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- 4 St. Valentine, whoever he was, has left a permanent mark on society.
- 5 The International House of Pancakes helps the Shriners.
- 7 And the Broncos lock up a chance at the playoffs.

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

## Filing period opens for local elections

Filing opened Monday for candidates wishing to seek a position on any of seven local boards during this spring's elections.

The City of Clarendon will hold an election to choose the three aldermen for two-year terms. Those positions are currently held by Aldermen Tommy Hill, Kyle Davis, and Will Thompson.

The City of Howardwick will also elect three aldermen for the

positions currently held by Rod Donaldson, Tanis McMorries, and LeeAnn Cook. These officers each serve two-year terms.

Hedley's election will choose a mayor and four aldermen. Those seats are now held by Mayor Bruce Howard, Leon Ward, Tonya Metcalf, Travis Thomas, and Lonnie Roby. Alderman Ward has already signed up for re-election.

Three positions on the

Clarendon ISD Board of Trustees are up this year. Those seats are currently held by Robin Ellis, Jim Shelton, and Marvin Thompson and are three-year terms.

Two full terms and one unexpired term are up for election this year on the Hedley ISD Board of Trustees. The full terms of James Edward Potts and Troy Monroe are expiring, and voters will choose a successor for the unexpired term

of Karen Watt, which has one year remaining.

The Clarendon College Board of Regents has three seats up for election this year. Those positions are six-year terms and are currently held by Charles Deyhle, Ruth Robinson, and Susie Shields. All three incumbents have signed up for re-election, and Jerry Gage has also signed up for the election.

The Donley County Hospital

District will select three two-year positions on its board, now held by Greg Collins (Place 4), Jeannie Owens (Place 5), Mark C. White (Place 6), and Lori Howard (Place 7).

All local offices are elected at-large, but hospital board candidates must sign up for a specific place.

Sign up continues through March 8, 2010; and the elections will be held Saturday, May 8.

## Chamber banquet to be held March 6

The Clarendon Chamber of Commerce has announced its annual banquet will be held on Saturday, March 6, at 6 p.m., at the Bairfield Activity Center on the Clarendon College campus.

To nominate someone for an award you may call or drop your nomination off at the Chamber of Commerce. Awards to be given include the Man and Woman of the Year and the Saints' Roost Award for a lifetime of service to the community.

Nominations must be made by Friday, February 19. Contact the Chamber for tickets or for more information.

## 4-H dinner, dance to be re-scheduled

The Donley County 4-H Parent Leaders Association have postponed the steak dinner and dance originally scheduled for this Saturday.

Organizers put the event on hold due to inclement weather expected this weekend. It will be rescheduled at a future date.

## BoxTop deadline is next Wednesday

Clarendon Elementary School would like to ask for your continued support of its Box Tops and Campbell's Labels for Education fundraiser.

The money collected will be used for the end of the year Wonderland Park trip, and the submission deadline is February 17.

To participate, send your Box Tops or Campbell's Soup labels to school with any student. There is a collection box at each campus.

## CC to host Sneak Peek on March 5

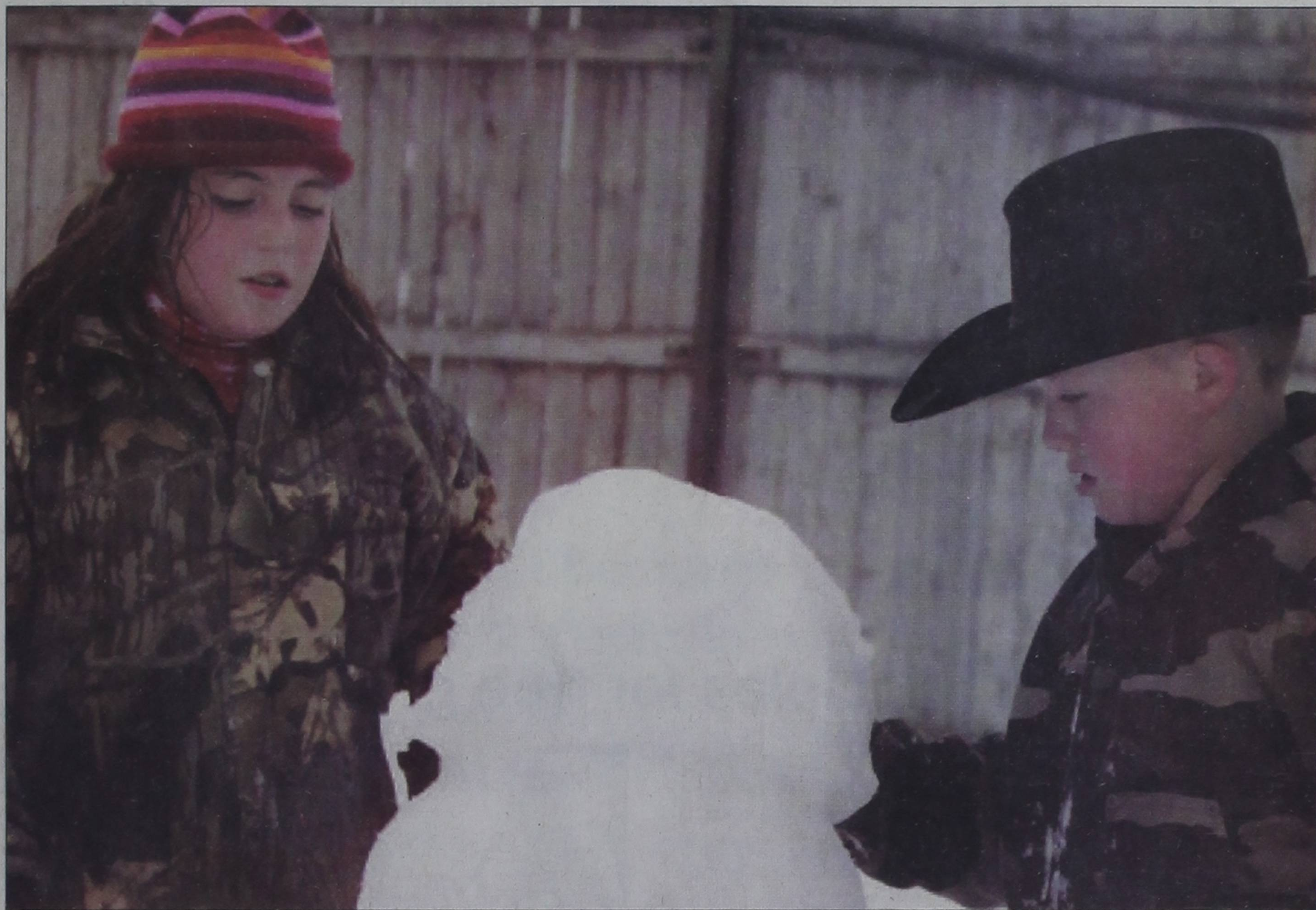
Clarendon College will give area high school seniors a preview of college life during Senior Sneak Peek on March 5.

The day-long event will begin with registration at 9 a.m. at the Bairfield Activity Center.

High school seniors will have the opportunity to talk with CC faculty and students about career choices, programs, and student life at 9:30 a.m. Parents will receive information about financial aid, scholarships, career planning, housing, and admission.

Campus tours begin at 11 a.m. followed by lunch at 11:30. Seniors and their parents are then invited to cheer on the Bulldog baseball team as they take on El Paso Community College at noon.

For more information, call Jamie Ward, CC Enrollment Services Counselor, at 806-874-4837.



## Work in progress

Kallie Lindsey and Ethan Wilkerson work to create a snowman following another blast from Old Man Winter last week. The big snow last Thursday was wet and well suited for the construction of several snow people around the county.

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## New scam using Better Business Bureau's name

New Lottery Scam Fraudulently Claims to Be From Better Business Bureau

Better Business Bureau warns that a new scam is fraudulently using the organization's name in order to steal tens of thousands of dollars from victims who are led to believe they have won a lottery. So far, one victim has lost \$80,000 to scammers posing as BBB employees.

Several individuals have

reported to BBB that they were contacted over the phone or via e-mail by someone claiming they were with the Better Business Bureau. They were told that they had won a lottery and that, in order to receive the prize, they must first wire money back to the scammers. In some cases, the scammers used the names of real BBB employees—directing victims to legitimate bios and profiles on BBB's Web site—in order to bolster their ruse.

"Many people are struggling in the current economy and when someone tells you that you've won millions in a lottery, it can seem like the answer you've been waiting for," said Janna Kiehl, BBB CEO. "Every year, thousands of people contact BBB about a suspicious lottery, many lose big; a few others are wise consumers who never fall for the scam."

Better Business Bureau reminds consumers that the orga-

nization does not run a lottery nor award prizes to consumers. Anyone who receives a call, letter or e-mail about winning the lottery should consult the following checklist in order to avoid falling victim to a lottery scam:

Check out the story. Always confirm the facts directly with the organization the representative claims to be from—whether it's Better Business Bureau or any other

See 'Scam' on page three.

## NRCS application deadline approaches for EQIP funding

TEMPLE — Texas agricultural landowners interested in participating in the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) need to apply by March 5, 2010, if they have not already done so to be eligible for the next round of funding, according to the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

"Although EQIP is a continuous sign-up program, some producers may not have signed up yet," said Don Gohmert, NRCS state conservationist for Texas. "We will rank all eligible applications received by the end of the ranking period on March 5 for 2010 funding."

EQIP promotes agricultural production and environmental quality. Through EQIP, farmers and ranchers receive financial and technical assistance to help install conservation practices and to implement management systems that promote conservation. Financial assistance is on a cost-shared basis with the producer.

To sign up for EQIP or to get more information, contact the NRCS office at 321 S. Sully in Clarendon or call 806-874-3561 ext. 3.

You can also get information about Texas NRCS programs at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.



## Job well done

Sgt. Richard Gribble smiles during a reception held last Saturday in honor of his upcoming retirement. Gribble has served the people of Texas as with the Department of Public Safety for 32 years.

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## Groundwater district calls for election

The Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District has called for director elections in four district precincts, including Precinct 4, the southern portion of Gray County and the northern portion of Donley County and the southwestern portion of Wheeler County, which is currently served by Charles Bowers.

Applications are available at the District office, 201 W Third Street, White Deer, Texas.

The deadline to file an application with the District office is 5:00 p.m., March 8, 2010. For more information, contact the PGCD office at 806-883-2501.



