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THIS WEEK

2 A reader has some issues with the spending choices made by the city and school.
4 Wind damage hits Howard-wick City Hall Sunday afternoon.
5 Clarendon College athletes lend a helping hand at an Amarillo charity.
7 And the Lady Broncos rain on Wellington's parade.

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

Architect firm hired to for Mulkey job

The Clarendon Economic Development Corporation hired an architect to lead the next steps of rehabilitating the Mulkey Theatre during a called meeting Monday night.

The CEDC Board approved a \$5,900 proposal from Mason Rogers of Playa Design Studio in Amarillo for site investigation (measuring, documenting, and transferring to digital drawings) and the creation of schematic designs. Playa will also help facilitate developing a budget to move forward with the next phases of fundraising for the project.

Rogers said his work on the project would begin in three to four weeks.

In other CEDC business, the board listened to a proposal from Mayor Larry Hicks and City Administrator Lambert Little for the city and CEDC to work together to hire someone to head up tourism and economic development activities and provide assistance to the Chamber of Commerce. The board appointed Steve Hall to represent the CEDC in working with the city to pursue this goal.

Assembly sets Fifth Sunday Singing

First Assembly of God in Clarendon would like to welcome everyone to their Fifth Sunday Singing on Sunday, January 29, at 4:00 p.m. They invite you to come share the Gospel in song and praise to God.

STAR class to be held in Wheeler

S.T.A.R. (Services-To-At-Risk Youth & Their Families) brings you "Back in Control" Parenting Workshop Saturday, February 4, 2012, from 8:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Wheeler.

Pre-registration is required by calling 806-359-2005 in Amarillo or 806-826-1111 Ann Porter in Wheeler.

There is no charge for this workshop. Seating is limited. No childcare is provided.

Miss Irish Rose contestants sought

Once again Shamrock will be hosting their annual Saint Patrick's Celebration on March 16 - 18, 2012.

One of the many highlights of the celebration is the crowning of Miss Irish Rose. This Scholarship Pageant is open to all young ladies that are between the ages of 14 through 19, and enrolled in High School.

The 2012 Miss Irish Rose, along with her three runner-ups and Miss Congeniality, will be receiving a scholarship to the college of her choice. For further information, please send a S.A.S.E. to Miss Irish Rose, attention Terri Whiteley, 117 S Nebraska, Shamrock, Texas 79079.

CISD, CC managing cuts in state funding

By Ashlee Estlack, Contributing Editor

Cuts in state financing are having a big impact on the Clarendon Public Schools and Clarendon College, but officials at both institutions say they are trying to make the best of a difficult situation.

CC President Phil Shirley and Clarendon School Superintendent Monty Hysinger addressed the Donley County Retired School Personnel Monday night, and both men said they are trying to do more with

less.

"We have learned that in a financial crisis, the Legislature can and will cut public education," Hysinger said. "It's going to take teachers and the public to make a change."

PUBLIC SCHOOL IMPACT

Hysinger said the 82nd Texas Legislature last spring was historic in that it was the first time in 60 years the state failed to finance schools under existing law and that public school financing was cut by a total

of \$5.4 billion.

In the 2011-2012 fiscal year, Clarendon ISD cut \$468,748 from its budget, and it will have to cut another \$120,757 in 2012-2013.

"We can weather the storm for a year," Hysinger said, "but beyond that we will have to make major changes."

The school has few options to raise money on its own. The local tax rate is capped at the current \$1.04 per \$100 valuation, but the

district could ask local voters to raise that up to \$1.17. Doing so would raise \$180,000 locally and trigger additional state funding of at least \$150,000.

The district may also have to reinstate its tax on personal property, which could generate \$250,000.

"We may reach a point in a year or two where we have to look at that."

In the meantime, the school has taken several proactive steps to close

its budget shortfall, including eliminating six positions through attrition. One those positions, the pre-kindergarten teacher, was saved by charging tuition for that unrequired class. The school has also stopped planned purchases of a new vehicle and a new bus, reduced travel expenses, extended the date that it planned to replace student laptop computers, and found other savings.

Clarendon ISD has also joined

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The Day of Dirt and Damage



High winds caused widespread damage in Donley County Sunday afternoon, leaving a mess of broken limbs, dirt, and debris behind. The National Weather Service reported that Clarendon had the strongest gust of wind in the Panhandle area, clocking 77 mph. Bleachers were overturned at the Clarendon College outdoor volleyball pit, and several storage buildings were overturned or damaged. A carport was overturned and slid down Seventh Street until being secured by a city backhoe. At least two buildings downtown suffered roof damage, and a new fence at the local Dairy Queen was partially blown over. Just over the west county line, a 14-foot horse tank was picked up and crumpled over a irrigation pivot; and in Hedley, a section of the home bleachers at Memorial Field was overturned. Readers also reported that the sign at enV Salon was bent in half and that the windows on the nursing home van were knocked out.

Enterprise Photos / Roger Estlack, Ashlee Estlack & Matthew Martinez

Clarendon firemen answer 169 calls

By Fire Marshal Jeremy Powell

The Clarendon Fire Department wrapped up a busy year with the end of 2011. Clarendon firemen responded to 169 calls from January 1 to December 31 of 2011.

Clarendon FD not only responded to calls in Donley County but also answered calls for mutual aid from their neighboring departments and responded into Hall County, Briscoe County, Armstrong County, Potter County, Gray County, Wheeler County and Collingsworth County.

Clarendon FD also requested and received mutual aid from most all of these counties during the course of the year.

Clarendon Fire Department welcomed five new members in 2011. New members are Ryan Hill, Tim Wortham, Kellan Roberts, Joe Hall, and Dillan Wright. In January 2012, the department added two more probationary firemen when Nathan Judd and Jason Messer submitted applications for membership. The department currently has 35 members.

Clarendon Firemen trained hard throughout 2011 when not answering calls and nine firemen completed their Basic Firefighter Certification through the State Firemen's and Fire Marshal's Association (SFFMA).

Newly certified firemen include Jeremy Powell, Chancy Cruse, Wes Smith, Eloy Camacho, Tim Wortham, Ty White, Ryan Hill, Chris Wilson, and Joe Hall.

These firemen now join Buddy Howard, Fu Benavidez, Kyle Hill, Kelly Hill, David Pitts, Delbert Robertson, Terry Ashcraft, Chuck Robertson, Benny Osburn, Gary Thomas and Roy Bertrand bringing the total number of certified firemen to twenty.

