





# Health Fair:

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For more information about the health fair please contact Donley County AgriLife Extension Service at 874-2141.

# City:

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Office this week said it has a total of 46 municipal warrants on 25 individuals. About half of those are residing outside the county, and of those inside the county, nine live in Clarendon. Most of the cases are hot checks.

"When we have room and time, we do work warrants," Sheriff Butch Blackburn said. "But felonies will always take priority over municipal Class C misdemeanors. We've been busy with child molesters, rape, and burglary."

In other city business last week, Aldermen: Unanimously rejected an application for a livestock permit at 514 E. Browning; Approved the Fiscal Year 2009 Audit of the City and the Economic Development Corporation; and Appointed Bunny Owens and Bobbie Floyd as the judge and alternate judge for the upcoming city election.

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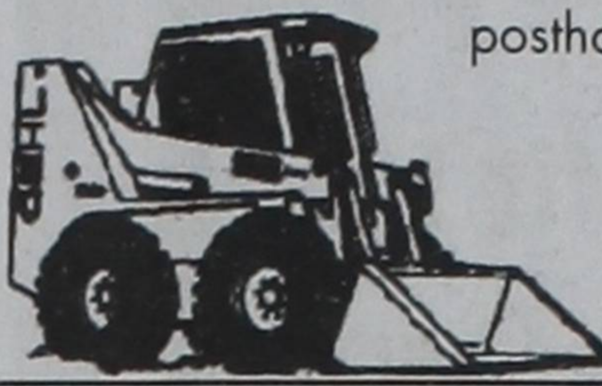
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Fri	12	48°	33°	T
Sat	13	62°	32°	-
Sun	14	70°	33°	-

Total precipitation this month: 0.72"  
Total precipitation to date: 4.81"  
Total precipitation in Feb. last year: 0.60"  
Total YTD last year: 0.63"

## weekend forecast

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## Senior Citizens acquires new delivery vans

By Ashlyn Tubbs, Clarendon Enterprise

Two new delivery vans arrived at the Donley County Senior Citizens Association in December.

The first van is a 2009 Kia Sedona, purchased by the Brumley Foundation in Amarillo. The other van, which replaced an older van is a 2005 Dodge Caravan, purchased with money donated by The Bivins Foundation and the Amarillo Area Foundation.

"That gives us three really good vans to run our routes and deliver meals in Clarendon and Howard-wick," said Donley County Senior Citizens Director Mary Shields. "We've been so blessed."

The Donley County Senior Citizens Association has served meals since 1975. Each day, 40 volunteers deliver 110 meals to those in need.

"Without those 40 volunteers we would not be able to manage," Shields said. "We're just so glad to have them."

Last year a total of 28,769 meals were served, and 16,894 of those meals were delivered. Already this year starting October 1, they have served 15,646 meals, which is a 24% increase from this time last year.

"I think the increase is due to economic conditions," Shields said. "We're reaching out to more people



The Donley County Senior Citizens Board of Directors take a moment to pose by one of their latest additions to the Meals on Wheels Program, a new Kia Sedona, donated by the Brumley Foundation in Amarillo. Pictured are Mary Shields, Director; Anna Purvis; Sue Leeper, Board President; Vernon Byars; Don Stone; George Self; Dave Stout; and Jim Wright. Not pictured was the new Board of Director member, Russell Latham.

in the community trying to serve as many as we can."

In addition to providing meals, the center also offers other activities: an exercise class that meets three

times a week beginning at 9 a.m., dominoes after lunch, art classes on Tuesday afternoons (taught by Greta Byars), and health clinics.

"We're trying to do good for the

community, and we could certainly use more donations," Shields said. "The cost of food is very expensive and we're trying to help all those in need."