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## guest commentary

# Story shows goodness of Reagan

By Dr. Paul Kengor

This February 6 marked the 99th anniversary of Ronald Reagan's birth. In a telling development, Republicans around the country have begun holding "Reagan Day" dinners, as they've traditionally done every February for Abraham Lincoln. This is another of those unique, spontaneous displays of affection for Reagan.

Having written so much on the man, I get questions about Reagan this time of year, running the gamut from his domestic achievements to his historic foreign-policy triumph: peacefully ending the Cold War. Sometimes I get asked for unreported anecdotes reflecting on his personality and character. I have a bunch of those, eagerly shared with me by people who met Reagan—Reagan talked to anyone—or dug up from thousands of letters Reagan wrote to everyday Americans over a long lifetime.

Reagan was plainly likable. Of all the subjects I've studied, few were as universally liked. Sure, Reagan, as president, was demonized by the left; still, most liberals muster nice words about Reagan personally.

Central to that likability was Reagan's humility. The word "I" didn't dominate his lexicon, unless he was poking fun at himself. Ronald Reagan was not full of pride; thoroughly unpossessed of self-love.

And so, with that background, I'd like to take the opportunity of Reagan's time of year—not to mention the month of Presidents' Day—to share an anecdote, told to me by Bill Clark, Reagan's close friend and most significant adviser:

Clark had served President Reagan as deputy secretary of state, national security adviser, and secretary of interior. As a senior official, he was required to have a driver to get him to appointments. Clark's driver was a man named Joe Bullock, a Georgia native who moved to Washington during the Great Depression. Joe was a victim of the cruel Jim Crow laws that plagued the South. He went to Washington for a better life.

Joe first found employment as a mule driver. He eventually traded in the animal for various senior people in the federal government, some of whom, including a high-level figure in the previous (Carter) administration, didn't treat him well; in fact, that previous figure didn't speak a word to Joe in three years.

Thus, Joe was taken aback when Bill Clark not only talked to him, asking questions about his life and family, but also whether he could sit up front. Clark rode shotgun with Joe, creating not only a few stares but security concerns, as Clark, given his influence in national security, was a target of America's enemies.

One morning, Clark's father visited Washington. He hit it off with Joe. Clark's father was a rancher, a man of the West. He gave Joe a gift: a Western-style belt, with a kind of "John Wayne belt buckle," as Clark described it. Joe loved it, proudly displaying it by always leaving his blue suit-jacket unbuttoned.

That belt and buckle soon assumed a life of its own. There was an upcoming state visit by England's Prince Philip. It was customary that the White House provide a gift. Clark and Reagan and a few others brainstormed following a morning briefing. Clark suggested a "Western belt." He had one in mind, made by Si Jenkins, a Santa Barbara friend of both Clark and the president. (Reagan, too, was a California rancher.)

"Well, what does it look like?" asked Reagan. Clark noted he had a model in the car: Joe, who was wearing the belt. "Send him up," ordered the president. They called for Joe, who entered via the door of Reagan's personal secretary.

Joe had worked for the federal government for 50 years, but had never been within 50 yards of a president or the Oval Office. He walked in. He saw Clark, Vice President Bush, the senior aides, and the president of the United States. He was in awe, overcome. Suddenly, this tough 6'4" man began weeping: He had come so far since Jim Crow and the Great Depression. He was choked up.

No one in the room was prepared for that reaction. They were dead silent, uncomfortable, clueless to respond; except for Ronald Reagan. The president rose, walked over to the driver, extended his hand, breathed in, and said matter-of-factly, "Mr. Bullock, I understand you have a belt to show me?"

It was an "everyman" touch. And it put old Joe immediately at ease. Business-like, Joe showed the belt, and then he and Reagan swapped stories, chatting away like old friends.

"The rest of us just faded away," said Bill Clark, "as the two got along famously." President and driver, remembering the old days.

Bullock left with a story to tell his fellow drivers, and his grandchildren. He died a few years later.

No, this anecdote is nothing dramatic. It's not like challenging Gorbachev to tear down the wall. It's simply another of many small stories I hear constantly about Ronald Reagan. This was a good president and a good man. The White House needs more of them. That's a thought worth bearing in mind this February, a month that marks not only Reagan's birthday but Presidents' Day.

Dr. Paul Kengor is professor of political science at Grove City College. His books include "The Judge: William P. Clark, Ronald Reagan's Top Hand," "God and Ronald Reagan," and "The Crusader: Ronald Reagan and the Fall of Communism."

## CC launching GED training initiative

According to a study by the Panhandle 20/20, the economy of the Texas Panhandle is in danger of a decline based on the low rate of educational attainment of its current and future workforce.

The study notes that projected trends predict residents will begin to experience lower per capita incomes as well as even lower rates of educational attainment, becoming less competitive and less attractive to both current and prospective employers.

In the Texas Panhandle, one in four adults over the age of 25 has no high school diploma. This number is alarming, and Clarendon College feels this creates significant cause for concern for our area's future economic growth.

To address this problem CC is plan-

ning to initiate the Cooperative Access Network (CAN). This network will provide access to the resources necessary to prepare for the General Educa-

tion Diploma (GED). Without a GED or high school diploma, residents have no access to the higher education and skills training necessary to maintain a quality workforce. Our goal is to partner with the communities in our service area to share and provide resources and reinforce the

common goal of increasing educational attainment.

This partnership will include Clarendon College, Region 16 ESC, community churches, city and county governments, businesses, libraries, and other civic organizations and will provide access to GED training resources.

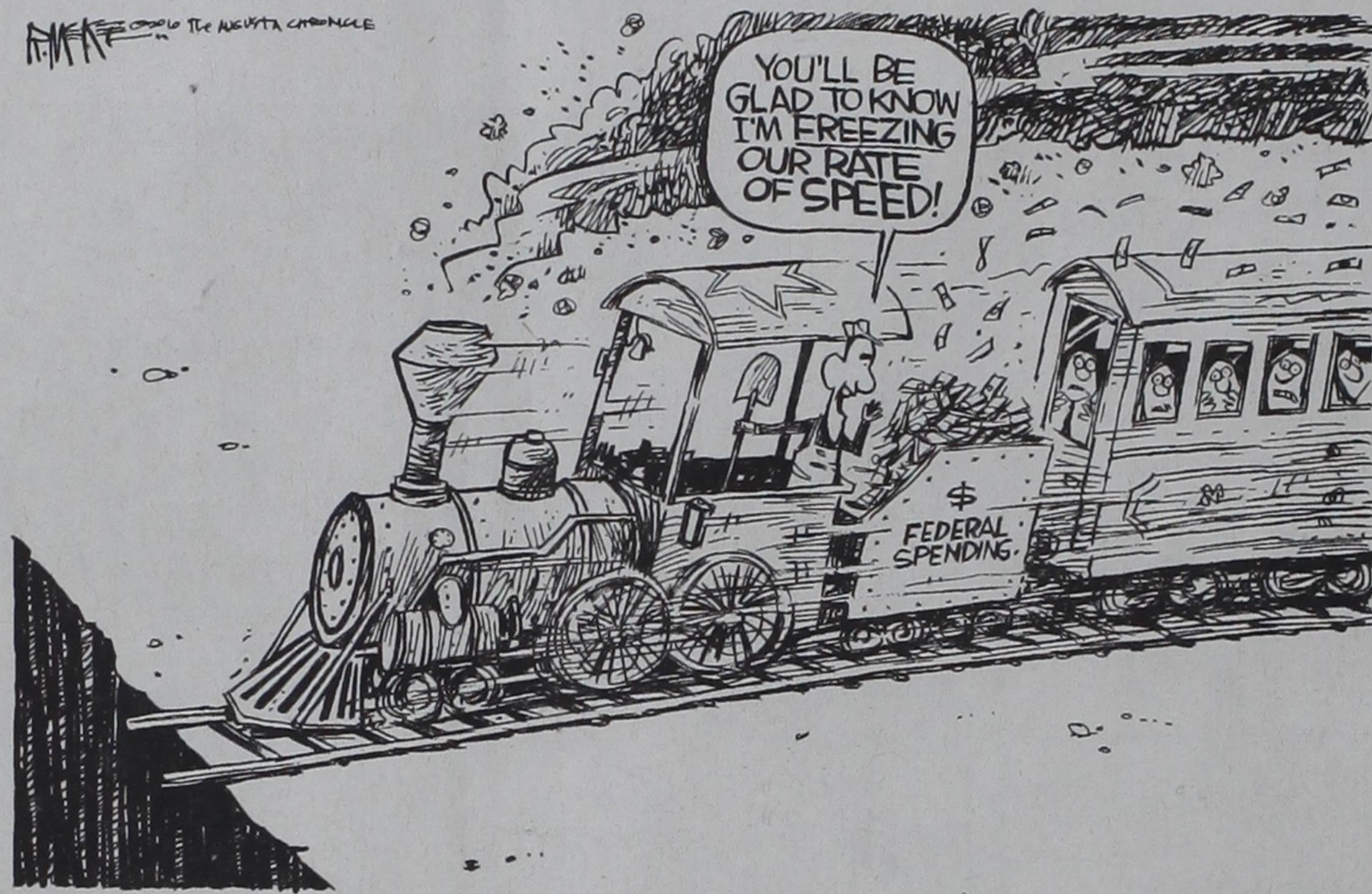
The resources will include Online GED training access and GED training textbooks. Our hope is to also coordinate resources to provide transportation and child care for these individuals in order to enable them to better access these opportunities.

If you, your organization, or your business would like to partner with us in this network or you have questions, please call me at 806-874-4807.



guest column

by tex buckhaults,  
cc dean of students



## Seven principles for free government

Precisely because Americans are easily distracted—because, as study after study shows, they are clueless about their rights—and because the nation's schools have ceased teaching the fundamentals of the Constitution or the Bill of Rights—the American governmental scheme is sliding ever closer toward authoritarianism. This is taking place with little more than a whimper from an increasingly compliant populace that, intentionally or not, has allowed itself to be brainwashed into trusting their politicians.

If the people have little or no knowledge of the basics of government and their rights, those who wield governmental power inevitably wield it excessively. After all, a citizenry can only hold its government accountable if it knows when the government oversteps its bounds.

The following seven principles—ones that every American should know—undergird the American system of government and form the basis for the freedoms our forefathers fought and died for. They are a good starting point for understanding what free government is really all about.

