

CISD board honors grant writers

The Clarendon ISD Board of Trustees met at 7 p.m. January 18 in the Functional Living Center.

The board recognized the TIE Grant Writing Team—Marva Thomas, Melody Hysinger, and Helen Estlack—for their diligence in preparing the grant and their work in implementing the funds and new equipment for the benefit of the school district.

Marva Thomas expressed her appreciation to several people who have helped with this massive undertaking.

School nurse Tiffany Shadle presented the district's Exposure Con-

trol Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens which she had recently compiled in order to comply with new legislation. The board accepted the plan.

CHS Principal Larry Jeffers discussed the completed Crisis Management Detail Plan and said that we still need to build campus response teams. The board expressed appreciation to Jeffers and the committee members for their laborious efforts in compiling this very detailed plan and accepted the plan unanimously.

The board appointed Nelda Woodard as the alternative authorized representative for the TEA National

School Lunch and Child Nutrition Program.

Following an executive session, the board voted to extend the contract of CISD Superintendent Monty Hysinger through the 2003-2004 and to increase his salary.

Administrative reports were given by Athletic Director Roger Hoeltzel, CHS Principal Larry Jeffers, CJH Principal Marvin Elam, Elementary Principal Mike Word, Counselor John Taylor, and Superintendent Hysinger. Hysinger also presented a report on the tennis program prepared by Keila Cruce.



School trustees appreciated

A dinner was held last week to honor local trustees of the Clarendon Independent School District for School Board Appreciation Month. Members shown here are Reneé Betts, Lance Thornberry, Marvin Thompson, Weldon Sears, Wayne Hardin, Joe Lemley, and Jim Shelton.

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So just what does the school board do anyway?

Clarendon Elementary students were recently asked what school board members do. Here is a sample of some of what they wrote.

- "Get paid a lot! Make good school." — Rowdy Joe Floyd
- "They eat and drink and talk. They do their homework and play around." — Samantha E. Lanier
- "I think the school board meets and talks about what kids are doing. I also think the school board mostly orders new stuff for the school like computers." — Charlea Renee Hoeltzel
- "I think that the school board has a meeting once a month. They talk about how to make the school better, and what to change. They visit and drink cokes." — Austin
- "Our school board has meetings every month. And they also make rules. They try to make our school a better place than it was before like, building new stuff, adding on to the school, and they also try to help us." — Zan Burks
- "They help decide what we need in our school. They also decide how to make our school better. Mainly what board members do is decide on things for our school." — Kati Steen
- "They work." — Channing Maul
- "They play." — Jerah Luna
- "They write on a chalkboard sometimes and they have a meeting every now and then." — Katie Jean Milburn
- "They built the park at school. And they clean the park at school. And they have meeting." — Shaquille McCampbell
- "I think they are playing." — Amanda Reynolds
- "School board members are big bad things in high school that teachers teach with." — Vanessa Williams
- "I think they talk about what's right for the school." — Bradley Watson
- "I think the school board has the meeting and talk and yak around and then go home." — Derrick Shelton
- "I think that they do a lot of work! They probably have a lot of members every year. There is a president, a chairman, a vice president, and of course the members. They have to make important decisions about what teachers there are, how many people in a class, and how many classes. They also decide who the principals are, and also hire the janitors. They decide who the superintendent is. They do a lot of hard work to keep the school running." — Chandice Lowe
- "I think what the school board members do is that they run the school and that they care about my



The Lion's Tale

By Allen Estlack

Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting January 23 with Boss Lion Stan Leffew in charge. We had 18 members for our meeting today.

We voted to approach the Chamber of Commerce to see about co-sponsoring a young lady for the Miss Irish Rose contest.

The school has got in all the equipment for the grant and the teachers have started their projects with this equipment. There will be an open house later to show the town people all the new equipment.

The Girl Scouts have started selling cookies for this year's fund raising activity.

Our resident storyteller Lion Blackberry entertained us.



Two new computers were set up at the Saints' Roost Museum last week as part of the Clarendon ISD's TIE grant. The "Teaching An Old Town New Tricks" program has netted new computers for the museum the Burton Memorial Library, and CISD. Shown here are Melody Hysinger, Ruth Robinson, Marva Thomas, Ethelyn Grady, Phoebe Ann Buntin, and Helen Estlack.

