year since 2001. The tax rate for 2008 was set at \$0.0089/\$100 valuation, as compared to \$0.01/\$100 for 2007.

The Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District encompasses all or parts of nine counties: Armstrong, Carson, Donley, Gray, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Potter, Roberts and Wheeler.

Masons planning chicken barbecue

Clarendon Masonic Lodge #700 will hold its September chicken barbecue next Saturday, September 20, at the COEA Arena.

The cost is \$4 per half, and orders may be placed at Owens Boot Shop or The Clarendon Enterprise. All orders must be placed by 5 p.m. this Friday.

Bronco Parents will hold tailgate party

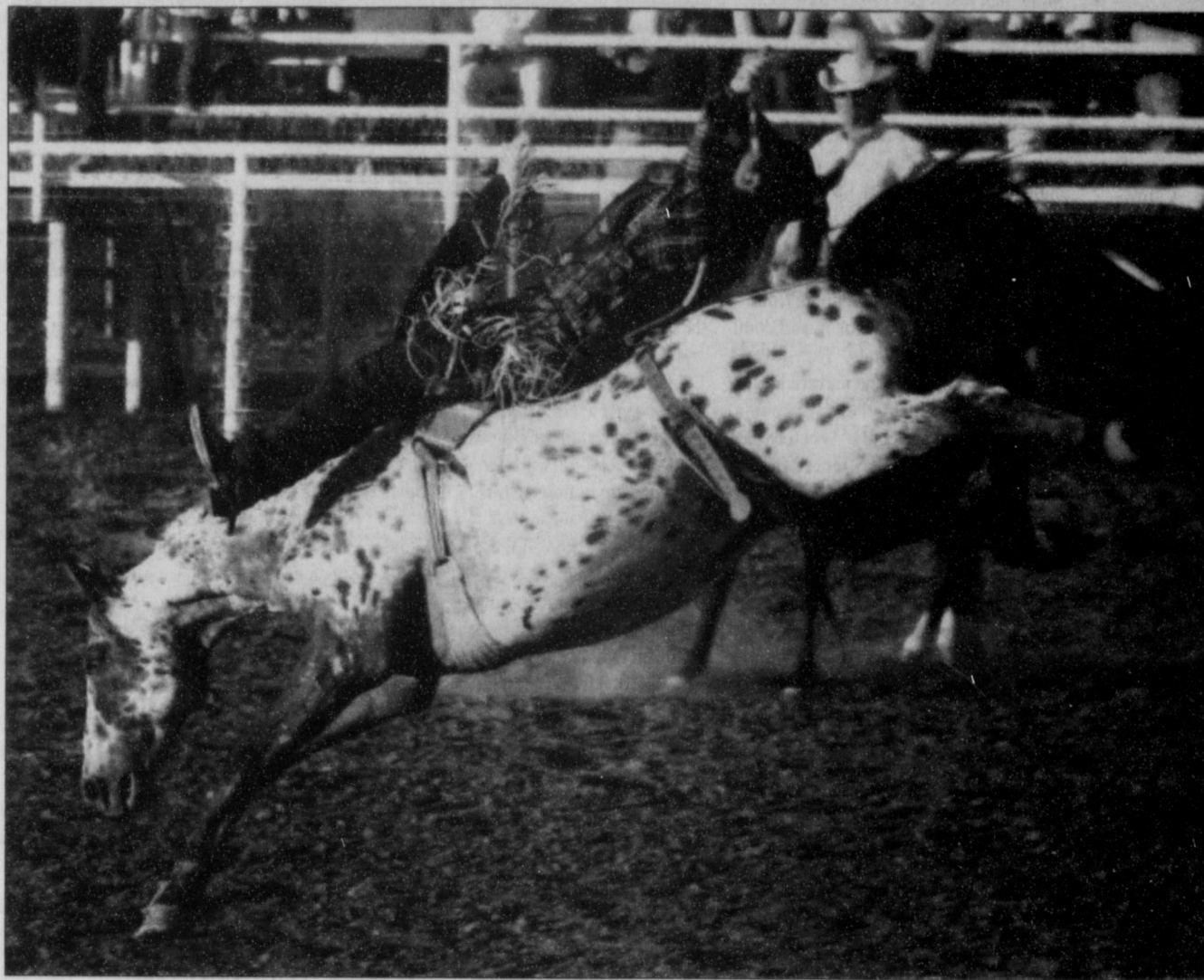
Bronco Parents will host their annual Tailgate Party on Friday, September 12, at the West end of Bronco Stadium from 5 to 7 p.m. For \$5, you will receive a hamburger, chips, dessert, and a drink.

Lemley wins, returns dive team money

Joe Lemley was the winner of a \$600 Herring Bank MasterCard, which was raffled off by the Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department Dive Team.

The winner was drawn on Friday, and Lemley donated the \$600 back to the Dive Team.

The money will be used towards purchasing an underwater communication system.



Matt Bennett holds on during the bareback competition at Saturday's Buck'n Blow Out Rodeo.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / KARI LINDSEY

A buck'n good time First Blow Out rodeo draws big crowd

The first ever Saints' Roost Buck'n Blow Out Rodeo drew a big crowd and was classified as a success last Saturday evening at the Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment Association's Arena.

Organizer Jeff King said he wasn't sure what to expect when he and others started planning Clarendon's newest rodeo.

"I hoped we'd get 500 people to come out," King said.

As it turned out, Saturday's attendance was between 900 and 950.

"I am thoroughly tickled," King said Monday. "We had 734 paid through the gate, and we sold 32 box seats which held up to six people each. For the first time, we did really great."

The rodeo attracted six bareback riders, 14 saddle bronc riders, 31 bull riders, and ten double mugging teams.

McCloy Rodeo Co. provided stock for the event.

Officials results of each contest were not available at press time.

The event attracted rodeo fans from the local area and from outside the Tri-State area. THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE received phone calls from people interested in the event from Oklahoma and as far away as Kansas and Wyoming.

The rodeo also benefited from Clarendon College being in session, bringing in college students as both spectators and participants.

King said the Buck'n Blow Out board is already talking about plans for next year.

"We've got some ideas to make it better," he said. "We want to increase the added money to \$2,000 or \$2,500. As long as COEA will let us use the arena, we'll be back next year."

The event started at 5 p.m. with a barbecue. Kids events began at 6 p.m., and the rodeo got underway at 7:00. Casey Berry and the Live Texas Mosquitoes performed for the dance after the rodeo.

JD Steakout opened late for breakfast after the dance and had a full house, King reported.

Beef Checkoff budget reflective of economy

AUSTIN - As prices for fuel and feed continue to rise, producers feel the pinch on their operations. While they review costs, outputs, and effective ways to manage the herd, their marketing organization, the Beef Checkoff, is also forced to lower budgets and look to creative ways to leverage checkoff dollars.

"It's a challenge to make budget cuts while maintaining the effectiveness of the checkoff here in Texas," said Crawford Edwards, cow-calf producer from Fort Worth who will serve as Chair of the Texas Beef Council (TBC) Board next year. "We were faced with difficult decisions throughout the budgeting process, but our checkoff leaders, committee members, and staff developed strategies for investing checkoff dollars in the most efficient manner possible for 2009."

Following a lengthy budgeting process, the TBC Board of Directors approved a \$6.36 million checkoff program budget for Fiscal 2009 that includes beef advertising, marketing, nutrition outreach, promotions at consumer events and in retail, export efforts, foodservice communications and more. The new budget reflects a \$490,000 decrease from last year.

After evaluating revenue projections and considering potential economic factors, the TBC Audit and Budget Committee established overall budget guidelines and the TBC Executive Committee made recommendations on voluntary investment to national program efforts. TBC staff then prepared and presented preliminary marketing plans reflecting the proposed budget to their committees in June to consider and recommend.

The 2009 budget for TBC, which administers

See 'Check Off' on page 3.