First, the maxim that power corrupts is an absolute truth. Realizing this, those who drafted the Constitution and the Bill of Rights held one principle sacrosanct: a distrust of all who hold governmental power. As James Madison, author of the Bill of Rights, proclaimed, "All men having power ought to be distrusted to a certain degree." Moreover, in questions of power, Thomas Jefferson warned, "Let no more be heard of confidence in man, but bind him down from mischief by the chains of the Constitution."

The second principle (one that has largely been turned on its head over the past several decades) is that governments primarily exist to secure rights, an idea that is central to constitutionalism. In appointing the government as the guardian of the people's rights, the people give it only certain, enumerated powers, which are laid out in a written constitution. The idea of a written constitution actualizes the two great themes of the Declaration of Independence: consent and protection of equal rights. Thus, the purpose of constitutionalism is to limit governmental power and ensure that the government performs its basic function: to preserve and protect our rights, especially our unalienable rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, and our civil liberties.

The third principle revolves around the belief that no one is above the law, not even those who make the law. This is termed rule of law. Richard Nixon's statement, "When the President does it, that means it is not illegal," would have been an anathema to the Framers of the

Constitution. If all people possess equal rights, the people who live under the laws must be allowed to participate in making those laws. By that same token, those who make the laws must live under the laws they make.

Separation of powers ensures that no single authority is entrusted with all the powers of government. People are not perfect, whether they are in government or out of it. As history makes clear, those in power tend to abuse it. The government is thus divided into three co-equal branches: legislative, executive and judicial. Placing all three powers in the same branch of government was considered the very definition of tyranny.

A system of checks and balances, essential if a constitutional government is to succeed, strengthens the separation of powers and prevents legislative despotism. Such checks and balances include dividing Congress into two houses, with different constituencies, term lengths, sizes and functions; granting the president a limited veto power over congressional legislation; and appointing an independent judiciary capable of reviewing ordinary legislation in light of the written Constitution, which is referred to as "judicial review." The Framers feared that Congress could abuse its powers and potentially emerge as the tyrannous branch because it had the power to tax. But they did not anticipate the emergence of presidential powers as they have come to dominate modern government or the inordinate influence of corporate powers on governmental decision-making.

Representation allows the people to have a voice in government by sending elected representatives to do their bidding while avoiding the need of each and every citizen to vote on every issue

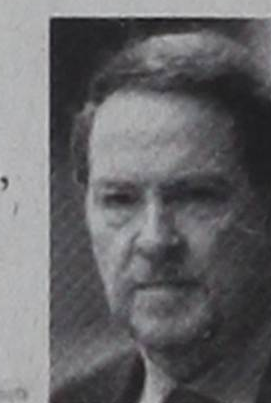
considered by government. In a country as large as the United States, it is not feasible to have direct participation in governmental affairs. Hence, we have a representative government. If the people don't agree with how their representatives are conducting themselves, they can and should vote them out.

Federalism is yet another constitutional device to limit the power of government by dividing power and, thus, preventing tyranny. In America, the levels of government generally break down into federal, state and local branches (which further divide into counties and towns or cities). Because local and particular interests differ from place to place, such interests are better handled at a more intimate level by local governments, not a bureaucratic national government. Remarking on the benefits of the American tradition of local self-government in the 1830s, the French historian Alexis de Tocqueville observed:

Local institutions are to liberty what primary schools are to science; they put it within the people's reach; they teach people to appreciate its peaceful enjoyment and accustom them to make use of it. Without local institutions a nation may give itself a free government, but it has not got the spirit of liberty.

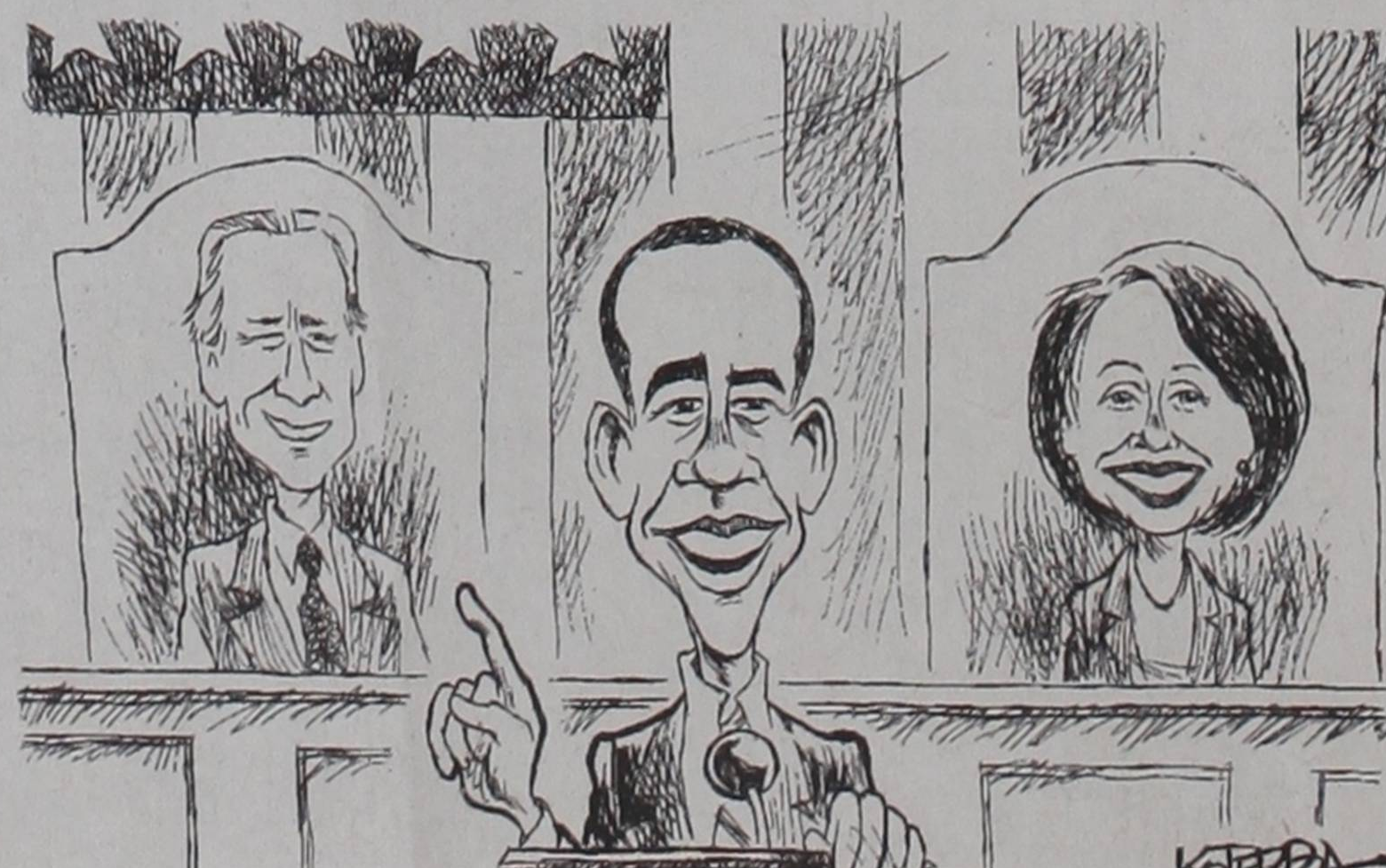
These seven vital principles have been largely forgotten in recent years, obscured by the haze of a centralized government, a citizenry that no longer thinks analytically, and schools that don't adequately teach our young people about their history and their rights. Yet here's the rub: while Americans wander about oblivious in their brainwashed states, their "government of the people, by the people and for the people" is being taken away from them.

The answer: get un-brainwashed. Learn your rights. Stand up for the founding principles. Make your voice and your vote count. If need be, vociferously protest the erosion of your freedoms at the local and national level. Most of all, do these things today. Tomorrow will most likely be too late.



Speak truth to power

by john whitehead



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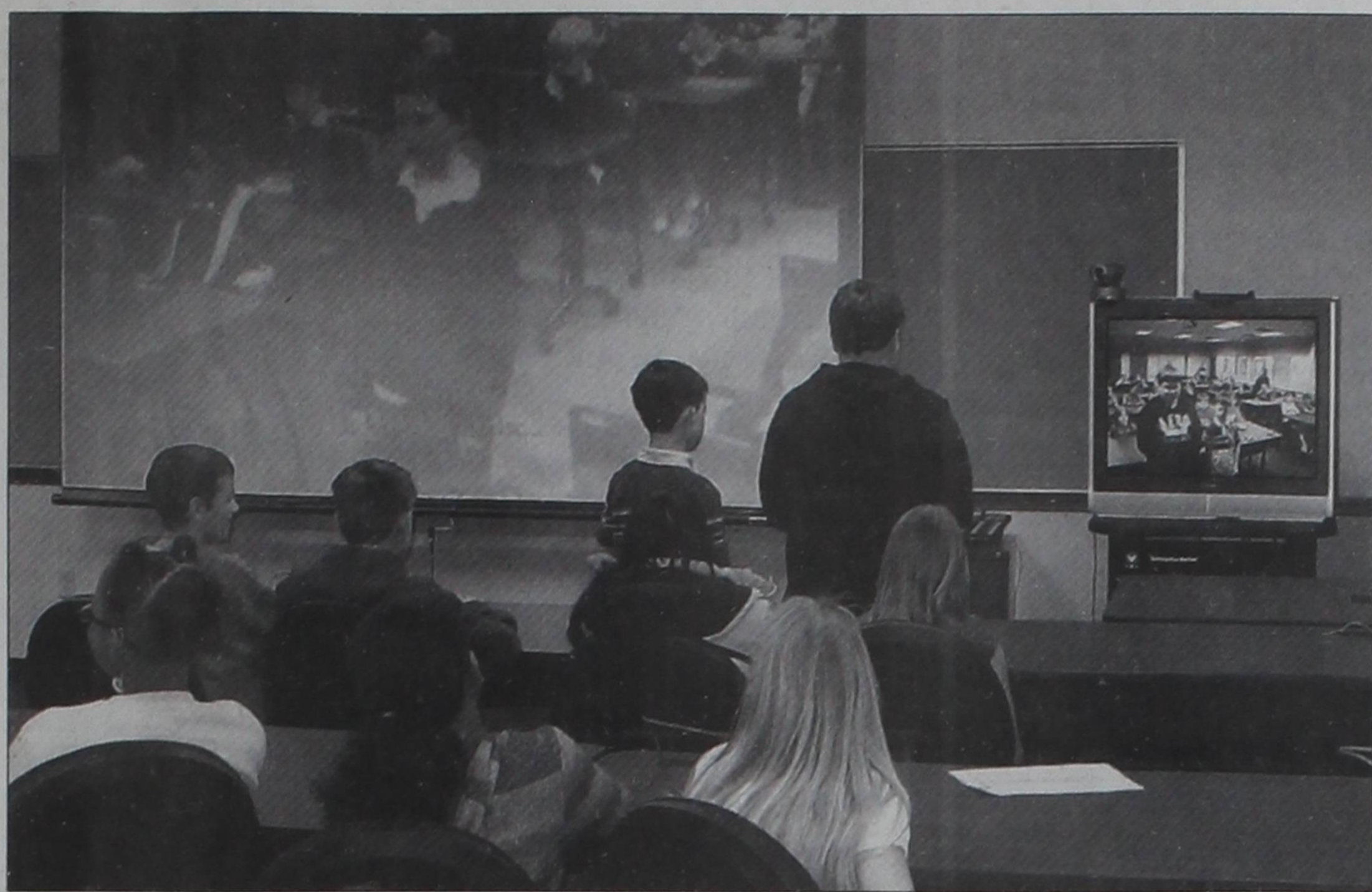
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Clarendon fourth graders recently met their pen pals from San Juan Capistrano, California, thanks to CISD's video conferencing capabilities. Cole English and Raylyn Shelton are shown meeting their pen pal.

