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NEWS at a glance

Who will be the King Turkey?

Clarendon's mayor and five city aldermen woke up Valentine's Day morning to an unsightly surprise in their yards - wooden turkeys.

It's the beginning of a contest to find Donley County's King Turkey. The winner will be announced during the Turkey Strut Festival on April 21-22.

The mayor and aldermen must pay \$5 to have the turkeys removed. For an additional \$5, they can have the turkeys put in someone else's yard. The first twelve turkey recipients will be the "dirty dozen" in a race for King Turkey.

Pictures of these 12 turkeys will be placed on money jars at Duckwall's, and the winner will be the turkey who has the most money at the end of the contest.

During the contest, anyone can have a turkey put in someone's yard for a birthday, anniversary, or gag gift for a \$5 donation to the Tourism Council. Call Caroline Blackerby at the Burton Library at 874-3685 for your order and delivery. Let the games begin.

Cubs to hold Blue and Gold Banquet

Cub Scout Pack 437 will hold its annual Blue and Gold Banquet on Tuesday, February 20, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church.

Families are asked to bring their main dish and another side dish (salad, vegetables, or dessert) to share with others.

The Pack will hold the Arrow of Light Ceremony, its highest honor, for three Webeles Scouts who have worked to earn this award. Then Cubs going on to join Boy Scouting will participate in the "Bridging Ceremony." Graduating Den Leaders will also be honored.

Cub Scouts will help with banquet decorations and will provide much of the entertainment. Everyone interested in Cub Scouting is invited.

For more information or to reserve a seat, call Cubmaster Tom Roach at 874-3352.

THC will explain three programs

The Texas Historical Commission (THC) has scheduled workshops to explain the application process for three THC programs - the Main Street Program, the Heritage Trails Program, and the Certified Local Government program.

A workshop will be held from 1-4:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 22, in Plainview.

For more information, visit www.thc.state.tx.us or contact: Community Heritage Development Division, Texas Historical Commission, 512/463-6092.

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All this and much more in this week's energetic edition!

CHS girls playoff bound

By Sandy Anderberg

No excuses, no regrets! That's been the theme of this year's Lady Bronco basketball team. And it stands true.

The Lady Broncos have laid it all on the line this year; they're going for it all. They want a trip to Austin the first weekend of March, and they won't give up until they get there.

Coach Steve Schmidt and his Lady Broncos have practiced hard this year, including a tough pre-season dedicated to hard work, commitment, and fundamentals. So far, it's all paid off. The Lady Broncos are preparing for their first playoff game Friday night, February 16, at 7:00 pm in Vernon.

"The long wait between our last district game and our first playoff game is 10 days," said Schmidt. "We really need an extra strong backing by our fans to get us charged up and ready to play at Vernon."

The Lady Broncos haven't won a District Championship since 1996-97. This year they share the award with the Lady Wildcats of Canadian. But because the Lady Broncos have beaten Canadian twice, they are the number one seed in the playoffs.

The Lady Broncos are ready to play. With an overall record of 24-4 and a District record of 12-2, the Lady Broncos have dominated almost every game they've played. The Lady Broncos have averaged almost 58 points per game compared to their opponents' average of 47 points per game.



The Clarendon Lady Broncos will travel to Vernon this Friday evening for a 7 p.m. match up with Albany for the Area Championship. Directions to the Vernon High School Gym will be posted on our website at www.ClarendonOnline.com/sports. Details on next Tuesday's game will be posted as well.

"We have been playing great as a team," said senior co-captain Geri Butler. "I think it's about time our hard work pays off. We all enjoy playing together, and it's hard to beat a team with great chemistry. We are going into the playoffs with no excuses, and no regrets."

When asked about the biggest strength of this Lady Bronco team,

Head Coach Steve Schmidt said, "Our defense. I'm always amazed how this group finds a way to shut down teams far bigger, faster, and stronger than us. It's just good old fashioned hard work."

Height has been a disadvantage for the Lady Broncos this season, but what they lack in height, they make up for in determination. It's

that determination that has been with them since they started their high school basketball careers. They've never been quitters, and they don't plan to start now.

"I feel like we're ready," said Senior Shannon Cooper. "We're pumped up and rearin' to go. It is still a long way to go to State, but I think we all have that gut feeling

Court okays new radars for Sheriff

Speeders beware. The Donley County Sheriff's Department will soon be watching you much closer.

The Commissioners' Court approved a request by Sheriff Butch Blackburn to rent three radar guns for local officers during their regular meeting on Monday morning.

"I'm going to try to help pay our way," Blackburn told commissioners.

The court agreed to rent two mounted radars and one handheld unit for \$255.14 per month for three years from Stalker, a Plano, Texas, company.

The sheriff says the new radar units could pay for themselves with just three tickets being written per month. The department wrote 59 traffic tickets in December, and 18 have been written in February as of Monday. Only 36 were written in January, but Blackburn says weather conditions kept people slowed down that month.

The new sheriff says he doesn't intend to turn his officers into "ticket cops," but he does plan to step up enforcement.

"One day a week we're going to be checking traffic in our school zones and on US 287," he said.

Blackburn said patrolling on US 287 will be focused in Hedley, Lelia Lake, and Clarendon, the last of which has a contract with the department to provide police protection.

"[Clarendon] is paying us about \$100,000 per year for police protection. We're going to try to give them a little better traffic control for their money."

Landowners urged to be proactive on water rights

A booming population and dwindling groundwater are issues facing Texans as they head into the 21st century.

That was the word from a panel of water experts gathered at the annual convention of the Panhandle Landowners Association in Amarillo Saturday to discuss the future of water rights.

Jack Hunt, CEO of the King Ranch, said the population of Texas will double by 2050 and the demand for water will go up accordingly. Water used for irrigation in Texas may go from 60 percent today to 40 percent or less by 2050, Hunt said.

Water plans called for by Senate Bill 1 are expected to cost \$17 billion to implement,

according to Hunt. Another \$50 to \$60 billion will be needed to renew water treatment facilities throughout the state.

"The general public is going to have to be better informed if we are to deal with these complex issues," he said.

Paul Terrill, an Austin attorney, expects changes to the Rule of Capture in coming years that landowners need to be aware of.

The Rule of Capture stems from a 1904 state court decision, the East Case, which said that landowners own the water under their property. Terrill says the problem with the rule is that big cities can buy up water rights and drain the wells of neighboring landowners.

"The Rule of Capture, as it stands today, will not be around for long, and it's important for rural landowners to be proactive," he said. "The rule has served us well for 100 years, but these rights need to be defined so that they can be put down on paper, marketed, protected, and defended."

Terrill suggested water rights might be based on a "historical use" method, on a pro rata method similar to oil and gas rights, or by a combination of the two.

The panel agreed that the best way for landowners to protect their interests was through local groundwater districts.

"We think the Panhandle Groundwater

Conservation District (PGCD) does a good job of protecting landowners," said PGCD general manager C.E. Williams.

Seventy-six percent of the state's groundwater pumpage is coverage by water districts, but Williams says the districts face making difficult and unpopular decisions in the coming years. Already, the PGCD hope to see 50 percent of the water in the ground in 1998 still there in 50 years.

That goal is easier said than done. Proposals are already on the drawing board to pipe ground water from Roberts County and other counties in the northern Panhandle to large

See 'Water' on page 8.

Local entities plan elections; sign ups start next Monday

Sign ups start next Monday, February 19, for people wanting to run for local offices.

Six governments in Donley County have positions opening this year. Positions are elected at-large.

The City of Clarendon will elect a mayor and two aldermen. The two-year terms are currently being held by Mayor Tex Selvidge and Aldermen Bobbie Kidd (filling the late James Owens' term) and Michael Tibbets (filling the term of Kent Womack.)

The City of Hedley has three aldermen seats open. Those positions are currently held by Bruce Howard, Shauna Monroe, and Jim Roberts.

Two positions are up on the Howard County Board of Aldermen. Those are the seats held by Shirley Ariola and Mike Rowland (filling the term

of Bob Hall.) Mayor Margaret Pettit's term is also up this year.

Clarendon CISD will elect three members of the Board of Trustees to three-year terms. Jim Shelton, Renee Betts, and Marvin Thompson currently hold those seats.

Three positions will also be filled on the Hedley School Board. The terms of Mike Wallendorf, Jan Farris, and Carole Ward are expiring.

The Donley County Hospital District will hold elections for three seats on the Board of Directors for two-year terms. The positions of Place 1 - Don Thornberry, Place 2 - Nelson Christie, and Place 3 - David Strange all expire this year.

Citizens can apply to run for these positions through March 21, 2001.

City's tax rebate rises 24 percent

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander last week delivered monthly sales tax payments to local cities.

The City of Clarendon saw its monthly rebate go up after it experienced a drop of more than 16 percent in January. The February total of \$32,683.52 is a 23.57 percent increase over last year. Rebates for the year to date are 7.89 percent ahead of 2000. Hedley also enjoyed a larger

return of \$910.32, up 45.3 percent.

Howardwick's rebate dropped 27 percent to \$984.34. That city is down 12.96 percent for the year.

This month's allocations include sales taxes collected by monthly filers in December, and reported to the Comptroller in January, plus quarterly returns for sales in October, November, and December, and returns from annual filers for the entire year 2000.



Surrounded

Bronco Sam Holton looks for a way through the Panhandle Panther defense last week. The Broncos will be participating in a warm-up game Saturday, February 17, at Randall High School in preparation for post-district play. They will face Follett at 11:30 am.

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editor's
Commentary

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

NPT: This column has been rated "NPT" by the Enterprise Institute for Reader Friendliness. A sense of humor is advised. Truth (811-1000)



Wanted: A few good citizens to run for office

Help Wanted: A few good citizens who would like to make their community a better place to live. Must be willing to listen, be able to think clearly, and be capable of standing the heat.

If you've ever wanted to make a difference, now is your chance. Six local governments will have elections this year. Any of them could run the aforementioned classified ad but most likely won't. It is, instead, up to the people to decide to run for office.

Serving in local office is not a glamorous job by any means. The occasional "thank you" is rare, and the criticism is constant. You have a good opportunity to make a lot of people mad. But you also have the opportunity to help make life a little better for your fellow citizens.

The unfortunate thing is that today we see fewer and fewer people willing to step up and participate in our process of government. Heck, most folks don't even bother to vote in local elections must less run for office. It does not bode well for a representative form of government when there is no one willing to be a representative.

Here's some food for thought. If you live in the City of Clarendon, you are currently governed by an unelected Board of Aldermen.

Two aldermen have been appointed to the board to fill vacancies. The mayor and other members of the board assumed office without the benefit of an election because no one else bothered to run for office. In fact, Clarendon hasn't had a city election since 1998.

In Hedley, it's been longer than that since the last election.

This should not be construed as a condemnation of the city fathers. I have had my disagreements with some of their decisions in the past, but they are doing a pretty good job. Progress has been made with street paving over the last couple of years, and I think the mayor and aldermen really do work for what they think is best for Clarendon. They are to be commended for being willing to step up and participate - to be the ones "in the arena" as Teddy Roosevelt put it.

What sticks in my craw is that no one got to vote. I just don't like uncontested elections on principal. Even if the incumbent is the greatest person on Earth, it's nice to have a choice.

Most of them don't really want to be involved; they're just full of advice. As George Burns once said, "Too bad that all the people who know how to run the country are busy driving taxicabs and cutting hair."

