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All this and much more at The Enterprise reports in this week's impressive edition!

Junior Livestock Show to be held Saturday

Local FFA and 4-H members will exhibit their animals in the 2006 Donley County Junior Livestock Show this Saturday.

The show will begin at 8 a.m. with the lamb and goat show followed by the heifer, steer, and swine shows. A premium auction will be held following the buyers' appreciation dinner at 6 p.m.

Raising a livestock project not only teaches youth about hard work but also increases their learning skills of leadership, responsibility, finance, nutrition management, and good sportsmanship.

The public is invited to support these youth at the show and auction. To make a contribution before the auction, contact County Agent Leonard Haynes at 874-2141.

Title XX recipients will have to go to Amarillo

Residents receiving subsidized health care through Title XX funding at Clarendon Family Medical Center will now have to travel to Amarillo to receive the same care at Planned Parenthood.

Due to legislative funding cuts, Planned Parenthood is no longer able to subcontract with the local clinic to provide birth control methods and screening services.

Planned Parenthood says it realizes this will be a hardship on some residents but says arrangements have been made for these residents to continue to receive health care.

The organization also encourages those affected to write State Rep. Warren Chisum at PO Box 2061, Pampa TX 79066, or call him at 665-3552 to let him know how these cuts have affected you.

Dickey Library to host MLK birthday activity

The Vera Dial Dickey Library at Clarendon College will present a birthday celebration in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The event will be held Tuesday, January 17, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. in the Bairfield Activity Center.

Elementary continues to collect BoxTops

Clarendon Elementary School earned \$137.30 and was able to order three die-cuts for teachers to make classroom materials thanks to those who sent in BoxTops for Education and Campbell's Labels for Education last semester.

The next deadline will be February 15, and the money earned will purchase a bookbinder to bind class books or individual books that the students have made.

Send your BoxTops and Labels with any elementary student, or drop them off at the elementary office. The goal this year is 6,000, and they have collected 1,373.

Wildfire danger remains high Countywide burn ban still in effect, includes home barbecues

A ban on outdoor burning, which includes home barbecue grills and smokers, remains in effect despite snow that covered much of Donley County Monday morning.

Officials say the precipitation, while helpful, will not completely alleviate the dangerously dry conditions which resulted in the loss of more than 21,000 acres to a wildfire on New Year's Day.

Tommie C. Saye, Cooperative Observer for the National Weather Service, recorded about an inch of snow Monday which yielded 0.09 inches of moisture.

That was the first measurable precipitation since October of last year when Clarendon received 1.20 inches over two days. With temperatures expected to reach the 50s and 60s this week, it won't take long before conditions are ripe again for another wildfire.

The Donley County Sheriff's

Office reminds all citizens that the burn ban is being enforced, and that ban will remain in place until county commissioners repeal it. One citation has already been issued, Sheriff Butch Blackburn said Monday.

State Forester and Director of the Texas Forest Service, Jim Hull, says this winter's fire season is the worst he's seen in nearly ten years since he became state forester in 1996. He is urging Texans to remain on their guard against any actions that could result in additional wildfires in the state.

"Current fire threat conditions are so extreme that almost any wildfire has the potential to exceed local control at this point," said Hull. "And we need all Texans' help in guarding our state against the devastation of these fires."

The Texas Forest Service responded to 17 new fires burning 925 acres during a 24 hour period

ending January 7. Twenty-nine homes were threatened, three homes were lost, and 26 homes saved. In Hood County, a welder was arrested and charged with reckless endangerment.

The New Year's fire in Donley County was started when a cottonwood tree fell into power lines and caused sparks. Over the next 26 hours, the fire burned an estimated 21,350 acres and destroyed one barn before local, area, and state agencies could bring it under control.

Fire conditions continue to remain extreme with red flag warnings posted over most of the state. Total acres burned to date since January 1, 2006, in West Texas are 205,059 acres. Fire suppression costs are \$5,272,719 dating to November 28, 2006.

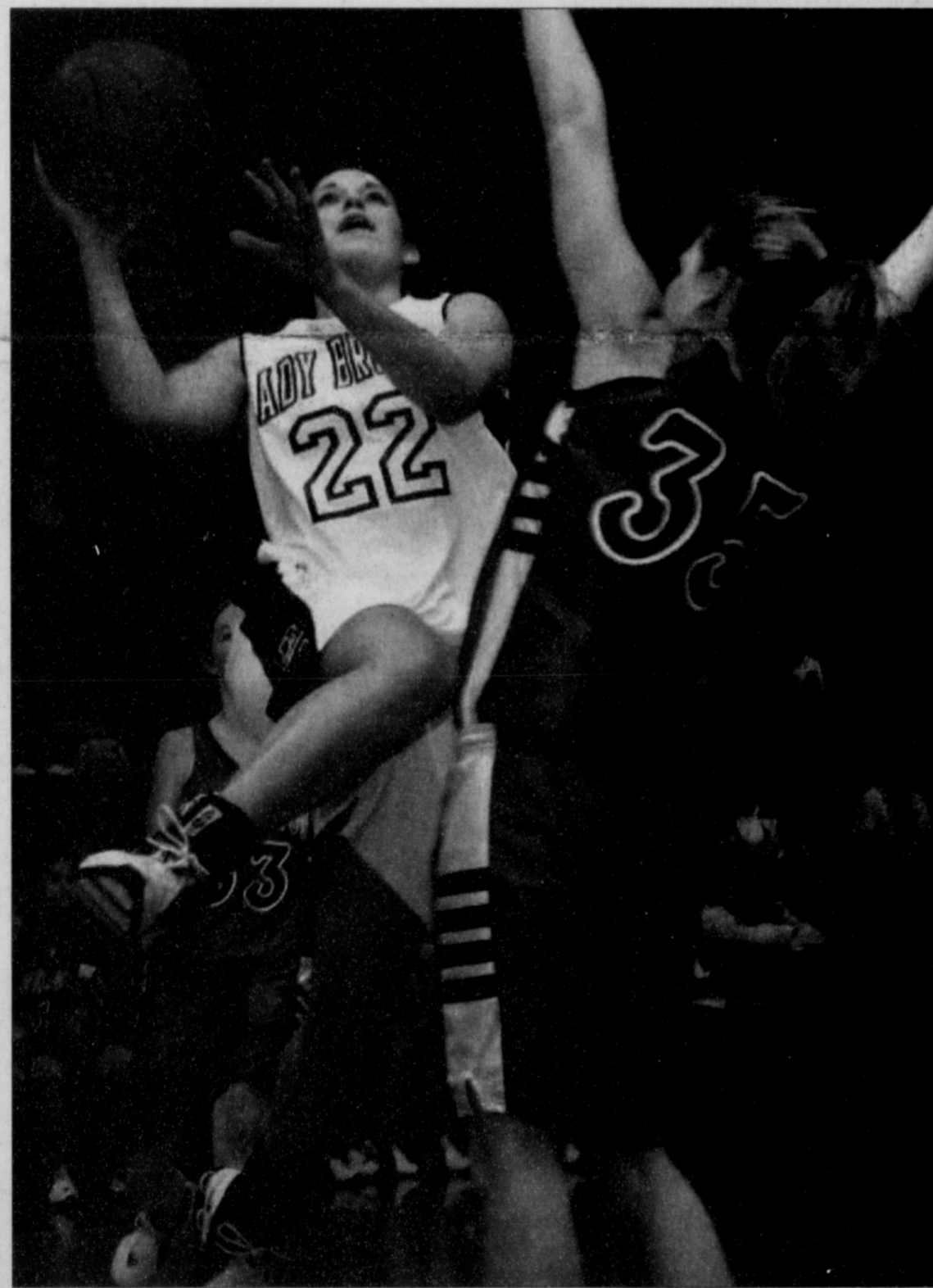
Local fire officials have urged all residents to clear dry grass and brush within 100 feet of their homes. The



A blackened area shows just part of the damage done to local rangeland when a wildfire consumed grass and brush on more than 21,000 acres in Donley County on New Year's Day. Photo courtesy Andy Wheatley

Eastern Texas Panhandle Red Cross says families should decide what to do and where to go if wildfires threaten their area.

When wildfire threatens, follow the instructions of local officials. If advised to evacuate, do so immediately. See 'Fire' on page three.



Go for two

Haley Shelton tries to get a basket for the Lady Broncos during Clarendon's game with Wellington last Friday. The girls fell short that night, but the local boys claimed a victory over the Skyrockets. See page six for details of the games.

