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

New ambulance is in county's future

The Donley County Hospital District is accepting proposals for a new ambulance this week in an effort to keep reliable equipment available for emergencies.

Administrator Anna Howard said Tuesday that the district is hoping to get into a rotation system that will keep local ambulances under warranty.

"When you get to 100,000 miles you lose the warranty on the engine, and we have one truck at 85,657 miles and another at 94,321 miles," Howard said.

The hospital district board is considering replacing a 2010 model ambulance and will consider proposals on January 21.

The district's Associated Ambulance Authority currently operates three licensed ambulances and is considering licensing a fourth unit that is currently unlicensed. That unit is an older 4x4 model that Howard says is worth more than what anyone has offered the district for it and could still prove valuable in providing service to some rural locations in the county.

Veterans services to be here Tuesday

A representative of the Veterans Administration will be available from 10:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. on the parking lot of Lowe's grocery store on January 14, 2014. The representative will answer any questions or concerns that a Veteran may have according to Doug Lowe, Donley County Veterans Service Officer.

Irrigation meeting set for January 16

The annual High Plains Irrigation Conference will be held Jan. 16 in the Regency Room of the Amarillo Civic Center at 401 S. Buchanan St.

The program, hosted by Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and the Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association, will address a wide variety of topics of interest to the general public, as well as to agricultural producers, landowners, crop consultants and irrigation professionals.

A concurrent trade show also will provide opportunities for attendees to see new products and technologies, and to visit with experts from industry, non-profit organizations and agencies.

Registration will be onsite only, beginning at 8 a.m., with the program starting at 8:30 a.m. The

For more conference information, go to the Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association website, http://taia.org/HPIC_2014.html. Questions can be directed to Porter at dporter@agtamu.edu.

Clerk's office to be closed next week

The Donley County Clerk's office will be closed next week, January 13-17, for the installation of new carpet. Regular hours will resume on Monday, January 20.



Local kids will show livestock Saturday

The 2014 Donley County Junior Livestock Show will be held Saturday, January 11, at 9:00 a.m. at the Donley County Activity Center.

The show will also feature Pee Wee Showmanship Lamb, Pig and Goat Shows for all kids second grade and under. The Pee Wee lamb show will be immediately following the Junior Show followed by the goats, heifers, steers and pigs. Animals will be provided by the 4-H and area FFA Chapter members.

Virginia Patten will have the concession stand open to the public on Friday from 5-8 and all day Saturday with tacos, chili, Frito pie, and breakfast burrito and lots more.

The Buyers' Meal is Saturday evening at 6:00 with the Livestock Sale immediately following.

The following youth will be showing livestock at the show. An asterisk denotes kids showing for both Clarendon FFA and Donley County 4H.

Hedley FFA: Kati Adams, Christopher Cabler, Cody Cabler, Zach Chapman, Christopher Gonzalez, Tristen Harper, Tyler Harper, Arden Haught, Lane Hinton, Makinzie Hinton, Gilbert Norberg Hjelmar, McKayla Johnson, Clay King, Kallie Lindsey, Kyle Lindsey, Kadee Lockeby, Christian Lucero, Casey McCleskey, Cooper McCleskey, Kaylaneth Mendoza, Caylor Monroe, Collin Monroe, Kylie Monroe, Klaiton Moore, Jake Owens, Misit Scott, and Wyatt Wheately.

Donley County 4H: Ethan Babcock, Dalton Benson, Jade Benson, See "Stock Show" on page 5.



Donley County 4H member Malerie Simpson with her lamb project will be one of more than 60 local youth featured in this weekend's annual junior livestock show. COURTESY PHOTO / DONLEY COUNTY EXTENSION

Cities to consider rules on alcohol

Two months after Donley County voters approved the sale of alcoholic beverages, local businesses are still waiting for city governments to take action on the subject.

Voters authorized the sale of all alcoholic beverages, including mixed drinks, on November 5, but the cities of Clarendon and Hedley have not yet adopted rules governing such sales. That may change soon, however.

Clarendon officials will meet with representatives of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission on Friday afternoon, January 10, at 3:00 to discuss what the city can do and what other cities have done.

City Hall says no action will be taken at Friday's meeting, but the item is scheduled to be on the agenda for the regular board meeting next Tuesday, January 14, at 7 p.m., and action may or may not be taken at that time.

Four establishments in Clarendon — Lowe's Family Center, Allsup's, and both CEFCO convenience stores — have already published legal notices of their intent to apply for alcohol permits, but those applications have not gone forward, pending action by the board of aldermen.

The Hedley Board of Aldermen is also planning to meet this Thursday, January 9, and the governance of alcohol sales in that city is on the agenda but for discussion only.

Alcohol sales in the City of Howardwick were already legal prior to the November election.

Seven local governments preparing for May elections

Those interested in serving on local boards can start picking up applications next week as seven local governments prepare for elections.

The Donley County Hospital Board, which oversees indigent care and the local ambulance service, has four positions up for election this year. The two-year terms are elected at-large in Donley County, but candidates must sign up for a specific place. Those seats are currently held by Jan Farris — Place 4, Jeannie Owens — Place 5, Mark C. White —

Place 6, and Lori Howard — Place 7.

The Clarendon College District has three six-year terms available on the Board of Regents, and the positions are also elected at-large in Donley County. Those seats are held by Dr. John Howard, Dr. Bill Sansing, and Jack Moreman.

Clarendon ISD has two at-large positions available on the Board of Trustees for three-year terms, and Renee Betts and Weldon Sears are the incumbents.

Hedley ISD has three at-large positions

on its Board of Trustees, and those are also three-year terms elected at-large. Those seats are currently held by Ted Wright, Karen Watt, and Tonja Ruthardt.

Three seats on the Clarendon Board of Aldermen are up this spring. Those are two-year terms elected at-large in the city. Will Thompson is finishing one of those terms, and Beverly Burrow and Larry Jeffers hold the other two positions, having been elected to serve out unexpired terms in a special election last November.

The City of Hedley has three positions available on the May ballot. The two-year, at-large terms of Mayor Leon Ward and Aldermen Lonnie Roby and Carrie Butler are up this year.