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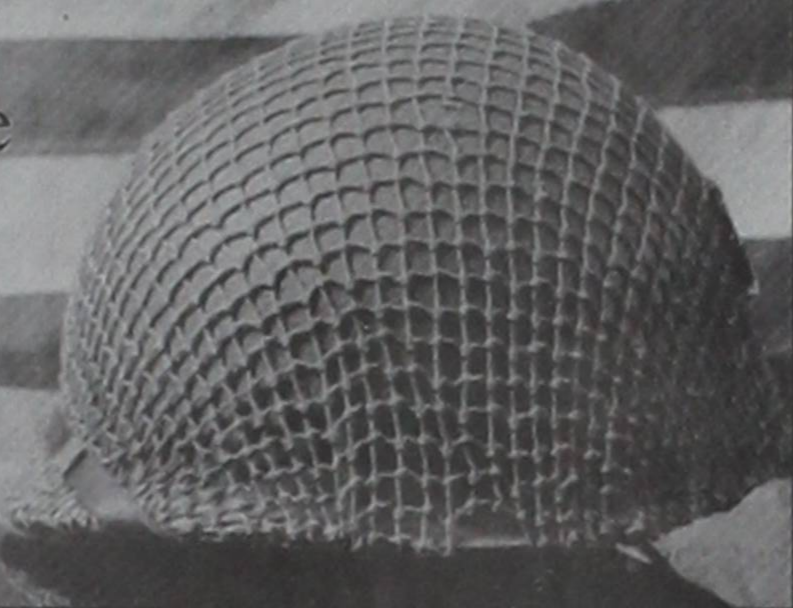
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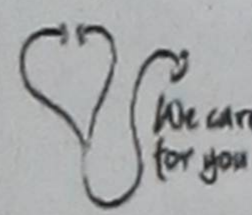
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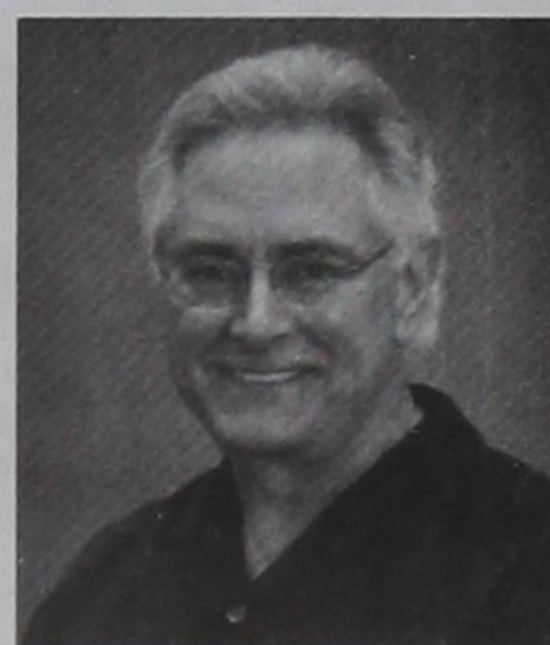
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## Lady Broncos begin District with win over Booker

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos are have a goal in mind for their 2010 softball season and that is to win District. They jumped out to a good start in District play defeating Booker 18-5 in five innings.

The ladies put together a good game both offensively and defensively, according to head coach Gary Jack, and proved to their opponents they are serious about a District Championship.

They are currently at 11-4 and 1-0 for the year.

After a scoreless first inning, the Lady Broncos blew the Lady Kiowas out in the second recording nine unanswered runs. The ladies added six more in the next inning and capped off their win with three more in the fourth.

Danielle Ford was on the mound for the ladies, and Dominique Mason was behind the plate. Jency Burton came in and pitched the last couple of innings for the Lady Broncos and did a good job, Jack said.

"We blew them out of the water in the second inning," Jack said. "It was a solid game for us. Everyone hit the ball well, and we got the win."

Ford slammed her third over-the-fence homerun for the season against Booker, and several others connected on great hits.

The Lady Broncos took on Childress earlier in the week and defeated them, 17-12.

"It was a crazy game," Jack said. "It was a slug fest."

The ladies trailed early at one run to six for the Lady Cats. But Clarendon was able to come back on them in a big way and led at one point, 11-6. After trailing again by a run, the ladies kicked into gear and took the five-point win in seven innings.

"We did a lot of good things," Jack said. "We made a few mistakes that allowed them to get the lead on us, but we were able to hit the ball well and had a lot of shots to the fence."

"We were able to overcome

and hold on for the win."

Jack gave credit to several players for their good hitting in the game. Danielle Ford, Trevela Dronzek, Brandi Mays, Elissa Holland, Caitlyn Christopher, Maci White, Emily Clark, and Dominique Mason all had good hits for the Lady Broncos.

The Lady Bronco junior varsity also took on Childress and blasted them, 22-0.

Jency Burton was on the mound and did a good job pitching.

"We were able to jump on them quick and only go three innings," Jack said. "Everyone played well and got good playing time in the game. Chelsea Covey, Chanda Reynolds, and Erin Moore did a really good job for us."