Why is it that so few people are willing to serve? Maybe everyone thinks things are just fine and dandy. We've seen that if there is no controversy, the likelihood of someone running plummets. If there is a controversy, then everybody and their dog wants to throw the rascals out and fix it themselves.

But we don't need people who just jump into an election out of spite or to settle some personal grudge. What we need are committed citizens of all ages and backgrounds to run for office for positive reasons. I know there are people out there who have great ideas - people who want to see Clarendon grow and prosper.

Those people should be encouraged to run. They should think about how to improve our town, ways to attract new businesses and help current businesses thrive, how to continue to pave our streets, and methods to improve the quality of life for all our citizens. They should file for office and then tell us their ideas.

Likewise, the current city officials should reflect on their times in office, see what progress has been made, and then share with us their goals if they want to seek another term.

This will invigorate the process and give the voters a real choice on May 5, and our town will be the winner no matter who is elected.

Filing for local offices starts next Monday. A complete listing of offices is available on page one of this week's issue. Are you a civic leader? Do you want a better community? The time to decide is now.

Meanwhile...

We all know what to do if you want salvation. But what if you want to sell your soul? Most folks wouldn't want to, or at least they would never say so in public. But what if you do?

You could try cyberspace. That's what one man did last week when he put his soul up for bids with the online auction service eBay, according to Associated Press reports.

Bidding for the soul described as "in near mint condition with only minor scratches" began at 5¢. The man's girlfriend tried to buy back his soul for \$6.66. Then an Iowa woman ran the bidding up to \$400. The transaction never went through as eBay shut the listing down and saved the soul of the University of Washington student from his own foolishness.

Why did he do it? "I was just bored," he said. Yeah, bored and stupid is more like it.

Quotable

Those who expect to reap the blessings of freedom must, like men, undergo the fatigue of supporting it.

— Thomas Paine

Legislature to take up teacher health care

By State Senator Tom Haywood, District 30
An apple a day keeps the doctor away. An apple for the teacher. Any correlation between the two? The way things have been going with Texas teachers' health insurance, they may do well to take those apples to heart. They may be the only thing saving them if the Texas Legislature can't draft a plan for teacher health insurance.

Currently, public school workers don't get state-paid health insurance like state employees do. And though state law requires districts to offer coverage comparable to what state employees get, it does not provide a penalty for not doing so. Eighty-five percent of school districts pay into their employees' insurance, but the amount that each school district contributes varies.

The problem has become so serious, in fact, that Speaker Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, last month appointed the Select House Committee on Teacher Health Insurance made up of 15 members from across the state. At the helm is Rep. Paul Sadler, a veteran voice for teachers and long-time chair of the House Public Education Committee.

The committee met this week to offer bill drafters a chance to present their various ideas on how to remedy this crucial situation. Some six house bills, two house joint resolutions, six senate bills, and one

senate joint resolution have been filed as possible solutions to the dilemma.

The underlying themes of the legislation would either beef up and expand TRS-Care, the current program at Teacher Retirement System, to include active employees and dependents as well as retirees; end TRS-Care and set up a new health insurance program with the state paying part of the premium cost for active school employees, with no changes to the retirees' benefits; create a new group health insurance requiring all ISDs to participate with employee opt-out; create a state-funded health insurance allotment; or create a statewide group health insurance program for all school employees with the state paying the total premium for employee-only coverage.

Out of that, three prevalent options have emerged: a fully state-funded plan, a plan in which the state and school districts share costs, and a state-run insurance plan that pools employees from all districts that choose to participate.

The only problem lies in funding. The Legislative Budget Board now estimates a program could take an additional \$100 million on top of the original \$265 million estimate to finance the insurance. Other numbers have been estimated at \$6-\$8 billion to fully fund an insurance program for 2 years, while budget writers have said there is only about \$300 million available

for all new programs.

It will be interesting, to say the least, to watch this issue unfold over the coming months as we go through the legislative process. There are three bills to keep your eye on: House Bill 12 by Rep. Harryette Ehrhardt, D-Dallas would create a statewide uniform group insurance program to provide basic coverage for each full-time employee or retiree of a school district.

House Bill 50, by Rep. Norma Chavez, D-El Paso, would allow schools to receive an annual allotment for each student in average daily attendance to be used toward the contribution the districts or schools make for employee health insurance coverage or other benefits.

Senate Bill 135, by John Carona, R-Dallas, would create a uniform group insurance plan that is comparable to the system the state already provides for educators in state colleges and universities and state employees.

Something else to keep in mind is Gov. Perry's and Lt. Gov. Ratliff's suggestion to use capital gains dollars from stocks that make up the Permanent School Fund to make up for the lack of general revenue available for funding.

Whether we come up with full or partial funding, the important thing is that we as legislators are working on a solution. So, teachers, don't fret... and don't start hoarding apples!



Taxpayers' money should not fund abortions

by Sheldon Richman
With President George W. Bush having now taken office, there's a lot of talk about his "reaching out" to the opposition. The logic is this: the presidential race was so close that Bush owes some consideration to the people who voted for Al Gore. Naturally, that means embracing major parts of the Democrats' legislative agenda.

This is noteworthy for a couple of reasons. First, much of Bush's campaign was (unfortunately) already an exercise in reaching out. True, he campaigned for an across-the-board income tax-rate cut. He also pushed partial privatization of Social Security. On the other hand, he did not call for a reduction in the federal budget. On the contrary, he would increase current spending and add billions in new spending.

One of his costly ideas is to pay for the prescription drugs for some elderly people, a classic "me-too" move, aping the Democrats, but scaling down the program. He also plans to spend lots of money on public schools. Where Republicans used to say the federal government has no constitutional role in education and used to call for abolition of Department of Education, Bush believes there is a huge role for the feds. He even picked a public-school superintendent as secretary of education! His form of school meddling will differ from what the Democrats would do, but it is meddling just the same.

When Bush said he was a "uniter, not a divider," that was a signal that his philosophical differences with the Democrats are not terribly sharp. Otherwise the statement makes no sense.

The other interesting aspect of the "reaching out" imperative is that Democrats are never expected to do it. Only advocates of smaller government (or people perceived to be such) are expected to be seized by the spirit of reconciliation. To use the unsatisfactory vernacular, people on the right are supposed to move left. But no one on the left is ever called on to move right. The Democrats and the dominant news media have rigged the game very nicely in that regard.

In the spirit of reconciliation, I suggest that this would be a good time for the

avowed peacemakers - such as minority leaders Daschle and Gephardt - to show their bona fides and make a real peace offering. I have the perfect gesture for them, and it concerns an issue that generates much polarization: abortion.

That seems like an unpromising issue on which to find common ground: either a woman has a right to terminate a pregnancy or she doesn't. But there is one aspect of this explosive issue that cries out for agreement by the adversaries: taxpayer funding.

Bush has already made a move on this issue, but it is hardly adequate. He has stopped tax funding only of organizations that do abortion counseling abroad. But what about domestic tax-funded counseling and the funding of abortion by Medicaid?

Surely, whatever position one takes on abortion, one can agree that it is wrong to force a person to pay for someone else's abortion. Compelling the financing of what someone finds immoral is itself immoral. How can anyone who favors freedom of conscience support tax funding of abortion? I've never heard a good answer to question.

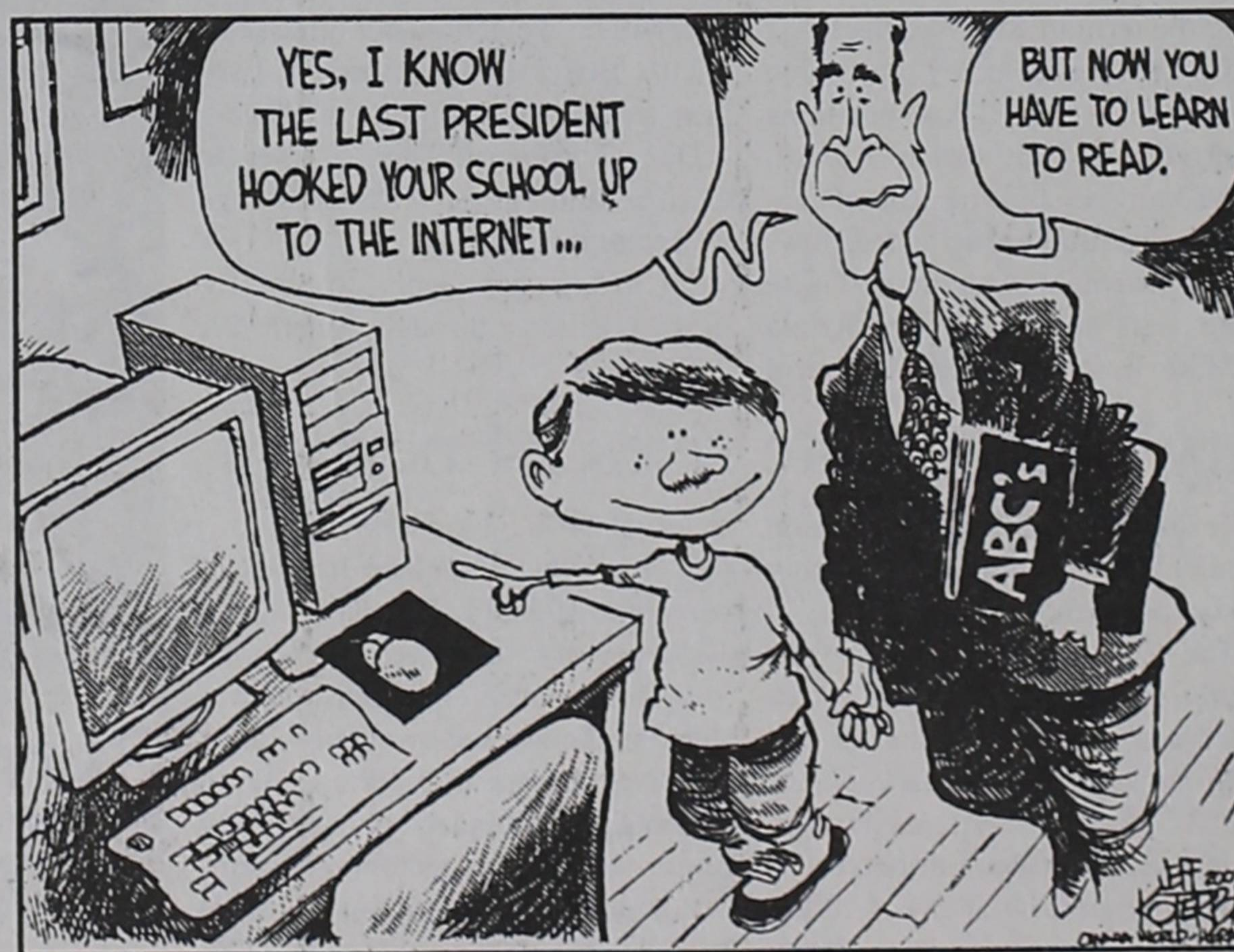
Even if one believes in the right to have an abortion, it does not follow that there is a right to have it paid for by someone else. That idea makes a mockery of

rights. I have a right to worship at the religious center of my choice. But surely this cannot mean the taxpayers should pay for my transportation and other expenses related to the exercise of that right. It simply means that no one should be permitted to forcibly impede that exercise. The moment you start forcing people to shoulder the burden of other people's rights, you have crossed the line and have violated the rights of those you have forced.