In Howardwick, the terms of Gene Rogers, Cory Longan, and Robert Brewster on the Board of Aldermen are expiring. Those are two-year terms elected at-large.

Filing for these positions begins January 29 and runs through February 28. Elections will be held May 10.

Small farms fading away across Texas as trend continues

By Corrie MacLaggan & Neena Satija, The Texas Tribune

SPEARMAN — Inside Mike Skinner's house in this town in the northern part of the Texas Panhandle is a cage with finches and parakeets — the only livestock he has left, he says, smiling, now that he has sold the family farm.

"My grandfather told me that the only way to stop farming is to die," Skinner, 67, said.

Last spring he sold the land where he, his brother, his parents and his grandparents had grown wheat and grain sorghum. The farm holds decades of memories: the creepy feeling as a preschool child of reaching his hand under hens to grab eggs, the sound of his grandmother playing Woody Guthrie songs on the piano. But his family members have died, he has no children, and farming now seems unpredictable and lonely.

Skinner is like a growing number of Texans who are leaving the land because of opportunities in urban areas, a spike in land prices and concerns about risky weather patterns fueled by a blockbuster drought that continues to plague much of the state. The agricultural workforce is also aging.

"A lot of these guys, their kids have chosen not to come back and farm, and so they don't really have

anybody to leave the land to," said DeDe Jones, an economist at Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center at Amarillo.

Small and midsize farms and ranches in Texas — those under 2,000 acres — have been declining at a rate of 250,000 acres a year, according to the Texas A&M Institute of Renewable Natural Resources. From 1997 to 2007, the institute estimates, Texas lost about 1.5 million acres of agricultural land and is expected to lose a million more by 2020.

And while Texas as a whole is growing rapidly, the 96 counties that lost population from 2010 to 2012 are mostly in heavily agricultural West Texas and the Panhandle, the Office of the State Demographer said.

In other areas, urban growth is taking over.

"The scariest thing is what's happening to the blacklands; that's the land that's being built out," Billy Howe, the state legislative director for the Texas Farm Bureau, said, referring to cropland that lines Interstate 35, around which the swelling metropolitan areas of Austin, Dallas and San Antonio are clustered.

A century ago, Williamson County, north of Austin, was a top cotton producer. "It's nothing but houses now, for the most part,"



Mike Skinner holds a decades-old aerial photograph of the land near Spearman that three generations of his family had farmed.

TEXAS TRIBUNE PHOTO / STEPHEN SPILLMAN

Howe said.

Darren Hudson, a professor of agricultural economics at Texas Tech University, said a decline in population did not always mean less farming. Technological advances have allowed many farms and ranches in the Panhandle to expand, he said, while maintaining production levels

with fewer workers.

When land is sold there, "it doesn't go away," Hudson said. "Their neighbor gobbles it up, and it gets bigger."

Prices for agricultural land in Texas have risen significantly, another incentive to those who are considering selling.

But the risks of running an agricultural business have also increased. A tractor or combine can now cost \$300,000, meaning an operation must be larger than in years past to justify such a cost, Jones, the A&M economist, said.

"The stakes are just a lot

See "Farms" on page 5.

WARNING: The following column is an editorial (i.e. an opinion, a point of view) and may contain ideas with which some readers may freely disagree. Read at your own risk.

Who watches the watchers?

Even the Imperial Congress is not immune to the snooping of government data gatherers. CNN published a story over the weekend regarding a response the National Security Agency gave to Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vermont) inquiry as to whether the NSA was collecting so-called metadata on members of Congress. The answer would appear to be “yes.”

According to CNN, the agency stated: “Members of Congress have the same privacy protections as all US persons.” In other words, like all Americans in the current climate, members of Congress have no privacy despite guarantees written into the Fourth Amendment of the Constitution.

The revelation is ironic in that Congressmen and Senators are rarely treated like regular citizens, but it is disturbing to know that basically the NSA regards no one at all to be free from its prying eyes.

In the name of “security” America has already given up too many freedoms with no sign that they are coming back. And most of us had no idea how bad it had gotten until Edward Snowden blew the lid off the government’s surveillance of every man, woman, and child in this country as well as the spying even our closest allies around the world.

Snowden remains in exile in Russia, branded as a traitor by the government of the United States, and facing criminal charges. Given the embarrassment he caused, it’s kind of surprising that the government hasn’t “droned” Snowden yet, but perhaps that would make too much of a mess.

Last week, The New York Times and England’s Guardian both published editorials calling for a pardon for Snowden. And you can add The Clarendon Enterprise’s much lesser editorial clout to that list. Snowden doesn’t deserve prison time, he deserves a medal for having the guts to reveal what the dark forces inside our government have been up to.

Sen. Rand Paul (R-Kentucky), who is a patriot in his own right and a vocal critic of the NSA domestic spying, didn’t go so far this weekend as to suggest a pardon for Snowden, but he did tell ABC News this weekend that any prison sentence for the man should be light. He even jokingly suggested that he should share a prison cell with National Intelligence Director James Clapper, Jr., who lied to Congress last summer and said the NSA was not collecting data on Americans.

“Maybe if they served in a prison cell together, we’d become further enlightened as a country as to what we should or shouldn’t do,” Paul said.

With the backing of powerful members in both parties, there is little chance that the NSA will be reined in. Its secret power, granted by a secret court is an anathema to everything the Founding Fathers envisioned for this country. But you would expect no less from a government with unchecked power.

Let’s get a move on

“When?” That’s the question that is on the lips of business owners and consumers in Clarendon two months after alcohol sales were legalized by Donley County voters.

The election has come and gone, but those interested in selling adult beverages are still waiting for the go-ahead from the City of Clarendon which hasn’t set up any rules on the subject. Four establishments have published notice of intent to apply for alcoholic beverage permits, and others are anxious to get moving.

Businesses have also already made investments getting prepared to sell alcohol. One convenience store has new coolers in place and ready, and another has repainted, rearranged, and even put up a sign with “cold beer” and “wine” above an aisle with empty shelves.