The ladies will travel to Perryton Thursday, March 18, and will play Fritch at home Friday, March 19, at 2:00 p.m. They will play at River Road Saturday in a double-header beginning at 11:00 a.m. and host Claude Monday, March 22, in another district game at 4:00 p.m.



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## Broncos defeat Northside; 17-0

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon Broncos do not take losing lightly and that was the case when they met up with Vernon Northside in a matchup between the top two teams in district play last year.

This time the Broncos made sure they showed their dominance and routed Northside, 17-0.

"Northside had earned the number one seed after defeating us in a seeding game last year," head coach Brad Elam said. "So we were definitely ready for the game."

With his entire team finally intact, Elam was pleased with the way the players stepped up their game.

"This was our first game with everybody back," Elam said. "And it happened to be a District game. I have to give the kids the credit; they were able to play at a high level for a very important district game after only four days of practice."

"Add in there the undesired distraction from Thursday night, the kids could have let all of this affect them going into this very important game, but they didn't."

Elam said the Broncos jumped on them early and scored 10 runs in the first inning and seven in the second. He also added that Vernon could not put anything together.

"Our pitchers, Troy Chambless, and Johnny Gaines shut them down striking out 13 batters allowing only four base runners and only one hit," he said. "Two of those runners were gunned down by Brayden Phillips when they tried to steal."

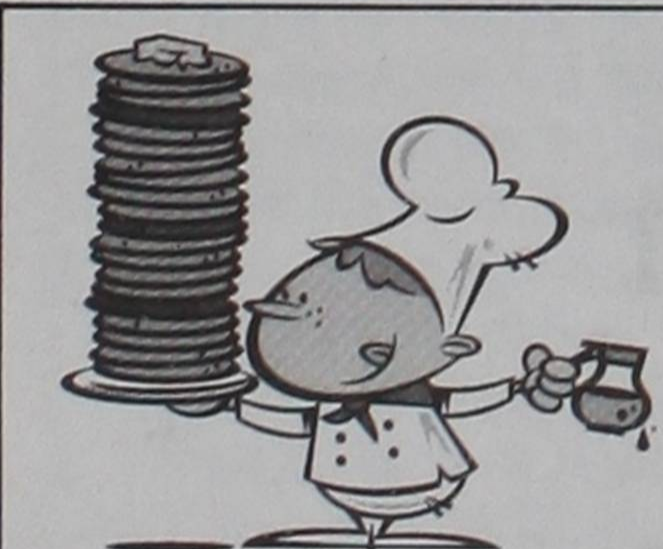
Elam is pleased with his team's pitching and said over four games, the Broncos' pitching has been impressive. They have struck out 50 hitters and walked only two in 22 innings.

"Our hitting is a little behind," Elam said. "We didn't hit the ball all that hard, but we did make contact and only struck out two times. Bradley Watson, Brady Miller, Troy Chambless, Dylan Wright, and Colter Goolsby all had nice hits."

The Broncos will continue their district schedule and play at Wellington Friday, March 19, and at Quanah Monday, March 22, beginning at 4:30 p.m.