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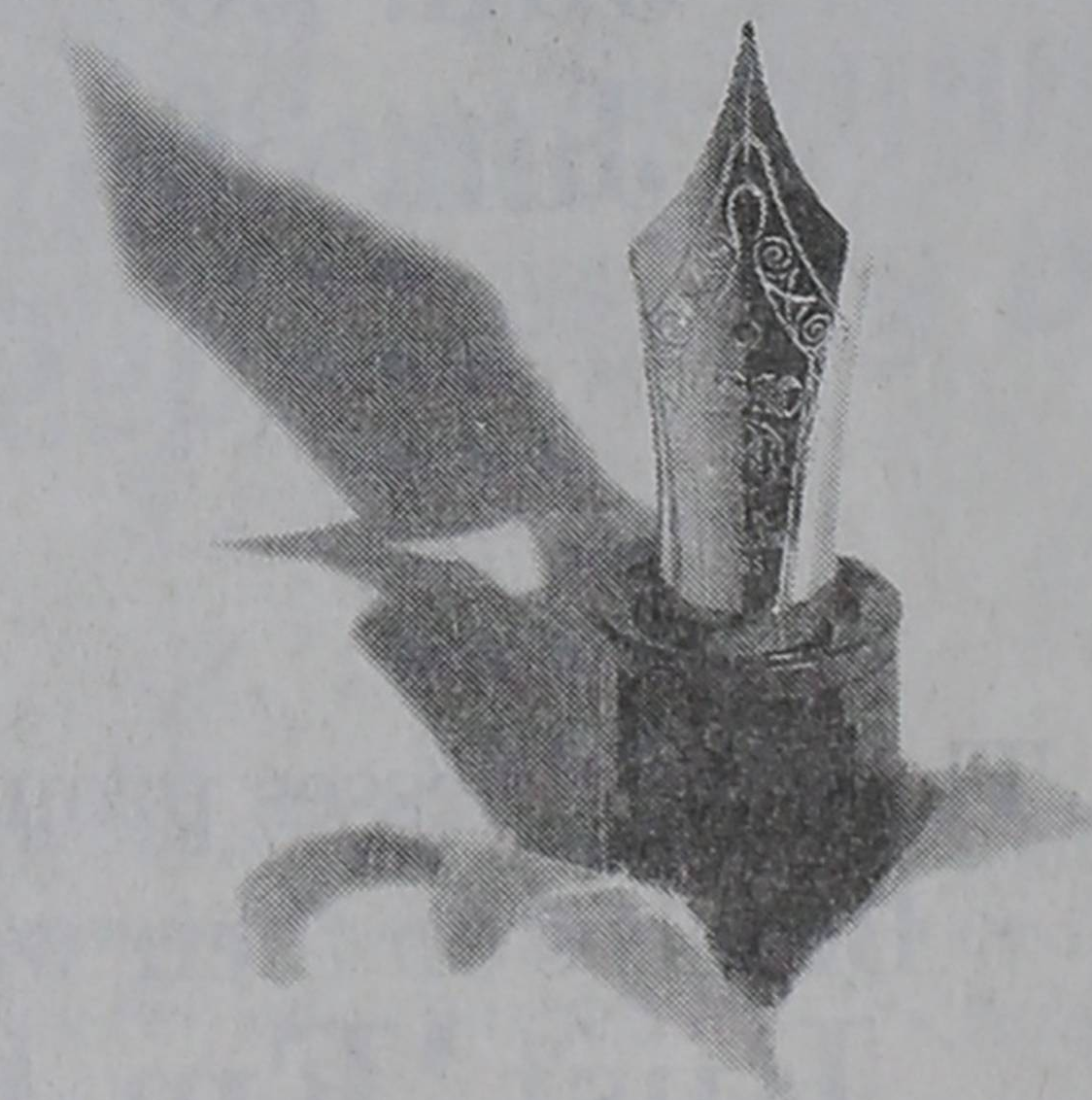
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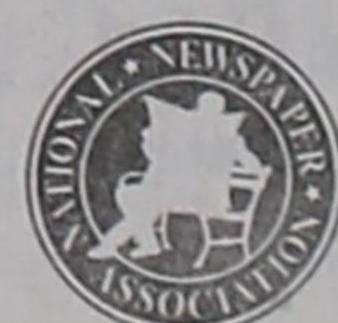
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CC, CISD to host sixth annual Financial Aid Night

Clarendon College will team with Clarendon High School to sponsor the sixth annual Financial Aid and College Night on February 1, 2001, at the Bairfield Activity Center.

This combined effort will provide area high school students and Clarendon College students with the opportunity to meet with representatives from a wide variety of colleges. High School juniors and seniors can obtain information they need to make a final decision about what postsecondary institution they will attend. Clarendon College students planning to transfer can plan their move into a four-year program. If students have already made a decision, they can work with the college representatives

to complete the requisite paperwork.

The college representatives will be on hand at 5:30 p.m. to visit with CC students. The financial aid program will begin at 6:30 p.m. Following the financial aid presentation, high school students and parents will have the opportunity to visit with the college recruiters. Students and parents from area high schools, as well as members of the community who are considering returning to college, are also invited to attend. All seniors and their parents are strongly urged to attend. Juniors will not actually start this process until this time next year, but they can gain valuable information for preparing for next year.

Activities for the financial aid

presentation include a general discussion of the types of aid that are available, the process one must go through in order to find out if they are eligible, and how to complete the paper application or the new on-line version via the Internet. Organizations offering local scholarships will give students information about how to apply. Marian Green, CC Financial Aid Administrator, and John Taylor, CISD Counselor, will make the financial aid presentation itself. Representatives from lending institutions will also be on hand to answer questions.