Enterprise Photo / Roger Estlack

Course will review federal crop insurance

AMARILLO - Producers wanting to learn how to evaluate crop insurance alternatives are invited to attend a one-day short course.

Incorporating Crop Insurance into the Marketing Plan will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Jan. 24 at the Texas A&M University System Agricultural Research and Extension Center here.

"If you've ever wondered about the pros and cons of the various crop insurance products or what is the

best level of insurance, you need to attend this course," said Dr. Steve Amosson, Texas Cooperative Extension economist.

"The instructor, Dr. Art Barnaby, is one of the leading authorities on crop insurance products," Amosson said. "He was one of the developers of crop revenue coverage insurance."

Barnaby is a professor of agricultural economics at Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kan. He

will cover hail, multi-peril, and crop revenue coverage, as well as other insurance currently or soon to be available.

The short course is a part of the Advanced Topic Series hosted by Extension's Master Marketer Educational System, Amosson said. A fee of \$75 will cover instruction, materials, and lunch. For more information, contact Amosson at (806) 677-5600 or visit the Master Marketer Web site at <http://mastermarketer.tamu.edu>.

New Sonic drive-in to be opened here

A new Sonic Drive-in could bring as many as 40 new jobs to Clarendon later this year.

Gary Davis of Blanchard, Okla., told the ENTERPRISE this week he intends to build the new restaurant west of the Pizza Hut on US 287 with construction to start in either March or April.

An opening date hasn't been set, but Davis said he anticipates closing on the property this month, and the business will open as soon as he can get the facility built.

"It's not going to be a shabby thing," Davis said. "We're going to go in there and spend some money."

The drive-in will have 24 stalls, a large patio, and a drive-thru; and the main building will be finished with brick.

Sonic's hours will be from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. in winter and from 7 a.m. to midnight in summer.

Davis said he and his wife and daughter have been in the business for 20 years and have climbed up through the ranks.

"We started on the grill, worked hard, and tried to do better," Davis said. "At one point we got an opportunity for ownership, and we took it."

Davis now owns 10 drive-ins, and most of them are located in smaller towns. He is currently pre-

paring to open a Sonic in Anson, which will start with 43 employees.

Clarendon first drew Davis' interest two years ago in February while his daughter, Amber, was coaching for Vernon College. He attended a college softball game here and said he saw an opportunity. He pursued the rights for a local franchise and secured those rights last summer.

"The big determining factor (for locating in Clarendon) was there's just so much traffic," he said. "If we can get just five percent of the traffic, we're happy. And, of course, we want to serve locals, too."

Davis said he's looking forward to doing business in Clarendon and bringing jobs to the community.

"I think the main thing we'll bring is the jobs," he said. "We'll have 35 to 40 positions from management on down. Right now I'm running a help wanted ad, and I'd really like to find three or four from that area to train for management."

Davis also said he likes his stores to get involved locally.

"We're not in business to put anybody else out. We just want to be part of the community. We support local sports, we give two scholarships to the high school - one for a boy and one for a girl, and we just try to get involved in everything we can."

Extension service warns of get-rich-quick scams

LUBBOCK - The commercials often come on television late at night or early in the morning. Work-at-home business owners with enormous smiles and fancy cars tell how much money they've made, thanks to a Web site that got them launched.

Their stories sound too good to be true. That's because they probably aren't true, said an expert from Texas Cooperative Extension.

Dr. Pamela Brown, Extension entrepreneurship specialist, warned that not all these claims of business success are based in fact. In fact, she said, unless the companies making these claims are up front with what exactly is involved, "all kinds of (caution) flags should go up."

"Many business opportunities that come in the mail or online (are questionable)," she said.

These schemes sell no products, have no customers, and basically exist to recruit new members.

"Legal businesses have products and consumers."

Television commercials touting "make lots of money by working at home" offers are probably scams, she said. They may look good on the screen, but they do not explain the investment requirements up front.

Often these get-rich-quick-by-working-at-home come-ons involve medical billing, envelope-stuffing, or craft making. People who sign up usually pay a relatively small fee to get into the system but then are not given enough training on making the plan work. The company then offers additional training for a bigger fee.

She also advised checking out the companies making these offers by going to the Better Business Bureau - either area offices or online at <http://www.bbb.org/>.

When dealing with any company promising fantastic opportunities, Brown said, do your homework.

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

Alito hearings giant waste of time so far

The United States Senate has begun the flambé of Judge Samuel Alito, and it looks like this process may take quite a bit of time.

Alito, as you may recall, is President Bush's third choice to replace Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, who would very much like to retire.

His first pick, John Roberts, was quickly promoted to fill the seat of the chief justice when William Rehnquist died; and his second pick, Harriet Myers, turned out to be one of the president's biggest fans... but not much more than that.



editor's commentary
by roger estlack

Judge Alito has pretty well been biding his time since he was nominated last fall, and now the Senate has at last found time in its busy schedule to interrogate him properly.

The Democrats have had one major hiccup so far. One of their star witnesses, Stephen R. Dujack, who was set to testify about Alito's sinister nature, was abruptly pulled from the line up not long after it was revealed that Dujack, a committed environmentalist (or is that an environmentalist who ought to be committed?) once compared animals that are killed for food to the humans who died in the Holocaust.

As hearings began this week, the Democrats have gotten off to a not so glamorous start, asking questions that are irrelevant or repetitive. If they're planning to defeat this judge on the issues, so far it isn't working.

As always, the number one topic for the left is abortion. Leading Democrats drilled Alito repeatedly on the constitutionality of abortion and whether or not the issue has been definitively decided already, and the candidate tried his best not to answer questions that may come before him on the bench. The Dems didn't like that much and said he couldn't really sidestep the issue because he's written about it extensively in the past.

Of course, if he's written about it in the past, his personal position should be well known. The real question is whether he can set personal feelings aside and rule impartially based on the law. Alito should, like Ruth Bader Ginsburg before him, be allowed to skip specific questions that could compromise his ability to fairly judge certain cases.

Nominated by Bill Clinton, Ginsburg was overwhelmingly approved by the Senate with 90-something votes despite the fact that she is, without a doubt, a diehard flaming liberal. Republicans in the Senate understood then that the president is generally entitled to having his nominee confirmed.

Unfortunately, extending to Alito the same courtesy that Republicans extended to Ginsburg wouldn't allow Democrats to do their best pep squad routine for that segment of voters for whom there is only one issue.

It is a sad commentary that so many of these confirmation hearings are held hostage by this one topic, and it is even sadder that so many voters on the left can't see that there are in fact other issues facing America which are much more pressing.

Democrats also tried to draw Alito out on his college activities and attempted to paint the judge as being anti-women and anti-black. Of course, this is the party that has as one of its most esteemed members a former grand dragon of the Ku Klux Klan, but that didn't come up.

Alito also had to sit quietly as Democrats launched a tirade about President Bush's handling of the War on Terror, specifically how he has used (or in their opinion "abused") his powers during his time in office.

Properly, without commenting on specific cases, Alito said that everyone, including the president, is subject to the Constitution and the rule of law.

The Democrats also tended to focus on the fact that Judge Alito is replacing Justice O'Connor, and they said that this meant he would be held to a higher standard (which is to say he will have to endure more pointless questioning and possibly a filibuster).

This is a ridiculous assertion. There is no constitutional requirement that a judicial nominee must be a clone of the justice he is replacing. O'Connor has served her time with honor, but President Bush is entitled to name her successor just as President Clinton was entitled to name his choices to serve on the High Court.

The hearings are likely to drag on this week, and it is clear that the proceedings have very little to do with determining Samuel Alito's qualifications to serve on the Supreme Court. They are rather an opportunity for politicians to beat their chests and for Democrats to put on a show for their supporters.

So far, the Democrats have offered no good reasons that Alito should not be confirmed. They have nothing factually with which to defeat his nomination, and he will probably get a positive nod once he gets a vote on the floor of the Senate.

The entire hearing is a farce since most senators have already made up their mind on this man. It's just a shame that the country has to go through this dog and donkey show instead of having a reasoned debate over judicial philosophy and a dignified confirmation process.

Bye, bye, teaching; Hello, Rhode Island

I've been having a lot of trouble sleeping lately. I dream about waiting tables. I wake up a dozen times or more in a panic: "I didn't offer them dessert!" or "I forgot to leave the check!" or "That isn't my table!"

The same thing happened when I worked at Taco Bell only I dreamt about the buttons on the computer and folding burritos and frying the chips. Work is stressful. It invades every part of my life, waking and sleeping.

Now let's add on some more stress. Very recently I made the decision not to student teach. I was dreading it so much, I knew that must be God's way of telling me that it wasn't right.