Officials say the city is not dragging its feet on this issue. The election was November 5; and after voters approved the measure the city was supposed to have met with representatives of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission on December 6. But a winter storm kept the TABC folks from Lubbock at home, and now they are coming to town this Friday. City aldermen will then discuss the issue – and possibly take some action – next Tuesday.

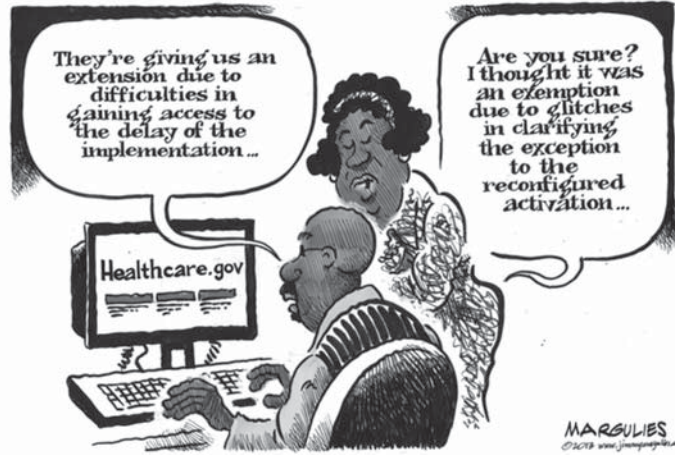
This paper favors free enterprise and encourages our city to adopt rules that will result in the maximum benefit of economic development. As they consider this issue, this column would encourage our aldermen to adopt rules that would put existing businesses on equal footing with each other and that would foster development along already established commercial corridors.

In other words, care should be taken not to adopt rules that would allow one convenience store to sell beer but deny that same right to another store. And likewise, our local restaurants should be allowed to start this new era on a level playing field. The simplest and fairest way to achieve this is to allow sales along US 287 and on Kearney Street between First and Fourth Streets.

Rules governing sales in other locations can be crafted later, and ordinances governing other issues pertaining to alcohol – prohibiting consumption in city parks, for instance – can be adopted later. But for the sake of our businesses, we need to get moving sooner rather than later. Every month this issue is delayed is a month that costs the city in terms of lost sales tax revenue and business activity. The time to act is now.



editor’s
commentary
by roger estlack



New Year thoughts from an old guy

I’m guessing my Uncle Mort’s “forward thinking” for the new year more likely is akin to “slungullion stew,” or simply a “hodge-podge” of thoughts he’s carried forward to the New Year.

His ideas are a “mish-mash” of miscellaneous ingredients rolled together, some of ‘em dating back a half-century or so. Included in the current mulling of my 101-year-old kin are truths, half-truths, what he’s heard, what he thinks he’s heard, and “hoopla” about government health insurance.

Altogether, they are light years away from reality. “Slungullion” fits about as well as anything. Again this year, truth is stranger than fiction, and it’s growing ever tougher to tell ‘em apart....

Mort believes the fraud who was passing himself off as a hand-signer for the deaf at the Mandela funeral may deserve the prize for “most convincing.”

“Millions believed he was ‘true-ern blue,’” Mort claims. “Turns out, his left hand didn’t know what his right was doing, and vice versa. He was mighty convincing, though, so surely there’s a spot for him in the front office of the Dallas Cowboys.”

He compared the signer with a TV wrestling showman from the 1950s called “Gorgeous George.” Mort claims the late wrestler was as handy with clever lines as the signer was with hand motions. “GG,” his carefully-coiffed dyed blond locks always in place and glitzy well before Liberace came along, claimed: “I don’t think I’m the best wrestler who ever lived...I don’t think

I’m the most handsome man on the planet... And I don’t think I’m the smartest man who ever lived – BUT, what’s my opinion against millions of others?”...

On a dime – the coin on which Uncle Mort always turns—he asked me if I knew how he could contact the ad people at Duck Dynasty. I suggested that he try Googling them. (He probably thought my wife and I visited their place during a recent visit to Louisiana.)

“I’ve got an idea they can build a segment on, or maybe turn into a product that might sell millions,” he claimed.

Then, he follows with, “Don’t you want to know what it is?” I am trapped, with little choice but to ask....

“I’m working on a duck call so authentic it attracts decoys,” he claimed. “That ought to line up real straight with Duck Dynasty.”

It was pointless to challenge him; maybe he really is working on such a duck call. However, the ticket for this idea was punched by my friend, C.R. (Choc) Hutcheson in Lubbock. With this yarn, he was awarded first place in the Burlington, Wisconsin Liars’ Club Contest back in 1961. Paraphrased, here’s what is written on the certificate on the wall in his home:

For years I have been working to



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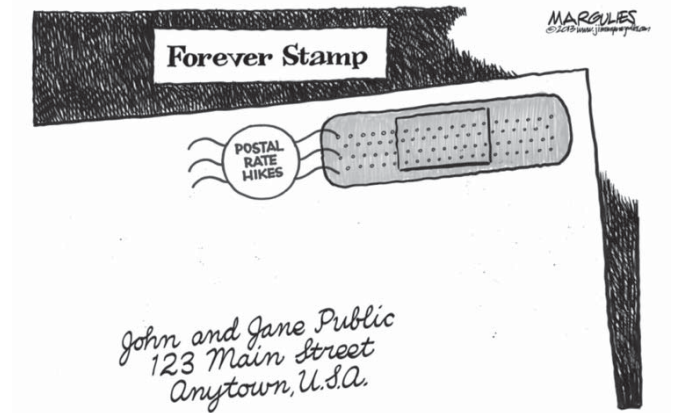
perfect a duck call. The first time I blew it, ducks swarmed in from all directions; the sky was black with them. I cut loose with my pump gun, killing my limit of six ducks with six shots. What is so strange about that, you say? Well, when I picked up those ducks, three of ‘em were decoys!...

Muttering about the government’s claim to offer low-cost group insurance, Mort said it only applies if the whole group gets sick. Then, he told me about helping Maude make lye soap out back of the house in a huge wash pot. “I’m proudest of the label,” he bragged. “Our soap is both bacterial and anti-bacterial, whichever you want it to be.” I asked him how it could be both.

