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

## Santa letters due; Early deadline set

Kids have until 5 p.m. this Thursday, December 13, to get their Santa letters to the ENTERPRISE for inclusion in next week's Christmas Section, which will be mailed directly to the North Pole.

And readers and advertisers are advised that an early deadline has been set for the December 27 edition due to Christmas falling on Tuesday. All news, ads, and photos for that issue must be in the office this Friday, December 14, due to an early press date next week. We appreciate your cooperation.

## Countywide burn ban begins Monday

A countywide burn ban will be in effect next Monday following action taken by Donley County Commissioners this week.

In their regular meeting December 10, the commissioners banned outdoor burning during 24 hours prior to or on the day of a forecasted Fire Weather Watch or Red Flag Warning issued by the National Weather Service in Amarillo.

Persons engaging in outdoor burning must contact the Donley County Sheriff's Office prior to ignition. The person doing the burning needs also to be present at the burn until it is completed.

All persons engaging in any form of burning is asked to burn with extreme caution.

For more information, see the notice on page nine.

## Sheriff says check scams underway

The Donley County Sheriff's Office is reporting that senior citizens are being targeted with a check scam this month.

Sheriff Butch Blackburn said local citizens need to be on the lookout for mailings which claim to have a large cash awards or settlements, up to \$300,000. A check for a portion of the "winnings" or "settlement" includes instructions to deposit the check and send a portion back to claim the balance.

Blackburn said two local people have received checks on accounts supposedly belonging to "JB Hunt" or "Tax Free Shopping, LLC." The scams originate out of Canada, which makes prosecution very difficult, he said.

For more information, contact the sheriff's office at 874-3533.

## Grand Jury issues two indictments

The Donley County Grand Jury handed up two indictments when it met December 5, 2012, according to information from District Attorney Luke Inman's office.

Tate Aulton Irons was indicted on the second degree felony of Aggravated Assault for an offense that allegedly occurred on July 6, 2012.

Bryan Darrell Henley was indicted on the state jail felony of Abandoning a Child for an offense that allegedly occurred also on July 6, 2012.

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## Move over!

Clarendon senior McKayla Cartwright charges down the court during the Greenbelt Tournament last week. The Lady Broncos were named the tournament champions after they defeated Miami, 56-34. For more tournament information, see page seven.

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## District court hears pleas in three cases

Three pleas took place resulting in two convictions and one deferred adjudication when the 100th District Court met in Clarendon on Thursday, December 6, 2012.

District Attorney Luke Inman prosecuted the cases for the State of Texas with the Honorable Judge Stuart Messer presiding.

A total of \$6,500 in fines was assessed as a result of the pleas that took place on December 6. In addition to the fines, the defendants were required to pay a total of \$1,296 in court costs and \$2,140 restitution.

Richard Wayne Hyatt, Jr., pleaded true to allegations listed in the State's Motion to Revoke Community Supervision. Kindel was convicted and sentenced to 16 months in the State Jail Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

On January 25, 2010, the 26-year-old resident of Amarillo originally pleaded guilty to the state

jail felony offense of driving while intoxicated with a child passenger that occurred on May 23, 2009, in Donley County.

The State filed the motion to revoke on October 2, 2012, alleging nine violations of community supervision.

Hyatt is also required to pay \$558 in court costs to Donley County and a \$2,500 fine.

Randy Lee Carr was convicted of the second degree felony offense of arson. Carr was convicted and sentenced to five years in the Institutional Division of Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Carr, 41-year-old resident of Tyler, was arrested on May 20, 2012, by Carson County Sheriff's Deputy J.C. Blackburn and pleaded guilty to a complaint filed by the State on December 5, 2012.

Pursuant to the plea agreement, Carr was required to pay \$295 in court costs to Carson County.

Dealonie Whitehurst was placed on probation for a period of four years for the second degree felony offense of possession of a controlled substance. Whitehurst pleaded guilty and was placed on deferred adjudication for the offense.

Whitehurst, 31-year-old resident of Sacramento, Calif., was arrested in Donley County by Deputy Vincent Marasco for the offense that took place October 30, 2012. Whitehurst pleaded guilty to a complaint filed by the State on November 29, 2012.

Pursuant to the plea agreement, Whitehurst is required to pay a \$4,000 fine to Donley County, \$140 restitution, pay \$443 in court costs, and complete 200 hours of community service. If Whitehurst violates probation, he could face up to 20 years in the Institutional Division of TDCJ.

Three other cases with Donley

County connections were resolved when the court met in Memphis on December 5 and Childress on December 3.

In Memphis, Tiffany Norris was placed on probation for a period of four years for the second degree felony offense of possession of a controlled substance. Norris pleaded guilty and was placed on deferred adjudication for the offense.

Norris, 22-year-old resident of Reno, NV, was arrested in Donley County for the offense that took place October 30, 2012, and pleaded guilty to a complaint filed by the State on November 29, 2012.

Pursuant to the plea agreement, Norris is required to pay a \$4,000 fine to Donley County, pay \$443 in court costs, \$140 restitution, and complete 200 hours of community service. If Norris violates probation, she could face up to 10 years in the Institutional Division of TDCJ.

See 'Court' on page 5.

## City crews battle water line breaks

Quick action by city employees repaired a broken water line last Tuesday, December 4, but a loss of pressure during the repair resulted in a "Boil Water Notice" being issued temporarily for Clarendon residents.

A contractor rehabilitating a city water well site struck a six-inch line while digging a slush pit just before 5 p.m., and the City of Clarendon Public Works Department responded immediately by notifying employees that they were needed, arranging for the necessary equipment and parts and making the necessary "line locate" call to DIG-TESS (Texas Excavation Safety System), the organization which locates all underground utilities before excavations start.

City officials said the pipe was so damaged that removal and replacement of a section of the line was necessary. Because the city's water system has only a few isolation valves, fire hydrants in the area had to be opened to relieve the water pressure. When pressure was reduced, the excavation around the damaged pipe could be pumped out and the repair completed.

City Hall initially said repairs would take most of the night, but city workers fixed the line by about 7:30 p.m.

"I commend these City employees for the skill and courage they exhibited in completing this difficult repair in such a short time," said City Administrator Lambert Little. "Public Works Director John Molder, this department's most seasoned veteran, was out on leave. Nathan Jaramillo was the Supervisor-in-Charge, and I think it took a lot of guts to tackle this project. Training and experience paid off. He and the rest of the crew turned what could have been a real disaster into what I believe to be one of our finest hours."

Little also noted that Greenbelt Water Authority assisted by lending manpower and equipment and said city employees from other departments volunteered and were on standby, ready to help if needed.

"Teamwork like this is inspirational," Little said.

The Boil Water Notice was issued Tuesday night because of how low the pressure dropped across town. Little said the precautionary measure is mandated by the TCEQ (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality). While a loss of pressure does not necessarily mean the water has been contaminated, it does mean that pathogens may be able to enter the piped-water system and thus be



City workers Jeff McKee (white shirt), Coby Broughton (obscured by water), and Brandon Moody work to repair a ruptured line Tuesday evening, December 4.

COURTESY PHOTO / CITY OF CLARENDON

carried to consumers.

As the water pressure was restored, city crews flushed fire hydrants across town to remove air and to circulate as much freshly-treated water as possible. By Wednesday at noon, city personnel had taken water samples from across town and sent them to a laboratory in Amarillo for testing.

"The City of Clarendon takes Boil Water Notices very seriously," Little said. "We understand what an enormous inconvenience such notices cause, not just for citizens in their day-to-day activities but for

local businesses as well. Restaurants and convenience stores rely on our water for their ice and drink machines and for restrooms that their customers need and expect. The schools and the College, the nursing home and clinic, the hotels—all rely on our water system. We will issue Boil Water Notices only to preserve customer health and safety."

The Boil Water Notice was rescinded Thursday afternoon when test results came back showing no contamination.

City workers were called on again to work afterhours this week-

end to when other leaks developed in the city's aging water system—one in a residential area in the south central part of town and another on a cast iron line that runs under the railroad northwest of the City Barn. Crews worked much of Saturday on the first leak and then were back on the job Sunday to fix the line near the railroad.

"I'll say over and over again how much the City appreciated the cooperation and understanding of our customers," Little said. "And I'll say again how proud I am of the Public Works Department."

## Merchants' prepare to give back next week

Shopping at home next Friday, December 21, will benefit the community even more when several Clarendon merchants donate part of their sales to the Donley County Senior Citizens Center.