It turns out I was a double major in English and Education, and I didn't even know it. I simply eliminated one of those majors from my degree plan, and it turns out that I have only one class left to finish my BA in English.

I don't really know what you do with a BA in English if you don't teach. I've heard that graduate school is always a good idea, so one night after work I came home and applied to Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island.

Brown is the alma mater of one of my personal heroes, musician Lisa Loeb. Lisa produced four albums, and I am one of about three Americans who own all four in their original, non-downloaded forms. She studied English there, and she's super cool.

I Googled it. I checked out their requirements and deadlines. It said that financial aid priority would be given to applications received before the 10th of January. I looked up at my calendar. It was 2 a.m. on January 3. I had one week.

I immediately began the process. Names, addresses, Social Security number, major... major? I have to pick another major?

I had enough trouble picking an undergrad major and sticking with it. Heck, I just dropped one nine hours from completing a degree!

GRE score? What's a GRE? Okay. Don't panic. I went back to the list of graduate programs and their requirements. English Literature required a GRE score of 600, I think, and two writing samples as well as an entrance essay. Women's studies was about the same. Theatre and Performing Arts, however, only recommended a GRE score and required one writing sample and an essay.

So that's how I became a candidate for a Masters of Fine Arts in Directing at Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island, at 2:15 a.m. on January 3, 2006.

I submitted my application, made requests for transcripts, and sent out forms for recommendations from my favorite professors. And now we wait.

And now I can't sleep. I fully expect to be rejected from Brown. I mean, for Pete's sake, Brown is Ivy League. Hardin-Simmons is not so much. What was I thinking?

Now, I'm dreaming about standing completely naked in front of the admissions committee at Brown, a table full of cranky old guys, pleading my case, and the oldest crankiest guy keeps asking for more tea and the guy next him wants, "No tomat-



life's lessons
by carrie helms

atoes! I said no tomatoes!" and the other guy wants a glass of buttermilk.

I'm trying to tell them about my passion for theatre, the new direction that my life is taking, the kind of research and study I want to do, what an asset I would be to the department at Brown, and the one guy keeps dropping his fork!

What would Freud say? It is very clear that I am under a bit of stress. I was already uncertain about my future, but I at least had a job and a field. Now I have nothing.

I feel like I'm standing at this door and on the other side of it is outer space, and I'm armed with a shoestring and a tube of ChapStick, and I'm somehow supposed to build a rocket ship in zero gravity.

Shouldn't I just go back? If I don't open that door, I'm still inside. I've got a shoestring that I can make into a cool necklace, and I have plenty of ChapStick. I don't need a rocket ship if I'm staying inside.

But if I don't open that door, I'll never know what it feels like to fly through outer space on my own creativity, to really do something that terrifies me and ends up changing the world that I live in.

If I don't open that door, what am I really saying? I'm turning my back on the hope, on the dream, of something really big that I don't even understand yet. I couldn't live with myself.

So at 2 a.m. the last few nights I've been busy filling out applications to OU, SMU, Baylor, and UNT - any school that I think of and has an application fee of less than \$30. Wish me luck and send me recipes for making rocket fuel out of ChapStick.



RAT FLU PANDEMIC

Traveler receives help from Clarendon

My husband and I want to thank Clarendon for the help the citizens and sheriff's department gave our son on Monday, January 2.

Our son, Adam Goebel, was returning to the Southwestern Assembly of God University in Waxahachie when his car broke down around 9:30 p.m. about five miles outside of Clarendon. An officer stopped to help him and gave him the number of a towing company, but he went even further when he came back to pick up our son and take him into town and found a hotel for him.

The next day, our son was walking through town when the officer stopped him and asked him how things were going. The officer took him back to his car and helped him with his car. They discovered the car was unfixable. The officer took him back to town where our son contacted someone at a church, and a very helpful couple took him to Amarillo to catch a bus to school. Also, the people at the hotel allowed him to sit in the lobby while he waited for help.

As parents, we are truly grateful and thankful for all the help you gave him. So many young people disappear under innocent circumstances like this. You have a wonderful town.

God bless all of you,

Kirk and Lavern Goebel,
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Donate to support your local fire department

As most of us are aware, there were a lot of acres destroyed by the fires the past few weeks.

Our fire department is voluntary. A lot of people worked vigorously to get the grass fires under control. We were very fortunate that there was no loss of life or homes.

As a citizen of Donley County, I am appealing to other citizens to step up with

me and donate to the fire department to help offset some of the expenses that certainly were accrued by the fire department.

It was not my property, but, as we all know, fire does not care who you are or where you live.

Please join with me and donate to our fire department to say thank you and to show our support. Donations can be mailed to the Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department, PO Box 364, Clarendon, TX 79226 or dropped off at Robertson's Funeral Directors in Clarendon.

Etta Milhoan, Clarendon

Cemetery board seeks donations for new year

The Citizens Cemetery Association appreciates the generous donations to the cemetery maintenance fund, but we continue to need your contributions. If you have already made a contribution for 2006, we are most grateful. If not, please do so. Your gifts to our common fund from all who have some obligation help us to keep our maintenance people on the job.

As in years past, we continue as a voluntary, non-governmentally supported organization. As such, if you itemize your return, your donations are fully tax deductible. We survive only through your care, concern, and generosity.

Additional donations in the form of a memorial are beneficial to the association and appreciated by surviving families. When sending memorial donations, please make it known whom you would like us to notify along with their address. Send donations to Citizens Cemetery Association, PO Box 983, Clarendon, TX 79226.

We would also like to note that Fred Clifford has submitted his resignation from the board of trustees and from the operation of the cemetery itself. Fred has served as the voluntary president, general manager, and total operational officer since

1976. Thanks to Fred, the cemetery is now in very good condition materially, financially, and administratively.

Our long time trustee and good friend Chauncey Hommel will be greatly missed. We all are grateful for his many years of service and his dedication, and each of us direct our sympathies to his family.

We have recently been fortunate that four new very able and industrious trustees have stepped forward and volunteered their services. The new volunteer directors and trustees are Debbie Roberts, George Self, Ann Luttrell, and Donna Hicks. All are to be congratulated and thanked for their contributions to our community. Other members are William J. Lowe, Shirley Osburn, and Tommie C. Saye.

Ann Luttrell,
Citizens Cemetery Association

Readers pose questions about appraisal district

We request that these questions be answered and made public by the Donley County Appraisal District Board:

What authority hires the personnel working for the Donley County Appraisal District?

Who supervises the employees? How are wages and benefits determined?

What are the job descriptions? Who determines what is in the job descriptions and how they are put into effect?

Why do we have an appraiser from out of Donley County? What does this service cost in addition to local salaries and benefits?

Are independent audits completed and this information made public?

Troy and Donnis Admire
Claude and Joann DeBord
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Cecil and Doris McAfee
Duane and Wanda Nichols
Jay and Verna Teague

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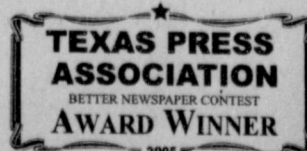
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FSA supports building firebreaks on CRP land

In response to the continued threat of grass fires statewide, Texas Farm Service Agency (FSA) reminds landowners of a provision in Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) procedure allowing for the establishment of firebreaks as a preventive measure.

"Although disking CRP ground is not a typically authorized practice, the benefit outweighs the cost in terms of fire protection of life and property," said Bruce Ferguson, County Executive Director for the Donley County FSA.

Individuals who are interested in disking perimeter firebreaks on ground enrolled in CRP must first visit the USDA Service Center and

work with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to modify CRP contracts to include firebreaks.

NRCS will determine acceptable firebreak widths on a site-specific basis.

With nearly four million acres of CRP in the state, many of those acres bordering communities and residences, Texas FSA supports efforts to reduce combustible vegetation that may cause a fire to spread.

There is no cost-share for establishing firebreaks, and rental payment penalties will not be assessed.

For more information, contact the Donley County FSA or NRCS at 806-874-3561.



the lion's tale
by allen estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting January 10, 2006, with Boss Lion Pro Tem Greg Henry conducting the meeting.

We had 18 members and two and one-half guests: Ashlee Estlack, guest of Lion Roger Estlack; and Scarlet Estlack, guest of Lion Russell Estlack; and Nathan Estlack, guest of Lion Grandpa Estlack.

The college faculty started three days of in-service this week with spring registration to start next week.