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Sat	6	48°	24°	-
Sun	7	40°	29°	-

Total precipitation this month: 1.28"

Total precipitation to date: 2.20"

Total precipitation in Feb. last year: 0.60"

Total YTD last year: 0.63"

**weekend forecast**

Friday, Feb. 12  
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Saturday, Feb. 13  
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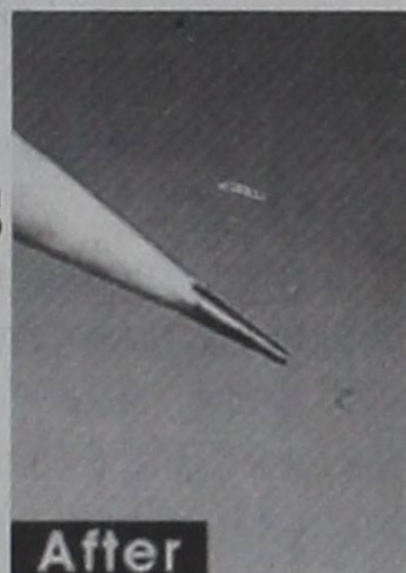
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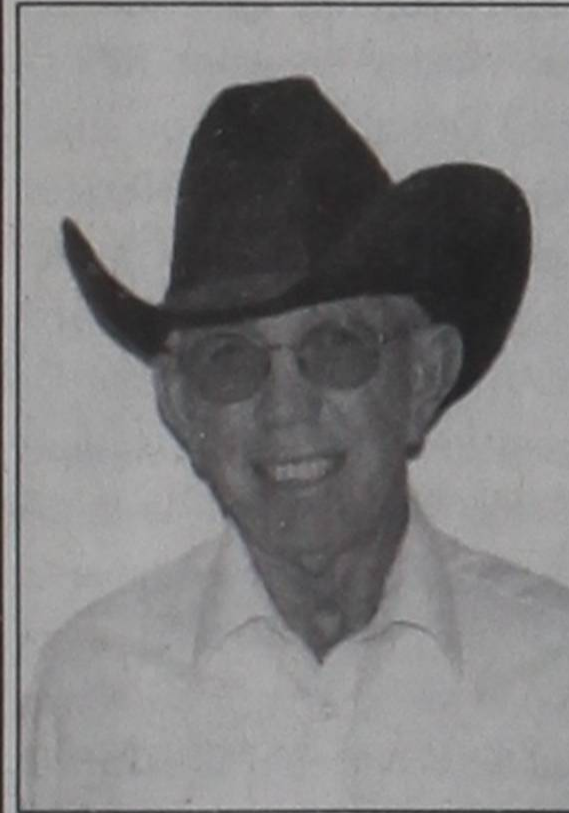
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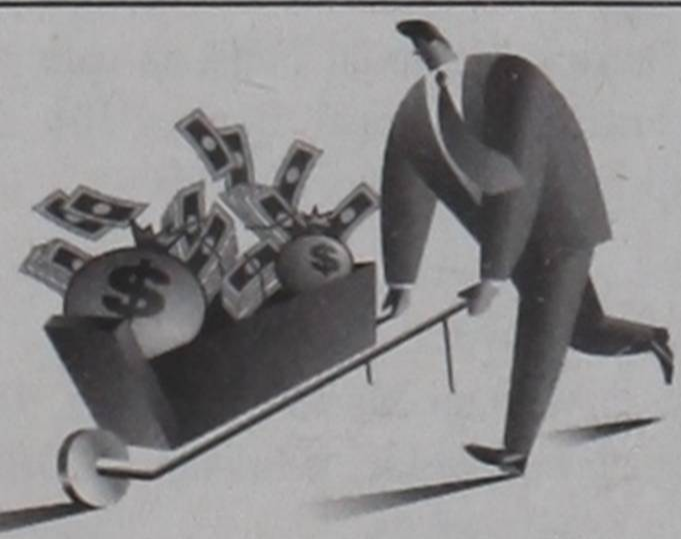
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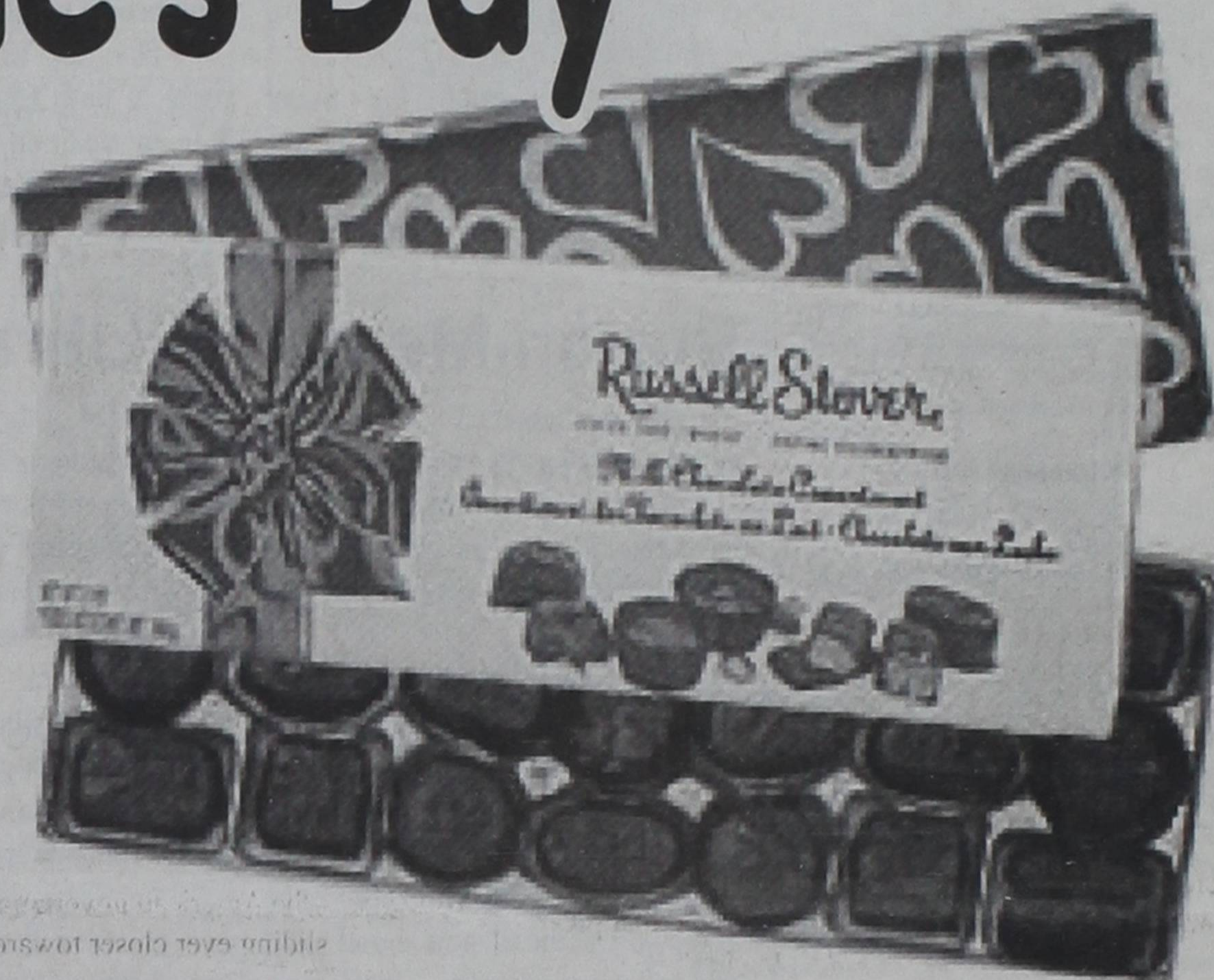
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**March 6**  
Clarendon Chamber of Commerce annual banquet • Clarendon College Bairfield Activity Center • 6 p.m.

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**Menus**

**February 15 - 19**  
Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Beef fajitas, tortillas, refried peas, Spanish rice, fiesta salad, Mexican wedding cake, chips, salsa.  
Tue: Philly beef steak, bun, sandwich, mixed veggies, pea salad, lemon cake.  
Wed: Spaghetti, meat sauce, corn, green beans, celery sticks, apple pie, garlic toast.  
Thu: Steak fingers, gravy, mashed potatoes, carrot sticks, broccoli/ cauliflower salad, blueberry muffins, wheat bread.  
Fri: Pork ribs, BBQ sauce, pork'n beans, corn salad, stewed prunes, pastry day, rolls.

**Hedley Senior Citizens**

Mon: BBQ beef, bun, French fries, corn, coleslaw, cake.  
Tue: chicken strips, potato soup, green peas, carrot raisin salad, jello, fruit.  
Wed: Steak, gravy, scalloped potatoes, steamed broccoli, pea salad, cobbler.  
Thu: Spaghetti, meat sauce, fried okra, buttered carrots, cucumber, onion salad, cherry cream pudding.  
Fri: Turkey, dressing, sweet potatoes, green beans, fruit salad, pumpkin pie.