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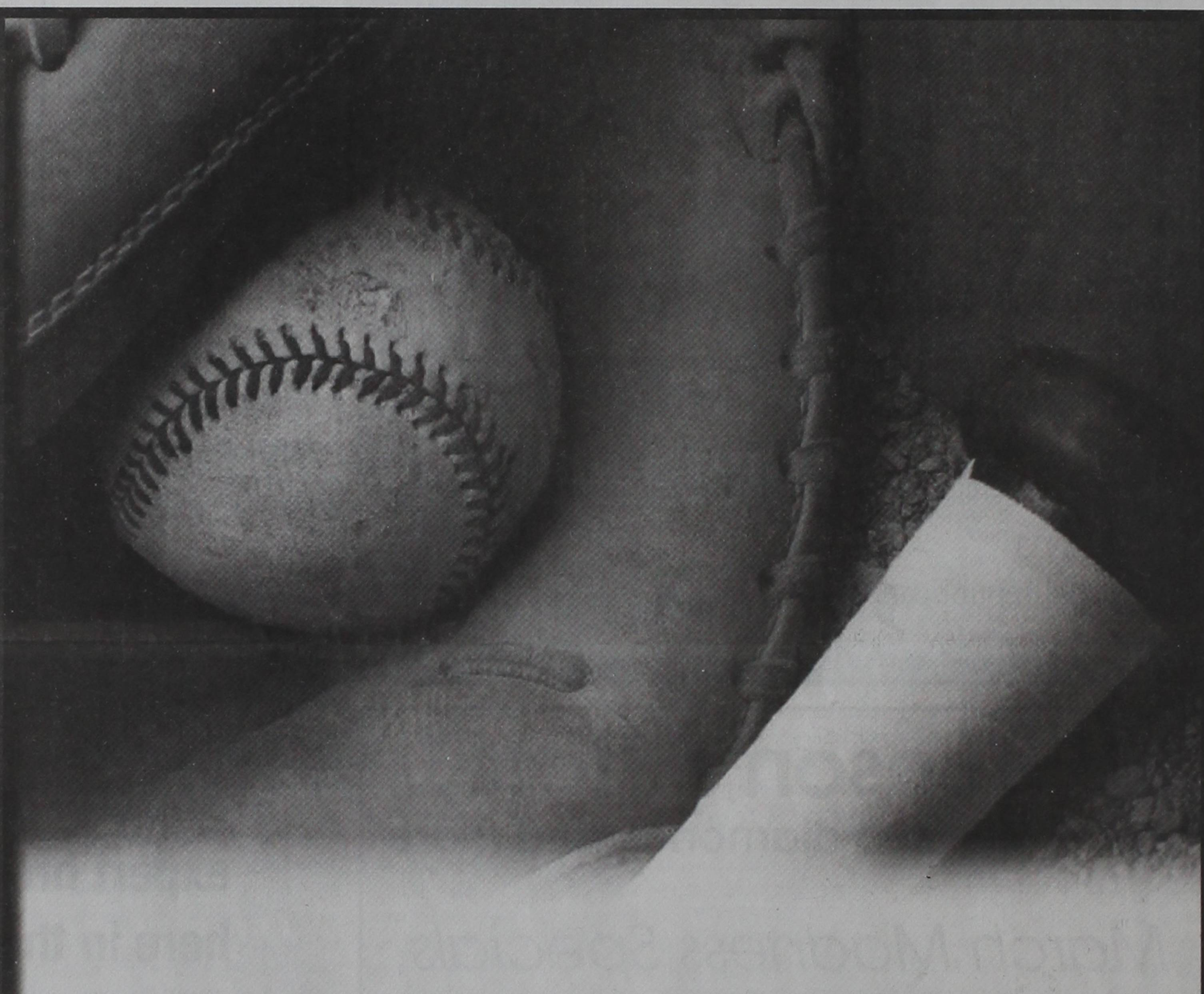
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**Thursday, March 18**

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## CHS competes in track meet

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos and Lady Broncos traveled to Panhandle last week and competed in the Panhandle Relays.

Both teams finished fourth with 78 points for the guys and 58 points for the girls.

Johnny Gaines took first in the long jump with a leap of 21'1 3/4" and first in the triple jump with a distance of 42'4/4".

The 400-meter relay finished fourth at 46.69, 800-meter relay 3rd at 1:37.83, and the 1600-meter relay was 5th with a time of 3:47.83.

The Lady Bronco 400-meter relay came in second with a time of 53.65. Kia Bryley took first place in the 100-meter dash with a time of 13.23 and first in the 200-meter dash at 27.41.

Bronco individual results: shot

put: Tre Brown 4th 42'; discus: 5th 112'10 1/2"; long jump: Gaines 1st, Glenn Weatheron 5th 18'10"; triple jump: Gaines 1st, Stephino McCampbell 4th 40'9 3/4"; pole vault: Matt Thomas and Bradley Watson tied for 3rd at 10'6"; 800-meter run: Matt Henderson 2nd 2:09.39; 1600-meter run: Henderson 4th 5:20.93.

Lady Bronco individual results: shot put: Deidre Lewis 4th 31'8"; long jump: Bryley 6th 14'9 3/4"; high jump: Amber Keelin 3rd 4'8"; 800-meter run: Audrey Shelton 5th 2:42.75; 1600-meter run: Shelton 5th 6:11.68; 300-meter hurdles: Jentry Shadle 6th 56.28; 100-meter hurdles: Haley Hall 4th 18.52; 100-meter dash: Bryley 1st, Marqueda Gaines 5th 14.18; 200-meter dash: Bryley 1st.



### Up and over

Clarendon's Cole Ward clears the bar for the Broncos during the Panhandle Relays last week.