We encourage the support of the livestock show this weekend and ask everyone to brag on the kids' accomplishments. The public school is back to a full schedule with classes, ballgames, and other activities. The chamber banquet will be coming up.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

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Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District 50th Anniversary Celebration

Friday, January 20, 2006
9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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White Deer, Texas

Please join us for refreshments
and reminiscing.

weather report

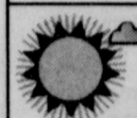
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Mon	2	67°	26°	-
Tues	3	68°	36°	-
Wed	4	82°	43°	-
Thur	5	63°	27°	-
Fri	6	56°	24°	-
Sat	7	70°	23°	-
Sun	8	83°	30°	-

Total precipitation this month: 0.00" Total precipitation to date: 0.00"
Total precipitation in January last year: 1.39"
Total YTD last year: 1.39"

weekend forecast



Friday, Jan. 13
Decr. Clouds
52°/24°



Saturday, Jan. 14
Mostly Sunny
63°/25°



Sunday, Jan. 15
Partly Cloudy
55°/28°

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

Fire: Red Cross offers safety tips

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ately. Only if you have the time, the Red Cross says, take these steps to protect your home. Close windows and heavy drapes, close vents, all interior and exterior doors. Remove lightweight curtains. Shut off gas at the meter or propane tank. Turn off all pilot lights. Close fireplace screens. Move flammable furniture into the center of the home away from windows and sliding glass doors.

Outside of your home, seal attic and ground vents with pre-cut plywood. Place combustible patio

furniture inside. Connect garden hose to outside taps. Place lawn sprinklers on the roof and near above-ground fuel tanks. Wet the roof and shrubs within 15 feet of home.

Plan how your family will stay in contact if separated by disaster. Pick two meeting places: one a safe distance near your home in case of fire and the second option outside your neighborhood in case you can not return home. Choose an out of state friend as a "check-in contact" for everyone to call.

Girl Scouts launch cookie sales

For many people, Girl Scouting is synonymous with cookies. Mention one and before you know it, you're talking about the other. The Girl Scout Cookie Sale is a tried and true way for girls to develop leadership and real life skills, make decisions about managing money, and support the future of Girl Scouting.

Over 19,000 cases of cookies will be delivered to the Girl Scouts-Five Star Council in Amarillo starting this week. They will officially launch their cookies sale program on

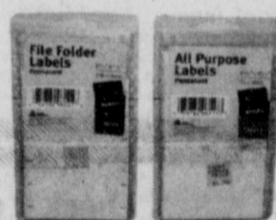
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To make things even tastier, there are two new cookies in the line up this year: Cartwheels - tasty oatmeal rounds with a cinnamon burst in every bite - and Thanks-A-Lot - a heart warming shortbread cookie dipped in rich fudge and topped with an embossed thank you message in one of five languages.

The Girl Scouts will be going door to door selling the cookies for \$3 a box which will continue to be on sale until February 26, 2006.

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January 14

Donley County Jr. Livestock Show & Auction • Clarendon Community Center

January 16

Martin Luther King, Jr., Day

CC v. NMJC • Bulldog Gym • Women 5:50 p.m., Men 7:50 p.m.

January 17

CC Spring Semester begins

CHS v. Memphis • Bronco Gym • Girls 6:30 p.m., Boys 8 p.m.

Martin Luther King, Jr., Birthday Celebration • Bairfield Activity Center • 7 p.m.

January 23

CC v. Odessa • Bulldog Gym • Women 5:50 p.m., Men 8 p.m.

January 30

CC v. Frank Phillips • Bulldog Gym • Women 5:50 p.m., Men 8 p.m.

January 31

CHS v. Quanah • Bronco Gym • Girls 6:30 p.m., Boys 8 p.m.

February 14

Valentine's Day

February 20

Presidents Day

February 25

Chamber of Commerce Banquet • Bairfield Activity Center • Details TBA

Community Menus

January 16-20

Clarendon Schools

Breakfast
 Mon: Cereal, toast, fruit, milk
 Tues: Oatmeal, toast, fruit, milk
 Wed: Pancakes, juice, milk
 Thur: Eggs, toast, fruit, milk
 Fri: Cinnamon rolls, juice, milk
Lunch
 Mon: Steak fingers, green beans, mashed potatoes, fruit mix, milk
 Tues: Turkey tetrazzini, mixed vegetables, peaches, rolls, milk
 Wed: Pork roast, mashed potatoes, corn, applesauce, rolls, milk
 Thur: Beef stroganoff, carrots, rolls, fruit, mix, milk
 Fri: Barbecue sandwiches, fries, salad, apricots, milk

Hedley Schools

Breakfast
 Mon: Biscuit with gravy, sausage patty, butter and jelly, dry cereal, juice, milk
 Tues: Cinnamon toast, egg roll, dry cereal, fruit, juice, milk
 Wed: Eggs and ham, toast, dry cereal, fruit, juice, milk
 Thur: Biscuit with gravy, sausage patty, butter and jelly, dry cereal, juice, milk
 Fri: Cinnamon rolls, dry cereal, fruit, juice, milk
Lunch
 Mon: Lasagna, peas and carrots, potatoes, salad, fruit, rolls, milk
 Tues: Salisbury steak, potatoes and gravy, salad, oranges, rolls, milk
 Wed: Chicken potpie or grilled cheese sandwich, tossed salad, sliced peaches, ice cream, milk
 Thur: Fish sticks, tossed salad, macaroni and cheese, fruit, rolls, milk
 Fri: Cheeseburger, oven fries, lettuce and tomatoes, applesauce, mixed fruit, milk

Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Hot steak sandwich, potato wedges, glazed carrots, pears, white chocolate macadamia cookies, toast, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
 Tues: Chicken Alfredo, pasta, steamed broccoli, garden salad, lemon lush, garlic toast, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
 Wed: Boneless pork chops, tomato basil dipping sauce, English peas, au gratin potatoes, cherry salad, vanilla pudding, rolls, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
 Thur: Calfish, black-eyed peas, corn dressing, coleslaw, Texas cake, hushpuppies, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
 Fri: Roast and brown gravy, potatoes, carrots, onions, tomatoes and zucchini, peach salad, cookies, rolls, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Calfish, onion rings, spinach, coleslaw, bread pudding, cornbread, coffee, tea, milk
 Tues: Chili and beans, potato wedges, cucumber and onion salad, apricot halves, cornbread, coffee, tea, milk
 Wed: Steak and gravy, baked potato, Harvard beets, tossed salad, baked apple, roll, coffee, tea, milk
 Thur: Chicken and dumplings, vegetable sticks, pea salad, cobbler, cornbread, coffee, tea, milk
 Fri: Turkey and dressing, sweet potatoes, green beans, fruit salad, pumpkin pie, roll, coffee, tea, milk

Outdoor fires presents unacceptable risks

By MaryRuth Bishop, County FCS Agent

In many folks minds these days, there is no question of "whether to burn or not?"

Just ask the people who have suffered losses of loved ones, homes, churches, businesses, barns and fences, etc., the numerous tired firefighters who have spent countless hours battling relentless blazes or the county/municipal officials who have had to deal with multiple and simultaneous fires.

There is no question in their mind. Do not light a fire. Conditions are just too hazardous, even for the best prepared and planned burns.

Following the recent outbreak of wildfires across Texas (over 200,000 acres burned including over 200 homes and several lives lost) plus thousands of acres burned in Oklahoma, it is important to remind everyone of the "tinderbox" conditions that exist across the entire region. According to the Texas Forest Service, extreme drought conditions

are likely to be with us through March unless extraordinary winter moisture is received. It is also very sobering to realize that we are just entering the worst time (January through March) of the typical wildfire season.

Good growing conditions and good early rainfall received over much of the region in 2004-2005 produced abundant grass and weed growth. However, very low to non-existent seasonal precipitation received since then, coupled with unseasonably warm temperatures, low humidity, and high winds have given us the current wildfire conditions so prevalent over the region.

Even with multiple-county burn bans and fireworks bans over the region, wildfires continue to happen! Either from ignored warnings or lack of knowledge of the extreme hazardous conditions, people have caused wildfires by carelessly burning trash or lighting fireworks or cigarettes while other fires have been caused by electrical sparks from wind blown

highlines and/or transformer shorts.

Prescribed burning (burning under a set of prescribed conditions to accomplish certain management goals and objectives) is sometimes permitted during burn bans when the responsible party can convince county officials of the safety and containment design of their proposed burn plan and of the necessity of a harsher burn to accomplish their objectives. However, there are potential problems caused by burning under conditions such as we are currently experiencing, that even the best prescribed burn plan cannot adequately address. There are recognized environmental needs that must be met before and after a burn for proper rangeland recovery to occur, not to mention heightened safety concerns and risks to life and property.