As to the argument that without tax funding, poor women would be unable to get abortions, there is an easy answer. The affluent pro-abortion activists should be perfectly free to raise voluntary money to assist them.

The most basic mark of civility is abstaining from using force against people merely because you cannot persuade them to your point of view. Ending compulsory financing of abortion would go a long way toward defusing this controversy and restoring civility. It is something that all people of good will should be able to rally round.

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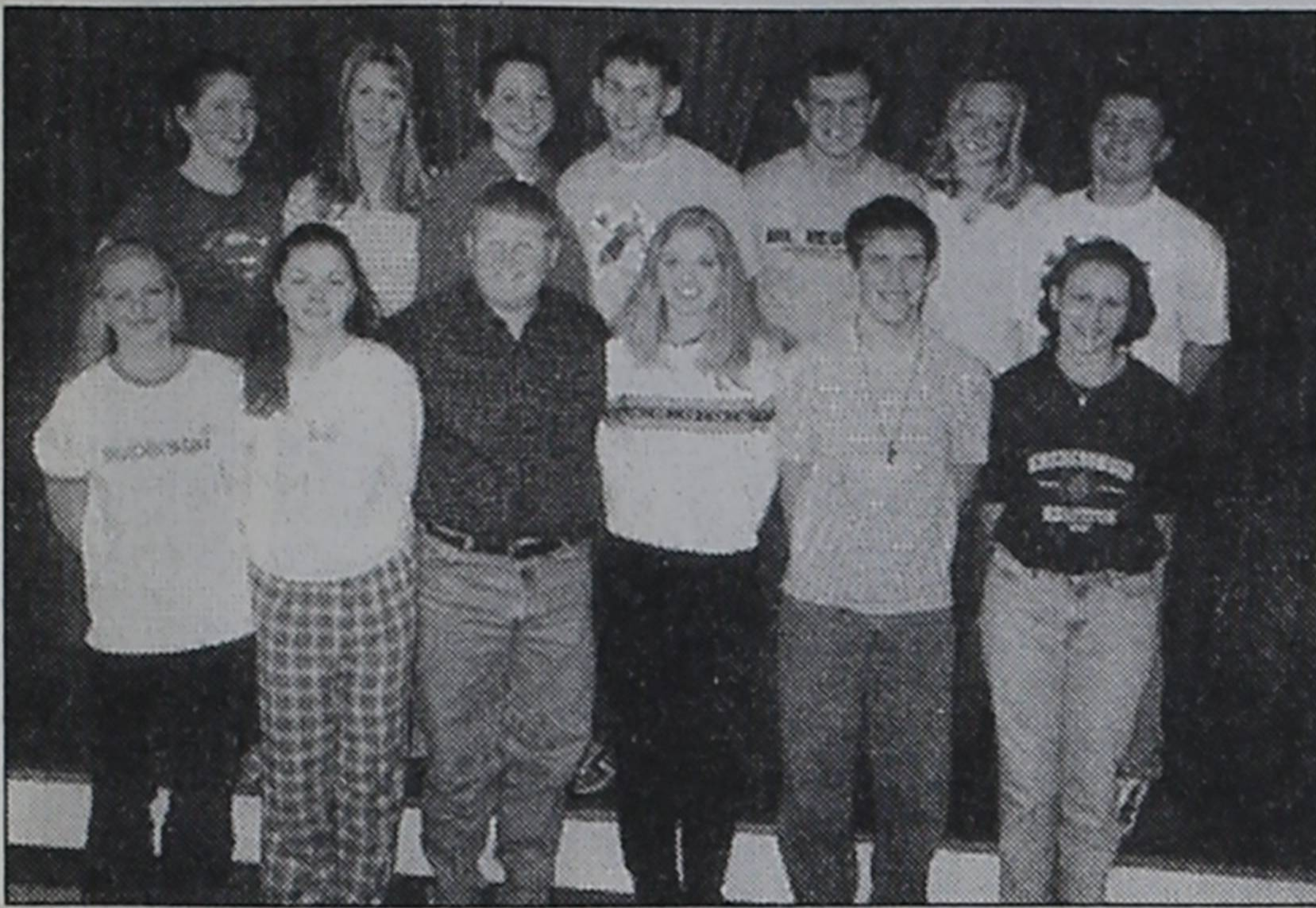
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Hedley Math & Science Team members are (back) Lacey Wallendorf, Rebekah Howard, Lana Wallendorf, Aaron Bugg, Lisle Rowland, Sealey Stevens, Josh Collins, (front) Treva Rowland, Lora Llewellyn, Dustin Knowles, Lauren Hill, Samuel Howard, and Rachel Bennett. Photo courtesy HHS

Hedley Math/Science teams successful in invitational meet

The Hedley High School Math/Science teams competed Saturday at Coronado High School in Lubbock in the "Hub of the Plains" UIL Invitational Meet involving 52 schools of all classifications. Again, they were very successful in their competitions. The Number Sense team placed 3rd among 1A schools with Lauren Hill 2nd in class 1A and Dustin Knowles 4th. The Math team was 2nd among 1A schools with Lauren Hill again placing 2nd and Lana Wallendorf 3rd. The Calculator team was 3rd place among 1A competitors with Lauren Hill capturing first place and Samuel Howard 4th place; and in the freshman division Brittney Bennett and Treva Rowland placed 1st and 2nd. The Science team was first place among all 1A and 2A teams, placing second in the small schools division (1A-3A) to Seminole. Lana Wallendorf placed first among senior competitors and was the small schools chemistry champion. Lisle Rowland and Lauren Hill were 2nd and 3rd among 1A contestants, and in the freshman division Lacey Wallendorf was first among small school competitors. Hedley now sets its sights on District competition at Clarendon College after spring break. They have a good chance to send a large contingent to the Regional UIL Meet at South Plains College in Levelland on April 20th. Last year the Math, Number Sense, Calculator, and Science teams all won district championships, and the teams are anxious to see if they can defend their titles.

Ag producers roundtable to be held February 20

By Leon Church, County Extension Agent
The Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Donley County is sponsoring an agricultural producers meeting and breakfast on Tuesday, February 20. Leon New, TAEX Irrigation Specialist in Amarillo, will be the presenter. The no-host breakfast will begin at 6:30 a.m. at Mary's Country Kitchen in Clarendon. All area producers are cordially invited to this timely and interesting program. Producers are facing many concerns with the cost of energy increasing and the need to be efficient with their irrigation water use. Leon New will talk about these issues and others of interest to the attendees. He will also address the Panhandle PET Network and how that information can be used to determine irrigation needs of crops. No pre-registration is required. For further information, contact the Donley County Extension Office at 874-2141.

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Clarendon FFA Chapter to form alumni chapter

The Clarendon FFA Chapter will be trying to organize a local FFA Alumni Chapter. The purpose of the chapter will be to contact former FFA members and sign them up. The membership dues will be \$10.00, and the dues received will be used to create scholarships for local FFA member graduating seniors. This will be a great way to reward deserving FFA members for all their work and accomplishments during their years of FFA membership. The Alumni Chapter members will be invited to the annual Clarendon FFA Fish Fry, which is held in September. Other meetings will be established during the year. A set of officers will be elected to help set up activities for the coming year and to set the qualifications needed for the scholarship applicants.

If you are interested in joining the Clarendon FFA Alumni Association and would be willing to help contact former FFA members, contact Mr. Edwards at Clarendon High School, 874-2076, or stop by the Clarendon Ag Building.

This will be a great way to get many former FFA members involved in activities that can be very rewarding for our local FFA members.

Local FFA members attends Fort Worth Livestock Show

The Clarendon FFA Chapter had eleven members participating in the Ft. Worth Livestock Show. Junior FFA members participating in the show and their placings are as follows: Ashley Petty, 16th place Chester; Ryan Petty, 17th place Chester; Lee Tolbert, 6th place Light Cross; Calvin Edwards, Spot; and Dalton Askew, Cross. Other FFA members attending and exhibiting livestock were: Swine - Michael Newhouse, 16th place Berk; Andrew Winkle, Spot; Josh Ward, Spot; Blake Frye, Spot; and Kelly Linquist, Spot; Sheep - Ronna Edwards, Medium Wool; Dale Askew, Medium Wool; Greg Wooten, Medium Wool; and Junior FFA, Katy Askew, Medium wool; Heifers - Dale Askew, 11th place Brangus. Congratulations to all FFA members attending the Ft. Worth Livestock Show for a job well done. The Clarendon FFA will have twelve members attending the Houston Livestock Show February 23-March 2. Have a safe trip and good luck.

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Tues	6	69°	28°	-
Wed	7	57°	29°	-
Thurs	8	71°	38°	0.02"
Fri	9	64°	18°	0.39"
Sat	10	29°	13°	-
Sun	11	40°	16°	-
Total precipitation this month:		0.41"		
Total precipitation to date:		2.30"		
Total precipitation in Dec. last year:		.02"		
Total YTD total last year:		.28"		

weekend forecast	
	Friday, Feb. 16 Sunny 58° / 31°
	Saturday, Feb. 17 Partly Cloudy 58° / 31°
	Sunday, Feb. 18 Partly Cloudy 48° / 31°

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February 15

United Christian Men's Breakfast • First United Methodist Fellowship Hall • 7 a.m.

VFW Spaghetti Supper • VFW Hall • 5:30 p.m.

Clarendon Elementary Valentine Program • CHS Auditorium • 5:45 p.m.

February 16

Howardwick Friendship Club • Howardwick City Hall • 6:30 p.m.

February 17

Retired Teachers meeting • CISD Cafeteria • 2 p.m.

February 18

"Common Bond" service • United Methodist Church • 10:30 a.m.

February 20

Ag Producers Roundtable • Mary's Country Kitchen • 6:30 a.m.

Breast Cancer Screening Clinic • Planned Parenthood • 356-1905

Blue & Gold Banquet • Methodist Fellowship Hall • 5:30 p.m.

March 21

Health & Wealth Fair

April 21-22

Clarendon College Alumni Reunion and Homecoming • details to come.