Fifteen local businesses have signed up for a special promotion to help raise funds for the senior citizens.

Clarendon merchants have always given money to charitable projects, but last year ten local businesses joined together and were able to raise \$2,500 for the senior citizens.

"This is a chance to help those who have served our community for years," said Terri Floyd at Every Nook & Cranny. "They've done their part for Clarendon, and now we can give back to them."

This year Clarendon Chamber of Commerce President Bonnie Campbell helped coordinate the merchant's effort and was able to increase the number of participants.

Other communities are not as fortunate to have such a good senior center as Clarendon has, and merchants hope people will participate in this endeavor.

Senior citizens centers are constantly in need of funds, but recent government regulations have put even more burden on these organizations. The government now requires that milk be included with each meal even if the client does not want the milk, she said.

Currently, the Donley County Senior Citizens Center prepares 130 meals per day, five days a week.

A complete list of merchants participating in next Friday's fundraiser is not yet ready, but so far the businesses include: Every Nook & Cranny, Stavenhagen Video, Mike's Pharmacy, Country Bloomers & Gifts, Henson's, Ronna's Creations, Clarendon Outpost, Straight Off The Ranch, The Clarendon Enterprise, Lowe's Family Center, J&W Lumber, Campbell Online Marketing, McKinney Motor Company, Wishes Quilting & Fabrics, and Floyd's Automotive Supply. Look in next week's Enterprise for more information.



# Let's set a new tone for our city

For better or worse, the City of Clarendon was the talk of the town again last week. But this time it was not so much for the Board of Aldermen. This time it was breakdowns in our public waterworks.

A contractor damaged a waterline last Tuesday evening and, without going into all the gory details, the repair was fixed in a prompt and professional manner. The loss of pressure, however, meant that City Administrator Lambert Little had to follow proper procedure and issue a Boil Water Notice, something that was a bit of an inconvenience for folks until Thursday afternoon... but not as much of an inconvenience as having no water at all would have been.

There was a bit of hoopla over the boiling of the water, but for the most part people just went along and made the best of it.

Then over the weekend there were a couple of other water line breaks that affected people's service and were repaired by our dedicated city workers. Those seemed to elicit more chatter from armchair experts who took to social media to criticize not just the speed of the repairs but also city government in general and the city's sale of groundwater to Greenbelt Water Authority in particular. All of this over a couple of leaks that were repaired by guys working in cold, wet holes in the ground.

Perhaps it's time we all learned something from those guys.

Despite adverse conditions, our public works department jumped in – literally – and did what had to be done to get things fixed. They did it because it is their jobs, and it's what they do. Public Works Director John Molder's crew seems to be a hardworking bunch of guys, and they clearly demonstrated that he has trained the well enough, they can get the job done without him looking over their shoulders. (Molder was on medical leave when all this static was going on.)

Molder's men – like other city employees from the top down – don't need microscopic oversight from the board of aldermen and they certainly don't need second guessing from folks on Facebook who don't have a clue what challenges they are facing in the field. They need support – from the board and from the citizens.

As we close out this year, it is a good time to put aside the bitterness that seems to permeate our community and focus on what we can do to support the men in the trenches who make this city work and what steps can be taken to move Clarendon forward.

The Board of Aldermen has an excellent opportunity to set that tone Thursday night, December 13, when they will meet in a re-scheduled regular meeting. They have a vacancy to fill with the resignation of Alderman Terry Noble, and that will be as good a time as any to begin unifying our community, which they can do with careful consideration of who they choose to appoint.

From there it is a matter of learning to all work together, to respect each other, and move forward... together. The members of our Board of Aldermen have it within themselves to do what is in the best interests of the city and to put aside any hard feelings or personal agendas.

And as citizens we must all do that as well. There are problems to be fixed if Clarendon is to be prosperous. Aging waterlines need to be replaced, other infrastructure issues must be addressed, and hardworking employees deserve respect, fair treatment, and wages commensurate with the value of their positions to this city.

All of that costs money, and we need to be willing to pony up some of it when it's time to set the budget next fall. We have to invest in this city to make it prosper. But first we need to invest some faith in each other and learn to get along.



  
**editor's commentary**  
by roger estlack

# Dear Santa, All I want this year is...

One of the things that I love about the Christmas season is reading the letters to their children sent to Santa Claus, beseeching him to bring them some of the things of their hearts' desires. They profess that they've been good, perhaps even innocently embellishing some of their good behaviors. Their letters are true gems of our community and should be forever cherished.

In the spirit of their letters, I, too, have decided that I need to send Santa a letter and implore him to bring me a few of the things that I long for. Like the children, I have been a good boy – mostly. I must confess that I enjoy kicking up a little dust on occasion and may have inadvertently created some minor mischief – mostly among Republicans and tea party types. All in all, I feel my behavior has been good enough to warrant writing a letter to Santa, asking for my heart's desires (which will, at the very least, assuaging some issues that create angst in my spirit).

*Dear Santa:*  
This Christmas I would like the following items or reasonable substitutes if they aren't made in China:

1. New water pipes. Santa, in the best of times my water is a light brown, like weak tea. In the worst of times (which happens all too frequently) icky particulate matter and small builders come cascading out of my faucets. I don't think this is healthy for people to drink and bath in. Besides it leaves a ring around our bottoms, instead of the bottoms of the tubs. It's embarrassing when house guests run a tub full of water for a nice, soaking hot bath, and their bath water looks like it came straight out of the lake – which is unfair to the lake water because it is mostly pristine, spring fed, and clear.

2. A new GOP. The one we have now has grown to represent "Grumpy Old People." I want the Republican Party of Lincoln, TR, Dwight David, and Ronnie – maybe with a little Dubya

thrown in for seasoning. Good grief, the Republicans have become deaf, churlish, and mean spirited, as illustrated by their spokesmen, El Rushbo (large in body, small in mind), Han-nity (may have inhaled too many paint fumes in his previous career), O'Reilly (the "Oh really" factor?), and Grover (the lesser). In the past, the Republican Party was the party of giants. Now, it's mostly the party of intellectual gnats – people who whore themselves out to greedy hucksters like Grover Norquest, and others who clearly choose to push ideology over leadership and statesmanship.

3. A new U.S. Congress. The one we have is broken. Actually, it's worse than broken; it's dysfunctional – which is dangerous to Americans and the American way of life. Gone is doing what is right for the country. Not gone is doing what is right for whomever is paying the most. Wanna guess who that is? Try Wall Street, big defense contractors, greedy magnates, big oil, and General Electric types – American companies who don't pay any taxes whatsoever, and spend American dollars in other countries, buying cheap foreign labor. Our Congress is inept, unethical, and pathetic.

4. A new city council. We have four aldermen remaining since Terry Noble up and moved out of town – for love, of all things, and a bright future with his new bride. Good for him, and I wish him and his new bride the very best. Thankfully Will Thompson remains on the council, and is one of the true gentlemen in our town, and bright to boot. Maybe the new city alderman could have some of Will's characteristics: things



**the quick, the dead, & fred**  
by fred gray

like intelligence, courtesy, and emotional stability. We desperately need another good alderman – or two or three.

5. A new governor of Texas. Here we have the grandest of all states, and it's headed-up by one of the densest and most dumbfounding men I've ever known. Governor Rick is big, strapping, handsome in a manly way, and would make a mighty fine figurehead ornament for the ship of state. Unfortunately, we don't have a ship and what you see is pretty much all you get. Bless his heart, he must have been standing behind the door when the Creator was passing out brains. I cringe every time he sneezes, fearing that his head will surely implode. A new governor along the lines of Sam Houston, Ann Richards, or even another Dubya would be just fine.

6. A decent Republican Party presidential candidate. I realize that the president has not yet held his inauguration, but it may take awhile to find someone other than Governor Christy. Why is it so difficult to find a decent candidate? Because in order to win the election one has to survive the Republican primaries, which means a walk on the wild and crazy right side of the Party. Then, after being certified as a right-wing wacko (required to survive the various state primaries), the aforementioned candidate must then immediately tack to the center if s/he hopes to win the national election. This is nigh impossible to do. The Republican far right must lose influence if the Party is to survive as a relevant political force in the future.

Thank you, Santa. I hope you will bring me one or all of the items on my list. If for some reason you are unable to bring me what I've asked for, please bring me a four year supply of fine American whiskey; something like Wild Turkey or Jack Daniels Black. It could help me to keep a healthy attitude while the country goes to hell in a hand basket.