COURTESY PHOTO / JAMIE WARD

## Lady Colts compete in Panhandle meet

The eighth grade Lady Colts made a great showing in the Panhandle track meet last week and racked up 71 points as a team for a third place finish.

The host team finished first with 140 points.

The 400-meter relay finished second with a time of 56.99 and was run by Haley Ferguson, Sarah Luttrell, Shantel Harris, and Glory Bryley. The 1600-meter relay took sixth place at 5:53.70 and was run by Jessica Cenicerros, Deborah Howard, Jacy Hill, and Lynzee Bryley. Luttrell won the 100-meter dash at 13.52, and G. Bryley was second with a time of 13.81. Harris also ran the 100-meter with a time of 14.88. Luttrell also placed first in the 1600-meter run with a time of 4:49.60. Emily Martinez and Minnie Buckhaults also ran. The ladies finished eighth in the 800-meter relay with a time of 2:25.09, and it was run by Harris, Starnes, Howard, and G. Bryley.

Individual results: 800-meter run: J. Cenicerros 8th 3:19.93, Leslie Stone, Katie Gooch; 100-meter hurdles: Ferguson 4th 19.81, Phara Berry 24.81; 400-meter dash: Hill 8th 1:19.43, J. Cenicerros 9th

1:19.89, Ashley Monday 1:33.28; 300-meter hurdles: Stone 8th 1:04.97, Berry 10th 1:08.62; 200-meter dash: Howard 11th 32.21; L. Bryley 13th 33.15, Ryann Starnes 24th 41.20; discus: Shaydee Brown 4th 63'8 1/2", Buckhaults 5th 62'2 1/2", Audra Thomas competed; shot put: Brown 2nd 28'10", Zhanae Bassett 13th 22'3 1/2", Thomas 15th 21'4", high jump: Hill 4th 4'2", Starnes 7th 4', Harris also competed; triple jump: Howard 4th 28'5"; long jump: Ferguson 12th 12'5", Berry 16th 11'10".

Seventh grader Abby Johnson won the 400-meter dash with a time of 1:12.49 and the team finished in seventh place with 20 points.

Individual results: 100-meter dash: Taylor Gaines 3rd 14.83, Johnson 7th 14.99, Casey Jo Haney 18th 17.25; 200-meter dash: Johnson 7th 32.00; Skyler White 19th 34.59; Haney 26th 39.49; 800-meter run: Chelsea Morris, Skyler White, and Lauren Medina competed; long jump: Gaines 4th 12'6 1/2", Johnson 13th 10'10"; discus: Reanna Jackson 7th 52'4", Caitlyn Nowlin 8th 50'2 1/2", Morris 13th 45'4"; shot put: Nowlin 8th 22'10 1/2", Morris 14th 20", Jackson 15th 19'5".

## Mason brings home gold in 100m dash

The seventh grade Colts competed in the Panhandle track meet and did a good job. They finished sixth in the 1600-meter relay with a time of 5:00.60 and was run by Lee Buckhaults, Cedrick McCampbell, Zack Laroe, and Charles Mason.

Mason also won the 100-meter dash in a time of 12.96, and he was second in the 200-meter dash with a time of 27.87. The eighth grade ran the 400-meter relay in a time of 57.79 for ninth place. It was run by Cody Harjo, Chance McAneer, Brandon Miller, and Terance Wilson. The Colts also ran the 1600-meter relay and placed seventh with a time of 4:46.40 and was run by Harjo, Miller, McAneer, and Wilson.

7th grade individual results: 800-meter run: 100-meter dash: Mason 1st 12.96, Montana Hysinger 7th 14.93, McCampbell 8th 14.96; 200-meter dash: Mason 2nd 27.87, McCampbell 9th 30.84, Laroe 16th 33.87; Buckhaults 8th 2:55.30; 1600-meter run: Doran Lindsey 6th 5:18.51; 400-meter dash:

Buckhaults 7th 1:09.28, Laroe 15th 1:21.46; 2400-meter run: Lindsey participated; triple jump: McCampbell 8th 27'2 1/2", Buckhaults 9th 26'7 3/4", Laroe 11th 26'4 3/4"; discus: Hysinger participated; long jump: Mason 4th 14'5", McCampbell 7th 14'2 1/2", Buckhaults participated; shot put: Hysinger 15th 21'5".