**Clarendon ISD**

Breakfast  
Mon: No school.  
Tue: Sausage, biscuit, gravy, fruit, milk.  
Wed: Pancakes, juice, milk.  
Thu: Egg, toast, fruit, milk.  
Fri: Cinnamon roll, juice, milk.  
Lunch  
Mon: No school.  
Tue: Chicken nuggets, mixed veggies, carrot sticks, sparky apples, milk.  
Wed: Salisbury steak, gravy, potatoes, green beans, peaches, roll, milk.  
Thu: Pizza, corn, salad, pears, milk.  
Fri: Frito pie, salad, mixed veggies, rose applesauce, milk.

**Hedley ISD**

Mon: Pizza, ham/cheese hot pocket, peas, carrots, salad, fruit, milk.  
Tue: Ham/cheese sub, turkey/cheese sub, sun chips, salad, fruit, cookies, milk.  
Wed: Chicken nuggets, steak fingers, green beans, salad, sliced peaches, wheat rolls, milk.  
Thu: Spaghetti, chicken spaghetti, corn, salad, fruit, bread sticks, milk.  
Fri: Hamburger with cheese, oven fries, salad, pickles, fruit, milk.  
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**Clarendon College to host Senior Sneak Peak**

Team roping will be held on Saturday, February 13, and Saturday, February 20 at the CC Livestock and Equine Center Arena. For more information on these events, please call Dale Askew at 806-874-4844.

CC will be hosting an organizational meeting for the Cooperative Access Network (CAN) program on Thursday, February 18, at 9:30 in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Auditorium. This network is designed to provide access to the resources necessary to prepare for the General Education Diploma (GED).

To make this network a success, CC hopes to partner with community

churches, city governments, county governments, businesses, libraries, and civic organizations. More information on the CAN program is located in the guest column on page two of this newspaper, or you may call Tex Buckhaults, Dean of Students, at 806-874-4807.

CC will give area high school seniors a preview of college life during Senior Sneak Peak on March 5. For more information on this call Jamie Ward, Enrollment Services Counselor, at 806-874-4837 or read the complete article on page one.

The men's basketball team will be in Clovis, New Mexico on Thurs-

day, February 11, to take on Cannon Air Force Base at 5 p.m.

Baseball will be at Seward County this weekend and the softball team will participate at the Fort Worth Cowtown Tournament Friday and Saturday.

Women's basketball will travel to Borger on Monday, February 15, to take on Frank Phillips College at



**happenings on the hill**  
by ashlee estlack, marketing coordinator

5 p.m. The softball team will once again be on the road on the 15th to play at Western Oklahoma in Altus at noon and 2 p.m.

Baseball will be at Seward County again on Tuesday, February 16, to play at noon.

The softball team will open at home against Otero on Thursday, February 18, at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The baseball team will travel to Vernon on Friday, February 19, to play at noon and will open at home on Saturday, February 20, at noon against Colby. Softball will also play at home that day at 1 and 3 p.m. against Seward County.

**Weather leaves mixed feelings**

Well folks, I don't have a lot of news except about the weather. We all know it's cold and icy. Some say it's good moisture, and some say it tends to be a bad winter.

**chatty kathy**

by kathy spier  
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Whatever it has in store for us I guess we just need to appreciate it because it is God's work. He won't give us something that we can't handle.

Besides, with the way the world is now if this "bad winter" is all God gives us then I consider ourselves pretty lucky. If we want to change things then I suggest we go to the Lord and ask for His help. We really need to be getting back to Him anyway. Do you remember how easy life was just a couple of decades ago?

It offends me when someone says they are offended by my America. But nobody cares if it offends me! We have to feel sorry for you. Sorry, I got on my soap box for a minute. Stay warm, keep yourselves happy and healthy and keep your animals happy and healthy. God Bless You All.

Recipe: Cherry Angel Food Cake: 1 cup sifted cake flour, 1 cup egg whites, ¼ teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon cream of tartar, 1-1/4 cups white sugar, ¼ teaspoon vanilla extract, ¼ teaspoon almond extract, 1/3 cup maraschino cherries, drained and sliced. Preheat oven to 325 degrees F (165 degrees C). Make sure your 10 inch tube pan is clean and dry. Sift flour three times and set aside. In a large glass or metal mixing bowl, beat egg whites with salt and cream of tartar until foamy.

Gradually add sugar, continuing to beat until stiff peaks form. Blend in vanilla and almond extract. Fold the flour into the whites until no streaks remain. Pour half of the batter into pan. Sprinkle with half of the cherries. Fill pan with remaining batter and top with remaining cherries. Bake in the preheated oven for 50 minutes. Invert pan and allow to hang until cake cools.

The Hedley Senior Citizens is working for a new building again. As you know our building is over 100 years old. If you would like to donate please send to Hedley Senior Citizens, PO Box 216, Hedley, Texas 79237. We are going to keep trying until we get something.

**Saint Valentine leaves mark on retailers this February**

We awoke to the third round of snow storms with another two inches on top of the leftovers.

How much snow have we had? I don't know for sure because the first storm was rain and snow, but we have received much needed moisture that cuts the chance of wild fires this spring.

The weather-guessers have been pretty good at reporting these systems, and they say rain and snow mix is due in Thursday and another system over the weekend. The winter wheat is grateful and what wild flowers we should have in a couple of months.

Did you watch the Super Bowl? Unlike some years, this was a good game; and since the Cowboys weren't playing, I was glad the

Saint's won.

Valentine's Day is Sunday, the largest card sending day of the year. Most cards are bought by women, and I have a pile ready for the post office. These are going to my youngest grandson and the great-grands. They still get a thrill of a letter addressed to them.

As you purchase cards or a gift or make plans for an evening out, do you wonder about the meaning of Valentine's Day? The true story of Saint Valentine is shrouded in mystery, but we do know February has led been a month for romance.

The day as we know it has roots in both Christian and ancient Roman tradition with the Catholic church recognizing three different saints named Valentine whom were

martyred, and all three have romantic legends about their life.

Why celebrate love in the middle of February? Maybe they were bored. More likely they were trying to "Christianize" celebrations of the pagan Lupercalia festival which included a sacrificial goat with his blood smeared on young women followed by the women placing their names in a big jug and the men drawing for the women. Wow, I can see how the church would frown on this fun time. Pope Gelasius declared



**'wick picks**  
by peggy cockerham  
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**Burton Memorial Library to give away "Great Apron" April 1**

Announcement: The great apron give-away is April 1.

Friends of the Library, 33 total, have put together an apron with 3 pockets, each having money sewed inside.

The members of Friends of the Library have placed in a pocket the amount equal to a nickel for each year of their age. This could be a "huge" amount for some. The winner of the apron will receive the apron and all the money. Good luck! Money received from a small purchase to participate in this activity contributes to support the Library. Thank you!

Selections from Burton Memorial Library's Inspirational Section are becoming more popular. Readers are discovering these writing provide wholesome entertainment in heart-warming situations, adventure, romance, humor, mystery, and numerous other areas. Readers will

be up-dated of these delightful selections in future articles. For now, the following is a book review of author, Terri Blackstock's *Blind Trust* which contains high interest in several of the mentioned areas.

Blackstock writes about "flawed Christians in crisis and God's provisions for their mistakes and wrong choices". *Blind Trust* brings romantic suspense to readers.

Just when Sherry thinks she has accepted the disappearance of her fiancé, Clint, which occurred two weeks before their wedding, he suddenly returns eight months later. Offering no explanation, he asks Sherry to simply trust him, a request she find almost impossible.

How can Sherry's faith in Clint, in others, and even in God be restored?

What possible unavoidable reason can her future husband have for abruptly abandoning their wed-

ding? How could he profess to be "some called-of-God youth minister", then do something so selfish?

These and a hundred other questions dominating Sherry's mind during the past eight months resurface, opening familiar wounds she thought subdued.

Thank goodness for her friend, Madeline, who continually encourages and reminds her that God is in control.

Meanwhile, Clint is resolved to protect Sherry from events leading up to his disappearance. How could he recall he witnessed a murder? How would she accept the knowledge that her own father, U.S. Attorney Eric Grayson, instigated his necessary



**check it out**  
by mary beth nelson

disappearance in order to successfully pursue and prosecute criminal, Givanti? A key witness in Givanti's upcoming trial, Clint must continue eluding those who would prevent his testimony. Involving Sherry would only threaten her safety. But Sherry, as well as friend Madeline, do become involved. Readers will become enticed with intriguing predicaments of Blackstock's realistic characters.

Throughout fictitious *Blind Trust*, true facts that "God is still faithful even when we're faithless" and "He is a God of second chances" are prevalent.

After coming close to abandoning her faith, Blackstock's heroine, Sherry, clearly recognizes and resolves "faith would no longer be a flimsy bit of self-betrayal. It would become the backbone of her secure world".

Why not check it out?

**Obituaries**

**Asher**

Jerome James "Jerry" Asher, 74, died Sunday, February 7, 2010, in Lelia Lake.



Survivors were held at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 10, 2010, in the First Assembly of God in Clarendon with Rev. Matthew Stidham, Pastor, and Rev. Bill Hodges, Pastor of the First Church of the Nazarene in Clarendon, officiating. Interment followed at Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon. Services were under the arrangement of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Jerry was born October 19, 1935, in Durand, Wisconsin to Paul Henry and Elizabeth Ann McDonald Asher. He married Catherine "Kitty" Prokosh on June 1, 1957, in St. Paul, Minnesota. He had been a resident of Donley County since 1968. Jerry restored antique tractors and was a member of the antique tractor club. He was also a member of the blue grass association. He had been a carpenter, worked at Pantex for 15 years, and had worked at the Highway Department. He loved to play his guitar and he always loved to do things for everyone. He took care and loved all of his family and his wife, Kitty. He was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene in Clarendon.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Donald Asher on

Feb. 2, 1990; and a sister, Theresa Griffin; and a great granddaughter, Trinity Grace Brogdon.

Survivors include his wife, Kitty of Lelia Lake; a son, Robert "Bob" Asher of San Antonio; a daughter, June Franklin and husband Greg of Clarendon; four sisters, Lois Lotzer and Jeanette Olson both of St. Paul, MN and Patsy Hinz and husband Jerry and Bernadette Nelson and husband Mike both of North Broach, MN; five grandchildren, Shawn Brogdon and wife Tiffany of Clarendon, Theresa and Amber Asher both of San Antonio, and Nicholas and Corianne Hinojosa both of Clarendon; and one great grandchild to be.