The Owl Queen

Senior Shandy Koetting, escorted by father Neil Koetting, was crowned as the 2008 Hedley Homecoming Queen during pre-game ceremonies last Friday in Memorial Stadium.

Clarendon welcomes ladies golf tournament

By Sandy Anderberg

"Golfers; Hitch Up Your Wagons" is the theme for the 17th Annual Western Lone Star Senior Ladies Golf Association Tournament that will be hosted by the Ladies Golf Association of the Clarendon Country Club.

The four-day tournament will begin September 14 and run through September 18 and is only for ladies 50 years of age and older.

Each year the tournament is held at a different golf course that has previously bid to host the tournament at their club. The LGA of the CCC bid on the tournament three years ago and began preparations immediately. They have all worked tirelessly and continually to insure the tournament would be a success.

"Our ladies golf association has been preparing since we were awarded the tournament," golfer Maxine McLaughlin said. "We have received great support from the community, and our ladies have pitched in to make sure we have the greatest tournament possible."

Seventy-two women will participate in the match-play tournament. There will be a Championship flight and eight other flights in the format.

"The golfers had to mail in their entry about three weeks ago," McLaughlin said. "We had more than 72 ladies enter, but there is only room for a certain number of golfers to fill the nine flights. The remaining golfers were put on a waiting list, and if someone cannot compete, the next golfer in line will be able to enter the tournament and play."

There are many great golfers from around the area, and they will start arriving in Clarendon on Sunday, September 13, to begin preparations for the week. Golfers will come from Alpine, Amarillo, Andrews, Big Spring, Borger, Canadian, Canyon, Childress, Clarendon, Dumas, Farwell, Graham, Hereford, Lubbock, Memphis, Muleshoe, Shamrock, Snyder, and Tulia.

Last year's tournament was hosted by Hereford, and next year's tournament will be in Andrews. The golfers will be allowed to play practice rounds on Sunday, and Monday will be a qualifying round to determine medalist for the regular tournament and the senior tournament, which is open to those 65 and over. Match play rounds will be played Tuesday and Wednesday, and the Championship round will be played Thursday when the champion will be crowned.

There will also be a nine-hole Broken Spoke tournament on Thursday for the non-winners of the week.

Local golfer Sherol Johnston will not only participate in the tournament, she is also part of the governing board for the WLSSLGA and serves as the vice-president. Next year Johnston will be the president of the association.

"This is a big tournament for the ladies," Johnston said. "We have a lot of very good golfers coming to play from around the area, and there are 24 ladies golf organizations that will be represented at our tournament."

According to Johnston, the requirements to play in the senior ladies association is that you are at least 50 years of age and you are active in the ladies golf association of your local club.

This is the 17th year for the

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Rodeo stirs excitement in Clarendon

In any town you have two groups of people – the movers and shakers who try to get things done and the whiners and knockers who simply complain. A growing community always has more of the former than the latter, but there is always a vocal minority to contend with.

Almost one hundred years ago, former president Theodore Roosevelt spoke about the qualities of a good citizen in his "Man in the Arena" speech, in which he said credit belongs not to the critic but to the man in the arena – the man "...who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly..."

Clarendon has its own movers as well as its own knockers; and while it's easy to sit and moan, it takes a little effort to get up and do something positive. Those who actually get in the arena and get their faces "marred by dust and sweat and blood" are the ones who deserve respect and praise.

Clarendon's Jeff King is such a man. Last Saturday, King, his wife, Heather, and several of their friends put together the first Saints' Root Buck'n Blow Out Rodeo and drew several hundred people to the Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment Association's Arena.

King wanted to see an old-fashioned, fast-paced rodeo, but he faced no shortage of obstacles in getting the Buck'n Blow Out off the ground. Clarendon used to have a similar traditional rodeo for the Fourth of July, but changing times had caused it to be transformed into a ranch rodeo several years ago. Why would King's rodeo work in September?

He also faced the economics of the times. With rising fuel prices and a soaring cost of living, 2008 is not a good time to be trying to raise money for any event – especially one that is new and unproven. Would King be able to fund this rodeo without going into debt personally?

There were doubters, of course. But a good many citizens were optimistic that King and his supporters could succeed. They opened their wallets and were rewarded by what will now be another big annual event for the community.

King hoped to get 500 people to come to the Blow Out. The official head count from Saturday is between 900 and 950. Not bad for a first time, not bad at all.

And look at what people got for a ten-dollar ticket – a barbecue, a two-hour energetic rodeo, and a dance with a live band. As one supporter said, each of those events was worth \$10 by itself. Those who came basically got \$30 worth of entertainment for ten bucks.

The weather cooperated also. Early September is perfect for an outdoor event – not too hot, not too cold, and the wind was not a factor.

As with any event, there are some refinements to be made for next year, but overall Jeff and Heather King and their crew have hit on a successful formula. They already have ideas to make the Blow Out bigger and better, and there is no doubt that they can do it.

Kudos to the Buck'n Blow Out, to King, and to everyone who helped make the rodeo happen. Clarendon owes you all its thanks for bringing something new and exciting to the community.

More good news...

If Jeff King is the "Man in the Arena," then Sherol Johnston must be the "Woman in the Arena" as she and the Clarendon Country Club hosts the 17th annual Western Lone Star Ladies Golf Association Tournament next week.

This column has pointed out more than once that Clarendon is perfectly situated to host all kinds of small conventions. We have the amenities to keep people entertained for several days, we have a vibrant downtown, and we have excellent lodging facilities.

Johnston recognized this and has worked for more than two years to bring her association's golf tournament to her hometown. Starting Sunday, her efforts will pay off as 72 women golfers and five spouses show up for a five-day stay in our fair city.

The community and its merchants will gladly roll out the "Welcome" mats for our visitors and greet them with our best Texas hospitality.

Johnston, like King, deserves our thanks for everything she has done to bring positive attention to Clarendon, and her association will no doubt have a great time next week.

These two citizens should serve as role models for all of us. Each of them wanted to do something good for the community, they set the goal high, and then they worked to make a good thing happen.

Not everyone can do what King and Johnston have done. But everyone can support them and those like them whether by lending a hand, donating a dollar, giving words of encouragement, or keeping harsh words private. Together we can make Clarendon better.



editor's commentary by roger estlack

Early cattle days provides lessons

When the "beef bonanza" came to the Texas Panhandle in the 1880s, it sparked a classic confrontation – cattle punchers versus cattle barons – that ranks as one of the great tales of the golden age of the American cowboy. More than just a good story, though, it continues to provide valuable lessons about the pursuit of happiness and the American dream.

Traditionally, cowboys and ranchers shared a friendly relationship. Frequently paid with cattle, and allowed to build their own maverick herds, cowboys lived with the hope, and prospect, of becoming ranchers themselves.

But when the demand for beef soared, a new "breed" of owners from England and Scotland came in and dominated the Panhandle lands. They formed corporations, claimed the maverick cattle as their own and insisted that the cowboys work for wages only. When barbed wire was introduced, they fenced in the open range.

Naturally, the cowboys resisted. At stake was their chance to claim a part of the American dream. Denied the right to own cattle, they demanded higher pay. The owners said no. So, just before spring roundup 125 years ago, the cowboys shocked the cattle country. They

went on strike.

It was called the first cowboy strike in America. By some estimates, the number of striking cowboys grew to more than 300 across five large ranches. The owners fought back, firing cowboys and hiring replacements. Their strike in 1883, 10 years before Labor Day became a legal holiday in Texas, accentuated a deep-seated belief that hard work deserves honest pay and fair treatment. After two-and-a-half months, the resistance of the cowboys weakened and the strike ended.

During the strike, the town of Tascosa became a popular place for out-of-work cowboys. Money saved to weather the fallout all too often evaporated amid the temptations in this "Cowboy Capital of the Panhandle."