Much of the training was done in house by training instructors Refugio Benavidez, Buddy Howard, Kelly Hill and Kyle Hill, all of whom are certified instructors through the SFFMA. The department also has several more members who will be completing their basic certification in 2012. Members also attended fire schools at Texas A&M

See 'Firemen' on page 10.

CC Board of Regents recognizes contributions of Deyhle

The Clarendon College Board of Regents opened their monthly meeting last Thursday with a tribute to the late Dr. Charles Deyhle.

A member of the board from 1998 until his passing last month, Deyhle served for many years as the chairman of the board.

CC President Phil Shirley presented an acrylic plaque to Mrs. Frances Deyhle, and several board members were visibly moved by the absence of their longtime friend and colleague. Later, board member Dr. John Howard presented Mrs. Deyhle with the portrait of her husband which formerly hung in the regents' meeting room in the Bairfield Activity Center.

After the regents moved into their business agenda, the board voted to appoint former dean of students Tex Selvidge to serve Deyhle's term until this spring's election.

Howard was elected to take Deyhle's position as chairman of the board, and Regent Jerry Woodard became the new vice chairman of the board. Delbert Robertson remains as the board's secretary.

In other business, the board heard from Amarillo College President Paul Matney who discussed the benefits of new partnership between Clarendon, AC, and Frank Phillips College in Borger.

"The time is right for this agreement. It is what our students deserve,

and what our taxpayers expect," Matney said.

Under the agreement, the three Panhandle community colleges will work together to streamline admissions and transfer processes between them, and advisors at each college will familiarize themselves with each others' premier programs to channel students to the best school for their interests.

The institutions will also share resources whenever possible, present a united front to leaders downstate, and pursue grant opportunities together.

Matney said the partnership is intended to help each institution be

See 'Regents' on page 10.



Frances Deyhle and CC President Phil Shirley.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO

Book highlights life of patriot Patrick Henry

By Dr. Gary Scott Smith

Among America's amazing pantheon of founders, Patrick Henry stands out for his stirring speeches and fervent commitment to liberty, virtue, and small government. The Virginia planter, lawyer, and politician strongly denounced Great Britain's political and economic control of the American colonies and played a leading role in the movement for independence. More controversially, Henry's love of liberty, coupled with his support for limited government and states' rights, led him to oppose ratification of the U.S. Constitution. Henry's actions were inspired by both his devout Christian faith and the civic spirit of the ancient Romans and Greeks.

Although 10 previous biographies of Henry have been penned, Thomas S. Kidd's "Patrick Henry: First Among Patriots" offers a fresh and compelling portrait of one of our nation's more renowned but seemingly enigmatic founders. Dispelling many misconceptions, Kidd carefully analyzes the Virginian's core convictions and contradictions. Kidd also illuminates the key ideological struggles of the turbulent revolutionary era involving the battle for independence, the debate over religious disestablishment, the creation of the United States, and the practice of slavery.

Most Americans associate Henry primarily with his electrifying speech at St. John's Church in Richmond in 1775. Opposing those who called for reconciliation with England, Henry thundered: "Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? ... I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty, or give me death!" However, Henry's fiery rhetoric was only one of his many contributions to American independence and development.

Few other founders were as revered during their lifetimes as Henry. Tremendously popular in his home state, he served six terms as governor and represented Virginia at the state convention to consider ratification of the Constitution. Honored as "an exemplar of virtue" and a senior statesman, Henry declined George Washington's offers to serve as a senator from Virginia (to replace James Monroe, who had become an envoy), ambassador to Spain, secretary of state, and chief justice of the Supreme Court. Because of his family responsibilities, financial struggles, and health problems, Henry also resisted Federalists' requests that he run for president in 1796.

Despite Henry's constant exhortations on civic virtue and his generally laudable personal morality, like other founders, his ethical conduct was far from spotless. After the Revolution, Henry urged Americans to repudiate their debts to the British. As a lawyer, he frequently defended clients whose cases were ethically questionable. As a government official, Henry sometimes supported legislation that aided his extensive land speculation in the West. More grievously, despite his numerous denunciations of the evils of slavery, Henry, like many other founders, continued to own slaves (67 at his death) and did not free them either during his lifetime or in his will.

I have two minor disagreements with Kidd. The first is the subtitle of his book. Numerous founders are contenders for the title, "First Among Patriots," and arguably Washington, Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and Benjamin Franklin, among others, trump Henry. A better subtitle might be "First Among Orators." Kidd convincingly argues that no other patriot stirred his listeners to action more than Henry or enjoyed a greater reputation as a compelling debater. Jefferson, for example, called Henry the "greatest orator that ever lived."

Second, Kidd contends that no one deserves more credit for the colonies' revolt against England than Henry. In my judgment, the contributions of Samuel Adams exceeded Henry's. The man from Massachusetts did more than the Virginian to publicize colonists' grievances, defend their rights, and mobilize them to protest English policies. Interestingly, these two champions of American independence both served as governors of their respective states, were deeply committed Christians, constantly warned that the new republic could succeed only if its citizens were virtuous, and spent much of their adult lives trying to avoid or escape debt.

Not surprisingly, many contemporary Christian conservatives see Henry as a hero. Henry regretted late in life that he had not attended church frequently or sufficiently identified himself as an orthodox Christian. However, the Virginian's strong faith is evident in his speeches, letters to his daughter Betsey, attacks on deism and atheism, and frequent contention that the republic could flourish only if its commitment to historic Christianity prompted citizens to act virtuously. Along with Samuel Adams, John Hancock, John Jay, Benjamin Rush, Roger Sherman, Elias Boudinot, and a handful of other founders, Henry is often used to support the dubious contention that the United States was founded as a distinctly Christian nation. Moreover, today's conservatives highly prize the ideals for which Henry stood as he supported American independence and opposed ratification of the Constitution: "liberty, religion, a moral society, and local politics."

Anyone wanting to better understand the many significant contributions of Patrick Henry to American history should read Kidd's masterful biography.

— Dr. Gary Scott Smith chairs the history department at Grove City College and is a fellow for faith and the presidency with The Center for Vision & Values.

CISD tech building ate our lunches

As a parent with children enrolled in our school district, I like many other parents have overlooked the hardships we truly face here in small Clarendon. The situation was not brought to my attention until basketball season rolled out the red carpet. I was appalled to find out that our athletic students were sitting on our buses eating sandwiches after out of town games. This is all grades 7th through varsity. The original problem I have is in November of 2011 the budget cut was around eight percent, but now the school website is approximately seven percent. That's a big gap when you're dealing with the details here, folks. So here are my nuts and bolts about this year's budget cuts.