As of this time, the following schools have responded: Texas Tech University, West Texas A&M University, Baylor, Hardin-Simmons, East-

ern New Mexico University, Wayland Baptist University, Midwestern University, Oklahoma Panhandle State University, Clarendon College, Amarillo College, Amarillo Technical Center, South Plains College, Western Texas College, and Frank Phillips College. More schools are expected to respond as February 1 approaches. Recruiters from the armed services will also be on hand.

If you have any questions about Financial Aid and College Night, please contact CC Counselor Linda Frye, CC Admissions Coordinator Markeeta Schnelle, or CISD Counselor John Taylor.

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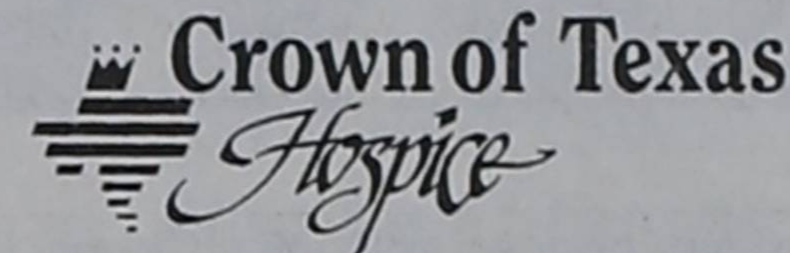
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MCNH renovation 98.31 percent completed

The Donley County Hospital Board met January 16 in the Conference Room of the Medical Center Nursing Home.

Administrator Alan Graham gave the Ambulance Authority report. Steve Sell was the top EMT responder for the month of December. One paramedic resigned to take a Director of Operations position in Childress, and Greg Collins resigned as local Director of Operations as of December 31, 2000.

Two intermediate EMTs will begin paramedic classes in March. Basic EMTs will begin intermediate classes. Thirteen people have signed up for a basic EMT class to begin February 1.

Graham will be assuming the responsibilities of Director of Operations of the authority, and Belinda Montana will be responsible for Continuous Quality Improvement of ambulance runs.

The authority received the 2000

EMS Public/Provider of the Year Award at the Panhandle Emergency Medical Services System banquet on January 13, 2001.

In the administrator's report, Graham reported the facility renovation to be 98.31 percent complete. Estimated total cost of the project will be \$1,099,896. Estimated cost of the equipment note will be \$260,000, which will be set up on a 60-month note at the end of the project and will be paid from monthly budget allotments. The building construction note cannot extend past two years and will be reduced by additional income from ten new beds, tax revenues, and tobacco settlement revenues.

Graham also reported on the status of the proposed Community Services Building. The architect is making pencil drawings of the three proposed buildings. The hospital district must make progress on this report before June 1, 2001, in order to receive a \$75,000 grant from the

Amarillo Area Foundation. Graham estimates the cost of the two buildings to be approximately \$300,000.

According to the hospital district, Dr. John Howard has expressed an interest in building and financing his own building. Also, the Texas Dept. of Health has expressed a desire to sign a 10-15 year lease with a 10-year option for office space. Graham will get letters of intent for leases and will present changes in the project to the Foundation for final approval. A special meeting of the hospital board will be called to discuss this project.

Census for the nursing home was reported at 41. An intensive marketing program will begin in February to fill the ten new beds.

In other district business, the board accepted the resignation of Sue Leeper from the board. Board president David Strange suggested the board be active in seeking someone to fill Leeper's position. Also, the annual audit was presented and approved.

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American Heart Association holds beef event

Approximately 600 Texas health professionals received first-hand information on beef's heart-healthy benefits during the holiday season.

They were attending the American Heart Association's 2000 Holiday Fashion Show and Luncheon in

San Antonio, the Texas Beef Council says.

Participants enjoyed a beef meal, representing a heart-healthy menu, as well as checkoff-produced information on beef's positive role in the diet.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

CITY OF TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT

The City of Clarendon is considering a proposed amendment to its approved 2000 Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) contract with the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to include water and sewer improvements with this contract. The improvements included in this contract amendment request are proposed to be western portion of the City of Clarendon. The proposed improvements include the replacement of sewer lines in the project area as well as deletion of some water lines. These improvements will be in the vicinity of other water system improvements as part of the city's approved TCDP project.

A public hearing concerning the proposed amendment is scheduled to be held at 5:15 p.m. on Tuesday, January 30, 2001, at the City Hall located at 119 S. Sully, Clarendon, Texas. The purpose of this public hearing will be to discuss the proposed amendment and solicit citizen input on the proposed change in the scope of the city's 2000 TCDP project.

All citizens are encouraged to attend this public hearing and present their views to the city. The City Hall is accessible to the disabled; disabled individuals who might have difficulty in attending this public hearing should contact City Secretary's office to arrange for special assistance. If anyone interested in attending the public hearing requires a translator, please contact City Secretary's office prior to the public hearing so arrangements may be made. If you cannot attend in person, written comments may be submitted and will be accepted by the city until this public hearing is concluded.

A copy of the proposed amendment is available for review during normal business hours at the City Hall address listed above. For further information concerning the city's 2000 TCDP project and/or this proposed amendment, please contact Janice Barbee, City Secretary, City of Clarendon, at 806/874-3438.

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