In the daytime, Tascosa was a trade and supply center. At night, its rip-roaring "suburb" of Hogtown provided entertainment for a cast of characters that even Hollywood could not invent. The mysterious and intriguing



texas times by sen. john cornyn

Frenchy McCormick and her husband, Mickey, reigned over the gambling parlors of Hogtown. Frenchy dealt the cards and Mickey tended the bar.

Keeping the law in Hogtown were Sheriff Pat Garrett and District Attorney Temple Lea Houston, son of Sam Houston. Keeping them busy were a cast of notorious characters, including famed bad man Billy the Kid.

The cowboys around Tascosa were rugged individualists with a deep streak of independence. They worked from sunrise to sundown – from "can see to can't see" – roping, bulldogging, branding and herding cattle. But their way of life on the open range would fade, as would Tascosa. The death knell for the town came when the main east-west railroad bypassed it.

But the American dream did not die with it. Tascosa took on a new purpose when the ghost town was donated to help start Cal Farley's Boys Ranch in 1939. Since it was founded nearly 70 years ago, the Boys Ranch has cared for more than 8,000 at-risk children. Cal Farley became known as "America's Greatest Foster Father."

On the site of old Tascosa, the chance to fulfill the American dream has come full circle.



Preparing towns, families for disasters

When reports indicated that Hurricane Gustav was gaining strength and headed straight for the Gulf Coast, federal, state and local officials sprung into action to alert the public to the threat. Just three years ago the preparation was markedly different. We will never forget the devastation Hurricanes Rita and Katrina wrought; and from top to bottom, we have worked to respond more effectively to natural disasters.

Hours after Gustav hit, I joined with President Bush, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator David Paulison, and other Texas officials to monitor the hurricane from the Emergency Operations Center in Austin. As we were briefed on the storm, it was very clear to me that everyone in the room was committed to working together towards an effective response and to help all of the impacted communities recover quickly.

Up and down the Gulf Coast, two million residents loaded onto planes, trains, and buses and were evacuated to shelters before Gustav made landfall west of New Orleans on September 1. With several Southeast Texas communities in the storm's projected path, more than 280,000 Texans living along the coast were evacuated to safer parts of the state. Texans also opened their doors to more than 50,000 displaced Louisiana residents fleeing the storm.

On September 2, I joined Dallas Mayor Tom Leppert to tour the Dallas Convention Center, which was quickly converted to a shelter for evacuated Texans and residents from neighboring

states. I was impressed and encouraged by the spirit and determination of the staff and volunteers there.

Though the worst of Gustav is behind us, other storms loom on the horizon. Our recovery efforts must be accompanied by a constant state of readiness.

According to FEMA, Texas leads the nation in the number of declared natural disasters, from hurricanes and floods to tornadoes and wildfires. Before Hurricane Gustav landed on the Gulf Coast, Texas was hit by Hurricanes Eduardo and Dolly. In the aftermath of those storms, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) granted nearly \$123 million to Texas and local Texas communities to improve preparedness. In addition, FEMA awarded over \$65 million to the entire state for disaster preparation efforts.

There are measures that each family can take to prepare for a disaster. DHS has designated September National Preparedness Month; and, as part of its campaign, the agency is encouraging citizens to follow four simple steps: get a kit, make a plan, be informed, and get involved.

First, every family should assemble a kit with basic necessities, including food, water, first-aid supplies, basic

tools, and other essential items. Citizens should have kits ready in their homes and workplaces. Also, stock your car with jumper cables and flares if evacuation is required.

Second, each family is encouraged to have an emergency plan. Because family members may not be together when a disaster strikes, plan in advance to have a meeting place or an out-of-town contact that each family member can call.

Third, citizens should be aware of the different types of natural disasters that could strike their community. Preparing for a hurricane and preparing for a wildfire require different measures. Residents should also be familiar with evacuation plans for the city or county in which they live.

Last, residents should get involved at the community level. There's no question that in the aftermath of a disaster, communities come together and work cooperatively to recover. This should begin with preparation. The organization Citizen Corps has made community preparation its mission. More information on hometown involvement can be found here, <http://www.citizen corps.gov/>. For more details on how to prepare your family and community, visit <http://www.ready.gov>.

We are halfway into the 2008 hurricane season, and Texans have already weathered three serious storms. But if we anticipate future challenges and adopt a spirit of preparedness, our communities will be safer and recover more quickly from challenges they may face.



capitol comment by sen. kay bailey hutchison

Childress woman thanks good Samaritans

On August 21, while returning from Amarillo to Childress, I think I lost consciousness for a while and rolled my van between Claude and Childress. Three wonderful people, a beautiful lady and two great gentlemen, stopped to help me. My van was totaled. They called 911 and stayed with me until help

arrived. From the wreck, which should have been deadly, I walked away with only some scrapes, bruises, and many sore muscles. I was treated and released from Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo after a CT scan and some X-rays. For this I can only thank my God. Back to the lovely people who

helped me. I want to thank them. They were such a welcome sight. I don't know who these people are or where they are from, but please allow me to attempt to contact them through your paper. If they see this, I hope they will contact me.

Melba J. Spier
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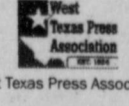
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tournament," Johnston said. "We have worked hard to bring great opportunities to our town and county. The ladies that come to play will stay in our motels, eat at our restaurants, and shop in our stores."

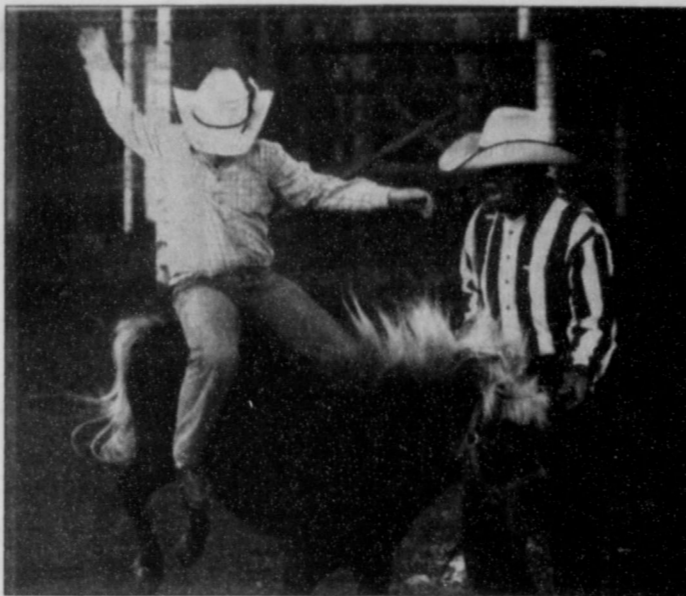
"The community has really stepped up, and we are looking for a great week."

There will be nightly festivities at the CCC with things kicking off Sunday evening, September 14, with a Flag Raising Ceremony. The Pairings Party will be held Monday evening around the pool, and there will be an association meeting on Wednesday evening.

The Awards Banquet will be held Thursday after play at a buffet luncheon in the dining room. Some of the downtown merchants will remain open Tuesday night for late-night shopping for the out-of-town guests, but the public is invited to take advantage of the extended hours as well.

Both McLaughlin and Johnston are excited for the tournament to begin.

"We feel like it will be a great tournament, and we are thankful for all of the support the community has offered to help us make this a fantastic week," they said.



Hold on!

Heath McCleskey takes a wild ride on Macaroni the Bucking Pony, Saturday night at the Saints' Roost Buck'N Blowout Rodeo. Texas Bill, the rodeo clown, also visited the students at Clarendon Elementary on Friday morning to hand out free tickets to the rodeo and to speak to the students about the importance of being drug free.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / KARI LINDSEY

the lion's tale

by roger estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting September 9, 2008, with Boss Lion Cameron Word in charge.

We had 23 members, Lion Sweetheart Audrey Jones, and six guests this week: Curtis Schaefer, guest of Lion Jerry Woodard; Nicole Beames, guest of Lion Judy Burlin; Ray Jaramillo, guest of Lion Bill Auvenshine; Michael McCarley and Jerry Grange, guests of Lion Phil Frazier; and Ashlee Estlack, guest of Lion Roger Estlack.