WOW coming to Donley County

Community Menus February 19 - 23

Clarendon Schools

Breakfast
Mon: Cereal, toast, juice, milk
Tues: Pancakes, fruit, milk
Wed: Fried eggs, biscuits, jelly, fruit, milk
Thur: Oats, toast, juice, milk
Fri: Cinnamon rolls, juice, milk

Lunch
Mon: Barbecue wieners or PBJ sandwich, macaroni and cheese, salad, fruit, milk
Tues: Grilled cheese sandwich with tomato soup or pizza, carrot sticks, cookie, fruit, milk
Wed: Meat and cheese enchiladas or hamburgers, refried beans, Spanish rice, cake, milk
Thur: Hamburger and rice casserole or PBJ sandwich, green beans, salad, fruit, milk
Fri: Chiliburgers, French fries, salad, pickles, fruit cobbler, milk

Hedley Schools

Breakfast
Mon: Breakfast sandwich, toast and jelly, dry cereal, fruit juice, milk
Tues: Biscuit and gravy, sausage patties, butter and jelly, cereal, juice, milk
Wed: Pancake and syrup, sausage patties, dry cereal, fruit juice, milk
Thur: Breakfast burrito with salsa, cereal, fruit juice, milk
Fri: No School

Lunch
Mon: Chicken or steak on a bun, fries, lettuce and tomato, mixed fruit, milk
Tues: Barbecue beef or grilled chicken on a bun, tater tots, salad and fruit, milk
Wed: Chicken pot pie or beef tips and rice, green beans and potatoes, salad, fruit, sliced bread milk
Thur: Baked potatoes with ham and cheese, pork and beans, salad and fruit, soft pretzel and cheese, milk
Fri: No School

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Oven fried chicken, parsley potatoes, Harvard beets, stewed tomatoes, banana pudding, bread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Tues: Mexican pile on, rice, pinto beans, tossed salad, peaches, chips, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Wed: Sweet and sour pork chops, green peas, yams, applesauce, cookies, roll, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Thur: Spaghetti and meat sauce, creamed corn, tossed salad, fruity pudding, garlic bread, coffee, tea, lowfat milk
Fri: Barbecue chicken, baked beans, onion rings, variety vegetable salad, apricot cobbler, roll, coffee, tea, lowfat milk

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Barbecue pork pats, baked beans, corn, potato salad, apple, roll, milk, tea, coffee
Tues: Roast beef, baked potatoes, green beans, pear halves, pumpkin pie, roll, milk, tea, coffee
Wed: Mexican pile on, Spanish rice, refried beans, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, peach cobbler, chips or crackers, milk, tea, coffee
Thur: Steak and gravy, mashed potatoes, English peas, orange, butter-scotch pudding, roll, milk, tea, coffee
Fri: Spaghetti and meat sauce, fried okra, tossed salad, apricot cobbler, garlic toast, milk, tea, coffee

First Baptist holds Valentine's banquet

Valentine's Day falls right smack dab in the middle of this week. Some folks are busy choosing gifts or cards for their sweetheart. Some are paying no attention at all. We'll see which ones are in trouble come Thursday morning.

First Baptist folks celebrated Valentine's Day with a banquet Sunday night, beginning with a sit-down dinner of steak and all the trimmings. Billie Christal and Clara Mae Carter were crowned church Sweethearts for the evening as the oldest persons present. It's nice to know some people truly do have hearts that are sweet.

Clay and Sherilyn Robinson came over from Canyon to provide entertainment for the banquet. They took requests from a list provided to banquetters, and of course, Marva Thomas wanted to know what "Frog Kissin'" was. Apparently she didn't kiss many frogs before latching onto James.

They also played Name That Tune. Rumor has it that Regina Orr not only knew the tune, she knew the words to most of the songs Sherilyn played. Regina, Roger Hoeltzel, and (of course) Joburta Helms knew so many of the songs, they eventually had to be banned from the competition to give everyone else a chance to rack their brains for the names of those tunes.

When I checked to see if the Methodists had a Valentine's celebration, I was told that they had a banquet last year, but this year, they didn't do a thing. Frankly, I find it difficult to believe that Baptists are



around Town
By Gail Shelton
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more romantic than the Methodists. They must be resorting to more... personal... celebrations this year.

The Methodists have certainly been pitching in to help with the Baptists' Downtown Ministry building. The past two Saturdays, a large group of youth have turned up to perform Manual Labor, something that is a major change in the typical Teen-ager Saturday Morning Lifestyle (aka sleeping till noon) and has, again according to rumor, caused many aching muscles on Sunday morning. One of the Sears boys was quoted as saying he hadn't done this much Manual Labor in years. Wonder how he gets out of working in the family garden. Or maybe pulling weeds is easier.

Andy Roberts has become legendary for his sledgehammer work at the center. He has apparently taken to swinging a hammer nearly as big as he is the way a duck takes to water or a dog to chasing rabbits. He does more damage to the things needing to be busted up than he does to himself or other humans in the vicinity, so more power to him. Before long there may be an actual floor in the big back room, big enough for all the Clarendon churches to band together for a community-wide Valentine's celebration.



Generations

Five generations of the Hoggard family are pictured. Mildred Hoggard of Hedley is seated with her daughter Cecilia Lemons, granddaughter Jodi Crawford, great granddaughter Felicity Wiginton, and great grandson Nathaniel McCoy.

Photo courtesy Cecilia Lemons

'Common Bond' to perform at Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church invites the community to a special service on Sunday, February 18, 2001, at 10:30 a.m. The Christian group, "Common Bond," comprised of identical triplets, Mark, Luke, and John Green of Nashville, will bring their music ministry to the service.

They are new to Contemporary Christian Music, but certainly not new to the world of Gospel Music. They have been singing in churches, concert halls, festivals, fairs, and youth rallies all across the United States and

Canada for the past six years.

They released their first album in 1994. While their founding roots were in Southern Gospel and their love for the hymns of the church remain strong today; a deeper sense of urgency began to surface in their hearts and ministry early in 2000. "Common Bond" has one primary goal: to reach the world for Jesus Christ with music and testimony.

This month "Common Bond" will debut their first Contemporary Christian album. The music and songs

on this project will truly reach down into the depths of your heart and pull you into the presence of God. Regardless of age or religious affiliation, you will be blessed by receiving the message they bring through their music. A love offering will be taken.

Everyone is also invited to join church members in Fellowship Hall after the service for a stew and cornbread or chili meal served by the Missions Committee. Donations for the meal will be accepted to help fund mission projects.

Close friends make Valentine's sweeter

On February 14, we celebrated Valentine's Day. That's the time we send cards, candy or flowers and gifts to those we love.

My daddy, Moon Mullins, always sent my mother, Lola Brown, a box of candy on Valentine's. Even after they'd been divorced, he always sent it.

Fred used to give me a box of candy on Valentine's, even when he knew I couldn't eat the candy. I have a closet full of heart-shaped boxes the candy came in. He's been gone almost five years, but I haven't thrown them away.

My kids in Post usually send me cards. Sometimes Keith and Karen give me some flowers, and Guy might send flowers.

I have many friends who send me cards, and they are the ones I want to recognize now.

Grace Burkhalter has been my friend longer than anyone else. We started in the first grade the same year and have been friends ever since. We used to pretend we were sisters. Since I was only blessed with brothers, I had to pretend.

Lora Cleveland and Dora Brown

have been my friends since I was in the fifth grade and they were in the seventh.

Jeneda Gay has been my friend since we were in the seventh grade, and so has Helen Lindsey. If I need someone to drive me to Childress for dialysis, I just call Jeneda. Last week she took me to Amarillo to the eye doctor and went with me into the examining room.

Lucy Torres comes each week and takes me to her beauty shop in Memphis and shampoos and sets my hair. Then she takes me to the grocery store and brings me home.

Dorine Conatser listens to my complaints and sends me books to play on my audio machine. She is always so cheerful that it make me feel better just to talk with her. She even saved six glass 8 oz. Coke bottles to keep my daily supply of water in in the fridge. She sees about as well as I do.

Polly Murdock comes and takes me shopping and watches movies with me.

Dorothy Parker calls me to see if I'm feeling alright. If she knows I'm going to be in Wellington, she makes



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a point to have homemade rolls hot when I get there.

Belinda Hartman has only been my friend for a few months, but she's been a good one. She planted my flowers and came to see about me when I was ill.

Paulette Crump came when I couldn't look after myself and cleaned my house and cooked meals for me. Some she cooked at her house and brought them over; others she cooked at my house.

Dorothy Brinson has been so good to me. She has taken me to Childress for dialysis on occasion.

Bob Jewett has been good. He aired the tires up on my car once and has told me he'd put weather-stripping on my back door to help keep the house warm. He hasn't offered to pay my gas bill yet...but maybe.

Jon Leggett makes me feel happy with his nice words and cheerful attitude.

How to recover from Valentine's failure

Today is the day after Valentine's Day. If this comes as a surprise, you are in big trouble! Being surprised that you missed Valentine's Day would mean that you had failed the test! Which test, you ask? Let me explain.

If you are married, the test is called "Do You Still Love Me?" There is only one way to pass this test. You must give your wife the one thing she wants most for Valentine's Day. Sounds easy, doesn't it? The truth is, nothing could be harder!

A man asks his wife, "What do you want for Valentine's dear?"

She answers, "Nothing. We can't afford to buy anything, so don't worry about it!"

"Are you sure?" he says.

"Yes. Don't get me a thing."

She is lying, of course. It doesn't matter if the fridge is bare and the rent not paid. She fully expects him to get her something for Valentine's Day - even if it is just a card. If he doesn't come through on this, he has failed the test. It is proof positive that he does not love her anymore.

So, how do you know what your wife wants if she won't tell you? Easy! Just read her mind! That's what she expects you to do because if

you really loved her, you would know what she wants. Make sense? Sure it does!

Some men fail the test when they make the mistake of giving their wife money and telling her to buy herself what she wants. If you've ever done this, you know that the consequences of this action are terrible to behold.

A man knows Valentine's Day is coming up, so he pulls out his wallet and hands his wife thirty dollars and says, "Go and buy yourself something nice, dear."

The wife stares at him and says, "How could you do that?"

The man - thinking fast - assumes it's not enough money. He quickly pulls out another \$20 bill and holds it out to his wife. She stares at him and doesn't say a word. The look in her eyes lets him know he has made a huge mistake, but he doesn't have a clue as to what he's done wrong.

To avoid this situation, a man should always personally pick out a gift for his wife. The picking out of this gift should be done prior to Valentine's Day. Even if you pick out a gift personally, you will still fail the test if you buy the present on Valentine's Day itself.

There is one more area that can



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cause a man to fail the test. It involves what type of gift to give your wife. Let's assume that you knew Valentine's Day was coming up and that you even took the time to go shopping in advance. Be very careful what you choose as a gift.

Do not - I repeat - do not purchase any kind of small kitchen appliance for your wife. Presenting your wife with a new can opener on Valentine's will land you in very hot water. You will most definitely fail the test, and she won't speak to you for a month. The same thing goes for garden tools, brooms, mops, and hair dryers.

You must give her something that makes no sense. One good gift is a rose - even better if you picked it yourself. Put it into an old jelly jar, add a bandaid to your finger where the thorns stuck you while picking it and Voila! She'll think you are the most romantic man on earth. Another winner is to give her a lace nightgown - three sizes too small. When she

opens it and comments on how it's too small, act surprised. Tell her you would have sworn it was too big!

One last hint for passing the Valentine's Day test is make an outstanding presentation. Bring the rose, along with toast and coffee, to her in bed. Even if you burn the toast, it's a sure-fire favorite. When she comes home from work, have candles burning and supper on the table. Take-out food is fine. She won't even notice the food anyway. Put the beautifully wrapped nightgown in the refrigerator along with a note that says "No cooking today. I'm taking you out!" She'll melt like butter.

So what have we learned here today? Valentine's Day is a test. The good news is that if you failed this year, you can always try again next year. By then she will be speaking to you again.

If you're one of the many who failed this year's test, I have one idea that might get you out of the dog house. Put the paper down, go find your wife and give her a big hug. Tell her you love her more than anything in the world, and that no gift is worthy of her...so you are giving her your undying love! Hey - it works at my house!

Friendship Club to meet

The Howardwick Friendship Club will meet this Friday evening at 6:30 in the Howardwick City Hall.

Everyone is invited to bring a dish and join the Valentine's Pot Luck Dinner.

Where does God fit in?

By Mary Beth Nelson

The lovely, young girl sat in her college counselor's office eagerly discussing her final semester's work. Both knew the next few months required extra time. Exams and busy activities would challenge the graduate-to-be preparing to enter the teaching field.