“Glad you asked, nephew. The researchers can’t decide, either. Some scream ‘bacterial’ is the way to go, and others are just as vocal for ‘antibacterial’. I’ll swear that no bacteria have been added. My escape clause will be ‘except for the germs stirred up on the dirt road from cars driving past the hog pen’.”

Few people ever argue with Uncle Mort. It’s just not worth it. My guess, though, is that before he’s gone very far into 2014, he’ll wash his hands of the lye soap project, perhaps favoring new lyrics for a song to help determine how long we should wash. “I know the ‘Happy Birthday Song’ is working pretty well, but it’s really hard to remember how many verses to sing,” he chuckled....

Dr. Newbury is a speaker in the Dallas/Fort Worth metroplex.



School trustees deserve our thanks

January is School Board Recognition Month and Hedley ISD is joining other districts across the state to thank these men and women for their service to our public schools.

School board members serve many hours to make their school the best that it can be. Our local school is changing each and every day and our school board is asked to set policy and make tough decisions that affect our entire community and the lives of each student. Board members are asked to serve in the best interest of our school children.

We would like to thank these educational advocates for providing vision and leadership for students achievement, academic and athletic programs, district funding, and school

facilities. The members of the board deserve recognition and thanks for their commitment to the continuing success of our students. Great leadership always begins with a willing heart, a positive attitude, and a desire to make a difference and this is what I have had the pleasure of dealing with in working with this board.

I would like to thank: Dana Bell, president; Aaron Harper, vice-president; Lana Ritchie, secretary; and Ted Wright, Karen Watt, Mark Howard, and Tonja Rutherford for serving on the Hedley ISD school board.

Bill Wood,
Superintendent
Hedley ISD

Looking for info

Dear Editor,

I was a resident of Clarendon in the 1930s and 1940s and remember a man by the name of Jerome Price who seemed to be a ward of the Homer Mulkeys. He lived at the theater and I am not sure of their relationship, but wonder if he might have been from one of the Orphan Trains from the East that operated during this time and earlier. Could there be anyone still in Clarendon who might have information on Jerome or the Mulkeys and their situation?

Sincerely,
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Doves test positive for disease in West Texas

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department reports that recently a substantial number of Eurasian-colored doves and white-winged doves have tested positive for avian paramyxovirus in Midland and Lubbock during the 2013 fall and winter. Outbreaks may occur elsewhere within the region.

Clinical signs associated with the disease include doves becoming lethargic, reluctant to move if approached, producing green diarrhea, or difficulty in standing or holding head up. In the event of continued reports of multiple dead or dying doves, officials caution the public from directly handling birds without hand or eye protection due to the possibility of contracting conjunctivitis (commonly called pink-eye. At this time there appears to be no direct threat to cats and dogs in these areas. Furthermore, the state cautions backyard chicken owners in these areas that dove feces in chicken feeding areas may cause transmission of the disease.

Avian paramyxovirus may cause respiratory issues in chickens due to the development of lesions within the trachea that may lead to death, if not treated. If an outbreak occurs in your area, we recommend the public discontinue any bird feeding activities to decrease possible transmission between doves and other birds.

Contact your local TPWD biologist (<http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/landwater/land/habitats/county/>) or Shaun Oldenburger (shaun.oldenburger@tpwd.texas.gov; 512-757-6067) if multiple sick or dying doves are located in your area.

Officials advise the use of protective gloves, masks, and glasses if handling sick or dying birds in these areas. For more information, contact the previously listed Texas Parks and Wildlife Department personnel.

Texas Peanut Producers Board to hold election

LUBBOCK, Texas (January 2, 2014) - The Texas Peanut Producers Board will be holding an election Jan. 9, 2014, until Jan. 23, 2014, for two expiring directors' seats.

There is one seat open in Voting Region 3, and there is one seat open for election of an At-Large TPPB board member. The At-Large member may be from any of the 254 counties in Texas so long as they meet the requirements below.

Peanut producers eligible to vote in the elections are persons, including the owner of a farm on which peanuts are produced or the owner's tenant or sharecropper, engaged in the business of producing peanuts or causing peanuts to be produced for commercial purposes for at least one production period during the three years preceding the date of this election (Jan. 23, 2014). The producer must reside within one of the counties stated above to vote in the respective voting region.

The elections will be held by mail ballot. Ballots containing the nominations of all persons who have validly filed will be available Jan. 9, 2014, at peanut buying locations and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service offices in each of the appropriate voting regions, or by writing TPPB.

Voters will be voting for qualified candidates who have sought nomination within the respective TPPB voting regions where elections are to occur. Voters may also vote for board members by "writing in" the name of any eligible persons. All voters otherwise qualified to vote as corn producers must reside in a county within the TPPB voting region where they seek to vote.

For a ballot to be valid, it must be mailed to the TPPB, 4205 N. I-27, Lubbock, Texas 79403, with a postmark date of no later than Jan. 23, 2014.

Comptroller offers taxpayer seminars

AUSTIN – During the month of January, the Comptroller's office will conduct 14 free taxpayer seminars across the state. At these seminars, taxpayers can learn how to properly fill out tax forms, and file and pay taxes electronically. Information about e-services will also be available to help taxpayers manage their accounts online. Comptroller representatives will be on hand to answer questions and provide assistance to attendees.

"We want to empower Texas business owners by making resources and information accessible. Conducting these seminars and making our team of tax specialists available provides guidance for businesses," said R.J. DeSilva, spokesperson for the Comptroller's office.

A complete list of locations, dates and times of the taxpayer seminars is available at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/seminars.html. Those who are unable to attend the seminars can call the Comptroller's tax assistance line at 1-800-252-5555. Tax forms and tax information can also be found on the Comptroller's website, www.window.state.tx.us.