I love you, Santa.  
Freddy Gray,  
Clarendon, Texas



# Time is now to reform tax system

Pundits, economists, politicians and Americans from every walk of life have been discussing the rapidly approaching fiscal cliff that the country is poised to go over on January 1st. People are understandably both scared and frustrated.

Recently, I wrote about the effects of higher tax rates on the small businesses we depend on to create new jobs. Raising tax rates on these job creators would be bad for our ailing economy and depressing news for the more than 20 million Americans who are seeking full-time work.

Fortunately there's a better way. It has been proven time and again that lowering taxes for everyone results in higher revenues. If we enact lower, flatter tax rates for everyone, we would accomplish the goal of a fairer, simpler tax system, which would be a catalyst for faster economic growth. Small businesses have historically invested in their companies and grown their businesses – resulting in increased hiring.

The facts about the effects of lower tax rates on economic growth seem to have been forgotten during the past four years. In fact, every major tax reduction program since the Kennedy Administration's tax cuts has been followed by a substantial increase in revenue and solid economic growth.

During the Reagan administration, when income tax and capital gains tax rates were reduced dramatically, not

only did our economy grow rapidly (more than double the rate of the previous four years), federal tax revenues increased by 60 percent. At the same time, the share of federal taxes paid by the top 10 percent of incomes increased.

Likewise, the 2003 Bush tax cuts were followed by 52 consecutive months of healthy economic growth and generated a massive increase in federal tax revenue. From 2004 to 2007, federal tax revenue increased by \$780 billion (44 percent), the largest four-year increase in American history.

Four years after the start of the worst economic meltdown since the Great Depression, we are teetering on the verge of returning to recession, and the threat of higher taxes is partly to blame. Survey after survey of business owners and managers in the past year revealed that they are holding back on expansion and new hiring because they don't know what to expect from Washington, and they're afraid that much higher taxes are what's coming.

Nevertheless, President Obama's plan is to increase taxes by \$1.6 trillion over the next decade with much of this new revenue to be taken from smaller

businesses.

The president says he's willing to talk about fundamental tax reforms ... later. But he is insisting on immediate tax increases on small businesses and those who make more than \$200,000 (\$250,000 for joint filers).

Most Americans understand that raising taxes is bad for economic growth. Members of Congress understand this, too. Earlier this year, Congress considered President Obama's 2013 budget plan which was (no surprise) based on raising taxes by about \$1.6 trillion. The surprise was that not a single Member of Congress in either political party voted for the president's budget.

The president is now trying to force a false choice on Congress and our country. Either Congress votes to raise taxes right away on those making more than \$200,000 – including small businesses – or he will allow higher taxes to take effect for everyone on January 1st. This would help to lock in historically high levels of federal spending for years to come. Unfortunately, it would also be a major setback for our real critical national priorities – the economy and out-of-control deficits.

There's still time for the president and Congressional leaders to avoid taking the country over a financial cliff. This is also the right moment for a fundamental restructuring of our tax system that will energize our economy. But the window of opportunity is closing soon.

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Members of the Clarendon College men's and women's basketball teams collected food during a canned food drive Sunday afternoon for the First Baptist Church.

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### CC students give back during the holidays

They say it is better to give than receive, and that rang true for student athletes at Clarendon College this past week who have been busy off the court giving back to the community that supports them.

The Lady Bulldog Volleyball team spent last Tuesday shopping for Christmas presents for local children in foster care.

The gifts were purchased with money raised by the Donley County Child Welfare Board's annual "Kash for Kids" fundraiser each Fourth of July. The board currently serves 14 children in care from Donley County.

"The team volunteered to help us shop this year, and we truly appreciated them," Ann Huey, Donley County Child Welfare Board president said. "These are kids giving back to other kids and that is so important."

The team will meet this week to wrap the gifts which will then be delivered to children in care in time for Christmas morning.

"Our board works each year to make sure these kids are taken care of and have a wonderful Christmas, and we couldn't do it without the generosity of those who support our fundraiser each summer and these students who are so generous to volunteer," Huey said.

As the semester comes to a close, the Bulldog and Lady Bulldog basketball teams also pitched in to help those in need by canvassing Clarendon Sunday afternoon for their annual food drive. The players and coaches went door to door Sunday to collect items to help restock the food pantry at Clarendon First Baptist Church before the holidays, and the town showed their support in a big way – over 500 cans of food were collected.

"Thank you to the community for your generosity in helping us with a good cause," Bulldog Head Coach Tony Starnes said.

A newcomer at Clarendon College was also appreciative of the outpouring of support for the food drive.

"I'm new to town and I am really impressed with the caring and giving people in this community," Lady Bulldog Head Coach Brad Vanden Boogaard said.

The basketball teams will return to the Dawg House in January. The Lady Bulldogs take on Frank Phillips at home at 5:45 p.m. with the Bulldogs following against Frank at 7 p.m. on Monday, January 7.



Member of the Lady Bulldog Volleyball team last Tuesday shopping for Christmas presents for local children in foster care.

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**City pride**  
Clarendon Public Works employees display the damaged section of pipe. Back row, L to R: Coby Broughton, Billy Holman. Front row, L to R: Jeff McKee, Nathan Jaramillo, Brandon Moody.

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**December 14**  
Varsity Broncos & Lady Broncos v Boys Ranch • VG 6 p.m. • VB 7:30 p.m. • Clarendon

**December 17**  
Colts & Lady Colts v Panhandle • 5 p.m. • Panhandle

**December 18**  
Broncos & Lady Broncos v Valley • 4, 5, 6:30, 8 p.m. • Valley

Owls & Lady Owls v Shamrock • 6 p.m. • Hedley

**December 24**  
Christmas Eve

**December 25**  
Christmas Day

**December 27-29**  
Varsity Broncos & Lady Broncos compete in Canadian Tournament • TBA

**December 31**  
New Year's Eve

**January 4**  
Owls & Lady Owls v Silvertown • 6:30 p.m. • Silvertown

**January 8**  
Broncos & Lady Broncos v Claude • 5, 6:30, 8 p.m. • Clarendon

Owls & Lady Owls v Kress • 6:30 p.m. • Hedley

**January 10**  
Colts & Lady Colts v Memphis • 5 p.m. • Clarendon

**January 11**  
Broncos & Lady Broncos v Vega • 4, 5, 6:30, 8 p.m. • Vega

Owls & Lady Owls v Valley • 6:30 p.m. • Valley

**January 14**  
Colts & Lady Colts v Claude • 5 p.m. • Claude

**January 15**  
Broncos & Lady Broncos v White Deer • 5, 6:30, 8 p.m. • Clarendon

Owls & Lady Owls v McLean • 6:30 p.m. • Hedley

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Menus

December 17 - 21

**Donley County Senior Citizens**  
**Mon:** Baked chicken enchilada, refried beans, tossed salad, lemon pudding, iced tea/2% milk.  
**Tue:** Beef stew, potato, carrots, onions, cornbread, garden salad, oatmeal cookie, iced tea/2% milk.  
**Wed:** Roast turkey, bread dressing, seasoned broccoli, cranberry slices, pumpkin squares, wheat rolls, iced tea/2% milk.  
**Thu:** Chicken cordon bleu, mashed potatoes, Italian green beans, whole wheat roll, raspberry peaches, iced tea/2% milk.  
**Fri:** Lasagna, garlic bread, Brussels sprouts, sliced pears, iced tea/2% milk.

**Hedley Senior Citizens**  
**Mon:** Beef enchilada casserole, bar rancho beans, Spanish rice, cole slaw, corn bread, apricots, iced tea/2% milk.  
**Tue:** Roast beef/gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, broccoli/cauliflower salad, banana pudding, wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.  
**Wed:** BBQ chicken, roasted ranch potatoes, summer squash, tossed salad, wheat roll, peach cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.  
**Thu:** Beef stew, tossed salad, corn bread, orange pineapple cup, custard, iced tea/2% milk.  
**Fri:** Turkey & dressing, sweet potatoes, green beans, wheat roll, fruit salad, iced tea/2% 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:** Crispy tacos, garden salad, charrro beans, salsa, rose apple-sauce, milk.  
**Tue:** Spaghetti w/ meatballs, garden salad, cooked carrots, peaches, milk.  
**Wed:** Turkey & dressing, potatoes, green beans, strawberries & bananas, roll, milk.  
**Thu:** Ham & cheese sandwich, broccoli bites, garden salad, orange, milk.  
**Fri:** Turkey & cheese wrap, sweet potato tots, cucumber dippers, fruity gelatin, cookie, milk.