As a full schedule of plans began materializing, her wise counselor suddenly asked, "Now, Misty, where does God fit in?" What a marvelous question to confront an impressionable young lady ready to begin an independent life of her own! The profound suggestion has remained with me ever since my granddaughter related the conversation with her counselor friend.

Each day, I become more aware of increasing importance of the answer to that question. When days are going well, individuals often tend to feel in control and, perhaps, neglect to remember who provides those wonderful days. If situations are not going so well, we more readily desire God's help. We quickly see a need for "fitting Him in." What disappointment we must be to him when that happens!

Our Lord expects commitment and daily meditations with Him as we enjoy His abundant blessings, regardless of how busy we think we are. We constantly need God's presence. How much better we can handle situations if we take time at each day's beginning to ask His guidance, profess our commitment, and include Him in daily routines.

Bible Thought: "Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed." Proverbs 16:3 (NIV)

Mary Beth Nelson is a freelance writer for various inspirational magazines and books.

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Camp Bowie?

This picture was found recently in the local VFW Hall, and members are hoping someone can identify it. The words "Camp Bowie" are written on it, but there is no date visible. If you know anything about this photo, please call Bill Holden at 874-3813.



Deyhle named vet diagnostician of the year

Dr. Charles Deyhle, Jr., of Canyon was named Diagnostician of the Year by the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory of The Texas A&M University System.

He was honored during ceremonies held in Houston at the recent Southwestern Veterinary Symposium.

Deyhle is known as an innovator throughout the veterinary medical profession, according to Dr. Robert Sprowls, resident director of the TVMDL laboratory in Amarillo. Professionals at the College Station and Amarillo laboratories joined forces to nominate the outstanding veterinarian.

"Dr. Deyhle's diagnostic ability is superb, and he consistently uses

our services to provide quality assessment of animal health problems in the field," said Sprowls.

In the cattle feeding industry, he is a recognized expert in animal health and serves a large number of clients in three states. He works closely with TVMDL diagnosticians and researchers within the agency's full-service laboratories in College Station and Amarillo.

TVMDL professionals also cited Deyhle as a premier feedlot consultant with a national and international reputation. He earned three degrees at Texas A&M University, a bachelor of science in animal science, bachelor of veterinary science, and doctor of veterinary medicine. His career spans some 30 years in the profes-

sion.

He and a group of principal veterinarians now head the Veterinary Research Associates, PLLC, formed last year. The group of consulting veterinarians provide research, analysis, and dispersal of technical information and database management. They currently oversee some 100 cattle feedlots and 6 million head of finished cattle annually.

In addition, Deyhle is the sole owner-operator of Deyhle Veterinary Services, specializing in animal health management for intensified beef cattle stocker, feeder, and feedlot operations in Texas, New Mexico and Colorado.

He has been honored as a Distinguished Alumnus of A&M's College of Veterinary Medicine. The College

also honored him in 1998 with its prestigious Mark Francis Award.

As a member of the board and former president of the Academy of Veterinary Consultants, Deyhle is also affiliated with the American Association of Bovine Practitioners board of directors and is a member of the American Veterinary Medical Association, the Plains Nutrition Council, and the Texas Cattle Feeders Association.

"Dr. Deyhle, Jr., like his father, has made a significant contribution to modern veterinary medicine," said Dr. Konrad Eugster, Executive Director of TVMDL at College Station. "Our staffs at both labs, here and in Amarillo, are delighted to see him honored in this way."

Senior Citizen Fundraiser Supper declared success despite weather

By Vida O'Neal

Well, our fundraiser supper came and went, and there were many brave souls that came and ate despite Mother Nature's attempt to keep them home.

The sausage was wonderful! You really missed a treat, but we will probably do it again sometime. We hold a fundraiser supper on the second Thursday of each month. Mark your calendars for the next one on March

8th.

The representative from Northwest Texas Hospital came and discussed the Senior Advantage program that they have. This was a very interesting talk about NWTH and their efforts to keep seniors informed. For more information, you may contact us or call Senior Advantage at 354-1721.

On February 15, 2001, a representative from Edward-Jones will

present a financial program which is entitled "Managing Retirement Income." Mr. Kent Bowen will be the speaker. He will be here on behalf of the senior citizens. Please come and feel free to ask Mr. Bowen questions you might have on interest rates or any retirement qualifications or financial worries. If you are interested in this financial program, plan on being at the center at 1:30 on Feb. 15.

We will be going to the Gem

Theater on Saturday, February 17, to see "The Accordion Kings." If you would like to go, please get in touch with Tammy or Vida.

REMINDERS:

- Feb. 12, 19, 26: Dance Club 7:00 PM
- Feb. 15: Edward-Jones Financial Clinic 1:30 PM
- Feb. 17: Gem Theater "The Accordion Kings"
- Feb. 20: Game Night 7:00 PM
- Feb. 23: Hall County Blood Pressure Clinic 10:30 AM
- Feb. 27: Birthday/Anniversary Supper 6:00 PM

Walk Across Texas kickoff set March 21

By Sue Church, County FSA Agent

Have you made the New Year's resolution to start exercising and already fallen off the wagon? If so, Walk Across Texas is for you!

Dust off those walking shoes and line up your team of eight walkers as the annual Walk Across Texas campaign is ready to begin. The kickoff will be Wednesday, March 21, at 12:15 p.m. at the Health and Wealth Fair.

There are prizes in store for registered walkers who come to the health fair.

You can check on the general state of your health with free health screens while registering for special door prizes. If you are afraid of missing out on lunch, that has been taken

care of as well. Light, lunch-type concessions will be available at the health and wealth fair.

Registration materials for your team can be picked up at any of the following locations: Herring National Bank, Community Bank, Donley County State Bank, or the Donley County Extension Service at 201 E. Third Street in Clarendon.

Walk Across Texas is a great way to mobilize your family, friends and co-workers. If you choose to keep track of your weight loss as well as the mileage walked by your team, you can do so. The important thing is to get your team signed up today!

For more information, contact the Donley County Extension Service at 874-2141.

Tax preparation assistance to be available at fair

By Sue Church, County FSA Agent

Mr. Jimmie Hatley of the Amarillo office of the Internal Revenue Service is pleased to announce that income tax preparation assistance will be made available to the public at the Health and Wealth Fair on March 21, 2001, at the Bairfield Activity Center.

This is an excellent way to

have your 2000 Income Tax Return prepared free of charge, pick up publications to prepare your own or ask general questions pertaining to your taxes.

For more information about this service, contact the Donley County Extension Service at 874-2141 or visit our office at 201 E. Third Street, Clarendon.

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Local students make honor lists at TTU

Several students from Clarendon were recently named to the President's and Dean's List at Texas Tech University for the Fall 2000 semester.

Walker and Erica McAnear were named to the President's List at the university. Erica is an Early Childhood major, and Walker is a Mechanical Engineering major.

Melisse Campbell and Carrie

Thornberry were named to the Dean's List. Melisse is a multidisciplinary studies major, and Carrie is a pre-veterinary major.

Students on the President's List earned a 4.0 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of class work. Students who earned 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List.

Memphis Little Theatre plans production Feb. 24

Production plans continue for Memphis Little Theatre's annual Dinner Theatre performance February 24 to be held at the Memphis Community Center at 7 p.m.

This year's play will be "Point of View," which is set in the 1950s with a cast of five women whose lives are intertwined.

Auntie, played by Amy Godfrey, is confined to her bed. She uses her binoculars to keep a close watch on all of the happenings outside of her

upstairs bedroom window.

The \$12 tickets are available at the gift shop, Until Then. Tickets are also available before noon at the Memphis Chamber of Commerce office, and a limited number will be available at the door.

Those who attend are invited to wear clothing from that period. Ladies are encouraged to wear hats and gloves from that bygone era.

For more information, contact Wanda Hall at 259-2198.

Church on A&M list

Pat Church of Clarendon was named a Distinguished Student at Texas A&M University for the 2000 fall semester.

Pat is a junior animal science major. He is the son of Leon and Sue Church of Clarendon.

Distinguished Student honors students who earned a 3.25 to 3.75 GPR while taking at least 15 hours.

Correction: In a recent article it was stated that Claudine Todd was the 1973 State Teacher of the Year. That line should have read that Mrs. Todd was *nominated* for that honor. The winner that year was Edna Cox of Tulia. The ENTERPRISE regrets this error and apologizes for the confusion.

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Broncos on fire, ready for play offs

By Sandy Anderberg

Despite posting a 58-76 loss to a good West Texas High team, the Clarendon Broncos' District record is good enough to send them into post-season play next week. As of press time, the Broncos' first round play off opponent has not been determined.

Right now the Broncos hold sole possession of 2nd place in District 6 2-A.

"This is the 2nd year that the Broncos have won 20 games or more in one season," said Head Coach Mike Ray.

The Broncos' record is 20-9 overall and 11-3 in District play.

West Texas has wrapped up first place in District play and head to the play offs as the number one seed.

The Broncos held their own

against West Texas, only trailing by six points at the end of the 1st quarter. West Texas increased their lead to eight points over the Broncos at the break.

The Broncos came out fired up in the second half, but West Texas answered everything the Broncos offered. The Broncos couldn't make up the deficit and were defeated by eighteen points.

Scoring for the Broncos were: Cody Watson 18, Josh Williams 15, Sam Holton 9, Antonio Wilson 7, James Williams 6, and Colt Floyd 3.

Sam Holton and Josh Williams pulled down 8 rebounds each. Jeremy Ray had 5 assists, and Holton had 4 steals.

Friday, February 9, the Broncos traveled to Panhandle to meet the

Panthers. It was a must win game for both teams. Panhandle was fighting to stay in the play offs, and the Broncos needed the win to stay in 2nd place.

Sluggish play in the 1st quarter hindered the Broncos, but they got things rolling before the break, and Panhandle took only a three-point lead into the locker room. Getting the momentum going in Clarendon's favor, the Broncos took quick advantage of the change. The Broncos outscored the Panthers by 15 points in the 4th quarter to send Panhandle packing.

"This was one of our best defensive efforts all year," said Ray. "We held them to 15 points in the second half and doubled their point production to go from three points down to

twelve points ahead."

The Broncos have been shooting about 65% from the free throw line, and Ray contributes that to the Broncos' success. "Panhandle only hit 6 out of 24 free throws. We know they (free throws) are very important, and we have been working hard at making our shots."

Josh Williams grabbed 10 rebounds, and Sam Holton added 9. Jeremy Ray had 4 assists and 3 steals.

Scoring for the Broncos were: Wilson 11, Josh Williams 11, Floyd 10, Holton 6, Ray 4, James Williams 3, and Greg Leeper 2.

The Broncos will be participating in a warm-up game Saturday, February 17, at Randall High School. They will play Follett at 11:30 am.

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Lady Bulldogs lose to Odessa, NMJC

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon College Lady Bulldogs traveled to Odessa Monday, February 5. They lost, 85-56.

"We were 18/21 from the line," said Head Coach Denise Reed. "But we had 34 turnovers. It's hard to win ball games with that many turnovers."

Down only six points with two minutes to go in the 1st half, the Lady Bulldogs let down, and Odessa took advantage of it, increasing their lead

to thirteen points at the break.

"We just gave up the easy possessions," said Reed.

Freshman Nidia Garcia took control of the game, scoring 26 points. She shot 14/15 free throws, which helped her team end up shooting 86% from the line. Nidia also had 8 assists, 4 steals, and 9 rebounds.