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE				
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS				
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2013				
Data Control Codes	10 General Fund	Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds	
REVENUES:				
5700 Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 495,170	\$ 45,400	\$ 540,570	
5800 State Program Revenues	1,024,646	69,988	1,094,634	
5900 Federal Program Revenues	-	158,235	158,235	
5020 Total Revenues	1,519,816	273,623	1,793,439	
EXPENDITURES:				
Current:				
0011 Instruction	856,850	66,268	923,118	
0012 Instructional Resources and Media Services	7,523	-	7,523	
0013 Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	-	5,216	5,216	
0023 School Leadership	55,875	-	55,875	
0033 Health Services	826	-	826	
0034 Student (Pupil) Transportation	74,247	-	74,247	
0035 Food Services	-	74,553	74,553	
0036 Extracurricular Activities	68,064	-	68,064	
0041 General Administration	180,019	-	180,019	
0051 Facilities Maintenance and Operations	167,800	43,864	211,664	
0052 Security and Monitoring Services	651	-	651	
0053 Data Processing Services	61,056	-	61,056	
Debt Service:				
0071 Principal on Long Term Debt	-	80,000	80,000	
0072 Interest on Long Term Debt	-	14,948	14,948	
0073 Bond Issuance Cost and Fees	-	323	323	
Intergovernmental:				
0093 Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Districts of SSA	16,635	-	16,635	
0099 Other Intergovernmental Charges	17,988	-	17,988	
6030 Total Expenditures	1,507,534	285,172	1,792,706	
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	12,282	(11,549)	733	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				
7915 Transfers In	-	11,030	11,030	
8911 Transfers Out (Use)	(11,030)	-	(11,030)	
7080 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(11,030)	11,030	-	
1200 Net Change in Fund Balances	1,252	(519)	733	
0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	722,218	817	723,035	
3000 Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 723,470	\$ 298	\$ 723,768	

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

January 14
Broncos & Lady Broncos v White Deer • 4/5/6:30/8 p.m. • White Deer

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

January 16
Buildups & Lady Buildups v Frank Phillips • 5:45/7:45 p.m. • Dawg house

January 17
Broncos & Lady Broncos v Panhandle • 4/5/6:30/8 p.m. • Clarendon

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

January 21
Owls & Lady Owls v Silverton • 6:30 p.m. • Silverton

January 24
Broncos & Lady Broncos v Claude • 4/5/6:30/8 p.m. • Clarendon

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

January 27
Buildups & Lady Buildups v New Mexico JC • 5:45/7:45 p.m. • Dawg house

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Menus

January 13 - January 17

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Chopped steak & mushrooms, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, wheat bread, cookies, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Crispy chicken/bun, tomato, lettuce, pickle, carrot & raisin salad, potato wedges, fruit bowl, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Sliced pork roast & apple sauce, green beans, mixed green salad, wheat roll, gingerbread, iced tea/2% milk.
Thur: Sliced brisket/gravy, potato wedges, strawberries/whipped topping, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Roast turkey, sweet potato casserole, seasoned green beans, cranberry slices, waldorf salad, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Beef enchilada casserole, bar rancho beans, Spanish rice, coleslaw, 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 salad, wheat roll, peach cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.
Thur: 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: French toast sticks, fresh fruit, milk.
Tue: Scrambled eggs, biscuit & gravy, fruit juice, milk.
Wed: Breakfast club, fresh fruit, milk.
Thur: Chicken-n-waffles, fruit juice, milk.
Fri: Breakfast burrito, fresh fruit, milk.
Lunch
Mon: Corn dog, black eyed peas, tomato & cucumber cup, apple-pine-apple delight, milk.
Tue: Beefy queso, refried beans, salad, orange smiles, milk.
Wed: Chicken sandwich, oven fries, veggie cup, fruity gelatin, milk.
Thur: Chicken nuggets, pinto beans, salad, grapes, breadstick, milk.
Fri: Pizza, crunchy broccoli salad, corn, fresh fruit, milk.

Hedley ISD
Breakfast
Mon: Waffles & chicken w/syrup, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.
Tue: Oatmeal muffin squares, yogurt, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.
Wed: Texas toast, scrambled eggs, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.
Thur: Breakfast club, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.
Fri: Biscuits w/gravy, sausage, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.
Lunch
Mon: Hamburger or cheese burger, hamburger garnish, potato rounds, diced pears, milk.
Tue: Tangerine chicken, brown rice, baby carrots, pineapple tidbits, milk.
Wed: Tex-Mex stack, refried beans, garden salad, salsa, hot cinnamon apples, milk.
Thur: Chicken fajita salad w/tortilla chips, salsa, baby carrots, fresh fruit bowl, milk.
Fri: Chicken parmesan, breadstick, savory green beans, fresh apple slices, milk.

Weather prediction for 2014

Happy two thousand fourteen, everyone. A superstition passed to me by my Mother was “The first 12 days of a new year predicts the weather for the year.” According to that, the month of May will have some moisture because we had a sprinkling of snow the morning of the 5th and June will be colder than average because we woke up to 13° this morning. This yearly weather prediction works almost as well as our local weather-guessers, we must remember the Farmer’s Almanac says the Almanac maker predicts the weather, but another Maker makes the weather.

Just a reminder, a Retirement Party is planned for Dianna Knight on January 14 at 6:00 p.m. at Howardwick City Hall as she retires after 23 years as City Secretary. There

will be snacks and refreshments and a money tree in lieu of gifts.

Our new secretary is Tammy Sparks, a resident of Howardwick since 1999 with no plans to leave our beautiful city. New office hours are 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The phone number remains the same, 874-2222.

When Ole Jim and I moved to Howardwick in 1983, the first people to greet us were Henry and Cora Bland, the neighbors across the street. After they sold the chicken

farm in Dickens County, they began building their house in Howardwick and moved in about 1971. Henry loved building things from wood. I have some things he built. They had a travel trailer and loved to hook up and go. They were charter members of Howardwick Baptist Church, and Cora served as treasurer for 35 years. Henry died in 1999, but Cora continued living in Howardwick until about two years ago when she moved to Amarillo, keeping the home. Sadly, as I reported a month or so ago, she suffered a stroke and passed away on her birthday December 31 at the age of 94. We have missed her being around for the past couple of years, but this is different, it is permanent but she was greeted in heaven by singing and shouting. God bless the family and say a prayer for them.