We are spending outstanding amount of money on rubbish. I want to point out that since we got these new computers that our student's grades have dropped immensely. Why was that new technology building built when we had computer labs available for every campus? The computers purchased for students and teachers are nothing more than a Facebook and music frenzy in and out of school. The technology building

attempts to block these sites, but guess what? It is not effective so I get to pay \$40 per child to the school so my children can have a personal computer to carry around to play games on and we still have to buy BOOKS. These computers double the teachers work and take away learning time. So in all, with the budget cuts and the amazing sandwiches our athletes eat that are highly nutritious and embarrassing at the same time, we have no worries about logging on to Facebook or downloading the new hot songs. Our students can't eat out, but every team we have played feeds their students.

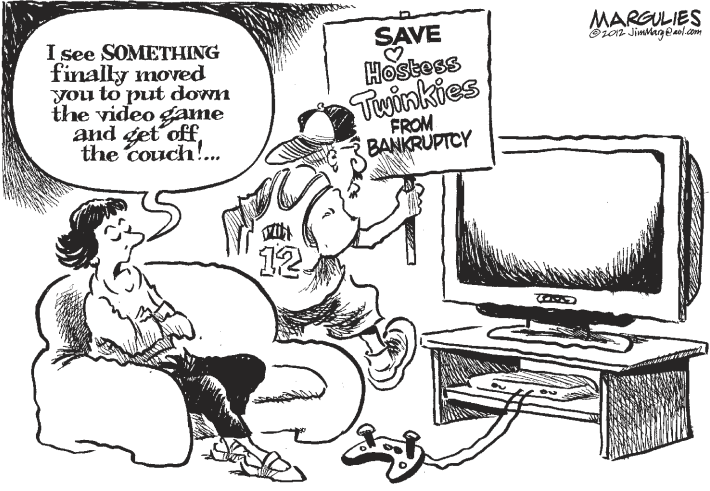
The budget cuts affected all areas except central administration, and this could be due to our snappy new state of the art technology headquarters. While I am pointing out many facts here, I want to say the next time we go over budgets, as a parent, I want to be informed of the seriousness so I can get some parents together and start the fiscal year's fund for all UIL students. As a parent, when I read the published budget I am seeing a lot of cuts – except for the central administration inflation. What a curious

thing. The technology building and computers ate our lunch... literally.

If more budget cuts arise, the technology will not matter because we will be using candles.

The second financial fallacy I would like to shed some light on is the request for the iPads for city administration. I'm not sure which one I prefer to lean into here, the sandwiches or the ability to have numerous applications at your finger tips when who you need to speak with has a cell phone. I have been very humored at the small city vs. county trash wars because of the financial situation of our city. I have also enjoyed the pothole and brown water complaints, but I believe personally this iPad request topped the cake. Our trash water and sewer fees rise continually, and we obviously do not have money for luxuries. I thought to myself: "We can't even feed dogs we catch, how are we going to WiFi our city to success?" Thank God our aldermen are aware of this.

Shanna Herndon,
Clarendon



Honoring the Texas National Guard

As Texans, we understand the meaning of sacrifice. Our state currently has thousands of residents deployed to the Middle East and elsewhere in the world, fighting for a cause greater than themselves and bringing peace to others.

One of my greatest privileges during my 18 years in the U.S. Senate has been the opportunities to pay special tribute to our veterans and those currently serving in our armed forces. I recently had the honor of welcoming home the men and women of the 36th Infantry Division, known as the Texas Division of the National Guard, at their Unceasing Ceremony held on the grounds of Camp Mabry in Austin, Texas.

The 36th Division not only carried out its mission, they performed it exceptionally well and proved that Guard forces, with their diverse civilian skills and backgrounds, are a critical part of our national defense. From its inception in WWI, to its involvement in WWII, to its just-completed mission in Iraq as part of the Global War on Terror, this Division has a long, proud history of serving their country with distinction.

The 36th Division is leaving Southern Iraq a better, safer place. Because of

its unique civilian skill sets, the 36th Division worked hand-in-hand with Iraqi leaders to improve security, stability, and the economic viability of Iraq's nine Southern provinces. In these efforts, it provided command and control of over seven thousand soldiers in Southern Iraq. This is only the third time during operations in either Afghanistan or Iraq that a National Guard unit provided this level of responsibility.

By helping to assure safety and stability in dozens of Iraqi communities, the 36th has enabled re-building to go forward, and made it possible for the Iraqi government to provide security, basic services, and educational opportunities for their people. It did all of this with no casualties, a testament to the leadership and professionalism of every soldier in the 36th Division – from the enlisted to the NCOs to the officers. What they were able to accomplish as a

Division should be a benchmark of success for other Divisions of the National Guard to follow.

However, these accomplishments were not achieved without great sacrifices. Each soldier of the 36th Division willingly put their civilian career on hold to serve their country when he or she was needed. And of course, these men and women have also sacrificed precious time with their families. Without the courage of our troops and the support of their families, we would not have the greatest fighting force in the world.

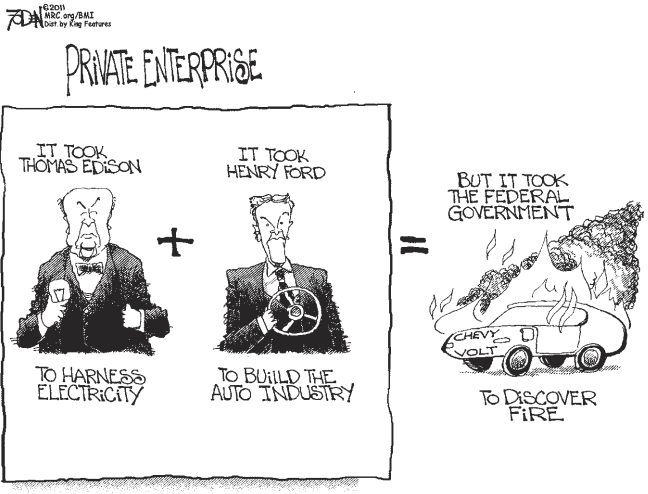
This tradition of Texas – service and sacrifice – is something I hope we will be vigilant in passing down to the next generation of Texans, in order to ensure that they treasure and protect these ideals as much as those who have come before them.