Nivia Garcia had 12 points, 2 assists, 2 steals, and 6 rebounds. Sonya Jackson added 10 points, 3 steals, 2 assists, and 5 rebounds.

The Lady Bulldogs met New Mexico Junior College Thursday, February 8, in Hobbs.

The Lady Bulldogs played hard and, with 5 minutes to go in the 1st half, were up by four points. They let that lead slip and fell behind six points at the break.

"Again, we just had too many turnovers," said Reed.

The Lady Bulldogs cut New Mexico's lead to 12 points in the 2nd half but just couldn't things rolling.

Nidia Garcia had 21 points, 5 rebounds, 6 assists, and 3 steals. Sonya Jackson had 12 points, and Nivia Garcia had 9 points and 8 rebounds.

The two losses give the Lady Bulldogs an 8-13 record overall and a 1-6 conference record.

Thursday, February 15, the Lady Bulldogs will host Jacksonville College for a non-conference game and then travel to the #2 rated Midland College Monday, February 19.

Lady Broncos: CHS to play in Vernon Friday night

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that we'll get there, and we will strive to do our best."

"In the play offs," said Coach Schmidt, "it's not always the best team that wins, it's who plays well that night."

And the Lady Broncos plan to do just that - play well. They're determined to make that trip to Austin in March.

To end their regular season play, the Lady Broncos soundly defeated West Texas High 79-60 Tuesday night in the Bronco Gymnasium.

The Lady Broncos dominated the first quarter, outscoring West Texas by fifteen points.

"The girls got off to a very strong start," said Schmidt. "Having our two injured players start the game for us seemed to get the team and the fans going emotionally. I liked seeing the team take control of the game early on."

Seniors Lindsey Shelton and Courtney Newhouse, who have been out due to knee injuries, started for the Lady Broncos in their last home

game.

The Lady Broncos showed no mercy toward the Lady Comanches and led them by fourteen points at the break. The Lady Broncos came out in the second half fired up and ended up having three players in double figures. The Lady Broncos defeated West Texas by 29 points.

"There were moments of complacency where we let up," said Schmidt, "but we also had moments of really good basketball."

Scoring for the Lady Broncos

were: Kelley Lemley 26, Geri Butler 19, Janey Aduddell 14, April Bryley 8, Jamee Sparks 4, Liz Simmons 4, Shannon Cooper 3, and Claire Rodriguez 1.

The Lady Broncos also played a practice game against Shamrock Friday in Panhandle. The Lady Broncos defeated Shamrock 56-47. Scoring were Aduddell 15, Lemley 14, Butler 14, Bryley 9, Rodriguez 2, and Simmons 2.

Good Luck in the play offs, Lady Broncos!

W.O.W. coming to Clarendon in April

W.O.W. is coming to Clarendon in April. What is W.O.W.? you ask. It is the brain child of the Donley County Tourism Council, and it stands for Watch Our Wildlife!

We are truly blessed to live in an area with such an abundant and diverse population of wildlife and wild birds. By sharing it with those less fortunate, we can enhance the economic base in our county. In the absence of underground mineral reserves, heavy industry, or industrial tax bases, we really only have the wildlife as a non-polluting, renewable resource.

Many of us look at our wildlife mostly in a hunting sense, and that is an economic boon to the county during the fall. However, hunting is regulated. The state sets seasons and limits us to around five months

the Wildlife
By Ken Mayer

of participation. In contrast, wildlife and bird "watching" can be enjoyed year round. In fact, many varieties of birds are more prevalent in the spring and summer than in the fall. Blue birds, robins, and cardinals are much more numerous in the winter than other times due to migratory habits.

So in an effort to attract those who would enjoy participating that abundance, we in Donley County have adopted the slogan W.O.W. A video of Rio Grande strutting turkeys was produced and sent to various Audubon and bird watching clubs statewide. A Donley County Turkey

Strut is planned for April 21 and 22.

Clarendon is moving forward even if it has to be on the backs of our wildlife. If you'd like to share some ideas, come be a part of this group. We meet every Thursday at 12:00 noon in the back of the Burton Library. There's only one rule: please leave all your hate, discontentment, and negativism at the door. This is a great country, state, and community to live in. To maintain that greatness, we need positive doers, not sit-on-their-butt-naysayers.

So until next time, may the good Lord richly bless you and keep you safe.

Ken Mayer is a member of the Texas Outdoor Writers Association and owns All-American Hunting here in Clarendon. Send thoughts and photos to Box 416, Clarendon, TX 79226 or drop them by the ENTERPRISE office.

Bronco JV Maroon lose to Panhandle

The Broncos gave the Panthers a run for their money Friday night in Panhandle. The final score of 37-46 didn't tell the entire story of the ball game. The Broncos made it much closer than the score indicates.

"We played really well for most of the game," said Coach Danny Brittain. "We were within 2 or 3 points toward the end of the game when we made 4 or 5 turnovers in a row that Panhandle capitalized on. The final score didn't reflect the game."

The Broncos trailed the Panthers by seven points at the break. Panhandle then increased their lead by three points before the Broncos staged a comeback attempt. The turnovers were costly for the Broncos and determined the final outcome of the game.

Scoring for the Broncos were: Todd Hoeltzel 11, Cameron Word 8, Landon Shields 7, Jarad Lax 5, Judge Smith 4, and Micah Sparks 2. Shields grabbed 10 rebounds, while Lax and Word had 7 and 6 rebounds, respec-

tively. Smith added 3 steals. **JV White finish season 7-11**

The Broncos went up a good Wellington team Tuesday night and defeated them 46-31.

The Broncos jumped out to an early lead and never looked back. The Broncos led by sixteen points at the half and led throughout, winning by fifteen points.

The Broncos have given good, solid play all year and this game was no different for the Broncos. "The guys have played hard this season," said Coach David Towner. "It was fun the entire year. I'm proud of the way they played."

The Broncos had some close losses during the season and ended up 6-8 for the year and 5-3 in District play.

Scoring for the Broncos against Wellington were: Justin Johnson 22, Drew Sell 18, Jeremy Howard 3, Jordan Zehr 2, and Tim Leeper 1. Great season, Broncos!

JV Lady Broncos end season with win

The Lady Broncos ended their season with a win over West Texas High February 6.

Battling each and every play, the Lady Broncos worked hard the entire game and led at the end of the 1st half by two points.

"The girls played hard," said Coach Kathy Barton. "I was pleased to see them work hard."

The game went to a four-point spread in the 3rd quarter, where it stayed until the buzzer despite a comeback attempt by WT. The final score was Clarendon 38, West Texas 34.

"Even though they didn't have a winning season, it was a good learning year."

Scoring were Brandi Betts 13, Lacey Eads 10, Crystal Lawler 6, Valerie Taylor 4, Lacey Anderberg 3, and Christine Holden 2.



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Owls to play for bi-district crown

By Lauren Hill

On Tuesday, February 6, the Owls and Lady Owls traveled to Samnorwood for the last two district ballgames.

In the girls' game, Hedley led in the first quarter 24-12. In the second quarter, the Lady Owls increased their lead to 48-23. The Lady Owls increased their lead in the third by outscoring Samnorwood 16-9. Hedley went on to win the game, 84-45.

Scoring were Haley Bennett, 19; Lana Wallendorf, 18; Lauren Hill, 14; Amber Solis, 8; Kasi

Woodard, 8; Rebekah Howard, 7; Sealey Stevens, 4; Tasa Watts, 2; Lora Llewellyn, 2; and Lacey Wallendorf, 2.

The Lady Owls' record improved to 8-0 in district, 26-3 overall.

In the boys' game, Hedley started strong over Samnorwood in the first quarter, scoring 20 points to Samnorwood's 13. In the second quarter, the Owls outscored the Eagles 15-8. The halftime score was 35-21.

Both teams scored 14 points in the third. The score at the end of the quarter was 49-35 in

Hedley's favor. The Owls continued to increase their lead in the fourth to eventually take victory, 82-45.

Scoring were Aaron Bugg, 17; David Evans, 16; Bradley Conatser, 16; Josh Collins, 13; Shane Mangelsdorf, 6; Justin Alexander, 5; Rhett Holland, 5; and Samuel Howard, 2.

Hedley improved their record to 6-2 in district, 13-14 overall.

The Owls have taken second place in the district and will face Nazareth in bi-district at Caprock High School on Tuesday, February 20.

Junior High Lady Owls end season undefeated with tourney win

By Lauren Hill

The junior high Owls and Lady Owls played in the Hedley Booster Club Tournament on February 1 and 3.

Hedley played McLean in the girls' game on Thursday. In the first period, Hedley started out quick, scoring 29 points to McLean's zero. The second quarter, the Lady Owls increased their lead 6 more points. In the second half, Hedley continued to play well. The final score was 54-4.

Scoring were Allison Hill, 10; Courtney Ellerbrook, 9; Sarah Bolin, 8; Julie Funderberg, 6; Carmen Garcia, 6; Katie Gregory, 6; Kyra Stevens, 5; and Megan Hall, 4.

The Lady Owls played the Silverton girls on Saturday morning. In the first quarter Hedley outscored Silverton 21-0. In the second quarter, Silverton outscored Hedley by one point. In the second half, Hedley scored 16 more points, and Silverton ran up 14. The final score was 40-18.

Scoring were Sarah Bolin, 15; Courtney Ellerbrook, 8; Allison Hill, 6; Megan Hall, 5; Julie Funderberg, 4; and Carmen Garcia, 2.

During the late game on Saturday, the Lady Owls played Samnorwood. In the first quarter, the Lady Owls started out strong with a lead over the Lady Eagles of 18-4. In the second quarter, the Hedley girls continued to increase their lead over the Lady Eagles. In the second half, Hedley went on to win the game with a final score of 62-25.

Scoring for the Lady Owls were Sarah Bolin, 16; Courtney Ellerbrook, 15; Julie Funderberg, 9; Allison Hill, 5; Megan Hall, 5; Carmen Garcia, 4; Kyra Stevens, 2; Jaci Copelin, 2; Katie Gregory, 2; and Ashley Martin, 2.

The junior high Lady Owls ended their season undefeated. Their record is 15-0.

In the boys' game on Thursday, the Owls played the McLean Tigers.

The Tigers took the first quarter with a score of 7-14, and Hedley continued to struggle in the second quarter. In the third quarter, Hedley cut into McLean's lead by 8 points. In the fourth, the Owls held McLean to 4 points while scoring 10 of their own. The final score was 43-40.

Scoring for the Owls were Stephen Howard, 13; Eric Alston, 9; Jerrad Marcum, 7; Jeremy Blackwell, 6; John Patterson, 6; and Matthew Glover, 2.

In the early game on Saturday, Hedley played Silverton, and the visitors outscored the Owls 7-12 in the first quarter. In the second quarter, the Owls went ahead of Silverton by one point. In the second half, Hedley held on to their lead and won the game, 48-37.

Scoring for the Owls were Eric Alston, 13; Jeremy Blackwell, 12; Will Wallendorf, 9; Jerrad Marcum, 7; John Patterson, 4; and Matthew Glover, 3.

Lady Colts finish season with two games against Wellington

The 7th and 8th grade Lady Colts finished their regular season Monday, February 5, at home against Wellington.

The 7th grade Lady Colts stomped a good Lady SkyRocket team 32-18.