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January recognizes school boards

AUSTIN – January 2014 is School Board Recognition Month, a time to thank the 7,300 locally elected leaders who deeply care about the success of all Texas children. These dedicated men and women serve without pay on local boards. Each year the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) encourages education and community leaders to show appreciation to these people for their unfailing commitment to the students in their charge.

“Please join me in recognizing the service of local boards as they strive for excellence in our public schools,” said James B. Crow, TASB

executive director. “The long hours and enormous responsibilities of school board service often are not visible to those who may not fully understand the challenges facing public education. Yet, these local trustees embrace hard work as they demonstrate compassion and concern for the success and wellbeing of every Texas student. They work closely with parents and educators to develop sound education policies in their districts and set high standards for student success.

“In communities across the state, school board members willingly step forward to tackle serious issues, deal with financial uncer-

tainties, and still provide excellent education experiences for all of our children. We urge every community to thank local board members and support them as they tackle this important job. Join us in applauding them for making the time to care about the future of Texas schoolchildren, their local communities, and this state,” he said.

TASB is a nonprofit association established in 1949 to serve local Texas school districts. School board members are the largest group of publicly elected officials in the state. The districts they represent serve approximately 5 million public school students.

Hedley church welcomes new pastor

Something new is happening at Hedley First United Methodist Church. Services are beginning at a new time with a new pastor as of January 5.

Rev. Dr. Stan Cosby and wife Susan will begin their ministry in Hedley. Due to Stan’s duties as senior pastor at St. Stephen’s United Methodist Church in Amarillo, services will be held at 4:00 p.m. every Sunday.

Stan and Susan are well known in the Hedley area. Susan is the

daughter of Bill and Jaunell Carson and is well known for her musical talents. Stan was the guest preacher at the Hedley Methodist Church’s centennial celebration in 2005 and is a frequent minister in Hedley.

Everyone is invited to come hear Stan’s message of God’s love and the gift of salvation that is available to all who ask. Church members are hopeful that since the service is held at 4:00 p.m., more people can come worship with them and especially all ex-members.

Nominate a person or place to THC

AUSTIN, Texas—The Texas Historical Commission (THC) offers awards to recognize worthy accomplishments and exemplary leadership in the preservation of Texas’ heritage. The THC is now accepting nominations for the Governor’s Award for Historic Preservation and the John L. Nau, III Award of Excellence in Museums. Nominations must be received no later than Friday, February 28, 2014.

The THC’s most prestigious award, the Governor’s Award for Historic Preservation, is presented in a special ceremony arranged with the staff of the Governor’s Office. A wide variety of projects and volunteer efforts may be recognized through the Governor’s Award. The

John L. Nau, III Award recognizes an individual in the museum field for significant achievement. The award is presented at the facility that earns the distinction.

Anyone may submit a nomination in accordance with the guidelines presented below each award as listed on the THC website at www.thc.state.tx.us. The THC also offers the Award of Merit, which recognizes the efforts and contributions of a group or individual involved in preserving Texas’ cultural and historic resources. Nominations for this award may be submitted anytime throughout the year.

For more information, contact the THC’s History Programs Division at 512.463.5853.

Shelton honored on SWOUSU Dean’s List

Honor rolls at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford have been announced for the 2013 fall semester.

There were 651 students on the Dean’s Honor Roll after completing 12 semester hours of undergraduate work with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher with no grade lower than a “C.” Among the students on the Dean’s List was Derrick Shelton of Clarendon.

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Sargent, Berry plan March wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Jason Sargent of Memphis announce the engagement of their daughter MarLee D’Ann Sargent to James Daniel Berry, son of Kelly Lynch of Clovis, CA, and James and Julie Berry of Lubbock.

The future bride is a 2013 graduate of Texas Tech University. She received her bachelor’s in agricultural communications. Currently, she is employed at the Texas Tech Therapeutic Riding Center.

The future groom is a recent graduate of the Sunset International Bible Institute. He received his bachelors in biblical studies. He currently

serves as the pulpit minister for the Hollis, OK Church of Christ.

MarLee is the granddaughter of Ronny and Janie Hill of Hedley, Roger and Cynthia Sargent of Livingston, TX, and Rebecca Dompe of Memphis. She is the great-granddaughter of Jeannette Floyd of Hedley and Katherine Sargent of Memphis.

J.D. is the grandson of Dean and Julie Berry of Fresno, CA, and of Robert and Lou Lynch of Clovis, CA.

The couple plan to wed March 22 at A1 Do Farms in Lubbock.

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Hedley wins Hoot Out

Hedley junior Kortney Burton brings the ball down the court in Friday's clash of the Owls. Hedley Lady Owls beat the Silverton Lady Owls, 48-31. The public is invited to come out and support Kortney Friday in their game against Valley by wearing your "Team Kortney" shirt or by wearing purple to the game. Hedley will take on Valley, beginning at 6:30 p.m. this Friday, January 10.

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Lady Bronco JV stomps Memphis, San Jacinto

The Lady Bronco junior varsity traveled to Memphis last week over the break and totally owned the Lady Cyclones defeating them, 52-15. It was never a contest for the ladies as they breezed to the win. They were able to hold their opponent to no points in the first quarter and held them to single digits in the first half of play.

The ladies poured on the pressure in the final half of play to extend their lead and get the win. Freshman Hannah Howard could not be stopped and pumped in twenty-seven points to lead the Lady Broncos on the scoreboard. "Defensively, we played really solid against Memphis," coach Kasey Bell said. "Several ladies did a good job of shooting

the ball."

Also scoring: Briana Butler 7, Jensen Hatley, Sterling King 5, Briley Chadwick 3, Myra Castillo 2, Berkeley Alexander 1, and Karlee Adams 1.

At home the ladies took on San Jacinto and after a hard-fought battle, the Lady Broncos won 47-43. The contest went back and forth after playing the first seven minutes fairly even. The Lady Broncos trailed by seven points at the break, but regrouped in the third quarter to retake the lead. They hustled on offense and were aggressive on defense and earned the four-point win by determination. "Again, the ladies played solid defense against San Jacinto and held them to only

one point in the third quarter and they were able to establish a rhythm," Bell said. "And we made some crucial stops. "In the final quarter, we played even more aggressive diving on loose balls. The girls also stepped up and made much-needed free throws in the fourth quarter." Chadwick hit two three-pointers from the field and shot made six out of seven free throws to lead the team with twenty points. Hatley also hustled throughout and put up eleven points in the win. Howard finished with nine, Butler and King each had three, and Alexander put in one.