The prudent rangeland resource manager is reminded that rangeland health and recovery can be substantially retarded and hindered if a burn

is conducted during drought times with dry soil profiles and no promising forecast of favorable moisture conditions to follow. With the lack of grass growth and ground cover comes the acceleration of wind and water erosion on unprotected soils.

The designer of the burn plan and the fire boss can only attempt to determine how safe a burn can be if all goes as planned. With the current dry conditions, weather patterns and recent wildfire events causing public fear of any smoke on the horizon, most, if not all prescribed burning should be put on hold until more forgiving and favorable weather conditions have been in place for awhile. At this time, there is very little encouragement from weather forecasters that the present conditions will change in the near future.

In light of these facts, one should, hopefully, not have to consider whether or not to burn. The obvious answer should be: no outdoor burning - at least for now!

Haynes speaks to 4-H members about labelings

By Ashlyn Tubbs, Club Reporter

The January Donley County 4-H meeting was held on January 3 at the Family Life Center. President Paul Goetze called the meeting to order at 6:00. Austin Lowry led us in the inspiration. Ty Tubbs and Rowdy Speed led us in the U.S. pledge and 4-H motto and pledge. Our 4-H greeter, Danielle Smith, conducted roll call. There were 42 members present.

Secretary Danielle Ford read us the minutes of last month's meeting. John Pigg reported on our Christmas 4-H party that we had. We all went caroling at houses and then returned to the Functional Living Center to enjoy Christmas cookies, snacks, and hot chocolate. After that, we had old and new business by Goetze, and County Extension Agents Leonard Haynes and Mary Ruth Bishop.

Some of the new business we discussed was that we should donate \$100 out of our 4-H account to the Donley County Stock Show, and we also discussed the geranium sales for this year. Then we had our introduction of our program.

Haynes talked to us about livestock food safety issues and the importance of reading and understanding livestock labels especially withdraw periods on medicated feeds. We experimented with chocolate milk and Rice Crispies to get a further understanding of what he was talking about. Then we had announcements where we discussed project meeting times and dates. The Door Prize Drawing was next. Cedar Stevenson won a 4-H bag.

Paul adjourned the meeting at 7:30 to drinks and snacks provided by Leslie White and Misti Speed.

The next meeting will be February 7, at 6 p.m. at the Family Life Center. We hope to see you there!

Beautification Club to discuss Hobo Stew

You know it is January when you wake to a couple of inches of snow and 20° temperature. You aren't sure with 80° temperature and 25 mph wind, which is the way our week has been. Sunday was 80°, we had snow Monday with an accumulation of about two inches, and now we have a forecast of 75° on Wednesday. It is wet, and we will take it even if we wish for more.

I spent last week at BSA with Jim when he had his left carotid artery cleaned out. He is doing well, as well as anyone with 28 stitches does. As a retired nurse I enjoy

watching the working of a hospital and all the changes I can spot. The first thing I noticed was construction, and I wondered where all those new people are going to park. If you arrive later than 8 a.m., plan to wait on a parking spot. You never know where the hospital entrance is going to be, and finding your way around can be a nightmare.

The biggest change in patient care is technology. In ICU all patients had their own computer, and it seemed the nurse spent more time there than with Jim. His leg compression system worked, his vital signs

and EKG were all monitored and recorded, his IVs all ran well, but what happens when there's a power failure? Does that nurse know the formula for calculating drops-per-minute of an IV and can they take a manual blood pressure? Those are questions retired nurses think of.



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 by peggy cockerham
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You are not reassured when the hand-held scanner that reads his name doesn't work and the nurse tries with three other scanners before it finally "takes" and he gets his medication. I hope that nurse can still read.

With January comes a return to weekly meetings, and the fire department meeting will be held January 12 at 7 p.m. at City Hall.

The Beautification Club meets Monday, January 16, at noon at City Hall. The biggest item on the agenda will be the Hobo Stew, which is planned for February. Hope to see everyone there.

Bombeck's books perfect start to New Year

How about continuing your New Year with sentimental humor from Burton Memorial Library?

Erma Bombeck's death in 1996 left a void in literature and journalism worlds. Her warm, witty style made her one of America's favorite humorists for 30 years. Laughing at herself allows readers to identify and take a lighter view of their own daily experiences. Her amusing approach to everyday happenings are evident in the book titles alone.

When You Look like Your Passport Picture, It's Time To Go Home is an "uproarious tale of her travels to the four corners of the globe."

Bombeck refers to motherhood as the "biggest on-the job training program ever" in *Motherhood, The Second Oldest Profession*. She affectionately describes joys, pangs, fulfillment, frustration, and a mix of personalities, ages, emotions, and attitudes about mothers.

Her most autobiographical book presents a loving and laughing perspective as she looks back on her own 43 year marriage and the timeless

passages that make the "honorable estate of matrimony the highest-risk, highest-reward professional of all." Title? *A Marriage in Heaven or Too Tired for an Affair*.

If Life is a Bowl of Cherries, What Am I Doing in the Pits? and numerous others provide more available entertainment.

Avid readers of Erma's 4,500 newspaper columns still relish *Forever Erma*, a collection of her most requested columns including her first one, "Children Cornering Coin Markets" (January, 1965) and the last one, "Let's Face It" (April, 1996).

One of Erma's greatest writing challenges, *I Want To Grow Hair, I Want To Grow Up, I Want To Go To Boise* concerns children surviving cancer. She wondered, "Would it be possible to write an optimistic book about cancer?" After visiting camps for children with cancer, encouragement from parents, children, even people outside the United States, she felt she had to try.

Arriving at the camp, she expected to hear despair, anger, and

fear of future. It only took an hour with teenagers to recognize their optimism. They wanted to be treated like other kids. They told her how important a sense of humor is to them. They thought her book should be funny. She discovered "humor and optimism are things that keep these kids in the main stream of life, perhaps, the main part of their survival." She describes them as "carriers of courage" from which she learned so much. According to Bombeck, "laughter seems to rise out of tragedy when it is needed most."

Incredible humorous situations with children from age 3 to teenage are related. Three year old Crystal, in the hospital, told her, "These people don't know what they're doing. They take blood out of me one day, and put in more another." The children handle hair loss in their own way.



check it out
 by mary beth nelson

Another three-year-old whose hair was beginning to grow back asked her bald-headed father, "Daddy, is your hair coming or going?" When a rock group brought a concert to West Virginia, teenager Lynn, previously experiencing hair loss, used magic markers to draw their logo on her head. Everyone through it was sensational!

Erma's warmth and compassion for these children pull at heartstrings. This tender narrative of remarkable attitudes concludes with children's definition of "hope," after which, Bombeck relates her own definition: "HOPE is small; sometimes it has two legs; sometimes not; sometimes it has hair, sometimes it's bald; it can laugh and cry in the same breath; it doesn't have to talk; it can share; its very presence has enough to change the course of your life; its name is *A Child Fighting Cancer*."

This book is available only through Texas Panhandle Library System. Jerri and Mary are willingly ready to order if for you at your request. Why not check it out?

CC releases dean's president's honors

Clarendon College's outstanding academic students have been named to the President's and Dean's Lists for the Fall 2005 semester. A total of 52 students achieved this honor.

The President's List, which highlights full-time students who maintain a 4.0 grade-point average through the fall semester, includes Jerri Adams of Clarendon.

The Dean's List, which honors full-time students who maintain a 3.6 grade-point average through the fall semester, includes Gina Archer of Clarendon and Karon Hooper and Cole Llewellyn of Hedley.

Hedley taps Stephens for Greenbelt board

The Hedley Board of Aldermen met in regular session January 5 at 7 p.m.

Among the items of business considered by the board, a bid for tax delinquent property from Mike Wallendorff for Lots 17-24, Block 7, Original Town of Hedley, was discussed and accepted as presented by the Donley Appraisal District.

The aldermen also considered the appointment of a director to the Greenbelt Water Authority Board and voted to appoint Henry Stephens to another two-year term.

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Drugs in the News

Treating Allergic Rhinitis is Key for Asthma Care

According to the results of a study published in the November issue of the medical journal *Chest*, treating allergic rhinitis is important in the medical care of persons who also have a history of asthma.

Researchers evaluated the effect of *beclomethasone*, an inhaled steroid in 74 persons who had both asthma (mild to moderate) and allergic rhinitis. They observed excellent control of both rhinitis and asthma symptoms from the use of this topical, inhaled steroid. Asthma control included less nighttime awakenings, fewer visits to the hospital emergency room, and fewer absences from work. *Beclomethasone* delivered as a nose spray may be the best choice for both conditions.