No one knows what challenges the future may hold, but one thing is clear – the 36th Infantry Division and members of the Texas National Guard stand ready and able to serve with distinction should the nation call.

Thank you to the brave men and women of the 36th Infantry Division for their dedicated service.



capitol comment
by sen. kay bailey hutchison



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Kati Adams with her Reserve Champion Gilt



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Kati Adams with her Reserve Champion Swine purchased by Shannon Realty, Ken Wishkaemper, and James and Sherry Race.



Trevor Cobb with his Grand Champion Steer purchased by Texas Auto Crushers.



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¿Qué Pasa?

Community Calendar

January 27
Broncos v. Qunah • JV at 5 p.m., Varsity at 8 p.m. • in Qunah

Lady Broncos v. Qunah • JV at 4 p.m., Varsity at 6:30 p.m. • in Qunah

Hedley Owls & Lady Owls v. Groom • 6 p.m. • Hedley GYM

January 28
Clarendon Concert Series Bake Sale • 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. • Lowe's

80th Birthday Celebration for Mary Staggs • 2 to 5 p.m. • The Bronze Room in Memphis

January 29
Fifth Sunday Singing • 4 p.m. • First Assembly of God Church

January 31
Broncos v. Wheeler • JV at 5 p.m., Varsity at 8 p.m. • Bronco Gym

Lady Broncos v. Wheeler • JV at 5 p.m., Varsity at 6:30 p.m. • Bronco Gym

Hedley Owls & Lady Owls v. Amarillo Flames • 6 p.m. • Hedley GYM

February 8
Water Conservation Symposium • 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. • Amarillo Civic Center

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Menus

Jan. 30 - Feb. 27

Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Breaded Chicken Tenders, baked potato w/sour cream, peas& carrots, strawberries w/ whipped topping, low fat milk/ tea.
Tue: Homemade turkey pot pie, seasoned corn, tossed salad, ambrosia, low fat milk/ tea.
Wed: Beef soft taco, Spanish rice, seasoned corn, mandarin oranges w/ whipped topping, low fat milk/ tea.
Thu: Vegetable beef stew, cornbread, margarine, orange& pineapple cup., low fat milk/ tea.
Fri: Cheese burger, potato wedges, tomato wedge salad, melon medley, low fat milk/ tea.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Breaded chicken tenders, baked potato w/sour cream, peas& carrots, strawberries w/ whip, low fat milk.
Tue: Cheese burger, potato wedge, tomato wedge, melon medley, low fat milk.
Wed: Roast pork, sweet potatoes, succotash, whole wheat roll, banana pudding, low fat milk.
Thu: Baked chicken & Dumpling, whole wheat roll, margarine, tossed salad w/dressing, winter fruit cup, low fat milk.
Fri: Sweet & Sour pork, fried rice, mixed vegetables, tossed salad w/ dressing, fruit parfait, low fat milk.

Clarendon ISD

Breakfast
Mon: Cereal, toast, fruit, milk.
Tue: Sausage, biscuit, gravy, fruit, milk.
Wed: Pancakes, juice, milk.
Thu: Egg, toast, fruit, milk.
Fri: Cinnamon roll, juice, milk.
Lunch
Mon: Fish, fries, baked beans, fruit, milk.
Tue: Soft chicken taco, pinto beans, salad, fruit, milk.
Wed: Ham, potatoes, green beans, fruit, roll, milk.
Thu: Meaty macaroni, corn, salad, fruit, milk.
Fri: Pizza burger, lettuce, pickles, tater tots, fruit, milk.

Hedley ISD

Mon: Popcorn chicken, broccoli, rice, & cheese, garden salad, sliced pears, sliced bread, milk.
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Fri: Cheese burger, oven fries, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onions, fruit, milk.

You're a winner! No, wait, it's a scam

Publishers Clearing House Sweepstakes envelopes began hitting mailboxes this week. This means scam phone calls and fake mail are soon to follow. The scams that always trail the famous sweepstakes involve a phone call or look-alike letter claiming a big check awaits the recipient.

The scam goes as follows: A caller tells the person answering the phone that he/she has won a prize from Publishers Clearing House. But first, the person must pay a fee to retrieve the money they have allegedly won.

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Bob's whittlin'
by bob watson

Many of us travel on a regular basis. Scammers have a new trick, and may try to trick you into divulging your credit card information by posing as hotel employees. The BBB is warning travelers to beware of a telephone phishing scam designed to steal credit card numbers.

A hotel guest in the Memphis area alerted the BBB of the scam. However, BBBs around the

nation have received similar calls. Scammers may be ramping up their efforts during the holiday season.

How the Scam Works

A hotel guest receives a phone call in the wee hours of the morning. The caller claims to be a hotel employee who needs to get your credit card number because:

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3. The hotel's system has crashed and your credit card information is needed for an audit to be conducted shortly.

All plausible scenarios. The crooks are counting on catching you while you are sleeping, so you aren't thinking clearly. And they might even offer you a discount on the room for the inconvenience.

The callers are very convincing. According to one hotel guest, the caller sounded very professional. However, hotels generally handle any questions about billing at the front desk, not over the phone. And they certainly wouldn't be calling you in the middle of the night.

* Never give your credit card or banking information over the phone to someone you don't know.

* If you're staying at a hotel and get a call from someone claiming to be a hotel employee, hang up the phone and call the front desk yourself. Better yet, go down to the front desk. Chances are the call didn't come from the hotel.

* Remind friends and family not to provide credit card information over the phone during a hotel stay.

* Please share this information with friends and family who may be travelers.



Mr. & Mrs. Johnson

Johnson's celebrate 50th Anniversary

Dennis and Beth Johnson of Chennai, South India, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary January 27. The couple married in 1962 in College Church of Christ at Abilene Christian University.

Beth is the daughter of Richard and Travis Finch of Clarendon. Dennis is the son of Jim and Eva Johnson of Winnipeg, Canada.

Beth has worked as a Secondary School Teacher while Dennis is a Preacher.

The couple have five children, Denise Dahl of Bimidi, MN, Brett Johnson of Atlanta, GA, Ferah Glott of Columbia, SC, Matthew Johnson of Atlanta, GA, and Isharah Macon of Columbia, SC; 18 grandchildren and one great-grandchildren.

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1911: County votes in favor of Prohibition

July 22, 1911 was the date set for the vote on adding Prohibition to the Texas Constitution. This proposed amendment was for "prohibiting sale, barter, and exchange of intoxicating liquors except for medicinal, scientific, and sacramental purposes." Such an amendment would definitely lead to a rash of snake bites, scientific research, and church attendance on Communion Sundays.