The Lady Broncos will host Vega Friday, January 10, beginning at 4:00 pm and travel to White Deer on Tuesday.

Bronco JV beat Memphis, Ascension Academy

The Bronco junior varsity played three games last week and won one game at home and one on the road. The Broncos played Memphis on Wednesday and defeated them, 42-32.

After playing to an even seventeen in the first half of play, the Broncos were able to take control and open up a five-point lead in the third quarter. They increased that lead in the final period of play by their offensive execution and being successful at the bonus line hitting seven of nine free throws to seal the win. Chase Lockhart and Chesson Sims finished in double figures with fourteen and twelve points. Marshal Johnson added nine, Clay Koetting

put in six, and Kenrick Addington helped with one. The Broncos took on Ascension Academy at home on Thursday and earned a 44-27 win. Clarendon came into the game playing aggressive and executed their offense to gain the early momentum. They also shot sixty-seven percent from the bonus line. Sims was on fire making good on twenty-two points while Lockhart helped with fifteen. Koetting had three and Seth Greer and Johnson added two each.

Childress was the Broncos' final game of the week and despite playing hard, the Broncos lost 31-52.

The guys were able to stay with the Bobcats in the first half of play, but fatigue played a huge part in their

execution in the final two quarters of play. Childress outmaneuvered them and were able to keep fresh legs on the court. "I was really proud of the boys and the way they played," coach Alton Gaines said. "We were a little short-handed against Memphis, but the boys overcame that and got the victory. Childress was a tougher opponent for us. We really played a good first half, but the second half was way too much for us and we just ran out of legs. Great job boys."

Scoring: Lockhart 16, Koetting 8, and Taylon Knorpp 1.

The Broncos will take on Vega at home on Friday, January 10, at 5:00 and will travel to White Deer Tuesday, January 14.

Award recognizes historic Texas businesses

AUSTIN – The Texas Historical Commission (THC) encourages Texans to nominate a historic business in their community for special recognition. The Texas Treasures Business Award pays tribute to Texas' well-established companies that are more than 50 years old.

The award recognizes their exceptional historical contributions toward economic growth and prosperity to the state. To be eligible, a company must be involved in the same type of business as when originally founded, and continue to operate the same, or very similar, type of

business as it did at least 50 years ago. It must be able to demonstrate a good business relationship with the state. Examples include the Tip Top Café in San Antonio, the New Braunfels Smokehouse, Adams Extract & Spice in Gonzales, and the Mills County State Bank in Goldthwaite.

Created in 2005 through legislation authored by Sen. Leticia Van de Putte (D-San Antonio) and sponsored by Rep. Charles "Doc" Anderson (R-Waco), the program recognizes well-established Texas companies.

The THC expanded on the program, offering special recognition through a public display deal identifying the business as a Texas Treasure.

Consumers will know when they spot the familiar Texas Treasures business icon that they are doing business with a well-established, Texas-owned-and-operated business that has long contributed to job growth.

Visit the THC website at www.thc.state.tx.us to download a nomination form. For more information, call 512.463.6092.

Extension to feature market analyst in Dimmit

DIMITT – The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will conduct a commodities marketing workshop from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Jan. 23 at First United Bank, 201 N. Broadway in Dimmit.

"This program will offer a unique opportunity for producers from across our region with an interest in the futures market," said Nancy Andersen, AgriLife Extension agent in Castro County. "We are excited to welcome Richard Brock from the

Brock Report to Castro County as our keynote program speaker.

"Brock is a well-respected market professional who heads a team of experts who monitor the markets daily, thus enabling them to advise producers on emerging trends. Their information, strategies and advice provide producers and agribusiness professionals another perspective in their decision-making process."

Andersen said Brock is presi-

dent of Brock Associates, a commodity marketing consulting firm headquartered in Milwaukee, Wis., that provides price forecasting and strategies for sales and purchasing programs to farmers, agribusiness firms and the food industry.

Individual registration, which includes lunch, is \$10 due upon arrival. For more information and to RSVP, contact the AgriLife Extension office in Castro County at 806-647-4115.

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Farms:

Continued from page one.

higher," she said. "We're going to see more corporate farms and larger farms than we have in the past."

Jerry Schniederjan, an Amarillo real estate agent who sells agricultural land, said most family farms and ranches were bought by larger family farms and corporate farms. It has become difficult to make a living on a small farm, he said.

Years ago, when land prices were lower and farms were smaller, Schniederjan and his wife, Shellie, bought a farm. They spent more than two decades growing wheat, grain sorghum and corn in the Panhandle.

They enjoyed raising their boys on the farm, but since neither son has an interest in farming — Ryan is a pathologist's assistant in Houston, and Kyle is an engineer in Amarillo — the couple decided to sell more than a decade ago.

Like Skinner, Schniederjan, 59, said he had no regrets.

"Shellie and I felt like we already had our neck stuck out on a chopping block," he said. "Farming was good to us, but it was a very, very risky business."

Among the risks was the weather. Rural Texans have always had to endure unpredictable weather, but the year that Schniederjan decided to sell saw little rainfall, and the debilitating drought that still persists in much of the state has pushed many others to leave agriculture. In 2011, the driest year on record in the state, Texas' cattle inventory fell to its lowest level since the 1960s and has still not recovered.

The drought has been especially hard on ranches, because animals need healthy grass to survive. Dell Dickinson, who raises sheep on 7,000 acres of pasture in West Texas near the Mexican border, said he had cut his sheep herd in half in recent years. But he has managed to keep the business sustainable, said Dickinson, whose grandfather bought the land in 1942.

His grown children — a daughter in Houston and a son in Nebraska — do not want to continue the business, he said, so it is likely they will sell the land once they inherit it.

"Without the emotional attachment, there's basically only one thing left," Dickinson, 70, said. "And that's, 'Let's sell it and see how much money we can get for it.'"