Asthma is defined as difficulty in breathing as the result of airway inflammation. When the airways react, they get narrower, causing less air to flow through the airways into the lungs. This narrowing causes a wheezing or whistling sound when you breathe. Allergic rhinitis results from inflammatory response inside the nose due to allergic reactions to such things as plant pollen, dust, or other things. Symptoms of rhinitis include itchy nose, sneezing, and nasal congestion.

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Obituaries

McGuire

Funeral services for Earline Fortenberry McGuire, age 73, were held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 5, 2006 at Robertson Chapel of Memories in Clarendon with Rev. Bryan Knowles, Baptist minister, officiating. Burial was held at Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Mrs. McGuire died Monday, January 2, 2006, in Waco, Texas. She was born in Hedley, Donley County, Texas, to Earl Fortenberry and George Anne Builderback Fortenberry. She married Wallace McGuire on January 13, 1970, in Amarillo. She lived in Amarillo most of her life and then settled in Georgia for the past 33 years. She recently had relocated to Waco. She loved Georgia for the scenery and enjoyed picnics and long drives. She was a very loving mother, grandmother, and wife, and was a devoted Christian. She was a member of the Emory Chapel in Thomaston, Georgia. The family wishes to thank Providence Hospital in Waco for all their love and support.

Survivors include her husband, Wallace McGuire of Hewitt, Texas; two daughters, Linda Perich and husband Pete of Mooreville, Texas, and Brenda Humphrey and husband Alvin of Hewitt; two step sons, Mickey McGuire and wife Sherri of Ohio and Steve McGuire and wife Emerald of South Carolina; grandchildren, Tammy Juneau of Amarillo, Ethan Humphrey and wife Stephanie of Lorena, Jason Perich of Houston, and nine other grandchildren; 21 great grandchildren; and one great grandchild.

Stout

Funeral services for Jonnie L. Dillehay Stout, age 88, were held at 10:00 a.m. Friday, January 6, 2006, at First Baptist Church with Rev. Dave Stout, Rev. Scott Jones, and Rev. Mark Metzger, family members, officiating. Burial was held in Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Mrs. Stout died Tuesday, January 3, 2006, in Clarendon. She was born March 12, 1917, in Jacksonville, Texas, to Thomas Henry and Emily Williams Dillehay, and married Rev. John Henry Stout on September 4, 1934, at Jacksonville. They were residents of Carizzo, New Mexico, prior to moving to Clarendon in 1971. She was the world's best mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. She was a member of the Pathfinders Club and a member of First Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband on December 11, 1986; two brothers; one sister; and by two grandchildren, Susan Babcock Harp and Timothy Ryan Jones.

Survivors include two daughters, Linda Babcock and husband Kenneth of Groom; Nell Jones of Clovis, New Mexico; three sons, Dave Stout and wife Linda of Clarendon, James Stout and wife Betty of San Antonio, and Charles Stout of Clarendon; ten grandchildren; ten great grandchildren.

Lohoefer

Funeral services for Clara Beatrice Risley Lohoefer, age 98, were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, January 9, 2006, in Robertson Chapel of Memories with



Lohoefer

Rev. Robin Gantz, Retired Presbyterian Ministers, and Don Stone, Church of Christ minister, officiating. Burial was held in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Mrs. Lohoefer died Friday, January 6, 2006, in Clarendon. She was born February 26, 1907, in Hunt County, Texas, and was brought to Donley County as an infant by her parents Adam and Icy Stanford Risley. She married Carl Harris in 1924 and then was married to Conrad Jerry Lohoefer in 1935. Clara worked for many years at the Farmers State Bank, which later became the First Bank and Trust and then the Herring National Bank, before retiring at the age of 85. She was at one time active in her church. Clara saw many changes in her 98 years, including

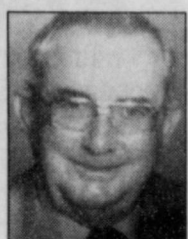
two world wars, the great flu epidemic of 1918 that took the lives of many Americans, saw women gain the right to vote, and watched men walk on the moon. She often said that she would like to come back in a hundred years to see what the world would be like. She departed this life as she had lived it, with grace and dignity.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Jerry Lohoefer; a granddaughter, Deborah Sharp DuPuy; a sister, Helen McGregor; and a brother, Lloyd Risley.

Survivors include her daughter, Billie Nell Shaffer of Clarendon; a brother, Maurice Risley and wife Mary Neil of Clarendon; two grandchildren, David Sharp of Clarendon and Jennifer Griffin of Florida; six great grandchildren; and several great great grandchildren.

Roland

Bob Roland of Hedley died Sunday, January 8, 2006, in Amarillo at the age of 88.



Roland

Services were held at 3 p.m. Wednesday, January 11, 2006, in Robertson Chapel of Memories with Rev. Bob Thomas, Odyssey Hospice Chaplain, officiating. Burial was in the Rowe Cemetery with arrangements by Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc.

Mr. Roland was born December 23, 1917, in Whitesboro, Texas, to James Wesley and Velma Lee Butcher Roland. He married Jessie Mae Farmer on May 24, 1941, at Durant, Okla.

Bob worked for many years as a rancher for three ranches. He was a resident of Hedley and Donley County most of his life. He was a member of the Hedley Lions Club and a member of the Church of Christ in Hedley.

He was preceded in death by his wife on September 1, 2002.

Survivors include one son, Bob Roland and wife Pat of Amarillo, one sister, Ethel Favor of Amarillo, eight nieces and nephews, and one granddog, Sadie Mae.

The family requests that memorials be sent to Odyssey Hospice, 1000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo, TX 79101.

Cobb

Jo Ann Cobb, 73, of Amarillo died Wednesday, January 4, 2006.



Cobb

Graveside services were January 6 in Memory Gardens Cemetery with the Rev. Michael Carter officiating. Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery by Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Cobb was born November 15, 1933, in Albertville, Ala., to Ralph and Eula Sanford. She worked as an LVN at Northwest Texas Hospital for 26 years.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Victoria Eye, in 1996.

Survivors include her husband, R.C. Cobb; two sons, Jodi Cobb and Michael Cobb; two daughters, Sandy Sanders and Penny Cobb; two stepchildren, Steven Cobb and Gloria Hernandez; 21 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to BSA Hospice, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, TX 79105.

Harbour

Iris Charlotte Lake Harbour, age 68, of Lelia Lake, died Sunday, December 25, 2005.



Harbour

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 29, 2005, at Memorial Park Funeral Home Chapel of Memories in Amarillo. Burial followed at Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Memorial Park Funeral Home.

Mrs. Harbour was born November 1, 1937, in Bloomington, Indiana, to Hazel and Elmer Lake. She was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother. She enjoyed quilting and gardening.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Carolyn Tris-

ter; a son, Billy Hardy; and a granddaughter, Toni Beavin.

Survivors include her husband, Robert Harbour; three sons, Tommy Harbour and wife Sylvia, Philip Harbour and wife Lisa, and Greg Hardy and wife Kim; five daughters, Stephanie Dick and husband Ronald, Deborah McMinim and husband Robert, Tina Johnson, Teresa Hamm and husband James, Ina Boyd and husband Jim; two brothers, Donald Lake and Robert Lake; 19+ grandchildren; and 29+ great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to the Community Fellowship Church in Clarendon.

Kerlee

Billy Myrl Kerlee of Clarendon died Monday, January 9, 2006, in Amarillo at the age of 57.

Graveside services under the arrangement of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., will be held Friday, January 13, in Citizens Cemetery with family member Joe Wheeler officiating.

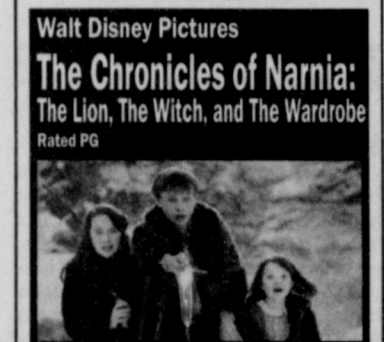
Mr. Kerlee was born May 19, 1948, in Clarendon to Pete Mirl and Lucille Myrl Smith Kerlee. He worked for many years as a truck driver and general laborer around

Clarendon. He was a resident of Clarendon for most of his life.

He is survived by two sons, Kevin Kerlee of Groom, and Parker Kerlee of Pampa; one daughter, Gwendolyn Morris of Casper, Wyo.; two brothers, James Olen Watts, Jr., of Claude, James Edward Watts of Clarendon; one sister, Edna Wheeler of Amarillo; one special friend, Sharon Grady of Clarendon; and three grand children.