This amendment would not affect Donley County's dry status, but it would make the rest of Texas as saintly as we were. The terminology of the passionate campaign was confusing for my simple mind because pros were not for drinking and antis were not against it. Pros were for prohibition, and Antis were

against not being able to obtain spirits in places other than the doctor's office, laboratory, or church.

Editor Allen M. Beville, Sr was a pro heart and soul. Every 1911 Clarendon News issue up to July 29 was full of multiple articles on the evils of alcohol. Arguments based on logic, sentiment, and threats of hell-fire and damnation were used freely.

The Prohibitionists in Donley County must have been rather sure of the outcome being in their favor on Election Day. At least Editor Beville assumed that attitude in his editorial in the July 22 edition, which of course, came out on the voting day and went to press before votes had been counted. Beville stated:

"If 500,000 of the 600,000 of the (poll tax paid) voters of Texas

vote today we feel sure that Texas will vote dry. The campaign has not been without some bitterness and like all quarrels both are to blame. We have not always been tolerant of our neighbor's opinion, nor he of ours, and about all that comes from our contentions are the scars that remain. If you are conscious of having offended anyone, you should speedily do what you can to heal the breach. If State wide is lost, we shall greatly regret it, but we shall not complain or inveigh against our neighbors who helped make the result."

The July 29th issue gives the Donley County voting results by voting site which is interesting in

giving us some insight into the demographics in our county in 1911.

Old Town - 15 For, 5 Against; Clarendon - 206 For, 80 Against; Lelia Lake - 51 For, 25 Against; Giles - 22 For, 15 Against; Hedley - 88 For, 32 Against; Rowe Ranch - 5 For, 4 Against; Jericho - 5 For, 10 Against; Watkins - 4 For, 6 Against (Where is Watkins?); Bray 25 For, 4 Against; Martin School H. - 14 For, 5 Against; Pleasant Valley - 6 For, 2 Valley.

Despite this local vote, the state vote "the (election went) wet by 6,000 votes." Despite his advice of breech healing the week before, Beville inveighed in no uncertain terms in the July 29th editorial.

High winds cause damage throughout Howardwick

Here we go with my favorite subject again - the weather. And how do we describe Sunday, January 22, 2012?

It began as a beautiful morning, around 45° and light breezes even though we were under a high wind advisory by the National Weather Service.

Around 10 a.m., the front came through and 77 mph gusts were reported in Clarendon. We had sustained winds of 35-45 mph at our house with thick dust, then unbelievably, it began to rain mud drops that cleared the air of dust but not enough to measure.

The wind continued until around 6 p.m., then we checked for damage. The roof, fence, barn and cook-shack all survived, outside fur-

niture and flower pots were scattered and some were broken but we came through with no damage.

The roof on City Hall was damaged, Roger Murphy lost part of his roof, a car port was found in the middle of the street, unknown owner.

We had a very large patio umbrella flapping on our fence until the wind changed directions, now it is shredded in the mesquite grove behind our house. Trees in the park and golf course took a major hit along with trees in yards.

Major clean-up will be necessary in our little community.

Oh, I hate the way the year has started.

I don't know how many New England Patriots and New York Giants football fans there are around here, but they are happy. Their teams are going to the Super Bowl in a couple of weeks. For the rest of us, we won't remember who played.

Remember all our sick in the community and keep them in your prayers.



'wick picks
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DCSC cooks Star Lindsay, Adenia Baird, and Carolyn Shults with their new oven.

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Thanks to the wonderful members of the Community Fellowship Church for sharing their blessings with us! The Donley County Senior Citizens Center now has a new convection oven!

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A helping hand

The Clarendon College men's basketball team serves a meal at Faith City Mission in Amarillo on January 11.

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CC Meats, Livestock Judging Teams compete in Colorado

Clarendon College competed at the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) Intercollegiate Meat Judging Contest January 15 at the JBS USA, Beef Facility in Greeley, Colorado.

Clarendon placed third as a team with 3495 points. Fort Scott Community College placed first in the contest with 3566 points. David Holland, a freshman from Killen placed third overall. Meghan Murry, a freshman from Wylie was third high in the alternates contest.

The CC Livestock Team competed at the NWSS Intercollegiate Livestock Judging Contest January 12-13.

Clarendon placed 18th out of 29 teams with 4427 points. Redlands Community College placed first with 4726 points. Logan Mason, a sophomore from Muleshoe was the high individual in the Sheep/Goats division and placed 46th overall.

The FFA/4H Judging Contest at Clarendon College is scheduled for Saturday, March 24. 2,000 students

are expected to participate in the event.

The Area 1 FFA Leadership Camp will be on campus June 17-20. 300 students and teachers are expected to participate.

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WTAMU Awards Diplomas to Fall 2011 Graduates

Degrees were officially conferred on 522 West Texas A&M University students during fall commencement exercises Dec. 16 at the First United Bank Center.

The University awarded 403 baccalaureate degrees, 117 master's degrees and two doctoral degrees.

Graduates with an overall grade point average of 3.50 or higher were recognized as honor graduates and wore gold honor cords.

The three levels of honor recognition are Summa Cum Laude (3.90-4.00), Magna Cum Laude (3.75-3.89) and Cum Laude (3.50-3.74).

The WTAMU Class of 2010 included 29 graduates with Summa Cum Laude honors, 25 students with Magna Cum Laude honors and 40 with Cum Laude honors.

Donley County students graduating included Eddi L. Marks of Clarendon, Bachelor of General Studies - Summa Cum Laude; Abigail M. Patten of Clarendon, Bachelor of Business Administration - Cum Laude; and Kristin T. McAfee of Hedley, Bachelor of Arts in History - Magna Cum Laude.

WTAMU Announces Fall '11 Honors Lists

West Texas A&M University has named more than 1,300 students to honors lists for the fall 2011 semester.

Of that total, 452 were named to the President's List and 932 students were named to the Dean's List.

Students named to the President's List must have a grade point average (GPA) of 4.00 and carry a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours. Local students on the President's List: Deidre Lewis of Clarendon, sophomore, Pre-Nursing; Eddi Marks of Clarendon, senior, General Studies; Phonpasueuth Sisomsouk of Clarendon, sophomore, Accounting; and Jaci Copelin of Hedley, senior, Education.