Lion MaryRuth Bishop presented our program this week and discussed the coming of the next pandemic flu. She talked about basic hygiene and ways to prevent spreading the flu, and she discussed all the necessities each household needs when the flu strikes.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

weather report

Day	Date	High	Low	Pers
Mon	31	82°	64°	-
Tues	1	87°	64°	-
Wed	2	90°	66°	-
Thur	3	85°	57°	-
Fri	4	70°	51°	-
Sat	5	83°	54°	-
Sun	6	91°	56°	-

Total precipitation this month: 0.00"
Total precipitation to date: 12.28"
Total precipitation in Sept. last year: 1.20"
Total YTD last year: 19.08"

weekend forecast

	Friday, Sep. 12 Scat'd T-Storms 74°/57°
	Saturday, Sep. 13 Scat'd T-Storms 80°/58°
	Sunday, Sep. 14 Mostly Sunny 77°/55°

Information provided by:
Tommie C. Soye
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The Beef Checkoff Program on a state level, was approved by the 20-member board of directors representing beef producers across Texas and will be implemented October 1. On the national level, the Cattlemen's Beef Board (CBB) has approved a checkoff program budget of \$45.8 million, a sharp decrease from the \$49 million budget for Fiscal 2008.

"With checkoff collections significantly down again, leveraging checkoff dollars is more important now than ever," said Richard

Wortham, TBC Executive Vice President.

"TBC works very hard to partner and align ourselves with retail and foodservice companies and beef industry organizations that are willing to contribute to our demand-building programs in efforts to stretch the checkoff dollar as far as possible."

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&

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Award Ceremony at 2 p.m.

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September 11
Patriots Day Observance • Donley County War Memorial • 8:15 a.m.

Sen. Robert Duncan Town Hall Meeting • Donley County Courthouse • 5 p.m.

September 12
Bronco Parents Tailgate Party • Bronco Stadium • 5 p.m.

Broncos v. White Deer • Bronco Stadium • 7:30 p.m.

September 13
VFW Pancake Breakfast • VFW Hall • 7 to 11 a.m.

CC v. Western Oklahoma • Bulldog Field • 1 p.m.

September 14
St. Mary's BBQ

September 19
Band Boosters Mexican Pile-On • Clarendon School Cafeteria • 5 p.m.

CHS Homecoming / All School Reunion

Broncos v. Gruver • Bronco Stadium • 7:30 p.m.

September 20
Clarendon Masonic Lodge Chicken BBQ

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

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Menus

September 15-19

Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Meat loaf, creamed potatoes, cottage cheese/pineapple, cookies, bread.

Tue: Lasagna, corn, salad, cream pie, garlic toast.

Wed: Roast/brown gravy, Bakers Potatoes, salad, fruit cobbler, biscuits.

Thu: Chicken strips, cream gravy, macaroni & cheese, lime salad, carrot cake, Texas Toast

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

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Steak & gravy, mashed potatoes, Harvard beets, pea salad, apricot halves, biscuits.

Tue: Spaghetti & meat sauce, fried squash, turnip greens, cole slaw, bread pudding, garlic bread.

Wed: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, corn, lime jello salad, chocolate mousse, roll.

Thu: Chili Rellenos/ cheese, sauce, Spanish rice, beans, tossed salad, brownie, chips or crackers.

Fri: Turkey & dressing, sweet potatoes, green peas, fruit salad, pumpkin pie, roll.

Clarendon ISD

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: Fish sticks, baked beans, cole slaw, fruit, milk.

Tue: Soft chicken taco, salsa, salad, fruit, milk.

Wed: Meatloaf, potatoes, green beans, fruit, milk.

Thu: Chicken tetrazzini, mixed vegetables, cracker, salad, fruit, milk.

Fri: Hot dog, oven fries, vegetable sticks w/ ranch, fruit, milk.

Hedley ISD

Lunch

Mon: Grilled cheese sandwich, vegetable beef soup, fresh broccoli, fruit, crackers, milk.

Tue: Tacos, lettuce & tomato, fresh fruit, pinto beans, Spanish rice, milk.

Wed: Chicken fried steak, potatoes & gravy, mixed vegetables, fruit, rolls, milk.

Thu: Egg rolls, Sweet & Sour Chicken, fried rice, salad, fruit, milk.

Fri: Chicken on a Bun, tater tots, Southwest Beans, sliced apples, salad, milk.

College ball teams burning up the roads

The fall semester is well underway, and the teams at Clarendon College will be burning up the roads this month.

The Lady Bulldogs took on Vernon on September 2 at home and lost 2 games to 3. The scores were 22-25, 22-25, 25-22, 25-14, and 12-15.

The team played Lamar Community College at Lamar, Colo., on September 9 and will travel to Dodge City, Kan., on September 13. They will play Dodge City Community College at 2 p.m. and Sterling College JV at 4 p.m.

They will then continue on the road in Snyder on September 17 to play Western Texas College. The

ladies will return home September 20 when they will host three games. Clarendon will play Lamar Community College in the first game at noon. Lamar CC will play NOC-Enid in the second game at 2 p.m., and Clarendon will play NOC-Enid at 4 p.m.

The baseball team will kick off the year at home on September 13 against Western Oklahoma at 1 p.m. at Bulldog Field. The Bulldogs will play Ranger College at Lubbock on September 17. The team will return home September 19 to play Frank Phillips at 1 p.m. and will travel to Berger on September 20 to play Frank Phillips at 1 p.m.

The softball team will start

their year in the Vernon College tournament September 13 and will play Frank Phillips at home on September 16 at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

The team will then travel to Alva, Okla., to play in the Northwestern Oklahoma tournament.

The Lady Bulldogs will host the Clarendon College Fall Round Robin at home September 21. CC will play Oklahoma Panhandle State University at 1 p.m., OPSU will play



happenings on the hill
by ashlee estlack, marketing coordinator

Canyon Heat at 2:45 p.m., and CC will play Canyon Heat at 4:30 p.m.

The rodeo team will travel to Eastern New Mexico University Rodeo in Portales on September 18-20.

Bingo night will be held Thursday, September 18, in the Bairfield Activity Center from 7 to 9 p.m., and Bowling Night will be held at Harvester Lanes in Pampa from 7 to 9 p.m. on Monday, September 22.

Coffee Memorial Blood Center will host a blood drive in the BAC from 2 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, September 23; and a program for Hispanic Heritage Month will be held in the BAC at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 25.

Spotlight on 4-H

By Cire Jauregui

The Donley County 4-H had their first club meeting of the 2008-2009 year on Tuesday, September 2, 2008.

The meeting was called to order by Club President Jayson Pigg. Mrs. Elam presented a program about the new laptop program at CISD and computer safety.

All members played a peanut relay game where they ran peanuts back and forth using only their upper lip and nose to carry them. Joining in on the fun were three new club members.

Several projects are about to launch in this 2008 - 2009 year, so make sure you're not left on the launch pad.

For more information about these projects, contact the Donley County Extension Office at 874-2141.

Bathroom project harder than on television

I enjoy watching decorating shows on TV and as my knee replacement improves along with my health I decided it was time to do a little improving around here, starting with the bathroom.

If you watch those shows you know sometimes they redecorate an entire house in 30 minutes. I assured Ole Jim I could help. Ladies, you should have seen the look he gave me.

Thirty minutes? It took two weeks for the flooring to come in. During that time I took Jim to lots of stores, shopping for just the right paint, towel bars, and new handles to fit the 11 drawers and doors, and all the other goodies to go into a 30-minute job.

Well, first came removal of the outdated wallpaper border. That took care of day number one. To look nice and come up to today's standards the ceiling should be a lighter color than the walls so why not put those two colors throughout the bathroom.

right? Day number two was spent giving the ceiling two coats of paint, taping around the tile and priming the other walls. Primer didn't help, still needed two coats on the darker walls.