# Scams running rampant during holiday season

Hey group, its Christmas time and let's all be a little more aware. It is a good time to check your home to make sure that it is secure. Check the locks on doors and windows. Also check the lighting outside of your home. Thieves and burglars don't like light. Outside lights are very important they deter all kinds of unwanted guest. If you are gone at night leave a light or TV on. You can buy some timers that will turn your lights on and off. If you are like I am and do not answer the door just be aware that thieves that home invasions will then come to the back door and kick their way in. If you don't answer the door and they don't leave your property or come into your back yard call 911, and a Deputy will come to check them out.

The Christmas season is upon us and there are some other people out there you need to be aware of. They are checking car doors with hopes to steal your car, purse or any property left in it. Your garage door opener is a key to your home if it falls into a thief's hands. Protect yourself by not leaving valuables in your car and don't leave your car running with the keys in it. The thieves will strike when you turn your back. The best way to prevent a crime is to *never* give the thieves an opportunity.

**Identity Theft and the Holiday Season**

Identity theft has been on the rise in recent years, and a recent news article has indicated that Birmingham, Alabama has now made the top 50 U.S. cities for identity theft. There are always stories that highlight the risk of identity theft for citizens living in certain cities, states, or geographic regions. While

this information is informative and helpful to know, make sure you're not lured into a false sense of security.

**Lower Your Risk:** In today's technologically-dependent society where computers and electronic gadgets are plentiful, it's important to realize that everyone is at risk for identity theft. No matter where you live, it's important to take precautions aimed at reducing your risk of identity theft. With the holiday season approaching, we thought we'd provide you with a bit of a refresher course on preventing identity theft. Below you'll find out some helpful ways for preventing identity theft during this busy time of year.

**Be Careful When Shopping in Public:** If this means you have to leave your little ones at home while you shop for your aunt's Christmas gift, then go ahead and do so. The stores get very crowded during the holiday season. Combine that with the cheerful music and eye-catching decorations and most shoppers simply don't pay attention. This can leave them vulnerable to identity theft. One common way identity theft criminals take advantage of preoccupied shoppers is to snap a photo of the shopper's credit card by using their cell phones. Think about it. How often do you stand in line holding your credit card where other shoppers can see? Do yourself a favor – keep your credit card number hidden. You never know who's looking.

**Receipts, Receipts, Receipts:** When you give someone a gift, make sure you wrap the gift using the gift receipt and not your actual receipt. That's not saying you shouldn't

trust your friends and family, but you never know how careful they'll be when they dispose of the wrapping paper and receipts. My guess is your receipt will simply get thrown away intact and never make it to the paper shredder where it belongs.

By taking the above advice in mind, you can help ensure that your stock of holiday cheer this year and that you won't find any unpleasant identity theft surprises lurking around the corner.

US Airlines letters in local mail...learn the fraud indicators...

Area residents are receiving a nationally reported suspicious letter. The letter to local residents is postmarked from Phoenix, Arizona. It purports to be from "US Airlines," and begins by announcing that you must respond by a certain date. The letter tells the recipient that they have "qualified for an award of 2 roundtrip airline tickets." It quotes a retail value of the award of up to \$1298.00 and directs you to call a 1-866 number. This looks like the letter documented by the Better Business Bureau in July of 2012: <http://www.bbb.org/blog/2012/07/scammers-lure-victims-with-fake-free-plane-tickets/>

A representative of the local BBB said that they have received numerous telephone calls about this letter, and that at least one caller has responded and been given a

second number to call. A person at the second number invited them to attend some type of meeting for a presentation at a local hotel. There is some information that this is an attempt to get people to buy into a "travel club" or pay "taxes and fees" on the tickets, according to internet references about the letter. This has not been verified. There is a web page that references this letter or attempts to explain it as legitimate, but even this page is listed as "the unofficial site about the letter from US Airlines."

It is possible that someone could use the telephone contact to obtain personal information to include bank or credit card numbers to "hold" the tickets...and commit fraud.

This letter has indicators we find in many fraud attempts: It promises something for nothing, it appeals to your sense of urgency, and it may require that you provide some form of information or payment to "win" or hold a prize. If you have received this letter, the department does not need to make a report as the information has already been turned over to the U.S. Postal Service. You can dispose of it. If you have lost money due to this letter, contact the Donley County Sheriff's Department at 874-3533 or go to <http://police.amarillo.gov/index.php> to make a report on line. If your group or organization would like to have an educational presentation about protecting yourself from fraud and similar crimes, contact Bob Watson 255-2758.

**Homeowners Tricked into Overpaying for Their Deed**

Homeowners nationwide are receiving letters asking them to pay upwards of \$80 to obtain a certified

copy of their property deed. What the mailings don't mention is that deeds are available from the county for a few dollars or less.

**How the Scam Works:**  
You receive a letter in the mail in an official-looking "open immediately" envelope. It warns that you should have a certified copy of the deed to your house or condo. Getting a copy is easy; just pay the business \$80 or more, and they will mail you one. The letter is misleading. Deeds really only cost a few dollars, so the scammers are making a hefty profit. As with most scams, the letters take several forms and the exact name, amounts and wording used change over time.

Some versions of the letters look like a bill. Others warn that an additional \$35 will be tacked on to a base charge if you don't order by a set date. However, the mailing always uses an official sounding business name, including National Deed Service, Secured Document Company and Conveyance Transfer Services. These three all have a Washington DC return address and a toll-free number.

**How Can I Get a Copy of My Deed?:** If you are thinking about selling or refinancing your home, you will need a copy of your deed. But you don't need to pay scammers for one. Where to get a new one: Call the

Donley County Clerk's Office, 874-3436 where deeds are recorded.

What you need to get it: The street address of the property. There is no fee if you request the title yourself, but there may be a small charge for copying and certification.

## Remembering date that lives in infamy

Those weather-guessers had warned us the warmer weather was leaving, this time they were right. Sunday the wind chill hovered in the zero degree area with north winds howling. We woke Monday morning at 14°F with snow caught in the taller grass and weeds but very light winds and sunshine.

The Sunday night 10 p.m. weather said the dew point was 4 percent in Clarendon, we were lucky and thankful we got that dusting of snow because that same forecast said it had been eight weeks since any moisture had fallen. Buffy the Wonder Dog isn't sure what to do, she sees the sunshine, barks to go outside but a brief sniff- around is all it takes and she is ready for a warm bed.

Ole Jim was living in Ft. Worth in 1941 and remembers President Franklin D Roosevelt's speech that began "December 7, 1941... a date that will live in infamy." The president went on to say, "The United States was suddenly and deliberately attacked by naval and air forces of the Empire of Japan."

My question is what is infamy? That was 71 years ago and did you remember? WWII had been raging in Europe for several years, London

had suffered great destruction caused by German bombing known as the blitz, most of Europe had been invaded by Germany but the US people did not want war, we felt safe and isolated. December 7 changed that. We declared war on Japan, December 11 Germany and Italy declared war against us and we then declared war against those two countries. In later writings or possibly in a movie I remember the Japanese leader commenting after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, we awoke a sleeping giant. He was right. Our country went into war mode.

If you read the history of the US gearing up for war, you shake your head and ask "how did they do that?" They were making air planes, war ships, tanks, trucks and everything else at a phenomenal rate while drafting and enlisting fighting age men. How did they do it?

The people were mad, and we all did what we could to help the war effort if it was only gathering scrap



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or buying a war bond stamp that cost a dime. So many things were rationed including sugar, meat, especially smoked meat that could be sent overseas, butter, shortening and oil because it was used in the manufacturing of gun powder and soap, rubber, gasoline, all these required a ration card. As I write I remember more but have to stop somewhere, check out some books or check Wikipedia.

As a four-year old in 1941, my memories of the War are the loss of Daddy's nephew, George P. James of Quitaque, and seeing my daddy cry; receiving VE mail from my uncle Edgar L Reynolds; the rationing; and things that were unavailable because they were used for the war effort. Have I forgotten that day? No and I hope I have instilled a sense of history in my children so they remember but what about the next generation? It is our duty as a living historian to pass these memories to our families so it will remain a "Date that will live in infamy".

As we finish those chores we think we have to do before Christmas, remember the people who need our help, pick a name or two off the Angel Tree.

Be safe, God Bless you all.