Those named to the Dean's List must have a GPA between 3.50 and 3.99 and carry a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

Local Students on the Dean's List include: Tamara Bains of Clarendon, senior, Accounting; Sarah Hatley of Clarendon, senior, Education; Brandi Mays of Clarendon, sophomore, Graphic Design; Julie Shields of Clarendon, junior, English; of Spencer Shields of Clarendon, sophomore, English; and Reid Copelin of Hedley, freshman, Biology.



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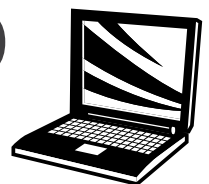
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SCHOOL LIFE

two thousand and eleven



Clarendon's Anna Cenicerros against Wellington.



JV Lady Bronco Phara Berry against Shamrock last week.



Cody Wood shoots two during the game against Wellington.



Trajen Johnson against Wellington last Tuesday.



Clarendon College's Alex Harrison of Lubbock goes up for two against Lamar College last week. The Bulldogs fell in the last seconds of the game.



Clarendon PIPs performers at the Lady Bronco halftime show last Tuesday night.



PIP performer Harrison Howard during the halftime show at the Bulldog game last week.



PIP performer Makenna Shadle during the Lady Bronco halftime show last Tuesday.

JV Ladies storm Wellington

The Lady Bronco junior varsity soundly defeated Wellington at home

last Tuesday night 46-20. Several players contributed to the win as the team is still supporting a winning season.

After jumping out to a big first quarter lead, the ladies allowed Wellington back in the game in second quarter of play. But they came out on fire after the break and played great defense to shut down everything their opponents tried. The Lady Rockets only managed six points the entire second half.

Camra Smith and Taylor Gaines led the Lady Broncos' attack and finished in double figures.

Scoring: Smith 14, Gaines 12, Phara Berry 9, Elizabeth O'Rear 5, Haley Ferguson 4, and Savannah Topper 2.

On Friday, the ladies took

on Shamrock at home and easily defeated them 43-26. Despite being outsized, the ladies took care of business and were able to execute their offense their way. Defensively, the Lady Broncos played hard, but Coach Kasey Bell knows they need to stay strong.

"We have to work on our rebounding," Bell said. "We let them get too many offensive rebounds on us. But we were able to hold our composure against an aggressive team and get the win."

Scoring: Ferguson 10, M. White 8, Berry 6, Topper 5, Gaines 4, Smith 4, S. White 4, and Gail Mata 2.

The ladies will play at Quanah Friday, January 27, and host Wheeler Tuesday, January 31.

Bronco JV stopped by 'Rockets

The Clarendon Bronco junior varsity had their hands full with Wellington at home last week. Despite playing hard, the Broncos were defeated 30-45.

The game was much closer than the score revealed as the Broncos were making a comeback when it came to the last minutes on the clock. A called intentional foul broke the Broncos' momentum and the Rockets went on to win.

Wellington held the upper hand for three quarters, but the Broncos started to connect on their shots in the middle of the final seven minutes. At one point the game was still

in reach, but the Rockets took control and got the win.

"We came out flat offensively," coach Alton Gaines said. "I really thought by the second quarter we would come out of it, but we didn't. They really played hard, but things just didn't go our way. You're going to have nights like that. We just have to get better defensively."

Scoring: Mitchell Parry 12, Charles Mason 7, Johnathon Cartwright 7, Cedrick McCampbell 2, and Zach Cornell 2.

The Broncos travel to Quanah Friday, January 27, and play Wheeler here Tuesday, January 31, at 5 p.m.

Barker competes in Powerlifting meet

Clarendon powerlifter Corey Barker participated in the Plainview Powerlifting Meet and finished with good results in third place in the 132.5 weight class.

Barker squatted 290 pounds, bench pressed 225 pounds, and dead lifted 355 pounds for a total of 870 pounds. According to coach Johnny Nino, Barker tied for second in reality, but because of the tie breaking system, Barker was awarded third.

In the event of a tie, the top

place goes to the lifter that weighed in at the least weight. Barker's weigh-in weight was 132.4 and the other lifter's weight was 129. Nino was pleased with the effort Barker gave at the meet.

"Corey did a great job competing," he said. "At one point he was fourth in the meet but fought back and did a personal best in the bench press."

Barker will be competing in more powerlifting meets this season.

Lady Colts fall to Wellington girls

Both Lady Colt teams struggled against two good Wellington teams on the road Monday, January 16. The seventh grade lost 18-31 and the eighth grade team lost 4-60.

The seventh graders were able to hold their own in the second half, but could never make up for the sluggish start they had in the first half of play. Wellington applied severe pressure, but according to Coach Shanna Shelton, the ladies controlled it fairly well.

"Both teams did a good job of handling the pressure," she said.

"They really played hard." Hannah Howard scored nine points and Jensen Hatley put in four.

The eighth graders fought to the end, but could never get anything to fall. They were limited offensively by their opponent's good defensive play, but did not quit.

Abby Durham scored four points in the game.

The ladies will take on Wheeler January 30 to end their regular season schedule. They will participate in the District Tournament in Clarendon February 2 and 4.

7th grade Colts defeat Wellington

The seventh and eighth grade Colts took on Wellington at home January 16 and the seventh grade earned a big win at 31-20.

The Colts stormed onto the court and took a commanding 14-0 lead after one quarter. Wellington did put points on the board before the break, but the Colts' lead was secure, as they stayed tough until the buzzer. Coach Brandt Lockhart was pleased with his team's play, especially defensively.

"The seventh grade did a great job of pressuring the basketball and getting turnovers," he said. Taylon Knorpp was dominating inside and Marshal Johnson helped from the bench to lead the Colts to the win with 13 and five points."

Scoring: Knorpp 13, Johnson 5, Chance Lockhart 4, Clay Koetting 3, Keandre Cortez 3, and Seth Greer 1.

The eighth grade Colts played solid basketball, but was denied a win. Wellington won 22-17.

It was only a two-point game throughout for the first three quarters of play, but the Colts stumbled slightly enough in the final period for the Rockets to catch the momentum and take the lead. Offensively, the Colts could not put the points on the board with minutes left in the game.

"We did a good job of playing defense," Lockhart said. "But we could not convert our shots at the end." Bryce Hatley made good on eight points from the field to lead the Colts. Chesson Sims added five and Caleb Cobb helped with four to round out the scoring.

The Colts will play Wheeler at home January 30 beginning at 5:00 p.m. and will participate in the District Tournament to be held February 2 and 4 at Wellington.