The Lady Colts jumped out to an eight-point lead in the 1st quarter and increased their lead to twelve points at the break. The 2nd half was much of the same with Clarendon outscoring the Lady Rockets by two points to take the fourteen-point lead.

It's been an outstanding year for the Lady Colts, who ended up with one loss the entire season.

"It's been a great season," said

Coach Kirby Hatley. "The girls worked really hard, and I'm really pleased with the way they played basketball this year."

Scoring for the Lady Colts were: Lauren Floyd 8, Haley Shelton 7, Anndria Kidd 6, Kimberly Tolbert 4, Claudia Thomas 3, Caitlan Hall 2, Edie Mincey 1, and Chrystal Smith 1.

The 8th grade Lady Colts also squared off against Wellington, who defeated the Lady Colts 40-43.

The Lady Colts played hard and fought all the way. The Lady SkyRockets were ahead by five points at the end of the 1st half. The Lady Colts came back within one point of

Wellington at the end of the game, but couldn't pull ahead. The Lady SkyRockets won by three points.

"It has been a good year for the Lady Colts," said Coach Kathy Barton. "They've grown up and matured a lot. They pulled together and played good basketball toward the end of the season."

Scoring for the Lady Colts were: Destiny Weatheron 8, Cierra Benavidez 8, April Ballard 6, Meghan Gribble 4, Paige Drackley 4, Kayla Martindale 4, Jessie Anderberg 2, Jessica Hernandez 2, Kari Steen 2, and Andra Helms 1.

Congratulations, Lady Colts, on a great season!

7th grade Colts end season with win over Wellington, 33-29

The 7th and 8th grade Colts traveled to Wellington to take on the SkyRockets Monday, February 5th.

The Colts defeated the SkyRockets, 33-29.

The Colts jumped out to a 12-0 lead in the 1st quarter. Wellington got rolling in the 2nd quarter and put 10 points on the board, cutting the Colts' lead to six points at half time.

The Colts held off a SkyRocket comeback attempt in the 4th quarter and took the four-point win.

The Colts have had a great

season, going 10-3 for the year. They won 1st place in the Clarendon Jr. High Tournament and took 2nd place in the Bushland Tournament.

Scoring for the Colts were: Will Betts 15, Andy Roberts 6, Will Drackley 6, Chase Thornberry 4, and Jessie Rodriguez 2.

The 8th grade Colts also went up against the SkyRockets but lost 20-31.

Wellington jumped out to a 12-4 lead, but the Colts stayed right with them in the 2nd quarter. In the 2nd

half the SkyRockets increased their lead over the Colts, giving them the eleven-point victory.

The Colts finished the season with a record of 2-10. They placed 3rd in the Clarendon Jr. High Tournament.

Scoring for the Colts were: Michael Butler 12, Matt McCabe 2, Tim Sears 2, Casey Elliott 2, and Robert Shelton 2.

Congratulations, Colts, for a great season!

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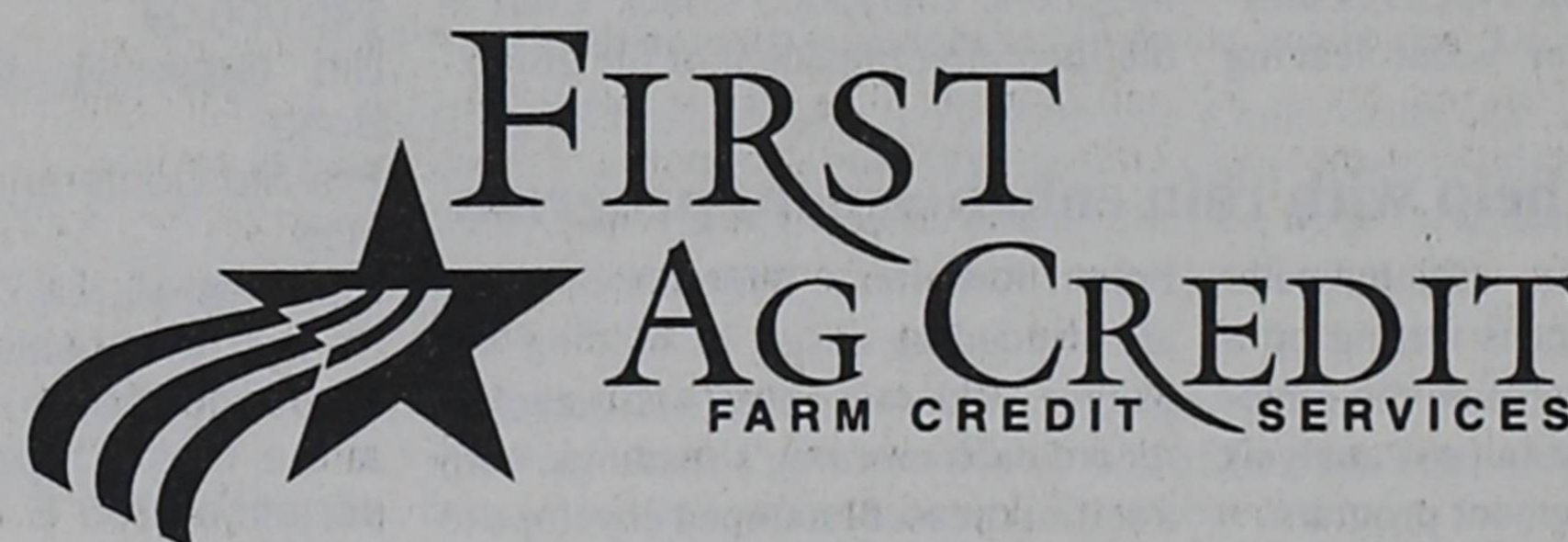
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Pathfinders hear overview of old depot

By Sue Church, County FSA Agent

The Pathfinders Club was treated to an informative video program on the history of the old Depot prepared by Jean Stavenhagen on February 9.

Many of the members found themselves taking a walk down memory lane as the Depot was the hub of community activity in years past. The video recaptured pictures of the Depot available at the Saints' Roost Museum and also featured interviews by local residents who recalled their experiences with the Depot.

The Depot, which was relocated to the Saint's Roost Museum grounds in 1996, is undergoing a refurbishing partially financed by a Texas Department of Transportation grant. The exterior has been worked on extensively while the interior remains in an unimproved state. Support is still needed to match the TxDOT grant.

The Pathfinders meet the second Friday of each month at Saye's Cottage. Patsy Hill is currently serving as President of Pathfinders.



Jean Stavenhagen (left) shared a wealth of her historic Depot research with members of the Pathfinders study club at their recent February meeting.

Photo courtesy Donley County Extension Service

Trees now available from local soil, water conservation district

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Those species beneficial to wildlife that are sold by the Donley County Spoil and Water Conservation District are: Evergreens, Red Oak, Pecan, Little Walnut, Caragan, Lilac, Bush Honeysuckle, Cotoneaster, Plum, Sumac, Nanking Cherry, and Sand Cherry. The District also offers wildlife packets that include a variety of trees selected to attract a particular type of wildlife. Each packet includes 100 trees (25 each of 4 different kinds). We have packets for Quail and Pheasant, Squirrel, Turkey, and Deer.

All trees sell out quickly so if you're interested in placing an order, call Mike at 874-3576 ext. 101, or come by the NRCS office at 4th and Sully in Clarendon as soon as possible.

FSA accepting applications for emergency loans

Donley County was declared eligible for Farm Service Agency (FSA) disaster emergency loans on January 19, 2001.

Generally, that means that farmers who have lost at least 30 percent of their production due to a severe winter ice storm that occurred on December 12, 2000, through January 15, 2001, are eligible for the FSA loans.

Proceeds from crop insurance are taken into account when determining eligibility.

FSA Ag Credit Manager, Larry J. Goetze, is urging farmers who are interested in receiving an emergency loan to get their applications into FSA as soon as possible.

"We hope farmers will get their applications in early rather than waiting until near the deadline, which is September 19, 2001," said Goetze. "The longer they wait, the more chance there is for long delays. If the applications come in early, we can avoid backlogs and speed up the process."

FSA is a credit agency of the US Department of Agriculture. It is authorized to provide disaster emergency loans to recognized farmers who work at and rely on farming for a substantial part of their living.

Eligibility is extended to individual farmers who are US citizens and to farming partnerships, corporations, or cooperatives in which US citizens hold a majority interest.

The FSA office is located at 321 Sully in Clarendon, and the phone number is 806-874-3561.

Water: Panel discusses future of rights

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urban areas.

Steve Stevens, a representative of Mesa Water, Inc., said that company has purchased water rights on 150,000 acres in the northern Panhandle. Mesa originally offered the water to the City of Amarillo and to the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority, but both of those entities declined, Stevens said.

Now the cities of El Paso, San Antonio, and Dallas-Ft. Worth are interested in the water, he said, and if a pipeline is built to DFW, it would likely come through or near Clarendon.

The cost of 108" pipeline to El Paso would be \$2.1 billion.

Williams said the PGCD is seeking fee authority for water leaving

the district to look at and purchase recharge equipment and methods. Efforts to recharge the Edwards Aquifer down state have met with some success.

Another issue briefly discussed at Saturday's meeting was the cloud seeding project being undertaken by the PGCD. Officials say they believe the project will increase rainfall over the district.

But opponents say the project could change weather patterns and cause the rain that might fall on their land to precipitate on someone else's land.

The Panhandle Landowners Association has approximately 200 members. Clarendon's Jack Craft is the incoming president of the group.

PGCD needs help with rain enhancement program

The Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District is setting up a program to help determine the effectiveness and to assist in post-analysis of their rain enhancement program.

A network of 30 rain gauges will be set up in each county within the District. These gauges will be read and recorded every morning.

Persons residing in rural areas of Armstrong, Carson, Donley, Gray,

Potter, Roberts, or Wheeler counties are needed to assist in reading the gauges. The rain gauge and a card to record each morning's readings, with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to return it to the District office at the end of each month, will be provided.

Persons interested in participating in the project, please contact C.E. Williams or Shea Lea Clower at (806) 883-2501.



Richard Stotts of Clarendon participated in his 50th consecutive Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show on January 27 in Fort Worth. The Show, the American Angus Association, and his fellow exhibitors honored Stotts. Pictured during the ceremonies from left are David Gibbs, livestock show manager, Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show; Richard Stotts; Minnie Lou Bradley, American Angus Association director and long-time friend of Stotts; and Don Reeves, long-time friend of Stotts.

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Date: February 14, 2001.
Name of contractor: City of Hedley, PO Box 231, Hedley, TX 79019
To all interested agencies, groups, and persons:
Sixteen (16) days after this publication, the City of Hedley, Hedley, Texas intends to request the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) to release community development funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383) for Project No. 720321.
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Finding of No Significant Impact

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment in the project area and accordingly the above named entity has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1979.

The reasons for such decision not to prepare a statement are as follows:

The City of Hedley's Water System Improvements will be advantageous to the community residents and will greatly enhance the city's water system. The project is not an action that will significantly affect the quality of the environment.

An environmental assessment in regards to the proposed project has been made by the above named entity which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such statement is not required. The environmental assessment is on file at the above address and is available for public examination. Copies may be obtained from the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, P.O. Box 9257, Amarillo, TX 79105, Attention: Colby Waters, (806) 372-3381, or from the City of Hedley.