## Hollands to celebrate 70th anniversary

Buford and Geraldine Holland of Hedley, will celebrate their 70 year anniversary December 12. The couple married in 1942 at the Baptist Parsonage in Lelia Lake. The couple have three children, Darrell & Barbara Holland of Kirkland, TX, Glyndel & Kathi Holland of Amarillo, TX, and Johnny & Gail Hill of Hedley, TX; 9 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, and 3 great great-grandchildren. The couple will have an anniversary party at 2:30 p.m., on Friday, December 14. It will be held at the Hedley Lions Den. No gifts are requested.

## Santa flies into Hedley December 12

Buford and Geraldine Holland will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary on December 15 at the Hedley Lions Club at 2:30. Please come by and celebrate with them (No gifts. Just come by and visit.)

The Hedley Methodist Youth Group will put on a Christmas Play Friday, December 21, at 7:00 p.m. with refreshments afterwards. Please come help our youth celebrate Christmas and our Lord.

Santa Clause will be visiting Hedley on December 12 at the Hedley Senior Citizens at 6:00 p.m. The grade school will make the ornaments for our tree, Gwynn and Bruce Howard will tell the Christmas Story and we will sing Christmas Carols and have hot chocolate and cookies. Hope you all have been good little girls and boys.

Hedley Senior Citizens wants to start a Food Pantry for just the needy residents of Hedley.



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We will have a 35-pound box of food to give to families (one box per family), but we need the family to come into the Senior Citizens and fill out paperwork. The box will be delivered monthly to Senior Citizens and a member of the family will have to sign and pick it up.

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who came by and celebrated my birthday with me last Saturday. It was a lot of fun.

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After playing in the third game of the Ft. Elliott tournament, the Hedley Lady Owls came away with the consolation trophy. In the Ft. Elliott tournament, the Lady Owls played Shamrock, Lefors, and McLean. Pictured are Rebecca Butler, Salem Shelp, Coach Darrell Wallace, Kortney Burton, Charlie Neeley, Bailey Wood, Sierra Wheatly, Kassie O'Dell, Kati Adams, and Marijke Tiddens.

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## Hedley Lady Owls open their basketball season in Miami

By Fred Gray

The Lady Owls lost their opening basketball game of the season to Miami, 40 – 55, on December 4. Salem Shelp led the Lady Owls in scoring with 11 points. Kati Adams added another 10, followed by Bailey Wood with 9, Kortney Burton with 6, and Sierra Wheatly added 4 points.

The Lady Owls opened the Ft. Elliott tournament with a 23 – 49 loss to Shamrock, on December 6. All the Lady Owls scored in the single digits, led by Bailey Wood and Charlie Neeley with 5 points each. Kassie O'Dell added 4 points, and Kati Adams contributed 3 points. Marijke Tiddens, Hedley's foreign exchange student from the Netherlands scored 2 points, as did Salem Shelp and Kortney Burton.

In the second game of the Ft.

Elliott tournament the Lady Owls hit their stride, blowing by the Lefors girls, 57 – 25. Bailey Wood threw in 17 points and Kati Adams added 14. Kortney Burton scored 9 points, followed closely by Salem Shelp, who scored 8 points. Sierra added 5 points, and Holland's own Marijke Tiddens added another 2 points, as did Charlie Neeley.

The Lady Owls closed out the Ft. Elliott tourney with a strong effort against McLean, 32 – 18. Kortney Burton poured in 21 points to dominate the scoring. Kati Adams added 5 points, and Bailey Wood scored 3 points. Salem Shelp added a bucket, and Charlie Neeley hit a free throw.

The Lady Owls play in the Valley tournament on the 13, 14, and 15 of December. They open their home season on December 18, at 6:00 p.m. Be there.



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## Feathers fly

Hedley Junior High Owls and the Hedley Junior High Lady Owls were left without a game Monday night due to scheduling conflicts. The coaches of the two teams agreed to a game of friendly competition, allowing the teams to play each other. Lady Owls came away with the win, 34-32. Pictured are players from both teams.

## Hedley Owls compete in Ft. Elliott Tournament

By Fred Gray

The Evans twins, Brandon and Brian, helped the Owls open the tournament with a 50 – 19 win over Lefors on December 6. Brandon scored 14 points and Bryan added 9. Hedley was led in scoring by Wyatt Wheatly, who poured in 17 points. Clay King added 4 points, while Diego Souza, Lane Calber, and Raul Carrillo each contributed 2 points to the win.

The Owls are coached by Garrett Bains, coaching his inaugural season as head high school basketball coach. This reporter has little doubt that he will develop into an exceptional basketball coach in the coming years, and I want to be the first to wish him good luck and Godspeed in his basketball coaching career.

In their second game of the day, the Owls lost a heartbreaker to Higgins 35 – 38. Wyatt Wheatly again led the team in scoring with 13 points, while the Evans twins combined for another 20 points. Brandon scored 12 and Bryan added 8 to the twins' efforts. Clay King closed out the Hedley scoring with 2 points.

The second day of the tournament, December 7, opened with an Owls' loss to Shamrock, 14 – 63. Wyatt Wheatly scored 6 points, and Brandon and Bryan Evans each added 3 points. Clay King contributed another 2 points to the Owls' efforts.

In the second game on December 7, and the final game of the tournament, Hedley fell to White Deer 27 – 50. Brandon Evans led all Owl scorers with 10 points, while Wyatt Wheatly scored 8, and Bryan Evans added 7 points. David Bell added a basket to complete Hedley's scoring.

The Owls opened their season on November 27, when they competed in the Miami tournament, losing to the Amarillo Flames 24 – 47. Bryan Evans scored 8 points, while brother Brandon scored 6 points. Tanner Chambliss scored 4 points, Rooster Moore added another 4, and Diego Souza and Wyatt Wheatly each added 2 points.

The Owls compete in the Valley Tournament on December 12, 14, 15. Times TBA. Their first game in Hedley will be Tuesday, December 18. Game times will be 6:00 p.m.

## Extension to offer pesticide training

AMARILLO – Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Potter County is offering Private Pesticide Applicator License Training on Dec. 13 at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center, 6500 W. Amarillo Blvd.

The training session begins at 8 a.m. The three-and-a-half hour training will give participants the needed information to take the private applicator license test, which will be administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. Cost of the training is \$60 and all materials will be provided.

Anyone in the Texas Panhandle may and are encouraged to participate if they need a private pesticide applicator license.

The private pesticide applicator license is for agricultural producers and land owners who apply restricted use pesticides to their own property. Those planning to attend should RSVP by Dec. 12.

For further information, contact at 806-373-0713.



Salem Shelp takes a shot during the Hedley game against McLean.

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Kati Adams looks for an open teammate during the Vairy girl game against McLean.

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Hedley Owl Marijke Tiddens tries to keep the ball away from the McLean players.

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## Drugs in the News

### New Type of Flu Vaccine Approved

Last month, the FDA reported that it has approved a new type of Influenza (flu) vaccine for people living in the United States. It will be called Flucelvax and what makes it different from all other flu vaccines is that it is produced in an animal cell environment. It will be the only influenza vaccine that is not produced with the use of fertilized chicken eggs. The animal culture reportedly allows for a faster production cycle than is the case with chicken eggs. Early reports about this new vaccine indicate that it is approved for people 18 years of age and older.

Influenza is a contagious infection that involves the upper respiratory part of the body. Health experts believe that it is spread from one person to another primarily by droplets made when people with the flu cough, sneeze or talk. Usually adults who get sick with the flu can pass the virus to others from a day before they have symptoms up to 5-7 days after they get sick. Vaccines used to prevent the flu are either inactivated (contain a killed virus) that are given with a syringe and needle or they are made with a live, but weakened (attenuated) virus that is given as a nasal spray.



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### TxDOT Christmas Sharing

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) recently collected ChapStick and candy to send to troops in Afghanistan. "We hope this small gesture will bring some cheer and comfort to at least a few of the servicemen who are away from their home and families during the holiday season," said Marty Smith, Childress TxDOT District Engineer. The Childress District collected enough candy and chap stick to make a bag for each of the 120 members of the 101st Airborne Medical dust off task force. For more information, contact Barbara Seal at [Barbara.Seal@txdot.gov](mailto:Barbara.Seal@txdot.gov) or (940) 937-7288.

### Bronco JV participates in RR Tournament

The Bronco junior varsity competed in the River Road Basketball Tournament and took on River Road in the first game. Despite playing hard, the Broncos were not able to outlast the Wildcats and lost 52-57.

Ashton Smith topped the leaderboard with 15 and Zach Cornell had 10. Bryce Hatley and Cedrick McCampbell added nine each, Caleb Cobb had 5, and Montana Hysinger helped with 4. The Broncos went up against Childress in the next round and lost 28-43.