The cabinets were easy to do, only took one day for them. Then came the changing of those handles. Of course they were 1/2 inch longer than the old handles so they were spackled and new holes drilled. Those 22 screws for the 11 handles were all different sizes, some too long, some too short.

I won't go into detail but will say it took two days and several trips to the lumberyard to get those handles on.

We put out a call to our son-in-law Chris to help with the floor and moving the toilet. Well, with the way things were going I think we were all ready for the next surprise, replacing flooring under the toilet. The floor went down easy and day number eight was spent putting down trim

and paint touch-up.

What did I do?

I painted the door. I'm afraid this was the last do-it-yourself project at my house. Jim will call someone else to do that next 30-minute job.

Where were you and what were you doing 9/11/2001? Like most of you, that day and the days that followed are etched in my memory, and I can replay them all in a second. I remember what a beautiful fall day it was as I sat on the patio drinking coffee, and Jim yelling to come in the house and see what they were showing on the Today show.

We watched in horror as World Trade Center # 1 burned then saw the second plane hit #2 followed by the Pentagon and finally the heroes



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in Pennsylvania. Do you remember the feeling of panic, and then wanting to be assured all your family was ok. We had phone calls from all the children that day, few words were spoken because you didn't know what to say, but you knew each were safe.

Our world has changed in the past seven years, and the danger is still there, waiting for our guard to be down. Let's show the world we do remember September 11 by flying our flags that day and never forget.

Lee Ann Cook reports a great turnout and good sales from the garage sale and bake sale to benefit the fire department. I know I got some bargains.

The Salvation Army came out and picked up the leftovers, also a good deal for them.

This was a sad week, we said goodbye to our faithful companion, Lady, who gave us 13 years of love. She will be missed by everyone who knew her and her welcoming bark.

Hedley mascot retires, replacement sought

Ollie, the Owl Mascot, is retiring.

The students of Hedley School are having a penny drive fundraiser to make enough money to send to Africa for a new owl egg. When it hatches Hedley School will have a new Owl mascot. Please help support our school by giving your pennies and change.

The Chicken BBQ was a big success. The Hedley Lions Club outdid themselves this year. The chicken was excellent. They served 600 halves with all the trimmings.

Hedley students helped to set up, clean the chickens, and cook. There was a class every hour to help.

The Hedley Lions Club started the Chicken BBQ in the early 1950s, so thanks to the Hedley Lions Club

for a fantastic Chicken BBQ. We had people there from all over this area, plus from Amarillo and Burleson, Texas.

The Hedley Lioness Club will have their first meeting Thursday, September 11, at 6:00. They want to invite anyone who wants to come by, and hopefully we can get a few new members. We do community things and get ready for the Hedley Cotton Festival in October.

Mildred Jewett has not been feeling well, and Robert Saucedo is in Amarillo at BSA. Please keep them in your prayers.

Jack and Chris Spier were visiting Patsy and Kathy Spier for a week bird hunting and doing "Honey-Do's". They went back home Sunday morning to Burleson.

Folks, this Thursday is the

seventh anniversary of the attacks of September 11. We need to remember what that day felt like and keep our wonderful Country in our prayers and the heroic people who died that day. We need to pray for our Military. We are all one family under God, and our country needs God so much right now.

Recipe: Campbell's Beefy Fajitas with a Twist: Prep: 15 minutes, Cook: 25 minutes, Serves: 4 - (Steak strips are sautéed with bell pepper and onion, coated with Campbell's Beef Gravy, topped with Cheddar



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cheese and salsa and rolled up in flour tortillas.) **INGREDIENTS:** 1 tbsp. vegetable oil, 1 lb. boneless beef top round steak, cut into strips, 1 medium green pepper, cut into 2-inch-long strips (about 1 1/2 cups), 1 medium onion, sliced (about 1/2 cup), 1 can (10 1/4 ounces) Campbell's® Beef Gravy, 8 flour tortillas (8-inch), warmed, Shredded Cheddar cheese, Chunky Salsa.

DIRECTIONS: Heat the oil in a 10-inch skillet over medium-high heat. Add the beef and cook until it's well browned, stirring often. Add the pepper and onion to the skillet and cook until tender-crisp. Stir in the gravy and cook until the mixture is hot and bubbling. Spoon the beef mixture onto the tortillas. Top with cheese and salsa. Wrap the tortillas around the filling.

Blood drive set

Coffee Memorial Blood Center will hold a community blood drive in Clarendon on September 23 from 2 to 6 p.m. in the Clarendon College Bairfield Activity Center.

Every eligible donor will receive a t-shirt.

To schedule an appointment, please call 1-877-574-8800.

All blood types are currently needed. The need is real. There is no substitute for blood. It can only come from volunteer blood donors. Please support the patients of the High Plains Region...Give the Gift of Life!

Pile-on to be Sept. 19

The Bronco Band Boosters will hold their annual Mexican Pile-On in the school cafeteria next Friday, September 19, before the homecoming game.

The Boosters will be serving from 5 to 7 p.m. and admission will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for kids age eight and under.

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I guess we all appreciate writings from talented authors who immediately sweep us into a story on the first page, holding our interest until the last. Jane Peart, Janette Oke, Lori Wick, Michael Phillips, Beverly Lewis, Al Lacy, Nora Roberts are only a few among many whose work fits that category.

Many of these novels "recapture the spirit of old-fashioned romance and traditional values of love, courage, strength of character, and abiding faith." Suspenseful mystery is also included with these elements.

Several years ago, I had the pleasure of personally interviewing Jane Peart. During our visit, she revealed the importance in her writing to always depict "a strong, independent heroine not picture-

perfect, not always beautiful, but one who must search, even struggle for solutions; one who must dig into her inner self to find a core of strength." Young women of courage and faith are portrayed in all of Ms. Peart's different types of series.

Runaway Heart, *Promise of the Valley*, *Where Tomorrow Waits*, and *District Dawn* compile "Western Dream" series, bringing to life adventure, romance, and spiritual challenges in the grit and breathtaking beauty of the Old West.

A 14-book series, "Brides of Montclair", includes titles, *Senator's Bride*, *Hero's Bride*, *Shadow's Bride*. According to Peart, a visit to Virginia inspired this unique series.

Mystery fans will delight with suspense filled, romantic novels in her "Edgecliff Manor" series set in the late 1880's. She told me, "I like pitting my heroine, usually a young woman of strong character and moral integrity, against forces that threaten her." This is well demonstrated in her mysteries.

Peart's "American Quilt"

series, *The Pattern*, *The Pledge*, and *The Promise* follow three generations of women, beginning in North Carolina mountains, through Civil War, across country to California, to 1880's Hawaii. Individual stories are centered on a traditional American quilt. Directors for making the quilt conclude each book.

Janette Oke displays a diversity of interests in her various series of novels. *They Called Her Mrs. Doc*, one of "Canadian West" series; *Seasons of the Heart*, a 4-book series; *Love Comes Softly*, an 8-book series; and other writings bring love, joy, and heartbreak into ordinary lives.

A Searching Heart, one of a 2-book series, possibly holds special appeal to mothers and daughters. Oke fans can enjoy four of her best selling novels combined in one volume, *Seasons of the Heart: Once Upon*



check it out
by mary beth nelson

A Summer, *The Winds of Autumn*, *Winter is not Forever*, *Spring's Gentle Promise* portraying a "touching family saga" of American family on "yesterday's prairies".

Michael Phillips provides excitement in *Land of the Brave* and *the Free* as main character, Corrie Belle Hollister, is pursued as a Union Spy within Confederate territory. An additional Phillips novel, *A Home for the Heart*, is included in this same book.

Al Lacy, western historical writer of *Final Justice*, has also co-authored several appealing selections with his wife, Joanna.

Nora Roberts' avid fans will enjoy enticing mysteries by J.D. Robb. How do I know? J.D. Robb is her "pen name".

Why not check it out?