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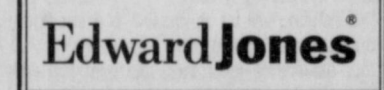
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Sheriff's Report: Deputies watching for burn ban violators

Jan. 2
 5:35 p.m. - Out in the 200 block of S. Carhart.
 6:00 p.m. - EMS assist in the 900 block of W. 5th.
 8:50 p.m. - Away from vehicle checking possible fire.
 11:13 p.m. - See caller on US 287 at S. Koogle about problems with a customer.

Jan. 3
 1:10 a.m. - Vehicle stopped off roadway with flashers on US 287 at FM 2362.
 1:03 p.m. - Check reported possible gunshots near City Park.
 1:21 p.m. - Welfare check in the 200 block of Janny, Howardwick.
 1:35 p.m. - Transport to Sheriff's Office, mental health officer also en route.
 2:19 p.m. - Escort funeral procession.
 2:34 p.m. - Out in the 200 block of Ellerbee.

Jan. 4
 9:36 a.m. - Out at Annex.
 1:48 p.m. - See caller on 5th St.
 2:05 p.m. - To jail with one male.

Jan. 5
 12:12 a.m. - Possible trespass at derailment sight.
 7:05 a.m. - Check semi in roadway on US 287 at S. Koogle.
 10:23 a.m. - Family dispute in the 700 block of E. Burkhead.
 4:23 p.m. - To Sheriff's Office with one juvenile.
 6:21 p.m. - To Randall County Youth Center with one juvenile in custody.

Jan. 6
 10:15 a.m. - To courthouse with juvenile.
 10:18 a.m. - Escort funeral procession.
 2:03 p.m. - Checking reported smoke west of FM 1260.
 3:35 p.m. - Vehicle accident on W. 4th St.
 4:41 p.m. - Burning trash in the 1200 block of E. Cook St. Watched as fire was put out.
 5:26 p.m. - Large amount of cotton seed on roadway on US 287 at S. SH 70.
 6:56 p.m. - Out at Clarendon gym.
 8:07 p.m. - EMS assist in the 200 block of Janny, Howardwick.
 8:37 p.m. - Assist EMS in restraining subject.
 9:24 p.m. - Out at Clarendon Gym.

Jan. 7
 2:03 a.m. - Stranded motorist on CR 12.
 8:21 a.m. - Residential alarm in the 900 block of W. 6th.
 11:12 a.m. - Out in the 700 block of S. Johns.
 12:56 p.m. - EMS assist in the 100 block of Catfish, Howardwick.
 6:03 p.m. - Standby at fire.
 7:41 p.m. - Building secure in the 800 block of E. 2nd.
 7:45 p.m. - Out on 7th and Koogle.

Jan. 8
 12:03 a.m. - Possible trespass on CR V.
 5:19 p.m. - Out in the 100 block of Goodnight, possible outside fire.
 5:52 p.m. - Outside fire in the 500 block of W. 5th.
 6:17 p.m. - Out in the 500 block of W. 5th.

Summary: Arrests - 1 Fire - 3
 EMS - 10

At this time the burn ban in Donley County includes backyard barbecues and smokers.

Bronco JV falls at home

The Bronco JV suffered a tough 39-42 loss against Wellington in their district opener at home Friday, January 6. The Broncos played strong during the game as they led their opponent until the final period of play. The Rockets outscored the Broncos by four points in the fourth quarter to steal the win.

Scoring: Dalton Askew 12, Derrick Shelton 10, Danzel Wilson 10, Austin Howard 4, and Zack Rattan 3.

Earlier in the week, the Broncos were handed a 14-30 loss by the White Deer Bucks on the road. Scoring: Trevor Leeper 4, Wilson 4, Shelton 4, and Askew 2.

The Broncos will travel to Quanah Friday, January 13, at 5:15 p.m. and will host Memphis Tuesday at 5:00 p.m.

Lady Bronc JV wins two

The Lady Bronco junior varsity is going strong and earned a big win over Wellington at home Friday, January 6, after gaining a close 20-18 win earlier in the week over White Deer.

The 30-13 win over the Lady Rockets put the Lady Broncos at 1-0 in District play and gave them incentive to keep playing strong.

Scoring: Sade Faas 7, Shelby Watson 5, Abbie Massingill 5, Sarah Scrivner 5, Janae White 4, Jill Cornell 4, Erin Holland 2, Bailey Starnes 2, Abby Patten 2, and Morgan Hysinger 2. Scoring in the White Deer game were Watson 9, Starnes 6, and Cornell 5.

The Lady Broncos will be on the road Friday, January 13, against Quanah beginning at 4:00 p.m. and will play Memphis at home January 17 beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Colts beat Wellington

The seventh grade Colts brought the Firecrackers to a stand still at home Thursday, January 5, and grabbed a huge 40-17 win.

Great offensive team play allowed the Colts to rack up several points while their defensive play stifled their opponent. Scoring: Mike Crump 12, Johnny Gaines 12, Chris Crump 10, Brayden Phillips 2, Bradley Watson 2, and David Roberts 2.

The eighth grade Colts won as well as they defeated the Firecrackers 35-30. Scoring: Nelson Devin 14, Nathan Judd 6, Dustin Ford 6, Jaden Thornton 5, and Tré Brown 4.

Both Colt teams will travel to Quanah Monday, January 16, with the seventh graders playing at 5:00 p.m. and the eighth grade immediately after.

Lady Colts edged out

The seventh grade Lady Colts were defeated by Wellington 17-30 as they were on the road Thursday, January 5.

The Lady Colts could not get anything going against their opponent. Scoring: Danielle Ford 5, Megan Hysinger 4, Miranda Miller 2, Ashlyn Tubbs 2, Annessa Williams 2, and Chelsea Alaniz 2.

The eighth grade Lady Colts suffered the same result, as they were defeated 11-26 by the Lady Firecrackers. Scoring: Jill Luna 4, Brandi Mays 4, Lauren Shelton 2, and Kia Bryley 1.

The Lady Colts will take on Quanah at home Monday, January 16, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

HJH Owls lose to Tigers

The Hedley Junior High Owls came back from Christmas break to play a tough game against the McLean Tiger Cubs. The boys started out slow only scoring six points in the first half of play and were unable to play catch up with their opponents. Scoring: Braden Montgomery 8, Reid Copelin 5, Troy Chambless 4, and Will Monroe 2.

The boys played the second game of the New Year against Samnorwood in what proved to be a fast paced back and forth game. The Owls outscored the Eagles in the first half 27 to 15 but allowed them to come back in the fourth quarter. The Owls lost the game 36 to 39. Scoring: Copelin 15, Chambless 7, Monroe 6, Montgomery 4, Brandon Benton 2, and Dylan Pettit 2.

McLean beats HJH girls

The Junior High Lady Owls played McLean in what was a very low scoring game for the girls. They went the first quarter without scoring and were unable to close the gap to catch up to the Tiger cubs losing this game 23 to 37. Scoring: Haley Hall 10, Kaylee Shields 7, Brook Martin 2, Marlee Sargent 2, and Alex Sharp 2.

The girls fared much better the second game of the New Year. They played the Samnorwood Lady Eagles and blew them away 42 to 23. Scoring: Hall 20, Jennifer Allen 12, Shields 4, Martin 2, Sargent 2, and Tamara Burnum.

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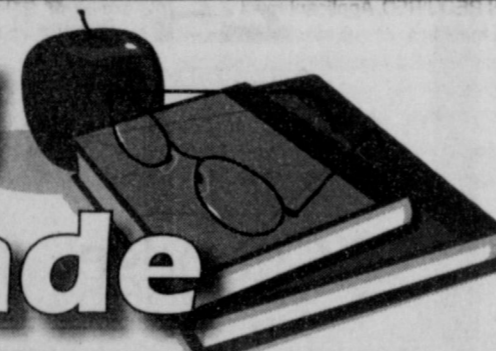
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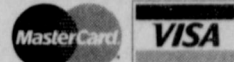
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The Watson family would like to thank the fire departments from Clarendon, Hedley, Howardwick, Groom, Hoover, McLean, Shamrock, Memphis, Claude, Kelton, Wheeler, and Pantex, as well as the Donley County Sheriff's Department, Texas Department of Transportation, Donley and Gray County maintenance crews, Texas Forest Service, and any other group or individual who responded and helped fight the fire that crossed the Lonesome Cedar Ranch on January 1. The quick response to station a crew to protect our homes and equipment operators to build fire breaks ultimately saved our homes, buildings, and livestock.