"Our legs were tired and we didn't have much offense," coach Alton Gaines said. "We weren't outplayed, we couldn't make our shots."

Scoring: Smith 11, Hatley 6, Chesson Sims 4, Jr. Rodriguez 2, and Hysinger 2.

The Broncos took on Sunray in the final game of the tournament and got a 51-31 win. They played hard and stayed solid on both ends of the court.

"We are getting better game by game," Gaines said. "It is coming around and they have continued to work hard."

Scoring: McCampbell 13, Simms 11, Smith 9, Cornell 7, Cobb 4, and Hysinger 2.

Earlier in the week, the Broncos earned their first win of the season when they played Claude at home

and defeated them 29-12.

"The boys played well," Gaines said. "I was really pleased with their effort. A win is always good."

The game was a battle for both teams and was low scoring. But the Broncos persevered on both ends of the court and got the win. Cornell played solid and finished at the top of the Bronco leaderboard with eight points.

Scoring: Cornell 8, McCampbell 6, Smith 6, Sims 3, Lowry 2, Cenicerros 2, and Cobb 2.

The Bronco JV will play in their own tournament December 13 and 15 and play at Valley December 18.

### Court:

Continued from page one.

In Childress, Chase Jefferie Wilson pleaded true to allegations listed in the State's Motion to Adjudicate. Wilson was convicted and sentenced to four years in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

On November 9, 2009, Wilson, 23-year-old resident of Childress, originally pleaded guilty to the third degree felony offense of places weapons prohibited that occurred on September 25, 2009, in Donley County.

The State filed the motion to adjudicate on October 26, 2012, alleging five violations of community supervision.

Wilson is also required to pay \$340 in court costs to Donley County and a \$3,000 fine.

Also in Childress, Lovie James was placed on probation for a period of four years for the second degree felony offense of possession of a controlled substance. James pleaded guilty and was placed on deferred adjudication for the offense.

James, 31-year-old resident of Sacramento, CA, was arrested in Donley County for the offense that took place October 30, 2012 and pleaded guilty to a complaint filed by the State on November 29, 2012.

Pursuant to the plea agreement, James is required to pay a \$4,000 fine to Donley County, \$140 restitution, pay \$443 in court costs, and complete 200 hours of community service. If James violates probation, he could face up to 20 years in the Institutional Division of TDCJ.

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### Broncos Roster

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2	CODY WOOD	SR.
3	CHARLES MASON	SO.
5	DIEGO SANTOS	SR.
10	CHANCE MCANEAR	JR.
12	JONAH SELL	SR.
24	TRAJEN JOHNSON	SR.
32	JOJO CARTWRIGHT	JR.
33	COLE WARD	SR.
42	TYLER BURCH	SR.
50	ADAM TOPPER	SR.

HEAD COACH: BRANDT LOCKHART  
ASST COACH: ALTON GAINES  
ASST COACH: STEVE REYNOLDS

MANAGERS: SAVANNAH TOPPER, MCKAYLA KING, BRITTNEY MCANEAR, EMILY MARTINEZ, & KATIE GOOCH

### Lady Broncos Roster

3	JENTRY SHADLE	SR.
10	JENCY BURTON	SR.
12	TAYLOR GAINES	SO.
15	DEBORAH HOWARD	JR.
20	MACI WHITE	SR.
21	CAMRA SMITH	JR.
22	ANNA CENICEROS	SR.
23	RYANN STARNES	JR.
24	MCKAYLA CARTWRIGHT	SR.
25	LYDIA HOWARD	SR.
33	AUDREY SHELTON	SR.

HEAD COACH: MOLLY WEATHERED  
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ASST COACH: SHANNA SHELTON

MANAGERS: DARBE WOODARD, BRYCE MCCARY, JACY HILL, LESLIE STONE

### Dec. 13 - Dec. 15

Clarendon JV Tournament

TBA • in Clarendon

### Wed, January 2

Broncos & Lady Broncos v Memphis

12, 1:30, 3 p.m. • in Clarendon

### Tuesday, Dec. 18

Broncos & Lady Broncos v Valley

4, 5, 6:30, 8 p.m. • in Valley

### Friday, Jan. 4

Varsity & JV Lady Broncos v San Jacinto

6, 7:30 p.m. • in San Jacinto

### Dec. 27 - Dec. 29

Varsity Broncos & Lady Broncos

Compete in Canadian Tournament

### Friday, Jan. 4

Varsity & JV Broncos v Childress

6, 7:30 p.m. • in Clarendon

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# Lady Broncos win title at Greenbelt Tourney

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos have been playing like winners this season and this weekend they claimed that honor with a first place finish in the Greenbelt Tournament by soundly defeating Miami 56-34.

The Lady Broncos handled them easily in the first half of play denying them with great defense. Offensively, the ladies were on target and stayed strong throughout the game. Jentry Shadle and McKayla Cartwright led the ladies finishing in double figures.

Scoring: Shadle 13, Cartwright 10, Ryann Starnes 9, Camra Smith 8, Deborah Howard 4, Maci White 4, Lydia Howard 4, Taylor Gaines 3, and Anna Ceniceris 1.

The Lady Broncos faced off against West Texas in the opening round of the round robin cruising to a 73-41 win. it was never a contest

for the ladies as they played fundamental basketball with an aggressiveness that took them to the end.

Scoring: Cartwright 23, Shadle 17, Gaines 12, Starnes 11, D. Howard 4, Jency Burton 2, Ceniceris 2, and Audrey Shelton 2.

Next, they took on Fritch and battled hard to get the 50-47 win. The game was close from the beginning and the ladies fought off the Lady Eagles the entire game. They were able to persevere and close out the game with a well-earned win.

Scoring: Shadle 10, Smith 8, Cartwright 8, Shelton 7, D. Howard 6, Ceniceris 4, and Starnes 3.

The Lady Broncos' third opponent was Memphis and they had little trouble defeating them at 71-33. The ladies opened a huge lead in the first half and continued to roll offensively in the second half to close the game and get the win. Cartwright, Shadle,

and Smith finished in double figures. Head coach Molly Weathered was pleased with the overall play of the Lady Broncos. "I thought the tournament went well," Weathered said. "We had a good competitive game against Fritch and I thought we needed that. I was glad to see the girls stay composed and finish the game. We have not been in a game like that in awhile. I thought we played with a tremendous amount of energy against Memphis, which in turn allowed us to win. In the Championship game, we played really hard and were able to get a lead on Miami. From there we did a good job sustaining it."

Scoring: Shadle 13, Cartwright 10, Starnes 9, Smith 8, White 4, L. Howard 4, D. Howard 4, Gaines 3, and Ceniceris 1.

At home on Tuesday, the Lady Broncos demolished Groom beating

them 72-32. It was a night of three-pointers as the ladies hit seven from the outside perimeter.

The Lady Broncos attacked the Lady Tigers from the tip off and never let down on either end of the court. They played solid basketball and executed their offense. Their intense defensive play rocked the Lady Tigers and they were able to capitalize on several turnovers. Clarendon shot well from the bonus line, as well, and went five for six.

Jentry Shadle and McKayla Cartwright finished in double figures with 17 and 10 points.

Scoring: Shadle 17, Cartwright 10, Gaines 9, Deborah Howard 8, Ryann Starnes 7, Elizabeth O'Rear 6, Audrey Shelton 5, Jency Burton 2, Maci White 3, and Camra Smith 2.

The ladies will play at Valley Dec. 18 and participate in the Canadian Tournament over the holidays.

# Broncos runner-up in Greenbelt tournament

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos competed in the Championship game against Memphis in the Greenbelt Tournament last weekend and settled for runner-up at 56-71.

The Cyclone height hindered the Broncos somewhat as they faced off inside and they could never get anything going against an aggressive team. After a fairly even first quarter, the Cyclones began to take control before the break. Clarendon rallied back after the break coming out of the locker room and attacked their opponent. But it was not enough and Memphis got the win.

Cole Ward and Adam Topper held their own and finished in double figures.

Scoring: Ward 19, Topper 16, Trajen Johnson 9, Cody Wood 5, Diego Santos 5, and Jonah Sell 2.

The Broncos began the tournament against West Texas and breezed to a 76-32 win. Everything the Bron-

cos threw at the Comanches worked and they were helpless to stop Clarendon's aggressive play. Ward, Topper, Wood, and Johnson all finished in double figures to lead their team to the win.