8th grade results: 200-meter dash: Harjo 2nd 27.60; 400-meter dash: Zach Cornell 4th 1:01.30, McAneer 6th 1:03.48; 1600-meter run: Cornell 5th 4:41.50, Orlando Brown and H. Edwards participated; 100-meter dash: Miller 15th 14.62, Wilson 16th 14.69; 2400-meter run: Ashton Smith 5th 5:00, Brown and Austin Lowry participated; 800-meter run: Cornell 6th 2:37.30; shot put: Tres Hommel 5th 32'4", David Johnston 9th 30'8 1/2"; discus: Hommel 6th 97'3", Johnston also participated; triple jump: Harjo 9th 29' 1/2", Cornell 11th 27'5 1/2", Smith 12th 27'4 1/2"; long jump: Harjo 8th 15' 1/4", Cornell 14th 13'11", Miller 21st 12'4 1/2"; high jump: Wilson 4th 4'10", McAneer participated.

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## CISD Trustees renew faculty contracts

The Clarendon ISD Board of Trustees renewed faculty contracts and accepted four resignations when they met in regular session last Thursday.

Trustees met behind closed doors for more than 2½ hours before returning to open session to take action on employment contracts following the recommendation of the administration.

The board acknowledged the resignations of employment from Randy Yelverton, Sarah Slatton,

Timothy Leeper, and David Lowrie.

One-Year Term Contracts of Employment were offered to Melody Hysinger, Sharon Elam, and Martha Stewart as professional support staff for the 2010-2011 school year.

A One-Year Probationary Contract of Employment was offered to Michael Keough.

One-Year Probationary Contracts of Employment for the 2010-2011 school year were offered to Shethelia Crump, Gidget Henoch, Lynde Longbine, Katherine Starnes,

Brandi Wann, Angela Alexander, Nikki Shahan, Kamy Whatley, Krista Graves, Missy Reynolds, and Steve Reynolds.

One-Year Term Contracts of Employment for the 2010-2011 school year were also offered to Donna Black, Jan Campbell, Tashia Duncan, Jill Frausto, Medina Gribble, Carrie Hicks, Jamie Jeffers, B.J. Owens, Jennifer Robinson, Linde Shadle, Melanie Shelton, Jayne Starnes, Jennifer Tubbs, Leslie White, Lachella Coley, Adelita

Elam, Andrea Hall, Carrie Moss, Jenifer Pigg, Scott Strobel, Billy Boone, Megan Boone, Lyndal Gillen, Don Hillis, Laura Hommel, Bruce Howard, Tina Lacey, Tammi Lewis, Terri Luna, Dee Ann Sears, Diane Skelton, Suzanne Taylor, and Katherine Williams.

In other school business, the board approved the State of Texas Conforming Textbook Adoption List for the 2010 school year as presented and heard reports from the district's administrators.

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## Bulldogs defeated in National Tourney

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon College Bulldogs had a great 2009-2010 basketball season, and they topped it off with a game in the District Finals against Brown Mackie College of Salina, Kansas.

Despite the 79-91 loss, the Bulldogs played hard and gave their all in the hopes of continuing on to the National Tournament in Danville, Illinois.

Head coach Tony Starnes was very pleased with his team's effort and noted that the Bulldogs led the game at the break by seven points. Clarendon College played aggressively against Mackie but eventually succumbed to the size difference. They have five players that range from 6'6" in height to 6'11" and one that tips the scale at 280 pounds.

"Their overall size just ended up getting us in the second half," Starnes said.

The Bulldogs are already looking to next year for another good season.

"We are very proud of the game our kids played and the season that we had," Starnes said. "We are returning a bunch of kids who are already talking about going to the National Tournament next year."

Leading scorers for the Bulldogs: Chris O'Neal 17, Dontee Kinney 15, Labron Sanders 11, and Eric Taylor 9.

## Barker earns medal in Regional Tourney

By Sandy Anderberg

Power lifter Corey Barker competed in the Power Lifting Regional Meet in Sundown last week and walked away with a fifth place medal in his weight class.

Barker, who is only a freshman, was the lone Bronco to qualify for the Regional meet. According to head coach Gary Jack, Barker had a total lift weight of 755 pounds in the dead lift, squat, and bench.

"Corey did a great job," Jack said. "They only take the top two lifters to the State Meet, so he didn't qualify, but still did a great job by placing fifth. He is only a freshman, so we expect great things from him in the future."