The family suggests that memorial donations be sent to the First Assembly of God in Clarendon, Citizens Cemetery Association, or Odyssey Hospice.

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**Derrick**

Floyd Allen Derrick, 94, died February 1, 2010.

A memorial service was held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, February 4, at Polk Street United Methodist Chapel, with Rev. Kevin Deckard officiating. A Private family burial was held at Memorial Park Cemetery. Arrangements are by Schooler Funeral Home, 4100 South Georgia.



**Whitaker**

Floyd Allen Derrick was born November 22, 1915, in Clarendon, to Henry Jerome "Rome" Derrick and Ruth Ann Hastings Derrick. He was the fourth of six children: Margaret, Henry, Frank, Floyd, Mary and Pearl. Early childhood memories were riding a horse. His hero was his Dad, which explains why he became a cowboy working throughout the Panhandle and Northern New Mexico. A life he and his favorite horse, Diego, loved. Whenever possible, the cowboys would come to Amarillo for a Saturday of R & R and dancing, mostly at the Old Tascosa Ballroom in the Herring hotel. One special lady, Miss Annie Mae Curtis, proved to be his favorite partner. After about three years she asked him if he ever intended to get married. The way he says it, he accepted her proposal. When asked recently if she became his new hero, he answered, "No! She "was" my life!!!" Floyd Derrick's patriotism was not lived only in the pride of his son but in his own love of his country. On February 2, 1942, he enlisted in the Army for World War II. He served in the Military Police in the Asiatic Pacific Theater and New Guinea. Being discharged January 10, 1946, as a sergeant, he received the American Theater Campaign Medal, Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal, and Bronze Star, Good Conduct Medal, Victory Medal, service stripe, and three over-seas service bars. You would always find Floyd proudly wearing his American Flag lapel pin. The move to the city meant Floyd would begin a 26 year job with the City of Amarillo, retiring as Field Superintendent for the Traffic Engineering Department. When he

first began with the City, many of the dirt streets were being paved and required markings being painted by hand. His incredibly quick mind and some study opened a new opportunity. With the purchase of an automobile chassis, a drum for the paint, a generator to control the paint, some brushes and some welding he made a mobile paint machine and a new secondary profession emerged. It was at this point in his life he would later say the only thing he would change was, "Don't push beyond your physical capabilities or you will pay for it in later life." Even with all the years with the city and his own business he always referred to himself as "Just an 'ole Cowboy." Retirement brought opportunity for Ann and Floyd to travel. Wonderful trips both in the USA and abroad, his favorite being the South Pacific. His study before the trip challenged the tour guides. They still had time to enjoy dancing especially country western ranch dances. He was active in Polk Street United Methodist Church, a life time member of VFW Post 1475, Palo Duro Lodge 1239, Scottish Rite Mason, and at 91 years a Khiva Temple Shriner. As a widower he made many friends in the Widowed Persons Service Group, Senior Citizens, 45 Uppers Dance Club and the Amarillo Singles Dance Group. One day he was asked what he would like to be remembered for. His answer was simple - "Being Fair." Floyd Derrick considered himself a simple man who loved his Lord; his country; his family, his home and good home cooking like cornbread, beef and beans; and always washed and ironed his own shirts. He loved his siblings, sharing his brother Frank's

eulogy, his visit with Pearl on her end of life journey, and always the twinkle in their eyes as he and his sister Mary would meet. He was a loving father, good steward of his savings and all, that God provided, and always a humble and generous man. The very best a man can be!

Survivors include his son, Jerry Floyd Derrick and wife, Connie; his grandson, Shawn Derrick and wife, Jessica; his granddaughter, Tiffany Delage and husband, Ken; his eight great-grandchildren, Caleb, Isaac, Aaron, Ellie, Faith, Micah, Tate, and Ruth; and his sister, Mary Harlan of Clarendon, Texas.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials to the Floyd Derrick Memorial Fund, in care of Amarillo National Bank, 3101 S. Georgia, Amarillo, TX 79109.

**Whitaker**

William Murrell Whitaker, 91, died Wednesday, February 3, 2010, in San Angelo.

Services were held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, February 10, 2010, in the First Baptist Church in Hedley, with Everett Stevens, officiating. Interment with US Air Force Honors in Rowe Cemetery in Hedley. Services were under the arrangement of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

William Murrell Whitaker was born on June 29, 1918, in Tucumcari, New Mexico to parents Dill and Beulah Mae Dorsey Whitaker. He passed away on February 3, 2010, in San Angelo, Texas. Murrell was a family oriented man who was blessed with a kind and patient personality and a strong mechanical talent. He proudly served our

country during World War II as an Air Force aircraft mechanic on an engine change crew for B29's. He married Dorothy Clark on June 29, 1956, in Portales, New Mexico. He continued his mechanical work following the war in auto dealerships in the Amarillo until he and Dorothy moved to Fort Bend County in 1967. He then worked as the Auto Mechanics Teacher for Lamar High School until his retirement in 1983. He found that sharing his knowledge and talents in mechanics with high school students was something that gave him great pleasure. Following his retirement from teaching, he and Dorothy moved to the small Panhandle town of Hedley, Texas until just a few years ago when they relocated to San Angelo, Texas.

She was preceded in death by his parents, siblings and son Marion Victor Whitaker.

Survivors include his loving wife Dorothy Mercene Clark Whitaker, his children Murrell "Sonny" Monroe Whitaker, Alice Whitaker Dickinson, Billy "Bill" Joe Whitaker, and Step-Sons Roy L. Dean and Jimmie J. Dean, nieces, nephews and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The family requests that memorials be to a favorite charity.

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**Pancake Day celebration to benefit Shriners**

In celebration of National Pancake Day, IHOP restaurants nationwide will offer each guest a free short stack of buttermilk pancakes in an effort to raise awareness and funds for Shriners Hospitals for Children.

The giveaway will take place next Tuesday, February 23, from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. at participating IHOP restaurants in Amarillo.

This year, IHOP is hoping to stack up more donations than ever before, with a goal to raise \$1.75 million.

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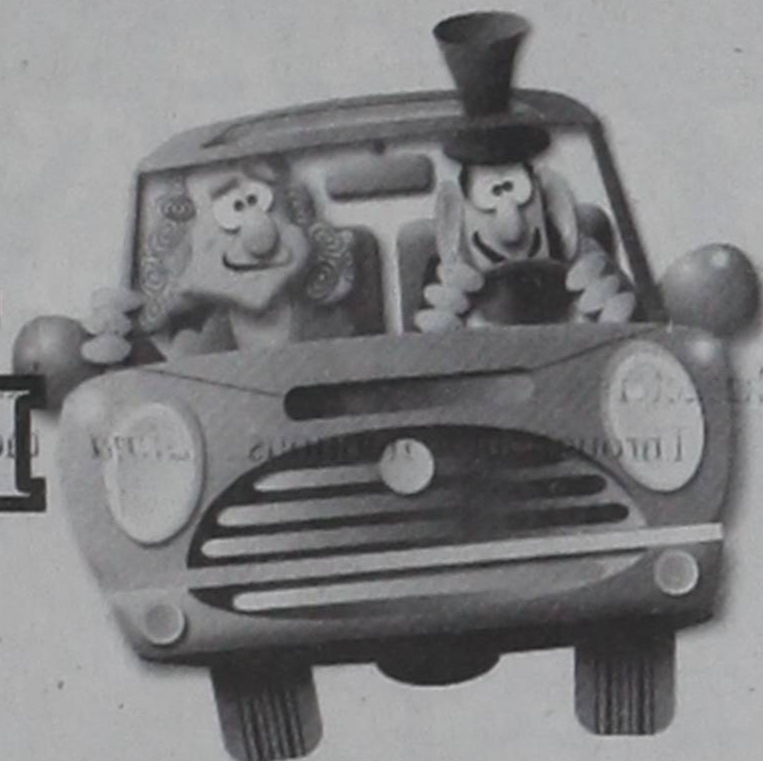
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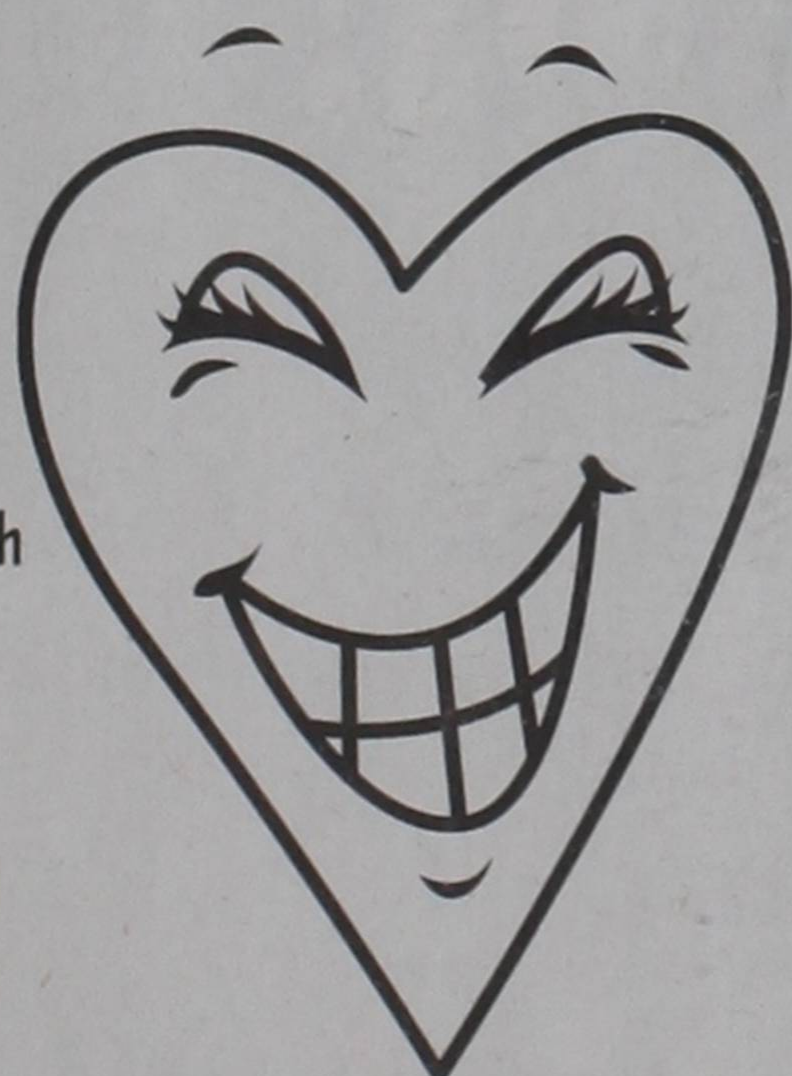


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**SOME GOALS FOR 2010**

The elders of our congregation recently submitted some goals for everyone. I'd like to share some of them with you as they are worthy goals for everyone.