JUST A NOTE: The project for Supporting our Troops continues at Burton Memorial Library. A project for requesting used eyeglasses to benefit others and sponsored by Clarendon's Lions Club is also still in progress.

Cowboy Church holds services

Clarendon has a new church service, Saint's Roost Cowboy Church, Sunday at 4:00 p.m. at the Clarendon Rodeo Grounds.

Russ Weaver will be the guest speaker this week. Weaver is the co-host of Cowboy Church, a weekly show on RFD-TV. Russ is a former PRCA calf-roper and is currently the Pastor of Shepherds Valley Cowboy Church in Cleburne. There will be a meal that will follow after the service.

At Saint's Roost Cowboy Church, you are encouraged to come as you are. It doesn't matter what's on your boots or in your heart; but don't be mistaken, cowboys aren't the only ones who are welcome here. Our hearts are open to anyone of any background who wishes to grow in their faith in God.

Jesus replied, "The most important commandment is this: The Lord our God is the one and only Lord. And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength. The second is equally important: Love your neighbor as yourself. No other commandment is greater than these. Mark 12: 29-31 NLT"

25th Annual Quanah Fall Festival Sept. 13

The Quanah Chamber of Commerce is putting the final touches on this year's annual Fall Festival. Booths are filling up quickly with many varieties of arts, crafts, food, entertainment, and games on September 13, 2008.

Booth spaces are very limited. If you would like to rent a booth, contact the Chamber office at 940-663-2222, by emailing quanahcoc@cebridge.net, or come by 220 S. Main St. in Quanah. Booths will be open from 9 a.m. - 5 to 6 p.m., with set-up time at 7 a.m. on the day of the Festival. Crowds are expected to exceed 3000 again this year due to the Quanah High School Alumni reunion being in conjunction with the Fall Festival.

The Quanah High School All-class Reunion activities include: Friday night Casual Social (Community Center 6-11), Saturday Hospitality & Registration and meeting 9 a.m.-10 a.m. at QHS auditorium, General Assembly at QHS auditorium, 10 a.m., then dining at the Three Rivers Ballroom starting at 7 p.m. Be sure to get your registration in for the banquet. Come show your PUHA spirit! For more information call 940-663-5387 or Steve Brinkerhoff.

The Century Car Club Show will be held in the First National Bank parking lot. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. For information about the car show call Randy Randolph at 940-663-5691, Gary Naylor at 940-663-5454 for more information.

The Antique tractor show will be on 3rd street in the block east of the Courthouse. Registration begins at 10 a.m., judging at 1 p.m., and awards presented at 2 p.m. Entry fee is \$5 with all entries receiving a dash plaque.

If you need additional information regarding the events, contact the Chamber office at 940-663-2222.



Chicken flippin'

Hedley held its 48th Chicken Barbecue last Thursday night. The annual feast is hosted by the Hedley Lions Club and numerous sponsors. The Lions Club is helped by the Hedley Ag Science classes and many volunteers from the community. This year about 600 plates were served. The Hedley Chicken Barbecue before 1960 was a time for Lions Club families in the area to get together before school started. After a couple of years, the Lions decided to invite the whole community. The Chicken Barbecue continues to be an annual event that draws a big crowd from all the surrounding counties.

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It is hard to live here on earth and not be overly attracted to some worldly things. Money, power, prestige, etc. tempt all of us to not focus on the Kingdom. (Matthew 6:33) "But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you." God has promised those who would live and focus their attention on Him with their needs. Our problem is that we have many wants that we feel we need. (Mark 8:34) When He had called the people to Himself, with His disciples also,

He said to them, "Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me." Here's the key to not making this world our home. Jesus said we must deny ourselves and then follow Him! We don't make our fortune and then find time for Jesus, our treasure should be the reward at the end of a life of faithful, Christian living. (1 Timothy 6:17) "Command those who are rich in this present age not to be haughty, nor to trust in uncertain riches but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy." Paul was right to tell Timothy to warn others of the entrapment of desiring material things.

I pray that we would all enjoy our lives here, but our lives here must be about the journey to reach heaven.

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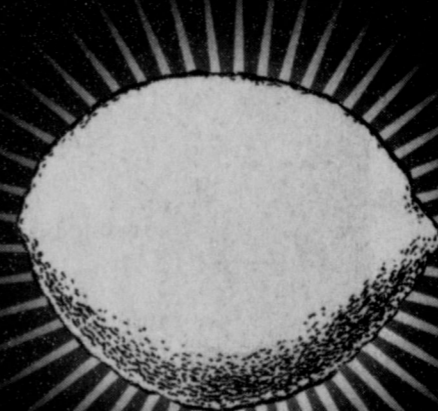


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Obituaries

Williams

Dr. Donald Layne Williams, 60, died Wednesday, September 3, 2008, in Amarillo.

Celebration of life services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, September 5, at the First United Methodist Church in Clarendon with the Rev.



Williams

Terry Lowe, officiating and Rev. Tom Garmon, assisting. A reception immediately followed the service. A private family burial was held in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon. Services were under the arrangement of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon

Dr. Williams was born December 27, 1947, in Groom, to Horace and Mary Louise Williams. He attended White Deer schools and graduated in 1966. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture from West Texas State University in 1970. He earned a Master of Agricultural Economics in 1972 and a Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics from The University of Tennessee at Knoxville in 1975. Dr. Williams was an associate professor of Agricultural Business and Economics at West Texas A & M University for 34 years. He retired in June 2007. During his tenure at West Texas A & M University, he took many students to compete in Ag Economics quiz bowls around the country. He also took many student groups to over nine foreign countries, where he combined learning and pleasure. He served as a faculty sponsor of the Agricultural Business club, charter faculty advisor of Alpha Gamma Rho, temporary department head of Agricultural Business, a member of the Southern Agricultural Association to which he made several presentations on the Marketing of Agricultural Products and a member of the Professional Agriculture Economists of the United States. While attending WTSU as a student, he was a member of Alpha Chi. Dr. Williams was honored by being named the Outstanding Teacher in Agriculture by Alpha Zeta (a National Agricultural Honorary organization) on four occasions. As well as being active in academics, he was also involved in and a member of the First United Methodist Church, where he served on various boards and as a Sunday school teacher. For many years, he was active in the Kairos prison ministry and served on the state board. Dr. Williams will be remembered as a person who loved life and lived it to the fullest. He was dedicated to God, his family, and his students. He married Katherine Dunn Green in 1987. Together, they raised seven children on their ranch/farmland in Donley County.

He is survived by his wife, Katherine Williams; seven children, Mark Williams of Las Vegas, Nevada; Brad and Lani Williams of Canyon, Texas; Phillip and Synamon Williams of Fort Collins, Colorado; Kent Williams of Fort Collins, Colorado; David and Meagan Green of Panhandle, Texas; Clint Green of Amarillo, Texas; and Lindsay and Brent Wilhelm of Nazareth, Texas; one brother, Frank Williams and wife Colleen of Amarillo; a sister Lynette Zurline and husband Steve of Marshall, Texas; and four grandchildren, Skylar, Braxton, and Rhett Williams of Canyon, and Jaythan Green of Panhandle.

Memorials may be made to the Dr. Don Williams Scholarship Endowment c/o Tim Bynum, WTAMU Box 60766, Canyon, Texas, 79016 or the First United Methodist Church of Clarendon.

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Saunders

Frank Eric Saunders, 18, died Thursday, September 4, 2008, in Wheeler County.



Saunders

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, September 8, 2008, in the First Baptist Church in Hedley with Rev. Bruce Howard, Pastor, officiating. Burial followed at Rowe Cemetery in Hedley. Services were under the arrangement of Robertson Funeral Directors of

Clarendon.

Frank was born October 17, 1989, in Kingsville, to Bobby Jack and Patricia Ann Ramirez Saunders. He had been a resident of Hedley and McLean and had just graduated high school this year from McLean. He was a member of the McLean Volunteer Fire Department & Trinity Church in McLean.