Scoring: Ward 21, Topper 14, Wood 14, Johnson 10, Santos 7, Mason 6, and Sell 4.

They took on Fritch in the second round of play and used their quickness and strength to outlast their opponent 89-33. The Broncos were also perfect from the bonus line putting in 13 of 13 free throws. It was never a much of a contest for the Broncos as they took a commanding lead in the first quarter of play and never relented. Topper was on fire with 29, Ward added 13, and Johnson put in 10. Chance McAnear scored eight, Charles Mason and Sell had seven, and Santos added two points.

The Broncos took on Highland Park in the second round and

defeated them 72-60.

The Broncos trailed in the first quarter until McAnear connected with a three-pointer at the buzzer to close the first quarter and give the Broncos their first lead of the game. With the Broncos having possession in the second quarter, McAnear hit another three and the Broncos opened up a good lead in the second period of play. The lead did not last, however, and the Hornets got the win. Three Broncos finished in double figures with Ward leading the way with 16 and Topper and Wood following with 15 each. The Broncos shot 77% from the free throw line. Overall, Coach Brandt Lockhart was proud of the Broncos' play.

"I thought we played well overall throughout the tournament," Lockhart said. "We stepped up our defense which enable us to get our offense going. We moved the ball well. In the championship game, we could not get a stop when we needed

it. Overall, I was pleased with our effort."

The Broncos also took care of Groom at home last Tuesday as they breezed to a 70-36 win. The Broncos came out on fire with Trajen Johnson making good on nine points in the opening period.

The Broncos played hard and worked together as a team to stifle anything the Tigers attempted. Clarendon led by 18 points at the break and continued to build on that lead in the second half. The inside work of Johnson, Topper, and Ward dominated on offense and Santos put in 12 from his position. Wood, Mason, McAnear, and Sell all contributed to the win with their hustle.

Scoring: Topper 19, Ward 16, Santos 12, Johnson 9, Wood 6, Sell 4, Mason 2, and McAnear 2.

The Broncos will play Boys Ranch at home Friday, December 14 and play in the Canadian Tournament over the holidays.

# Colt teams slam Vega on the road

The seventh and eighth grade basketball teams knocked off Vega on their home court Monday night. The seventh grade Colts won 35-21 and the eighth grade Colts skimmied by the Longhorns 42-40.

The seventh grade Colts got a slow start according to coach Steve Reynolds, but rebounded in the second half. They were able to build a lead in the first two quarters of play while holding Vega to only three first half points. They got things going in the second half as they began to set a tempo offensively.

"The seventh grade team started slow and had some foul trouble in the first half," Reynolds said. "They executed much better in the second half and took control of the game."

Colt Wood exploded on the night and led the Colts on the scoreboard with 14 points.

Scoring: Wood 14, Damarjae Cortez 7, Justin Christopher 6, Nathan Shadle 5, Josh Cobb 2, and Daquanwe Oliver 1.

The eighth grade game was a nail-bitter as the Colts won by two. There was only a two-point difference in the first half of play and after three, the teams were tied at 29. The Colts' solid performance and determination carried them through for the win. Chance Lockhart was the leading scorer for the night as he turned in 20 points. He hit four big three-point shots to add to his total and Riley Shadle helped with one three-pointer.

"The eighth grade got into foul trouble again and caused us to have to change up some things," Reynolds said. "We didn't press very well in the first half and that's a big part of our game. Overall our best defensive effort, but we got out with a win."

Reynolds felt limited practice over the week hindered the team in the game. "We didn't get to practice as much and it showed up in the game," Reynolds said. "Both teams were rusty but we look to bounce back next Monday at home."

Scoring: Lockhart 20, Shadle 7, Clay Koetting 7, Marshal Johnson 7, and Justus Burton 1.

Both Colt teams will play in the Canadian Tournament December 15.

# Lady Bronco JV 2-1 in RR Tournament

The Lady Broncos junior varsity hit the court running on Friday in the opening round of the River Road Tournament where they defeated Bushland 49-37. Phara Berry went on a scoring frenzy in the matchup and ended with 28 points.

The ladies held a narrow lead after one, but extended that lead before the break. Good aggressive play and aggressiveness helped the ladies get the win.

Scoring: Berry 28, Skyler White 9, Sterling King 6, Tessa Buckhaults 5, and Elizabeth O'Rear 1.

They matched up against a good Pampa team in the second round and

were narrowly defeated 36-39. The first half of play belonged to the Lady Broncos who held a five-point lead after two. But the Lady Harvesters came storming back in the second half to hand the Lady Broncos a loss.

Scoring: Berry 15, White 6, Buckhaults 5, Sterling King 4, O'Rear 2, Damara Brown 2, and Abby Durham 2.

The Lady Broncos were able to get their revenge on Borger in the final game of the tournament and won 53-31. They ladies played solid basketball and worked together to defeat a good team. They were able to jump on them quick and build a

good lead on the Lady Bulldogs to secure their win. Once again Berry pumped in 28 points to lead the Lady Broncos on the scoreboard.

"This was a good tournament for us," coach Kasey Bell said. "We got to play bigger schools that we usually don't get to play. We have got to learn to block out, but overall, I am extremely proud of how hard these young ladies played."

Scoring: Berry 28, White 7, Durham 7, King 5, O'Rear 4, and Shelby Baxter 2.

The Lady Bronco JV will host a tournament December 13 and 15 and play at Valley December 18.

# Lady Colts stomp the Lady Longhorns

The eighth grade Lady Colts put together an aggressive game against Vega at home Monday night and got a big 50-29 win.

The teams were fairly evenly matched in the first quarter of play, but the Lady Colts began to pull away before the break. Great hustle on both ends of the court helped the ladies set a rhythm in the game and stay one step ahead of their opponent.

The Lady Colts put together a huge fourth quarter surge and put distance between them and the Lady Longhorns. Three players finished in double figures. Sarah Williams was

unstoppable inside with 16 points and Jensen Hatley and Berkeley Alexander were workhorses as well finishing with 10 points each.

"I was very proud of the eighth grade group," coach Shanna Shelton said. "I thought they moved the ball well and pushed it up the floor. Everyone did their job."

Scoring: Williams 16, Hatley 10, Alexander 10, Hannah Howard 6, Zaryia Smith 5, and MaRae Hall 3.

The seventh grade Lady Colts played extremely hard with limited players, but fell short 19-34. Despite giving it a great effort, the Lady Colts had trouble executing their

offense and getting the baskets when they needed them.

Shelton felt the ladies played hard despite some playing in different positions. "I thought the seventh grade played hard," Shelton said. "I had some new players playing in some new positions and I thought they did well with it. They are still learning how to play together as a team."

Scoring: Hannah Hommel 6, Myra Castillo 6, Brooke Smith 5, and Jazmine Mellado 2.

Both Lady Colt teams will play in the Canadian Tournament December 15.

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# Can gray water keep Texas landscapes green?

UVALDE — With water resources throughout Texas becoming scarcer, a Texas A&M AgriLife Research ornamental horticulturist is working with others to determine the feasibility of using gray water to irrigate home landscapes.

“There has been interest in and discussion about the possible use of gray water for irrigating home landscapes, but so far little formal research has been done to validate its practicality,” said Dr. Raul Cabrera, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and Research Center in Uvalde.

Cabrera said gray water is essentially “soapy” water left after tap water has been run through a washing machine or used in a bathtub, bathroom sink or shower and does not contain serious contaminants.

He said while it is difficult to precisely estimate the statewide potential for water savings through the use of gray water and application of the technology needed, it may reduce household landscape water use by up to 50 percent, depending on the size, type of landscape plants used and geographical location.

“The average household uses as much as 50-60 percent of its water consumption for the landscape — grass, ornamental plants, trees, etc.,” he said. “Considering that the average family of four produces about 90 gallons of gray water per day, if this was used to irrigate a landscape, it could represent a significant water savings.”

Cabrera said this would be especially true for a large city such as nearby San Antonio, which has more than 1.3 million people in its metropolitan area.

“Implementing the use of gray water for landscape irrigation across the state could mean a tremendous water savings in terms of acre-feet of water, contributing to the water

use and conservation goals of the recently released 2012 Water Plan,” Cabrera said.

Using gray water is one of the easiest ways to reduce the need for potable water typically used in a home landscape, said Dr. Calvin Finch, director of the Water Conservation and Technology Center in San Antonio, which is administered by the Texas Water Resources Institute, part of the Texas A&M University System. The institute is participating in the gray water research, as well as providing funding.