The first goal they submitted was to assure that every member of our church reaches heaven. Sounds simplistic, but everyone on this earth needs to realize that if we don't get to heaven, then life has been a failure. Eternal life with the Savior should be everyone's primary goal. Matt. 7:21 tells us that doing the will of the Father gets us to heaven and not lip service only.

The second goal was to continue to choose the right standard to live by and that is the Holy Bible. 2Peter 1:3 tells us that God has given us everything pertaining to life and Godliness. There are no new revelations after the apostles died. 2Timothy 3:16-17 tells us that the Bible is from God and that it makes man complete and thoroughly furnished for every good work. This tells me that I need no other source material for directing my path on this earth. Sure it is nice to read others' thoughts on Holy Scriptures, but in no way can I or should I use man's wisdom in place of God's.

Another goal that was set for us was to reach out to our friends in the community. We are doing that by newspaper articles and now, using a publication called: "HOUSE TO HOUSE, HEART TO HEART". The articles and topics presented in this magazine are timely and, most important of all, are derived from scriptures. We hope that you are enjoying this publication. There have been a few people who have said they didn't get one in the mail. If you didn't receive one and you would like to have one, please contact our office.

Lastly, we want to make our youth a priority. We understand how hard it is for the youth of this day and time to live Godly lives with all of the temptations around them. With drugs and alcohol taking a toll in our country on young people, we must be ever vigilant. Sex among the teens in our society has become a handshake. Someone once wrote a book, "IT TAKES A VILLAGE". I didn't agree with all of the premises of that book, but the idea that everyone should be included in helping our youth is one that all of us can get behind.

I hope that we all can promote these goals. If implemented in our lives, our community could be even better. I pray that we would all work to that end.

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On Presidents' Day, we observe the birthdays of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

Today, Presidents' Day is also an opportunity to honor all our former presidents of the United States for their service and contributions to our great country.

Each of these historic men has left an indelible impression on the character of our nation.

As our country continues to grow and navigate new challenges, we thank them for their leadership and their lessons, and celebrate their legacies.

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## Broncos seal playoff spot defeating Quanah, 70-37

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos jumped on Memphis early and had no trouble handling the Cyclones a 58-43 defeat at home Wednesday night. The win put the Broncos at 6-1 in District play and gave them the opportunity to win a District Champions and compete in post-season play.

Clarendon led the entire game as they set the tempo early while making a statement of dominance to Memphis.

Their lead at the break was only seven points, but they were able to double that point difference in the second half.

"I thought we came out and played hard," head coach Clint Coley said.

"We were aggressive and attacked the basket offensively. Defensively, we were in a zone and did pretty well. We weren't as tall as them, but we battled hard."

Junior Johnny Gaines finished in double figures with 21, and senior Tre Brown added 15 to lead the Broncos on the scoreboard.

Jadon Thornton had seven

points and Stephino McCampbell helped with six. Mike Crump had three, Chris Crump, Justin Shillings, and Dylan Wright had two points each.

On Tuesday, the Broncos traveled to Quanah and blew them off the court at 70-37. The Indians never contested the Broncos or put up much of a fight.

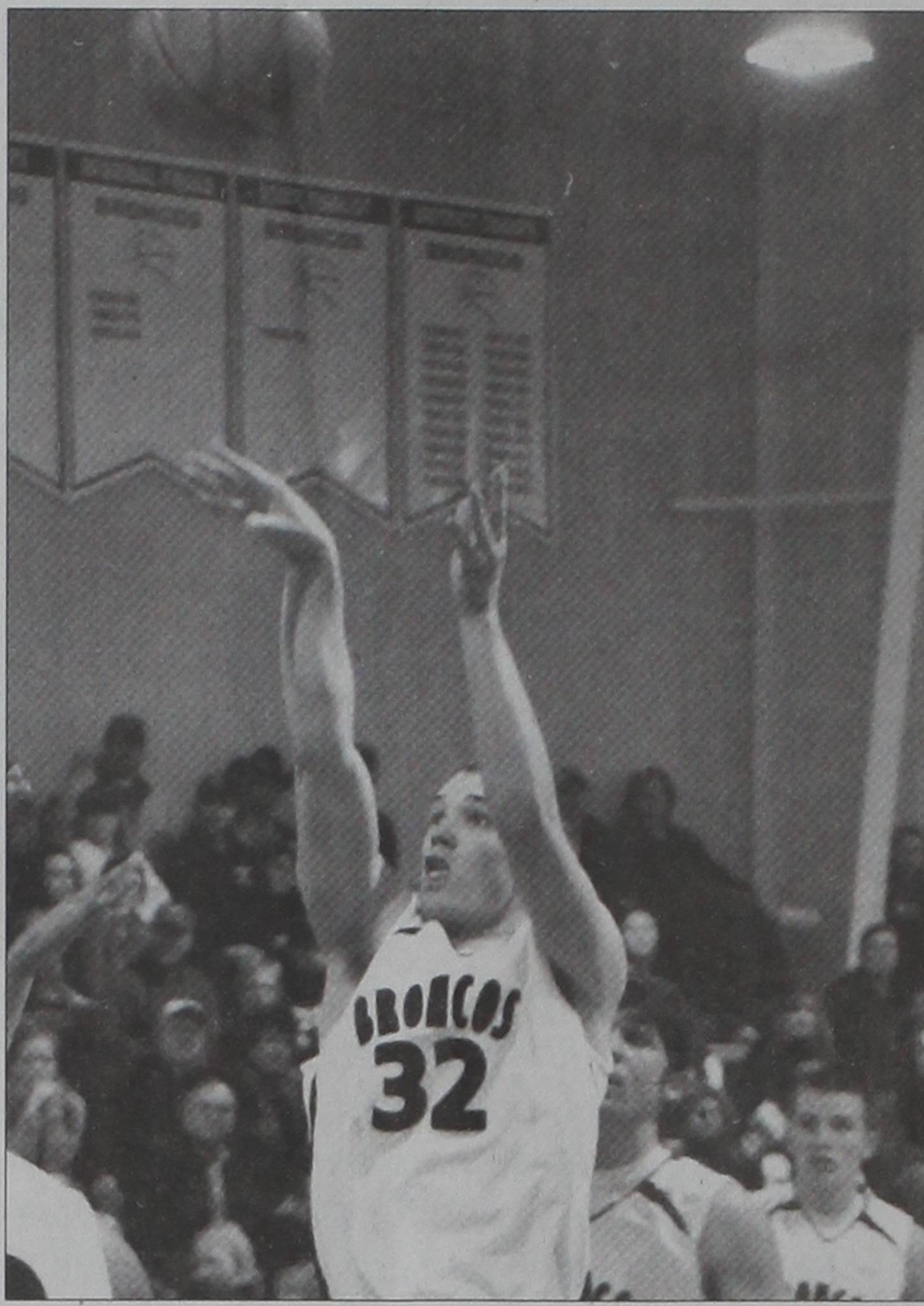
Clarendon held Quanah to single digits in the opening quarter and fell into a rhythm early on to get the win. A trio of players finished in double figures.

"I was proud of the way we came out," Coley said. "We got in late from the Quanah game, but we played with effort and energy."

Scoring: Gaines 19, Brown 12, McCampbell 12, Shillings 7, Brayden Phillips 6, Thornton 5, Josh Krumwiede 4, Forest Yelverton 2, M. Crump 2, and Matt Henderson 1.

The Broncos will continue in post-season play with teams and times to be announced.

They will also participate in a pre-playoff warm-up game day in Amarillo.



Mike Crump shoots the ball for the Broncos during their match up with Memphis last week.

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## Drugs in the News

### Pain Medication May Offer New Benefit

Research still underway suggests that the prescription pain medication, celecoxib (Celebrex), may contribute to the development of fewer skin cancer lesions in certain high risk individuals. When at risk individuals were given 200 mg of Celebrex twice daily for 2 years, researchers found a 30% decrease in cancerous skin lesions when compared to those who took a placebo (fake pill). It is important to note that Celebrex, and other drugs like it, carry a risk for cardiovascular side effects that can include heart attacks. Further study is needed to determine whether or not this new benefit will apply to those who may already be taking the medication. At this time, Celebrex is not approved by the FDA for the prevention of skin cancer.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), skin cancer is the most common type of cancer in the US. The good news is that two of the most common types of skin cancer, basal cell and squamous cell, are highly treatable. Most skin cancers can be prevented when people protect themselves from exposure to sunlight or ultraviolet light (UV).



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## Lady Broncos fall to Quanah, 42-69

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos suffered two losses last week that ended any hope of post-season play for this season.

They traveled to Quanah on Tuesday and were defeated 42-69 and lost to Memphis in a must-win game 46-66. A win over the Lady Cyclones would have allowed the Lady Broncos to play them again for a playoff spot.

The ladies fell behind early in the Quanah game and could never recover from an aggressive offense by the Lady Indians.

"We started off okay in this game," coach Randy Yelverton said. "But once we got going, we started rushing things. We knew we had back-to-back games, and we didn't want to get the girls tired because they had to get ready to play Memphis the next night, and we needed a win against them. It was a hard call."

Scoring: Haley Hall 19, Trevela Dronzek 6, Dominique Mason 5, Kia Bryley 4, Deidre Lewis 3, Jentry Shadle 2, Elissa Holland 2, and Lydia Howard 1.

The Lady Broncos took on Memphis the next night and played hard but were defeated. They stayed close with the Lady Cyclones early on but fell farther behind in the final quarter. The loss took them out of the play offs for the 2010 season.

Scoring: Hall 11, Lewis 10, Shadle 9, Howard 6, Bryley 5, Dronzek 4, and Danielle Ford 1.