Survivors include his father, Bobby Jack Saunders of Kingsville, Texas; his mother, Patricia Ann Saunders of Hedley; his grandparents, Francisco and Consuelo Ramirez of Hedley; two uncles, Frankie and Armondo Ramirez; two aunts, Norma and Connie Ramirez; three

sisters, Kelsey, Starlette, and Patricia Ramirez; a nephew Javier Ramirez, all of Hedley; and a brother, Mitch Stewart of Pampa.

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combined. More Jews than Israel. More Muslims than the entire country of Jordan. And healthy communities of everyone from Buddhists to Zoroastrians. And, because we're free to find religion on our own terms (if we choose to at all), many of us are able to create a deeper, stronger and more personal relationship with our faith than would otherwise be possible.

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It all starts with Newspapers

Broncos rock on, shut out Vega

By Sandy Anderberg

Determination is a major part of success, and the Broncos seem to possess plenty of it as they stormed through another team Friday night to open their season at 2-0. They defeated the Longhorns on the road 46-0.

Head coach Gary Jack needed his team to get an early start in each game this season, and that is just what they did as they romped to a 21-0 lead after the first eight minutes. Seniors Alton Gaines and Johnny Ballard each tore through the end zone with the younger Gaines adding the extra points before the clock ticked off the first eight minutes.

The second quarter remained scoreless, but the Broncos got back on track after the break to leave no doubt as to the outcome of the game.

"The kids played well against Vega," Jack said. "It was a good game for us and a good start to the season. It's a definite confidence builder as we continue in our season."

A. Gaines made good on three

scores for the night on a two-yard run, five-yard run, and a 55-yard run. Ballard stole six when he made good on a fumble recovery, Mike and Chris Crump each scored once on short runs, and Glenn Weatherton took one in from Vega's 21-yard line.

"We really put them in a hole early," Jack said. "We played a little sloppy the second quarter and had chances to score but didn't. We made a few mistakes we shouldn't have made, but we got back on track in the third. We marched down the field and put points on the board."

Offensively, the Broncos were sharp. A. Gaines racked up 142 yards, and Mike Crump added 67. Quarterback Nathan Gribble only threw for 48 yards, but they didn't need their passing game as they had 319 yards on the ground. Vega could only muster 59 total yards against the Broncos who, according to Jack, performed outstanding on defense.

"Our defense is playing so aggressive and tough right now," Jack said. "Everyone is contributing

and just doing a great job."

Gribble had four tackles in the game and came up with a huge quarterback sack the first play of the game; and Chris Crump grabbed nine tackles, caused two fumbles, had two sacks, and recovered one fumble.

"Chris had a big night," Jack said. M. Crump had four tackles, David Roberts added seven, Ballard had five tackles and two fumble recoveries, Stephino McCampbell had seven tackles and caused a fumble, Derrick Shelton and Danzel Wilson each had three tackles, and A. Gaines added four tackles and a

blocked punt.

"Our offensive line did a good job for us, too," Jack said. "They opened up a lot of holes for us in the game."

Jack feels this Bronco team is beyond what previous teams have been.

"We are better right now than we were last year," Jack said. "I am very proud of the way we are playing, but we need to stay tough. We don't seem to fall off much when we substitute."

The Broncos will play their home opener Friday at Bronco Stadium beginning at 7:30 pm.

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Lady Owls run at Plainview c-c meet

By Tangela Copelin

The Hedley Lady Owl Cross Country Team ran in Plainview on Saturday, September 6.

With a race boasting 175 participants, the team fared very well. Coach Mike Prescott said he was proud of his girls who ran against several 1-A to 3-A schools to place 10th as a team overall.

Individual runners were Sierra Shep who came in 35th with a time of 14:20, Haley Chambless placed 55th with a time of 14:46, Kaylee Shields placed 82nd with a time of 15:18, Elizabeth Garcia placed 86th with a time of 15:20, and Kassidy Burton placed 89th with a time of 15:25.

The only Hedley Owl Cross Country runner is Reid Copelin who placed 51st in the boys division.

The Hedley High School Cross Country runners will be running Saturday, September 13, at Thompson Park in Amarillo.

Bronco JV stuns HP

The Bronco Junior Varsity is back on track as they earned a huge win over the Hornets on the road Thursday night.

The Broncos got down early but rallied back to take a 26-14 win.

"We started out slow on offense," coach Brad Elam said. "But we were able to pick it up in the second half."

That lead change came when Matt Henderson returned an interception 20 yards for a touchdown according to Elam. John Levario caught the extra point from Brayden Phillips for the lead.

"We were down six points at the break," Elam said. "But we dominated the second half by scoring three touchdowns."

Phillips scored on a 55-yard run, and Wesley Williams scored twice to seal the game. The defense stepped up and held the Hornets scoreless until the end of the game.

"Our defense really stiffened and held them," Elam said. "They did a good job. Henderson, Phillips, and Brady Clark all had interceptions."

The Broncos will travel to Quanah Thursday night, September 11, to take on the Indians. The game will begin immediately after the 7th and 8th grade games.

Bronco Football



2008 Bronco Roster

1	Johny Ballard	Sr.	5'9	180
2	Alton Gaines	Sr.	5'9	175
3	Aaron Gordon	Sr.	6'3	160
5	Stephino McCampbell	Jr.	5'11	170
7	Matthew Thomas	Jr.	5'9	145
8	Brayden Phillips	So.	5'9	135
9	Nathan Gribble	Sr.	5'9	165
10	Bradley Watson	So.	5'8	130
12	Johnny Gaines	So.	5'9	140
14	Michael Santos	So.	5'11	160
19	Jesus Hernandez	Sr.	5'10	140
22	John Levario	So.	5'6	120
25	Glenn Weatherton	Jr.	5'6	125
26	Chris Crump	So.	5'11	180
32	Mike Crump	So.	5'11	175
34	Coby Braughton	So.	5'9	155
50	Dylan Wright	Jr.	5'11	165
55	Trent White	So.	5'11	160
56	Tre Brown	Jr.	5'10	250
60	Hadley Jones	So.	5'11	185
61	RJ Nino	So.	5'9	200
66	Clayton Shields	So.	5'10	165
70	David Roberts	So.	6'1	205
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77	Derrick Shelton	Sr.	6'5	230
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Owls fall to Mustangs, 42-27

By Tangela Copelin

The Hedley Owls rushed the field on Friday night boasting 10 players for their second game of the year. With the Owls numbers being small, it didn't give them much time to rest in Friday night's game against the Holy Cross Mustangs. Despite this drawback the team rallied to play a close first half.

In the onset of the game, the Owls were pumped but were unable to execute their offense. They turned the ball over on downs several times, allowing the Mustangs the opportunity to score twice in the first quarter. The Owls came out the second quarter, and quarterback Daniel West threw a 20-yard pass to Jacob Widener to put the Owls in good field position. From there, Dylan Pettit pushed the ball into the end zone

for the Owls first TD of the season. Danny Garcia's PAT was good bringing the score 8 to 14.

The Owl defense had Evan Thomas and Steven Siatta stopping the Mustangs allowing the Owls to be ready to score again. With Tanner Gross leading the blocking, Reid Copelin ran in the second TD of the game. Garcia ran in the extra point.

With the score now 15 to 20, the Owls began running out of time in the first half. Evans stopped the Mustangs behind the line of scrimmage causing the Mustangs to have to try to pass for yardage, but Copelin batted down the pass, once again putting the Owls in good field position for a TD.

Pettit and Copelin push the ball up field, with time running out West finally connected to Widener in the

end zone for the final TD of the half, and the Owls pulled ahead 21 to 20.

The second half does not fair as well for the Owls. The Mustangs came out and scored immediately. Copelin retaliated with a TD of his own, but a personal foul call on the Owls caused the TD to be called back, and the Owls seemed to lose their momentum.