We don't know your names, but we do know that every person involved volunteered a great number of hours and did everything humanly possible to stop the fire. We realize how fortunate we are to have our property located in a great community like Donley County where people pull together in times of crisis. Thank you all for a great effort against tough odds. As a token of our appreciation we will make a donation to the Clarendon Fire Department. Sincerely,

The Watsons
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The words "thank you" seem very inadequate to express our appreciation to all who helped fight the grass fire on New Year's Day and Monday. To the volunteer firemen (both local and area), county and state employees, emergency personnel, law enforcement agencies, and Fire-belles, your assistance in whatever capacity you helped is greatly appreciated. Thank you, also, to the businesses that provided drinks, foods, supplies, and services for all the volunteers.

Burl and Carlene Hollar
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THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone for the cards and gifts we received during the loss of our loved one.

Carol Musick, Jason, J.D., and Shelby
♦♦♦♦♦

We would like to thank each one who sent prayers, flowers, cards, and food, as well as, the thoughtful deeds, calls, and visit during out time of loss. We send a grateful thanks to Rev. Bryan Knowles, Rev. Larry White, Joburta Helms, Valerie Ashcraft, the First Baptist Church, and all who made the service an unique remembrance of Daddy's life and his love of God, church, family, and friends; and for the wonderful lunch and those who prepared it. Also, we want to say thank you to the staff of Odyssey and Medical Center Nursing Home and the residents, who were there each day to help and care for him, laugh with him, and to be there for him "to kid around with and pick on" during the time he and Mother made their home there - you are now a part of our family. We love you all and ask God to bless each of you in a special way!

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Broncos thump Wellington, 59-56

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos are proving to be fighters as they overtook a powerful Wellington team to claim their first District win of the 2006 season. The Broncos worked together and played as a team to earn the 59-56 win over the Skyrockets.

Wellington jumped out to the early lead, which they held until the third period of play, but the Broncos fought back to gain the lead and hold a slight advantage in the third period. They outscored their opponent in the last quarter of play by a bucket to retain the lead and get the three-point win.

"Wellington is a tough district opener," Coach Wade Callaway said. "We came out and did everything we didn't want to do. We gave up the offensive boards, committed turnovers, and got down 20 to 11 in the first quarter."

But the Broncos weren't about to give up and came on strong to change the momentum to their side.

"We kept our composure, which is a testament to great senior leadership and fought back in the second half," Callaway said. "The crowd really helped, and we appreciate them. To keep winning, however, we must box out better, take better shots,

and make our free throws. They know this, so I expect we'll improve in these areas."

Scoring: LaDez Captain 17, Will Betts 11, Brad Sell 8, Michael Henderson 7, Jesse Rodriguez 7, Alton Gaines 6, and Stephen 2.

Earlier in the week, the Broncos traveled to White Deer and narrowly lost 56-58. The Broncos began slowly but made up ground at the break as they went to the locker room at a 24-24 tie. But the Bucks fought back in the fourth period and took the two-point win.

"It was a hard-fought, intense game against a very good opponent,"

Callaway said. "The atmosphere and the team was very similar to a district game, and it's the type of test we wanted just before we started district. We didn't finish as well as we would have liked, but we showed some improvement. We're still playing hard, and that's the foundation of any successes we have."

Scoring: Betts 21, Captain 16, Henderson 12, Sell 4, and Bret Carter 1.

The Broncos will continue their district schedule at Quanah January 13 and at home January 17 against Memphis. Both games will begin at 8:00 p.m.

Clarendon Broncos
vs.

Memphis Cyclones

Tuesday, Jan. 17

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Lady Owls win over Ft. Elliott

By Tangela Copelin

The Lady Owls started the New Year off winning against the Ft. Elliott Lady Cougars. It was a close game with the Lady Owls pulling the win out in the end 48 to 28.

Scoring were Katie Gregory 13, Julie Funderburg 12, Lori Bugg 9, Jaci Copelin 7, Ruth Howard 4, and Holly Davis 3 points.

The Lady Owls played the Samnorwood Eagles at home for their first district game. The girls came out strong never letting up on their opponents to win 65 to 28.

Scoring were Julie Woodard 15, Kelby Shields 10, Lori Bugg 9, Shandy Koetting 7, Kayla Klinger 7, Ruth Howard 6, Katie Gregory 6, and Kristen Dwight 5.

The Lady Owls took second place in the Greenbelt Holiday Classic over the Christmas holidays. The Lady Owls beat the Highland Park Hornets to advance to their second game against River Road. The girls won this game and lost the final round against Panhandle.

Scoring in the first game were Julie Funderburg 13, Kelby Shields 6, Jaci Copelin 4, Holly Davis 4, Ruth Howard 4, and Katie Gregory 4, Shandy Koetting 2, and Lori Bugg 2.

Scoring the second game were Bugg 19, Funderburg 7, Howard 5, Davis 1, and Gregory 1.

Scoring the third game were Bugg 13, Gregory 10, Davis 7, Funderburg 6, Copelin 4, and Howard 3.

Hedley defeats Cougars, 44-42

By Tangela Copelin

The Hedley Owl varsity boys dished out two exciting games to their fans with the beginning of the New Year.

The first game the Owls played were against the Ft. Elliott Cougars. The boys started out slow with the Cougars outscoring them the first half 10 to 19, but they came out the second half determined to play basketball as only the Owls know how. They took the Cougars into over time outscoring them to win 44 to 42.

Scoring were Wes Shields 18, Will Verstuyft 11, Peter Howard 5, Andy Alston 4, Brayden Bennett 2, and Jonathan Edmonson 2.

The first district game of the year had the Owls pitted against the Samnorwood Eagles. The Owls once again delivered a heart-stopping game to their fans. The Owls and Eagles were neck and neck with the score being tied at the buzzer and Brayden Bennett being fouled. Knowing that his shot must go in, Bennett stepped up to the line to hit his first free throw to win the game 41 to 40.

Scoring were Alston 10, Howard 9, Dustin Thomas 9, Bennett 7, Verstuyft 3, and Edmonson 3.

Hawkins hits hole-in-one

By Sandy Anderberg

Posting his third career hole-in-one, W.E. Hawkins conquered the par three 160-yard hole Sunday afternoon with a five iron. Witnesses were George and Gail Leathers, Bo Morrison, and Jesse and Larry Lincymb.

During the Wednesday men's play day, Dan Ashford was credited with 'shooting his age' with an 83 for the 18-holes. Ashford is 85 years young. Taking first place for the men was Tom Stauder with a 65. Redell Johnston and Carroll Duncan tied for second place with a 68.

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Lady Broncos drop district opener to Wellington

By Sandy Anderberg

Things didn't go the Lady Broncos' way as they hosted the Lady Rockets at home Friday, January 6. Despite fighting hard, the Lady Broncos were defeated 32-52.

Neither team could get much going offensively in the first half of play as the score was 16-13 at the half with the advantage going to Clarendon. The third period was much of the same, but the Lady

Rockets fought back to take a one-point lead over the Lady Broncos. Wellington went on to take control in the final quarter to get the win.

Scoring: Jessi Howard 17, Haley Shelton 5, Kaitlyn Howard 4, Samantha Myatt 4, and Regan Lemley 2.

The previous Tuesday the Lady Broncos traveled to White Deer and were closely defeated 43-45. The Lady Broncos fought back at two

different times in the game after being down to the Does. They outscored their opponent 15-6 in the final period but gave way to the final buzzer before gaining the lead.

Scoring: K. Howard 16, Caitlan Hall 11, Lemley 7, J. Howard 6 and Shelton 3.

The Lady Broncos will travel to Quanah January 13 and play Memphis at home January 17. Both games will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Bronco & Lady Bronco Basketball

Friday, Jan. 13

Lady Broncos v. Quanah
in Quanah, 6:30 p.m.

Broncos v. Quanah
in Quanah, 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 17

Lady Broncos v. Memphis
in Bronco Gym, 6:30 p.m.

Broncos v. Memphis
in Bronco Gym, 8:00 p.m.

TAKE IT TO THE HOOP

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12 Jesse Rodriguez Sr.
14 Alton Gaines Fr.
20 Morgan Robinson Sr.
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34 Will Betts Sr.
32 Calvin Edwards Sr.
30 Stephen Ford Sr.
40 Bret Carter Sr.
42 LaDez Captain Jr.
44 Michael Henderson Sr.

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Lady Broncos

3 Kaitlyn Howard Sr.
10 Jessi Howard Jr.
11 Jill Cornell So.
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