## Bronco JV defeat Quanah, Memphis

The Bronco junior varsity remained perfect on the season by adding two more wins to their record. They traveled to Quanah Tuesday night and defeated the Indians 56-30. The Broncos set the early pace when they jumped out to a 16-9 advantage in the first quarter of play. The Broncos' triple threat of Cole Ward, Adam Topper, and Trajen Johnson proved to be too much for Indians as they helped to put Clarendon on top early on. From there, they were able to coast to get the big win.

Scoring: Ward 17, Topper 9, Wes Williams 8, Johnson 7, Cody Wood 4, Monty Holland 4, Jonah Sell 2, Diego Santos 2, and Tyler Burch 1.

The game with Memphis was more of the same dominating play by the Broncos, and they defeated them 53-17. The Broncos were able to work the ball around on offense and everyone was able to contribute to the win. Hard work and determination has been key for the Broncos' success this season.

"I am really proud of the way the guys played," coach Alton Gaines said. "We let these two teams off the hook the last time we played them, but this time we did a good job of executing and we played as a team. That is the reason we are undefeated; they play as a team."

Scoring: Ward 17, Johnson 11, Williams 6, Santos 5, Burch 4, Devonte Hardaway 4, Wood 2, Topper 2, and Holland 2.

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## Lady Bronco JV stop Quanah, Memphis

The Lady Bronco junior varsity scored two big wins over the week when they defeated Quanah 37-22 on the road and Memphis 45-28 at home.

The ladies used the early momentum to set the rhythm of the game early against the Lady Indians. They opened up their offense in the final period to secure their win. The inside play of McKayla Cartwright and Brooklyn Bailey gave the ladies the extra boost they needed to get the win.

Scoring: Cartwright 10, Amber

Keelin 8, Bailey 6, Marqueta Gaines 4, Anna Cenicerros 4, Cheyenne Kosechata 3, and Audrey Shelton 2.

The Memphis game was a great game offensively, and the Lady Broncos worked as a team with good results. The scoring was spread around as everybody contributed to the win. The Lady Broncos proved too strong defensively for the Lady Cyclones to get anything going.

This time, the outside offensive play was key in the ladies' win

as Jency Burton and Maci White led their team with 8 and 7 points respectively.

"The Quanah game was our first game back after a pretty long break," coach Kasey Bell said. "And we couldn't play as aggressive as we needed to because of fouls called. But we kept our heads in the games and were able to come out with two wins."

Scoring: Burton 8, White 7, Keelin 6, Gaines 6, Cartwright 6, Cenicerros 4, Shelton 4, Bailey 4, and Emily Clark 2.

## Seventh grade colts win consolation place

The Clarendon seventh grade Colts defeated Claude in the last game of the tournament to win consolation at the District Tournament held in Wellington last weekend.

They defeated Claude by 12 points and posted two more wins and one loss for the three-day tournament.

They took on Quanah in the first round and were narrowly defeated at 41-44. Charles Mason racked up 29 points, Cedric McCampbell helped with eight, and Zack Laroe added four.

The Colts matched up against Wheeler in the next round and

bested them, 34-29. Scoring: Mason 14, Laroe 8, McCampbell 7, Austin Lowry 4, and Quasar Brown 1.

The Colts played White Deer in the third round and easily defeated them, 40-21. Scoring: (White Deer game) Mason 20, Laroe 11, Montana Hysinger 5, and Lowry 4.

The eighth grade Colts went 2-2 on the tournament and took on Shamrock in the consolation game. They were defeated by six points.

They drew up against Wellington in the first round and lost 23-32. Scoring: Chance McAnear 7, Ashton Smith 5, Zach Cornell 4, Cody Harjo 3, Tres Hommel 3, and

Terence Wilson 1.

The Colts took on Quanah in the next round and earned a huge win at 42-4. McAnear led all scorers with 20 and Brandon Miller finished in double figures with 12. Wilson added 6, Harjo put in 2, and Cornell helped with 1.

The third game was the Colts' best game according to Coach Brad Elam. They took on White Deer and defeated them, 40-21. Clarendon started out on fire and put up 24 points to only 7 for the Bucks at the break. Scoring: Miller 12, McAnear 10, Wilson 7, Smith 7, Harjo 4, and Cornell 2.

## Eighth grade Lady Colts take second in tourney

The Lady Colts fought to the bitter end in the Championship game of the District Tournament held in Clarendon over the weekend. Wellington came out with the 29-24 win and the Championship.

Scoring: Phara Berry 10, Deborah Howard 6, Haley Ferguson 2, Jacy Hill 2, Camra Smith 2, and Ryann Starnes 2.

The ladies took on Memphis in the first round and easily defeated them 33-12. They began quickly as they gained the easy advantage over their opponent and went up 16-0 at the break. They were able to go on and finish the game with a win. Scoring: Savannah Topper 9, Howard 6, Starnes 4, Berry 4, Ferguson 2, Smith 2, Audra Thomas 2, Sarah Luttrell 2, and Emberli Holland 2.

The ladies took on Canadian in the next round and romped over them 31-16. They had the game well in hand from the beginning and stopped anything the Lady Cats tried to get going. Great teamwork by the Lady Colts gave them the extra edge they needed to get the win. Scoring: Starnes 6, Smith 6, Berry 6, Glory Bryley 4, Howard 3, Ferguson 2, Topper 2, and Hill 2.

The seventh grade Lady Colts went up against Electra in the first game on Monday and earned a huge 21-12 win. They dominated their opponent from the very beginning and held them scoreless the last period. Taylor Gaines led the Lady Colts with 16 points. Scoring: Gaines 16, Casey Haney 2, Abby Johnson 2, and Reanna Jackson 1.

The ladies played Canadian in the next round and were narrowly defeated at 22-24. Scoring: Gaines 14, Johnson 6, Skyler White 2, and Jackson 2.

The Lady Colts went up against Wheeler in the next round and once again suffered a two-point loss at 13-15. The ladies fell behind by two at the break, but were able to make up one of those points in the third quarter. Wheeler outscored the Lady Colts by one in the final period of play. Scoring: Gaines 8, White 3, and Johnson 2.

The next game for the Lady Colts was against Claude, and it was another two-point loss at 17-19. The ladies played hard and never quit battling, but a slow-scoring fourth quarter hindered the ladies in their attempt to defeat the Claude Lady Colts. Scoring: Gaines 6, Johnson 4, White 3, Jackson 2, and Brittney McAnear 2.

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3:00 a.m. - Power off, several alarms sounding.  
 7:03 a.m. - Check with students outside science building, high school; reporting hearing alarms inside.  
 10:40 a.m. - Checking security of occupants, black pickup, 600 Blk. E. 2nd St.  
 10:43 a.m. - Loose livestock, Hwy. 287; FM 1260.  
 10:52 a.m. - At annex.  
 1:12 p.m. - JP Office, Hedley.  
 4:25 p.m. - 600 Blk. W. 3rd St., welfare check; dispatch EMS my location.  
 9:30 p.m. - Assist motorist, 700 Blk. W. 2nd St.  
 10:18 p.m. - Secured vehicle, 300 Blk. S. Kearney St.

February 2, 2010

3:07 a.m. - Following vehicle from Hedley back to Clarendon to pay for gasoline, 800 Blk. W. 2nd St.  
 8:46 a.m. - JP Office, Clarendon.  
 8:57 a.m. - Vehicle accident, College BAC lot.  
 12:34 p.m. - Vehicle accident, 200 Blk. S. Kearney St.  
 2:59 p.m. - Warrant service, 400 Blk. S. McLean St.  
 8:11 p.m. - See subject, Sheriff's Office lobby.

February 3, 2010

6:40 a.m. - EMS assist, 200 Blk. E. 3rd St.  
 8:53 a.m. - At annex.  
 3:28 p.m. - To jail, 2 females in custody.  
 4:12 p.m. - At high school.  
 6:21 p.m. - Snow starting to stick, vehicles reported sliding off roadway, Hwy. 287 & Hwy. 70 N. up to 5 vehicles next couple hours.

February 4, 2010

3:27 a.m. - Armstrong County reporting semi driving e/ bound in w/bound lane, Hwy.

287 at Co. Rd. 20.  
 3:53 a.m. - Dep. didn't locate semi e/b in w/b lane.  
 3:58 a.m. - 2nd report from Arm. Co., semi reported now approaching Co. Rd. 28 Arm. Co.  
 4:01 a.m. - Have located semi, 4 m. w. of Clarendon, still in w/b lane.  
 4:06 a.m. - Out with driver, 287 at Koogle St.  
 4:37 a.m. - Calls starting checking road conditions from Clarendon, all directions.  
 7:19 a.m. - Truck reported parked in outside lane, 800 Blk. W. 2nd; no longer here.  
 9:28 a.m. - Welfare check, subject in vehicle parked in lot; 400 Blk. W. 2nd St.  
 7:15 p.m. - Check stranded motorist, E. of Clarendon; Hwy. 287.  
 9:35 p.m. - See caller, college; hit & run.

February 5, 2010

1:27 a.m. - EMS assist, 600 Blk. W. 4th St.  
 1:39 p.m. - Judge's Office.  
 3:18 p.m. - Vehicle accident, Hwy. 287 approximately 8 miles west; all emergency services on scene.  
 3:35 p.m. - Dep. w/ EMS at Life-star; Ashtola.  
 8:51 p.m. - Transport driver to Clarendon, vehicle stuck; Culberson St. Hedley.

February 6, 2010

11:56 a.m. - At Clarendon High School.  
 1:27 p.m. - EMS assist, 400 Blk. Liberty St. Howardwick.  
 3:22 p.m. - 200 Blk. Liberty St. Howardwick, paper service.  
 3:27 p.m. - 100 Blk. Oleta St. Howardwick, paper service.  
 4:05 p.m. - 300 Blk. S. Faker St., paper service.  
 7:12 p.m. - EMS assist at station.

February 7, 2010

8:12 a.m. - Dispatched to Sheriff's Office.  
 5:33 p.m. - EMS assist, at Sheriff's Office.  
 10:46 p.m. - Disturbance, loud music; 300 Blk. Grouper Howardwick.

SUMMARY

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**the lion's tale**  
 by roger estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting February 9, 2010, with Boss Lion Chuck Robertson in charge. We had 18 members and no guests this week. Following the meal, Lion Ashlee Estlack led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Lion Jim Shelton delivered the invocation. Discussion about community events centered on activities at the public school and the new GED program at the college. There being no program and no further business, we were adjourned.

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