## Santos takes home win in CCC golf game

By Sandy Anderberg

Mike Santos shot a scratch 68 to take first in the weekly men's game on Wednesday, March 3 at the Clarendon Country Club. Ellis Knight was second with a 69 net and Redell Johnston shot a 70 net for third.

The spring Six-Man Skins Game will be held Sunday, March 28. Spots are still available to enter the tournament.

The CC will be closed Monday and Tuesday, March 29 and 30, to sand the greens. You may call the Pro Shop for more information.



## New cases

The Donley County Clothing 4H members have been working really hard sewing pillow cases for those less fortunate in our community. Thanks to Mrs. Reynolds for the use her room. Sewers were Kameron Shields, Cire Jauregui, Harley Jauregui, MaRea Hall, and Hannah Hommel.

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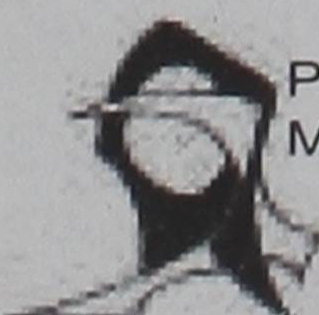
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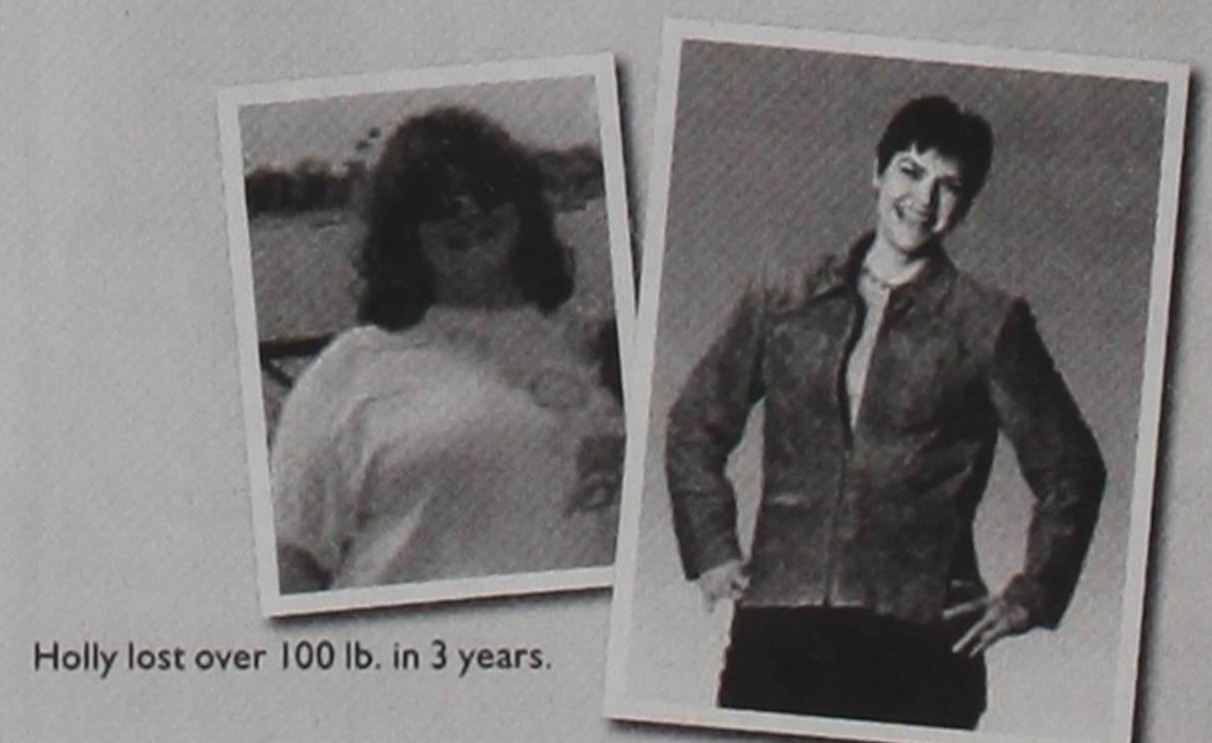
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**Stick the landing**

Clarendon's Forrest Yelverton kicked up some dirt during the track and field events held during the Panhandle Relays last week in Panhandle.

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

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting March 16, 2010, with Boss Lion Chuck Robertson in charge.

We had 12 members and two guests this week - Michael Graham, guest of Lion Phil Fletcher; and Judy Lowe, guest of Lion Terry Lowe.