Public Comments on Finding

All interested agencies, groups, and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the entity to the office of the undersigned. Such written comments must be received at the address specified within sixteen (16) days after this publication. All such comments so received will be considered, and the entity will not request the release of federal funds or take any administrative action on the project prior to the date specified in the preceding sentence.

Release of Funds

The City of Hedley will under take the project described above with the Community Development Program funds from the Department of Housing and Community Affairs under Title I of the Housing and

LEGAL NOTICES

Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. Janie Hill, Mayor as certifying officer of contractor approved by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs in her official capacity as Mayor consents to accept the jurisdiction of the federal court if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental assessments, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal affect of the certification is that upon its approval the City of Hedley may use the Texas Community Development Program funds and Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs will have set aside its responsibility under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1979, and 24 CFR, Part 58.

Objections to State Release of Funds

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs will accept an objection to its approval only if it is on one of the following basis: (a) that the certification was not in fact executed by the certifying officer or other officer of contractor approved by Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs; or (b) that contractor's environmental review record for the project indicates omission of a required decision finding or a step applicable to the project in the environmental assessment. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR, Part 58.75) and may be addressed to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Finance Division, P.O. Box 13941, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-3941. Objections to the release of funds on a basis other than those stated above will not be considered by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs. No objection received later than thirty-three (33) days after this publication will be considered by the Texas Department of Housing and Affairs.

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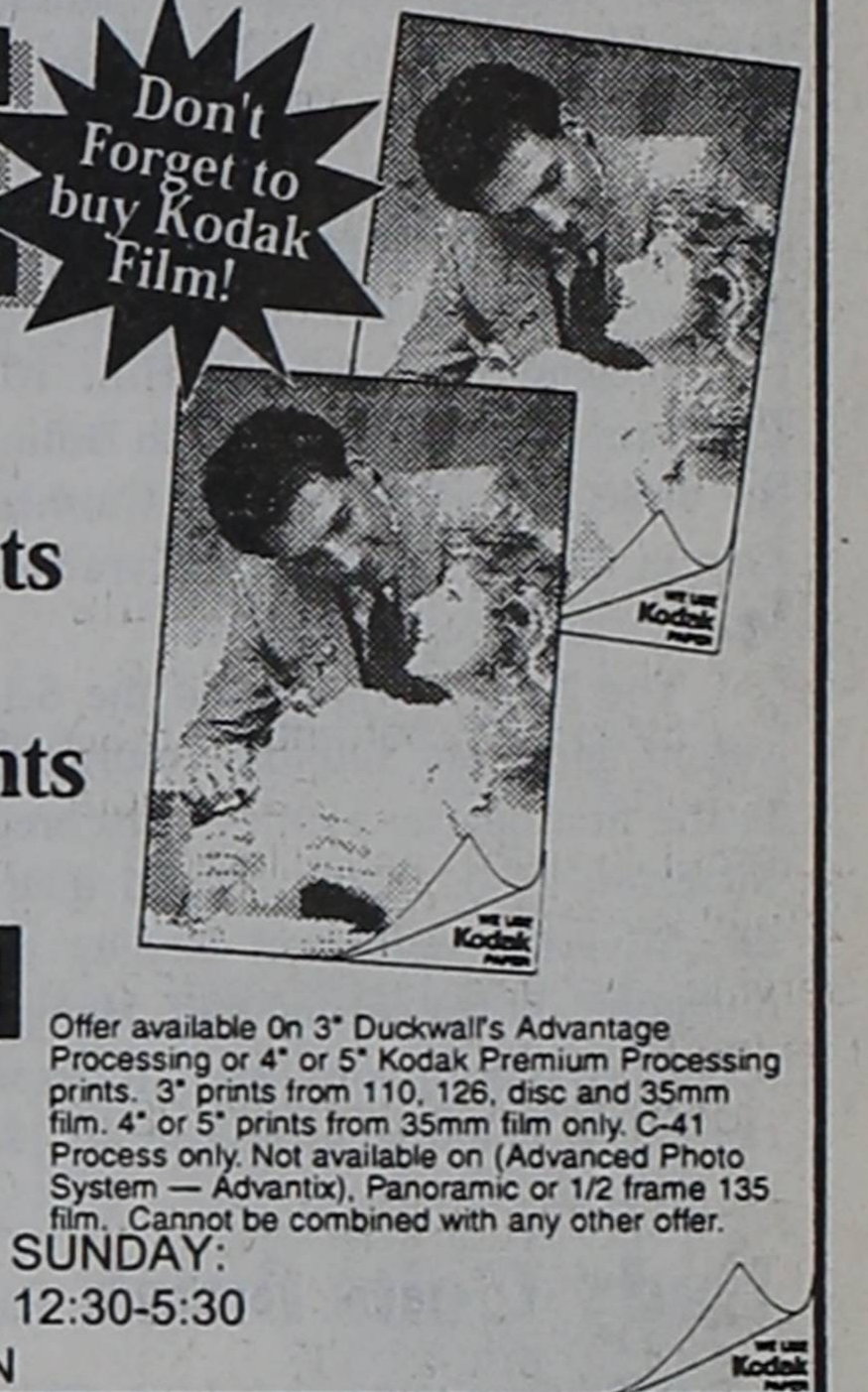
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Clarendon Lions Club Regular meeting each Tuesday at noon. Stan Leffew, Boss Lion Monty Hysinger, Secretary

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THANK YOU

The family of Tom Molder would like to offer our deepest heartfelt thanks to all of the kind wonderful friends who called offering condolences, sent flowers, brought food by, offered kind words of sympathy, hugs, handshakes, and tears during the bereavement of our beloved brother, grandson, and uncle. Mere words cannot express the love that is present throughout this community and within our family. A special thanks is offered to the Lions Club and the Lions for the use of the Lions Hall. A big thanks also goes to Lori Mays for securing the Lions Hall. Also, a big thank you goes out to Paul & Elmonette Bivens, Adenia Baird, B&R Thriftway, Jim & Debbie Roberts, Brit & Virginia Patten, Mary & Connie McAnear, and to the EMS crew for their hard work, dedication, and support. Clarendon is more of a family than a community. What a wonderful place to be a part of.

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CLARENDON-FARM: 271 ACRES 9 MILES S/E of Clarendon - 173.8 acres in CRP at \$33.00 with 7 years remaining (\$5,735.00 annual payment), 1 domestic well, frontage on large major ranch provides unobstructed view for building site and makes this a favored feeding ground for deer and quail, offered at \$400 per acre.

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OWNER RELOCATING - MUST SELL nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath, central heat and air, carport on 1 1/2 lots at 613 Browning St. for \$98,500. REDUCED TO \$34,900.

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- CLARENDON**
- Victorian home to be moved. 715 W. 6th St.
 - Commercial building on Hwy. 287, CH&A, two lots, carport. \$30,000. \$25,000
 - 620 S. McLean St. Stucco, nice and clean, two bedroom, one bath, metal carport, 3 & 1/2 lots on corner. \$30,000. \$25,000
 - Extra clean manufactured home to be moved.
 - 3 1/2 acres with nice shop. 1109 W. 8th Street. \$25,000
- GREENBELT LAKE**
- Lot 106 (lease lot) with furnished mobile home. Excellent. \$25,000. \$22,500
 - Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 story, CH/A, carport, deck, cellar, on 4 landscaped lots. Big trees with deer, quail, and turkey as frequent visitors. Excellent neighborhood 376 Parks St. \$75,500.
- HEDLEY**
- Manufactured home, permanent installation. Approximately 1,350 sq. ft. Fireplace, C/H/A, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, above ground pool, covered porch, 40x24 steel bldg. with storage and car port. 12x30 rental with 12x29 car port. All of three lots. 2nd and Bailey. Must see to appreciate. \$58,000.
- HALL COUNTY**
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- NEEDED**
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ONE BLOCK FROM HIGH SCHOOL - Brick, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, kitchen/dining, living, utility, basement, central heat & ref. air, unattached 60x30 garage/shop/office plumbed for bath, fenced backyard, concrete cellar, 3 lots on corner at 621 W. 5th for \$88,000.

ONLY THREE BLOCKS FROM POST OFFICE - 2 bedroom, 1 bath, living, dining, kitchen, utility, enclosed porch, sun room, partially finished basement, 1-car port, 1-car garage, backyard with rock barbecue and picnic table set at 203 E. 6th St. for \$23,500.

RECENTLY TOTALLY REMODELED - 2 bedroom, 1 bath, kitchen, dining, living, utility, central heat & air, metal siding, 1 car garage, 1 car port, cellar, fenced back yard, storage building, @ 610 W. 3rd for \$57,500.

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RECENTLY REMODELED 2 story, 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, living, dining, kitchen with new cabinets, dishwasher and range, large utility, covered porch, large deck, ducts installed for central h/a, shade and fruit trees, cased well, barn and storage building, all on one city block at 902 S. Gorst for \$72,000. REDUCED TO \$70,000

CLARENDON - ALL GRASS - section with one mile frontage on paved farm-to-market road only three miles from Clarendon. Good grass - has been rested during winter, two windmills with tubs, two dirt tanks, nice view, electricity available. Suitable to operate as/is or to sub-divide, good buy at \$265 per acre.

CLARENDON-RANCH - 1,170 acres only 4 miles south of Clarendon, good cattle country with just enough rough land and cover to attract DEER & GAME BIRDS, large dirt tank and 3 wells provide abundant water for livestock and game, good set of corrals, beautiful unobstructed view overlooking scenic canyon country for \$275.00 per acre.

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CLARENDON-ACREAGE - 200 acres with prepad, well, and older set of improvements needing repair with city limits on south side for \$19,000.

CLARENDON-COMMERCIAL - NICE BRICK/GLASS, 25' FRONTAGE ON KEARNEY "MAIN" ST., central heat & air, 70' front with carpet, petitioned from back 45' for shop, storage, etc., present long time Lessee interested in extending lease contract or can take possession Nov. 30 at 304 S. Kearney for \$17,500.

CLARENDON - COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL - FULL CITY BLOCK with 300 ft. frontage on Hwy. 287 - excellent location and size for business; also includes a 2 bedroom, 2 bath house with kitchen, dining/den and living room plus unattached one car garage at 900 E. 2nd for \$65,000.

CLARENDON-COMMERCIAL 250 ft. frontage on Hwy. 287 with nice, well maintained office building presently leased to a State of Texas agency for \$824 monthly. Very good income investment plus excellent development potential for vacant lots with Hwy. 287 frontage. At 911 E. 2nd for \$89,000.

ASHTOLA - 255 Acres - all farm land with county road on three sides, no improvements for \$315 per acre.

HEDLEY - 12.96 acres on pavement and a very nice brick house with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living/dining/kitchen with built-ins, new central heat & ref. air, attached 2 car garage, attached covered porch, fenced yard, good well with sub. pump. All for \$67,500.

LELIA LAKE - Four miles south, ten acres and nice brick house with 3 bedrooms, 3 baths (one full, two 1/2), country kitchen, large living room, cellar, barn, and fruit trees, one mile off hard surface road for \$70,000. Occupied, shown by appointment. REDUCED TO 65,000.

LELIA LAKE - 116.45 acres, all grass, some native/some improved, will run 18-20 cow units, good well with sub. pump, barn, and 11 trees, quail & deer frequent the place, county road on two sides. Nice with Ranquette for \$365 per acre.

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GREENBELT - Carroll Creek Acres - 4 acres and 2 bedroom, 1 bath, living, dining, den, well with sub. pump for \$27,000.

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