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Lady Broncos overpower Wellington

By Sandy Anderberg

Outstanding basketball was exhibited by the Lady Broncos in their 50-38 win over state-ranked Wellington at home Tuesday night.

Defeating the 10th ranked team was huge for the Lady Broncos and gave them the edge going into the second half of district play.

Clarendon finished the first half 4-0 (17-4) and will end regular season play in less than two weeks. They will face off against Wellington again on February 3.

Wellington was stunned at the aggressive play by the Lady Broncos.

Defensively, Clarendon was spot on, which allowed them to execute offensively.

It was a close game throughout, and the Lady Broncos trailed by five at the break but came back to take a two-point lead after three.

The final period was the back-breaker for the Lady Rockets as the Lady Broncos poured on the pressure and took a commanding lead with just minutes left.

Wellington committed several last minute desperation fouls to try to stop the Lady Broncos, but they were unsuccessful in their attempts.

Clarendon made 13/18 free throws in the game and had three



Step aside

Lady Bronco Trevela Dronzek drives the ball to score during thier big 50-38 win over the Wellington last Tuesday night in the Bronco Gym. The Lady Broncos played aggressively to finish strong against the Lady Skyrockets who are ranked 10th in the State.

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players finish in double figures.

Coach Molly Weatherred was very pleased with the team effort by the ladies.

"I really felt that the girls played extremely hard Tuesday night," Weatherred said.

"They did a great job handling the press and keeping their composure throughout the entire game. We

had a lot of girls step up and make big plays.

"I thought Trevela Dronzek did a great job attacking the basket and hitting shots early in the game, and Ryann Starnes hit four big shots in the fourth quarter when we were struggling to score. Jentry Shadle and Deborah Howard stepped up and made their free throws when we

needed them."

The ladies will play at Quanah Friday, January 27, and take on Wheeler at home Tuesday, January 31 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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Varsity 8:00 p.m.
in Wellington

Broncos Roster

2	CODY WOOD	JR.
3	MITCHELL PARRY	JR.
5	DIEGO SANTOS	JR.
12	JONAH SELL	JR.
15	TREVOR COBB	JR.
24	JASON PIGG	SR.
25	WES WILLIAMS	SR.
32	TRAJEN JOHNSON	JR.
33	COLE WARD	JR.
42	TYLER BURCH	JR.
44	JACOB PIGG	SR.
50	ADAM TOPPER	JR.

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January 24

Lady Broncos v. Wheeler
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Varsity 6:30 p.m.
Bronco Gym

February 3

Lady Broncos v. Wellington
JV 5 p.m.
Varsity 6:30 p.m.
in Wellington

Lady Broncos Roster

3	JENTRY SHADLE	JR.
10	JENCY BURTON	JR.
12	TREVELA DRONZEK	SR.
15	DEBORAH HOWARD	SO.
20	MARQUEDA GAINES	SR.
22	ANNA CENICEROS	JR.
23	RYANN STARNES	SO.
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Broncs defeat Skyrockets

By Sandy Anderberg

Wellington proved to be no match for the Broncos at home last Tuesday night as Clarendon won, 49-31.

The Broncos took a dominating lead in the first quarter and played tough to get the district win.

Currently, the Broncos record is 2-0 in district and 10-10 overall for the season.

The Rockets looked as though they might muster up a comeback, but the Broncos stayed solid on defense and worked their offense to put points on the board.

Adam Topper was unwavering under the basket and led the Broncos to their victory with 16 points on the scoreboard.

Cole Ward also added some inside strength to put up 10 points. Trajen Johnson added a spark from the bench and finished with seven points.

Coach Brandt Lockhart liked the Broncos' team effort in the win.

"We did a great job of playing team defense and moved the ball well," he said.



Come to Topper

Bronco Adam Topper reaches for the ball last Tuesday night during their win over the Wellington Skyrockets.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

Scoring: Topper 16, Ward 10, Johnson 7, Jonah Sell 5, Wes Williams 4, Tyler Burch 3, Trevor Cobb

2, and Cody Wood 2.

The Broncos will continue district play Friday, January 27, at

Quanah and will play Wheeler at home Tuesday, January 31, at 8:00 p.m.

Sheriff's Report

January 16, 2012

2:48 a.m.- Report of loud music, 100 Blk. Janny Drive.

7:16 a.m.- See complainant at Sheriff's Office.

9:15 a.m.- See complainant, 700 Blk. E. 2nd.

9:54 a.m.- To jail with one in custody.

4:02 p.m.- Numerous calls of wreck less driver, eastbound on Hwy 287.

8:04 p.m.- See complainant, 600 Blk. E. 3rd.

8:15 p.m.- Report of suspicious activity 300 Blk. Walleye.

January 17, 2012

8:42 a.m. EMS assist 400 Blk. E. Wood.

9:22 a.m.- Out at Courthouse.

11:11 a.m.- Out at Hedley Justice of the Peace office.

2:24 p.m.- EMS assist at Clinic.

9:20 p.m.- See complainant, 500 Blk. W. 4th.

10:40 p.m.- Checking alarm, 500 Blk.

W. 4th.

10:57 p.m.- Report of prowler, 700 Blk. E. White.

January 18, 2012

2:20 a.m.- EMS assist, 100 Blk. S. McClelland.

9:23 a.m.- EMS assist at Community Care Center.

4:04 p.m.- EMS assist, 600 Blk. S. Johns.

10:51 p.m.- Courtesy ride to Howard-wick.

January 19, 2012

2:20 a.m.- Units dispatched for semi rollover, Hwy 287 westbound of Giles area.

2:52 a.m.- Lifestar dispatched for wreck.

10:52 a.m.- EMS assist 300 Blk. Angel St.

11:10 a.m.- EMS assist at Community Care Center.

11:18 a.m.- EMS assist 100 Blk. Line St.

1:20 p.m.- Out at Courthouse.

3:49 p.m.- Units paged for grass fire, County Road I.

6:09 p.m.- See complainant 700 Blk. W. 4th.

11:39 p.m.- EMS assist 100 Blk. N. Carhart.

January 20, 2012

4:41 a.m.- EMS assist 200 Blk. Charles Drive.

9:33 a.m.- Out at Annex.

9:55 a.m.- EMS assist at Community Care Center.

2:41 p.m.- EMS assist 500 Blk. E. 4th.

3:07 p.m.- EMS assist at Clinic.

3:20 p.m.- Semi blocking Hwy N. 70 at Hwy 287.

3:45 p.m.- Out at Municipal Court.