Will Monroe was later able to score, bringing the game close 27 to 28. But from that point the Owls fell behind by two touchdowns. Isaias Ramirez intercepted for the Owls, giving them one last opportunity to turn the game around, but the Owls were not able to overcome the point deficit and lost the game 27 to 42.

The Owls will be on the road on Friday night traveling to McLean to play the Tigers. Game time is 7:30.

Russell wins scramble

By Sandy Anderberg

Over a field of 65 golfers, Steve Russell put together scores of 57 and 58 for a 115 to earn the top spot in the Championship Flight of the One-Person Scramble at the Clarendon Country Club this past weekend.

The format gives the golfer the opportunity to play the best ball of two on each stroke. The combined score of the 36 holes determines the winner.

David Majors and Kelly Linquist tied at 119 for second place, and Majors came out on top after a play off on the card. Linquist was third. Mark Wyatt won a card play after a three-way tie in the first flight with a 127, Dee Bichell was second, and Keith Pingle took third.

John Permenter shot a 129 to win the second flight, and Bubba Linquist was second with a 131. Mike Silva shot a 132 for third. Gail Leathers won a card play off to win the third flight at 137, and George Leathers was second. Joel Layton finished third with a 139. The fourth flight winner was Charlene Sanders with a 150, Jason Permenter was second with a 151, and Colt Cozby was third at 152.

The winner of the Friday night

nine-hole scramble was the team of Jarad Lax, Sandy Anderberg, Colt Cozby, Gene Rogers, and Kevin Rogers at seven under par. The team of George Leathers, Audie Watson, Chris Moore, Brian W., and Sunday Morris also came in at seven under but lost in the putt-off.

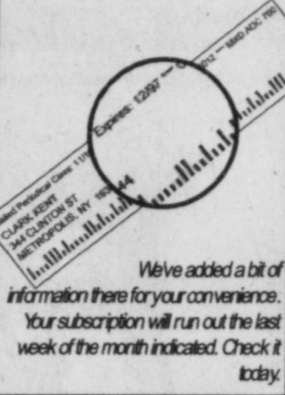
Ouida Gage and Susie Dale split the honors in the weekly women's game for low gross with an 87.

The team of Mike Santos, Bonnie Crofford, Clint Watson, R.O. Johnson, and Travis Wilson won the Labor Day 18-hole scramble at 15 under par. There was a three-way tie for second place at 12 under, and the team of Jerry Gage, Bret White, Andy Conrad, Randy White, and Sunday Morris took second while the team of Redell Johnston, Sandy Anderberg, Audie Watson, Mark Morris, and S.J. Johnson was third, and Doug Kidd, F.G. Crofford, Michael Thompson, Jennifer Clark, and Jeremy Howard took fourth place.

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The Donley County Commissioners Court is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in a tax revenue increase at a Called Session of Commissioners Court to be held on September 18, 2008, at 9:00 a.m. at Commissioners' Courtroom, Donley County Courthouse, Clarendon, Texas.

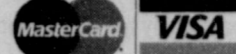
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Annual Hall County Picnic to be held Sept. 20

The Memphis Chamber of Commerce is making plans for the Annual Hall County Picnic, which is set for Saturday, September 20, and sponsored by the Hall County Picnic Association.

Activities begin on Friday, September 19, with a hamburger meal on the Square from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The meal will include a hamburger, beans, chips and a drink. It is sponsored by the Hall County Picnic Association.

Saturday, September 20, will begin early at 7 a.m., with the Preser-

vation Foundation serving a Cowboy Breakfast in front of the Hall County Senior Citizens building on the east side of the square.

The Memphis Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the Arts, Crafts, and Food Booths on the Square. "You may begin setting up your booth space at 7 a.m., and you may stay as long as you like," it was stated by the Chamber directors. Booth spaces are \$20 if you need electricity and \$15 for a space with no electricity. Food booths will be required to show proof of a Health

Dept. Certificate allowing them to sell food items. Church, school, and civic groups are exempt from having to have the Health Certificate.

Booth spaces are rented on a "first come, first served" basis, so reserve your booth space early. "We have a limited number of booth spaces with electricity; so if you need electricity, please reserve your space as soon as possible," it was stated.

Booth spaces are available by contacting the Chamber of Commerce at 259-3144 or by stopping by

the Chamber office on the north side of the Square, 515 W. Main, next to the Bronze Room, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon.

The Picnic Parade will begin at 11 a.m. The barbeque meal will be held at 6:30 p.m. on the northwest corner of the Square.

The dance will begin at 8 p.m. and continued until midnight. The band "Triple Kick" will play for the dance. S&J Amusements will return this year with some new rides. They will be bringing the turbo slide, live pony ride, moon walk, and more.

Sheriff's Report

September 1, 2008

5:11 a.m.- See caller 200 Blk. Ayers St.; possible trespass
 6:03 a.m.- Back to residence 200 Blk. Ayers St.
 6:55 a.m.- Dispatched to Sheriff's Office lobby.
 10:57 a.m.- Deputy reported no fire or smoke seen; reported by caller to be SE corner of canyon rim.
 10:58 a.m.- Second deputy also reporting negative find.
 11:35 a.m.- Away from vehicle.
 12:45 p.m.- Resident reporting unfamiliar male; W. 3rd St. walking towards school.
 1:09 p.m.- School grounds, football field checked. No contact.
 3:56 p.m.- Out with transient; 500 Blk. E. 2nd St walking east-bound.
 7:11 p.m.- See caller Hwy. 70 N.; believes hunters shooting close to livestock.
 7:23 p.m.- Spoke with caller.
 7:42 p.m.- Meet subject at Sheriff's Office lobby.
 11:01 p.m.- Gasoline spill 300 Blk. W. 2nd St.

September 2, 2008

11:30 a.m.- At residence 200 Blk. S. Goodnight.
 3:02 p.m.- Annex to post citations.
 3:09 p.m.- Away from vehicle.
 6:00 p.m.- Vehicle accident 2 m. W. Hwy. 287; minor, no injuries.
 8:06 p.m.- See complaint 800 Blk. E. 2nd St.; windows shot out, theft of property.

September 3, 2008

8:34 a.m.- See caller 200 Blk. S. Carhart; teen refusing to go to school.
 8:35 a.m.- Out with teen.
 10:06 a.m.- Away from vehicle.
 3:19 p.m.- Away from vehicle.
 7:23 p.m.- 600 Blk. E. 2nd St.; made contact with missing teen, will contact family.
 11:35 p.m.- Phelan Hall, College.

September 4, 2008

3:16 a.m.- Death notification to Hedley Resident; 500 Blk. N. Blair St.
 8:10 a.m.- Away from vehicle.
 10:54 a.m.- See caller 1000 Blk. W. 2nd St.; possible theft.
 2:27 p.m.- Away from vehicle.
 2:33 p.m.- Stand by; inmate visitation.
 3:30 p.m.- Away from vehicle.
 8:53 p.m.- Unable to locate gas drive off; Eastbound 287.
 11:10 p.m.- Checking origin of smoke S. of Clarendon.

September 5, 2008

12:13 a.m.- Out with 2 males; East city limits.
 5:10 a.m.- See caller 300 Blk. Wall-eye, Howardwick.
 10:39 a.m.- Check vehicle; unattended FM 2362
 1:39 p.m.- To jail, 1 male in custody.
 3:08 p.m.- Annex; post citations.
 3:35 p.m.- Escort funeral procession.
 6:28 p.m.- North Sully St.
 6:32 p.m.- Changed location to continue investigation; theft.
 10:01 p.m.- Removing juvenile runaway from commercial bus line.
 10:03 p.m.- Parent en route from Hall Co.

September 6, 2008

1:05 a.m.- Warning to juveniles; curfew.
 4:52 p.m.- At rodeo grounds.
 10:12 p.m.- Report of gunshots FM 2362, 4 mi. out.

September 7, 2008

4:13 p.m.- Juveniles on dirt bikes; 800 Blk. S. Kearney.
 7:49 p.m.- 800 Blk. S. Johns St.

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