The club discussed upcoming events around town, including the health fair next week at the Bairfield Activity Center.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

**Addition:**

Last week's article about the Chamber of Commerce Banquet inadvertently left out Charlie Smith as one of the incoming Chamber Board members. The Enterprise regrets this omission.

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March 9, 2010

5:59 a.m. - Loose livestock, horses; Hedley.  
6:14 a.m. - Owner contacted, en route soon.  
7:58 a.m. - All horses located and secured.  
8:39 a.m. - At courthouse.  
4:02 p.m. - Dispatched to courthouse. Possible intoxicated female.  
4:05 p.m. - To jail with one female in custody.  
6:26 p.m. - Out at 600 Blk. W. 2nd St.  
8:32 p.m. - Out at residence, 200 Blk. Garry St.; Howardwick.  
11:03 p.m. - Out at 6th and S. Kearney St. Resident reporting vehicle pulled into driveway for several minutes. No activity.

March 10, 2010

6:32 a.m. - See caller, 400 Blk. W. 2nd St.  
9:21 a.m. - Dispatched to Sheriff's Office.  
1:14 p.m. - At Annex.  
2:19 p.m. - Out at residence, Collinson St.  
2:28 p.m. - Out at 7th & Bugbee.  
2:30 p.m. - To jail with one male in custody; disorderly conduct, out of state warrant(s).  
4:39 p.m. - Welfare check; Reeves St. Hedley.  
5:25 p.m. - At rest area east-bound Hwy 287, E. of Hedley.  
10:58 p.m. - Searching for reported illegal hunters; Co. Rd. 10.

March 11, 2010

1:30 a.m. - Deputy out at FM 2372; unreported control burn.  
4:45 a.m. - See caller, 300 Blk. McLean St.  
8:20 a.m. - At courthouse.  
9:19 a.m. - Welfare check, 8th & Bugbee St.  
9:21 a.m. - Back to courtroom.  
4:50 p.m. - At courthouse.  
5:51 p.m. - Out at 500 Blk. 4th St.  
6:06 p.m. - 4th & Ellerbee Sts. Warrant service.  
6:10 p.m. - To jail with one male in custody; reckless driving, driving with license suspended.  
11:52 p.m. - Welfare check, 300 Blk. E. 6th St.

March 12, 2010

12:16 a.m. - EMS assist; 300 blk E. 6th St.  
4:01 p.m. - Unable to locate vehicle reported by BNSF; Co. Rd. 28. Will go check rest area.

March 13, 2010

7:02 a.m. - Single vehicle rollover; E. of Claude on Hwy 287. Vehicle located is in Armstrong Co. Will remain on scene.

March 14, 2010

4:07 a.m. - EMS assist; 200 Blk. Fredrick St., Howardwick.

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1. Faith begins with a belief. In the Christian's case, it is a belief in Jesus Christ. Jesus said in John 8:24 that we must believe who He claims to be or we would die in our sins. Nowhere did He signify that belief alone is all there is to salvation. Look at the next leg of the stool of faith and you will see there is more to faith than mere belief.

2. Faith is also composed of obedience. In Matthew 7:21, Jesus said: "Not everyone who says 'Lord, Lord' will enter heaven but he who does the will of the Father." You must underline the word DOES in your mind. Jesus is plainly saying that following Him and getting to heaven incorporates being obedient to the Father. That includes activities beyond just thinking about something or believing something. Obedience is the one thing God demands from us that He didn't give us. Think about that. You have the capacity or choice to obey, but God doesn't force you. Your choice to obey is the only gift you have to give Him that He hasn't already given you. He demands it yet He doesn't force us. Of course there will be punishment if we will not obey. Finally the last leg of the stool of faith:

3. Faith is also composed of our love for the Lord. We will not be obedient to the Lord unless we love Him. John 14:15, Jesus said: "If you love Me, keep My commandments." In John 15:14, Jesus tells us that we are His friends if we keep His commandments. We must love the Lord first in our lives, above anyone or anything (Matt. 6:33). Love, like Jesus loved us, requires: selflessness, concern for others, humility, servant-like attitude, etc.

So we have seen that faith is not just mere mental assent or a belief. It is a belief that Jesus is Lord. It is also being obedient to the Lord. It is also comprised of a love for the Lord. Take away one or more legs of faith and you have no faith. (I was helped in this article by Will Thompson).

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