Finch said the Texas 2012 Water Plan identifies more than 500 specific activities that, if implemented, would help meet the state’s future water needs.

“One of the low-hanging fruit projects that is often overlooked is use of gray water from households,” he said. “Research results indicate that with minimum precautions water from our showers, bathroom sinks and clothes washers could be used to meet up to 10-15 percent of our overall landscape water needs.”

Gray water differs from reclaimed water in that it is not captured water from sewer drainage or storm-water systems and then run through a waste-water treatment facility, Cabrera said.

“Reclaimed or ‘purple-line’ water is used for irrigation by some large-acreage operations such as golf courses, sports fields and large businesses,” Cabrera said. “But gray water is just potable water that has been used for fairly benign household activities and could be reused immediately or stored and used soon after its initial use.

“It is also not what is referred to as ‘black’ water, which is used water from a toilet or the kitchen sink, both of which have a higher potential for containing bacteria and other organisms considered hazardous for

human health. In this regard, gray water poses a minimal risk, particularly if we look primarily at water generated from clothes-washing machines.”

He said some southwestern U.S. states, including parts of Texas, already allow for the use of gray water under certain restrictions, such as irrigation through delivery by flooding, subsurface or drip irrigation.

“While gray water has little potential for containing hazardous organisms, such as coliform bacteria, these irrigation distribution methods are preferred to spraying in order to further ensure safety,” he said.

Cabrera said collaborating entities working to evaluate the viability of gray water use include AgriLife Research, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Texas Water Resources Institute, Water Conservation and Technology Center and Texas Center for Applied Technology.

“Here at the Uvalde AgriLife center, we will be focusing primarily on evaluating the efficacy of gray water use on ornamental plants,” he said.

“We will establish a display plot of conventional and water-efficient ornamental plants that will simulate a typical Texas landscape, so we can evaluate the short-term and long-term effects of gray water on these plants and their surrounding soil.”

Cabrera said one concern about using gray water on home landscapes is possible salt content.

“Some detergents may have a high salt content in the form of sodium, chloride or boron, which could potentially ‘burn’ a plant,” he said. “Part of our research here will involve determining the salinity and specific constituents found in gray water and their effect on plants, plus

determining the efficacy and function of irrigation systems.”

He said there is also the concern that some of the constituents in soapy water might plug drip irrigation systems, thus requiring additional and periodic care and maintenance.

“Additional research will address how variations in water quality, such as soft vs. hard water, may affect the salt content and chemical constitution of the produced gray water and how it affects plant growth and quality” he said.

He said the Texas Center for Applied Technology, part of Texas A&M Engineering, would “evaluate the plumbing and delivery technology needed to retrofit a household” so gray water could be used to irrigate a home landscape.

“They will evaluate the routing and, if allowed, the possible capture and short-term containment, as well as any filtration needed along with the means by which it can be delivered to the landscape,” he said.

He added if essential aspects of the initial research are positive, additional involvement might include microbiologists and health officials to address any perceived health issues or concerns.

“If the totality of the research validates the use of gray water, AgriLife Extension personnel would provide educational outreach to inform water management entities and the public about its potential utilization and the water savings it could represent at the local and statewide levels,” Cabrera said.

Initial gray water testing and evaluation will take from nine months to a year, he noted.

“We hope the results will support the launching and development of a statewide initiative to conserve water resources that will involve many additional partners,” Cabrera said.

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My friend and I encountered a gentleman on a ladder, painting the trim on his house. We introduced ourselves and I asked him if he owned a Bible. He said he did. I asked how often he read his Bible and he allowed that he read it every Sunday when his preacher was speaking. I asked him if he believed it was infallible and the inspired word of God. He said he believed that it was inspired, but he added: “Some of it I don’t agree with.” I quickly wrapped up our meeting as he showed little interest in what we were doing.

This old gentleman pretty much verbalized the problem of religion in our country. The Bible is treated as if it is a buffet table; as if can be picked through purely on likes and dislikes. The reason we have hundreds if not thousands of different religious groups in our country was summed up by the old man’s statement. What should be done, if anything, about this prevalent attitude?

It starts individually. We must build a strong faith and that includes accepting the Bible as God’s word and not man’s. (2 Timothy 3:16-17) “All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.” Now, either we believe that or we don’t. If we do, unlike the old man, we must agree with it for it means we agree with God.

If we all began to submit to and agree with the Bible’s teachings, we would come closer to fulfilling what the Lord prayed for. (John 17:20-21) “I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; “that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.” Jesus prayed for unity. Agreeing with and submitting to His word is the first step. My prayer is that we would all submit to the Lord and try to make His prayer a reality. Imagine the changes that could be made if we became a closer, God-fearing country again! Think about it.

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1:46 p.m. – Out @ CHS  
1:56 p.m. – to jail with one in custody  
2:36 p.m. – EMS Assist @ Clinic  
3:42 p.m. – See caller @ Clarendon College  
5:06 p.m. – EMS/ Fire Department mutual aid Armstrong Co  
10:35 p.m. – Units paged for module fire Lelia Lake Gin

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12:53 a.m. – Report of alarm 1100 block 2nd  
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8:50 a.m. – Welfare check South 70 & 4th Street  
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## Obituaries

White

Tyler Ryon White, 18, of Amarillo died Tuesday, December 4, 2012.

Services were at 3 p.m. Saturday, December 8, in Paramount Baptist Church with Dr. Gil Lain, the Rev. Harold Elliott and Dr. Rolf Habersang officiating. Burial was at a later date in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon. Arrangements are by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors, 2800 Paramount Blvd.

Tyler was born April 13, 1994, in El Paso. He was born with special needs. But as he grew up, against all odds, he was the only one who did not know he was a special needs child. Tyler had a special ministry all his own. His happiness was infec-

tious, his smile touched every heart. Every person who was lucky enough to know Tyler

will never forget his happiness and his spirit. Tyler liked to watch bull-riding, loved to attend school, but his passion in life was watching his Texas Rangers play. Without a doubt, he will be searching Heaven for a stadium and a bat.

The family would like to thank the Baptist-St. Anthony’s Hospice team, the BSA nursing and respiratory teams and the many caregivers which have taken care of Tyler for so many years. To Dr. Habersang and

his team, thanks for the knowledge and perseverance. Thanks to all the educators and many friends. All of you have been a blessing.

Survivors include his mother, Terri Carroll and husband Wade; his father, Ryan White; his brothers and sisters, Nathan Estes of Amarillo, Ashton Estes and Alec Estes of Idalou, McKenzie Carroll and McKayla Carroll, both of Amarillo, and Hope White of Grady; his grandparents, Darrell and Wilma Lefew of Clarendon, Elmer and Kay White of Grady, N.M., and Audrey Carroll of Avoca, Iowa; and many aunts, uncles and cousins who loved him very much.

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Every year, PETA receives thousands of complaints about people who leave dogs outside in the cold. Although they are equipped with fur coats, dogs and other animals can still suffer from frostbite and exposure, and they can become dehydrated when water sources freeze.

Cold weather spells extra hardship for "backyard dogs," who often go without adequate food, water, shelter, or veterinary care—it can also pose challenges for wildlife.

With snow and low temperatures predicted for your area, will you please consider sharing the following information with your audience now and through the winter in order to help protect animals?

- Keep animals inside. This is absolutely critical when it comes to puppies and kittens, elderly animals, small animals, and dogs with short hair, including pointers, beagles, pit

bulls, Rottweilers, and Doberman pinschers. Short-haired animals will also benefit from a warm sweater or a coat on walks.

- Don't allow your cat or dog to roam outdoors. During winter, cats sometimes climb under the hoods of cars to be near warm engines and are badly injured or killed when the car is started.

- Wipe off your dogs' or cats' legs, feet, and stomachs after they come in from the snow. Salt and other chemicals can make your animals sick if they ingest them. You should also increase animals' food rations during the winter because they burn more calories in an effort to stay warm.

- Keep an eye out for stray animals. Take unidentified animals inside until you can find their guardians or take them to an animal shelter. If strays are skittish or otherwise unapproachable, provide food and

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- If you see animals left outside without shelter from the elements, please notify authorities. For information on what constitutes adequate shelter, click here.

- During extreme winter weather, birds and other animals may have trouble finding food and water. Offer rations to wildlife who are caught in storms or white-outs by spreading birdseed on the ground. Provide access to liquid water by filling a heavy water bowl and breaking the surface ice twice a day. Remember to remove the food once the weather improves to encourage the animals to move on to warmer areas.

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