4:42 p.m.- See complainant 1000 Blk. W. 8th.

6:38 p.m.- Report of possible domestic at Subway.

10:46 p.m.- Report of loud noises 100 Blk. N. Carhart.

January 21, 2012

3:16 a.m.- Noise complaint 600 Blk.

Collinson.

8:02 p.m.- See complainant 500 Blk. Carhart.

10:00 p.m.- Report of drunks at Taylors.

10:06 p.m.- To jail with one in custody.

10:25 p.m.- Units paged for semi rollover, I-40 & N. 70.

January 22, 2012

8:45 a.m.- Loose livestock 1260 N. Adamson.

9:05 a.m.- See complainant 300 Blk. Adamson.

2:00 to 5:00 p.m.- Numerous calls of damage due to wind.

7:44 p.m.- EMS assist 300 Blk. Angel St.



The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting January 24, 2012, with Boss Lion Steve Hall in charge.

We had 19 members, Lion Sweetheart Mikayla Shadle, and one guest this week - Nathan Estlack, guest of Lion Ashlee Estlack.

Lion John Taylor reported on upcoming ballgames at the public school, and Lion Tex Buckhaults reported on the men's and women's teams at the college.

Lion Lambert Little presented our program and had a slideshow of different concept cars, including prototypes of the Ford Mustang and two cars that used a nuclear engine.

Upcoming programs will be given by Lion Phil Shirley next week, Lion John Taylor the following week, and then Boss Lion Steve Hall.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

Johnston wins men's game

By Sandy Anderberg

Golfer Redell Johnston won the weekly men's game last Wednesday at the Clarendon Country Club.

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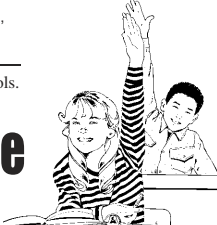
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Funding: School, college dealing with less

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the Equity Center in one of four lawsuits against the state regarding the disparity in school funding.

At the same time funding is being reduced, Texas is growing by more than 80,000 students per year, Hysinger said. But in Clarendon, enrollment is falling from 511 last year to 499 this year. This also hurts financially since state funding is based on student numbers.

While facing funding issues, public schools also have another challenge. The state has adopted the new STAAR accountability testing for students which puts more pressure on schools and increases the number of standardized testing dates from 25 to about 45.

COLLEGE IMPACT

At the community college level, President Phil Shirley said CC suffered a \$300,000 cut when all was

said and done and the next round of cuts may be that much or a little more.

"It's going to be tough, but we will persevere," Shirley said.

The college has three main ways to raise more money. Raising property taxes from the current 22¢ per \$100 valuation would bring in only \$30,000 without triggering a rollback election. Increasing tuition and fees is not a good option because the college has gone to high in that area already. Grants are a possibility, but in the current economy, foundations aren't giving out money like they used to.

"We've got to be smarter and more efficient, and we've got to operate cheaper but operate well with excellence in mind," Shirley said.

The cuts in state funding also

come as the college tries to find ways to deal with aging dormitories that need renovating and at a time when the college is seeking to improve its other facilities. Shirley said the Livestock & Equine Center needs bathrooms and a concession area, and there is a need for a field house, bathrooms, and a concession area to complement the baseball and softball fields.

Forming new partnerships and finding ways to serve more students will also help the college as it moves forward.

Both the college and the public school welcome interested citizens to visit their facilities. Shirley and Hysinger say they are trying to be good stewards of the money they are entrusted with and doing their best to weather the financial storms of the current economy.

Firemen:

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College Station, Canyon, Lubbock and Floydada.

The CFD would like to thank all its supporters for all the donations that have helped them pay their bills and keep their equipment in operating condition this year. Also, the firemen would like to send a special thanks to the Clarendon Firebelles for their continued support. They also like to thank the Clarendon Associated Ambulance Authority crews for their support.

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EQIP ranking period cuts-off February 3

LUBBOCK – USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) District Conservationist Weldon Sears reminds agriculture producers that the ranking period cut-off date for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) is February 3, 2012.

Producers interested in EQIP should submit applications to the Donley County NRCS office by the deadline so their applications can be considered during the first ranking period of 2012.

EQIP – one of the largest programs in the Farm Bill – is a voluntary conservation program that promotes environmental quality and assists producers to meet local, state and federal regulations.

"EQIP is a valuable tool to help Donley County's agricultural producers implement conservation practices that provide environmental

benefits to help sustain agricultural operations," says Sears.

EQIP is a continuous sign-up program that allows landowners or operators to apply for financial and technical assistance for the application of specific conservation practices; but the deadline for the first 2012 funding is February 3, 2012. Contracts are offered periodically depending on budgetary allocations. Applications made after the deadline will be considered in the next funding cycle. Higher priority will be given to applications that address national, state and local priorities and provide higher cost efficiency.

For more information, including eligibility requirements, call the USDA Service Center office in Clarendon at (806)874-3561 ext. 3. Service center locations and program information can be found at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.

Emergency Farm Loans available

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by drought, excessive heat, high winds, and wildfires are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office located in Clarendon, Farm Loan Manager Tonya Watson said today.

Donley and Armstrong Counties are just two of 131 counties in Texas recently designated by the Secretary of Agriculture as eligible for loans to cover part of actual production and/or physical losses resulting from the drought, excessive heat, high winds and wildfires.

Tonya Watson said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 100 percent of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue the agricultural business, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain

credit from private commercial lenders, the interest rate is 3.75 percent.

"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of crop production or suffered any physical loss to be eligible for an FSA emergency loan under this disaster designation", Watson said. Producers participating in the Federal Crop Insurance program will have to consider proceeds received by producers as a result of the physical loss will have to be considered in determining their total loss.

"Applications for loans under this emergency designation will be accepted until September 04, 2012, but farmers should apply as soon as possible," Watson said.

The FSA office in Clarendon is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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vibrant and growing.

The board also listened to a proposal from Athletic Director John Green to return the CC basketball program to Division One in the NJCAA. After several questions, the board voted in favor of the proposal.

The board ratified the hiring of Jackie Sublett as the director of the RN program.

In his president's report, Shir-

ley said he was pushing to "do something" about developmental education, which he said students sometimes find themselves trapped in. Under his direction, incoming students were receiving short refresher sessions from the faculty for math, reading, and writing before taking Accuplacer tests. Shirley said the pass rate for the reading test was up to 77 percent afterwards

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Fri	20	66°	27°	-
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