In Spearman, Skinner, wearing a blue and gold flannel shirt and jeans, pulls out a framed aerial photograph of the farm from the 1950s.

Through the drizzle is the dilapidated farmhouse, which is in much better shape in the photograph. Gone is the orchard behind the house where the family grew cherries, apples and plums. Skinner's goats used to keep the weeds at bay, but now they grow waist-high.

Skinner loved experimenting with different varieties of crops, but his problem, he said, was that he never thought of farming as a business, and the market and the weather could not be controlled.

"The bottom line is, it just ain't no fun anymore," said Skinner, who said he wanted to live closer to art museums. "You can come out here and listen to meadowlarks, but it might do to trade solitude for a bit of culture."



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(Genesis 1:19-26) So the evening and the morning were the fourth day. Then God said, "Let the waters abound with an abundance of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the face of the firmament of the heavens." So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that moves, with which the waters abounded, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." So the evening and the morning were the fifth day. Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind"; and it was so. And God made the beast of the earth according to its kind, cattle according to its kind, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

When you read the above passages you have to conclude a few things, if you believe that the Bible is from God and inspired.

1. Life was deliberately created with much thought and intelligence. Life didn't just "show up" from nothing.
2. Animals never "evolved" from one species to another, they produced "after their kind." (Genetically speaking, a person or a squirrel couldn't have been a fish or vice-versa.)
3. Animals are considered lower than man, by God, and are for our use. An animal's life isn't the equivalent of a human, at least, not in God's eyes.
4. If the Bible account is true, and God isn't a liar, then we didn't come from monkeys or any other species. God created us as humans from the beginning.

The world has its reasons to throw doubt upon the Biblical account of creation. If there is no creation, there is no God. If there is no God, there are no standards to live by. For the life of me, I don't understand why people who profess to be Christians want to accept something other than the Biblical account. If you believe the account of creation in the Bible is a myth, you should throw your Bible into the garbage and find something else to do on Sundays. You should quit doing good deeds, because there is no such thing as "good" if the Bible is a myth. There are consequences to the evolution theory (By the way, it's still a theory; it can't be and never will be proven). Evolution devalues life and morals. It has ruined our country in so many ways. I pray the world would turn to God for answers. Mankind doesn't have the answers and never will.

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Lady Broncos nab two wins over break

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos squared off against San Jacinto at home last Thursday night and after four quarters, the ladies came up with a 48-32 win. The Lady Broncos led throughout and shot sixty-seven percent from the free throw line to help them to the win.

Clarendon held the Lady Patriots at bay in the first three quarters of play, but dominated the final eight minutes of play to get the win. The ladies played solid basketball

and worked hard to put points on the board. Ryann Starnes led with eighteen points, but Taylor Gaines and Taylor DeGrate finished with fourteen and twelve points. Deborah Howard helped with four points.

The Lady Broncos also traveled to Memphis over the break and handily defeated them, 54-21. The ladies took a commanding lead at the tip off and stayed strong until the final buzzer.

The Lady Cyclones were never able to do anything to stop Clarendon's offensive surge. Gaines and Starnes finished in double figures with thirteen and twelve points. Camra Smith had eight, Phara Berry helped with seven, and DeGrate added six. Brittney Braim put in five and Skyler White accounted for three points. The Lady Broncos shot just under fifty percent from the free throw line.

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Broncos win against Ascension Academy

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos out hustled and out played a good Ascension Academy team last Thursday night at home defeating them, 69-55. Senior Chance McAnear hit five three-point shots and hit six out of seven from the bonus line to lead the Broncos in the win.

Clarendon never trailed in the game as they took the early lead. Solid offense aided the Broncos in their win as their defense also overpowered their opponent.

"We moved the ball well on offense and rebounded well," head coach Brandt Lockhart said. "We were able to push the ball and get

some easy baskets."

Also scoring: Ashton Smith 8, Cedrick McCampbell 4, Charles Mason 4, Taylon Knorrp 4, Bryce Hatley 3, JoJo Cartwright 2, and Zach Cornell 1.

On Wednesday, the Broncos traveled to Memphis and were defeated 33-52. The Broncos were able to keep it close in the first half, but a slow-shooting third quarter gave the Cyclones the upper hand.

"We came out and fought well against a state ranked team," Lockhart said. "We moved the ball well and were active on defense."

Scoring: Cartwright 8, McCampbell 4, Mason 4, McAnear

4, and Knorrp 3.

The Broncos' final game was at Childress and they were defeated 39-71. The Broncos could never get anything going against the good Childress team and struggled somewhat offensively.

"We found out why Childress is state ranked in 2A," Lockhart said. "They were able to get turnovers and turn them into easy baskets."

Scoring: McCampbell 10, Cartwright 7, Mason 6, McAnear 6, Smith 6, Cornell 2, and Knorrp 2.

The Broncos will play Vega at home Friday, January 10 beginning at 8:00 pm and will travel to White Deer Tuesday, January 14.

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Obituaries

Bland

Cora McAllister Bland, 94, died Tuesday, December 31, 2013, in Amarillo.

Services were held Thursday, January 2, 2014, at Robertson Funeral Directors Saints' Roost Chapel in Clarendon with Rev. Dave Stout, pastor of the Howardick First Baptist Church and with Rev. Jim Powell, pastor of the Hobart Baptist Church in Pampa, officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Burial followed at Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon.

Cora was born December 31, 1919, in Jayton, Kent Co., Texas to Andrew Kelly and Eunice Parnell McAllister. She married Henry Bland on March 19, 1943, in Lubbock, Texas. Mrs. Bland moved from Dickens Co. to Clarendon in January of 1971. She had been a housewife, enjoyed cooking, and loved to crochet and read. Cora was also a member of the Disabled Veterans Auxiliary and the VFW Auxiliary. She was a charter member of the Howardick First Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her father in 1954 and by her mother in 1920; her husband on September 4, 1999; by 2 brothers, Julian Wayne McAllister in 1916, Bob Edd McAllister in 1942; by 2 half-brothers, J.W. and Clyde McAllister; and by a half-sister, Fannie Lou Richard.

She is survived by 2 sons,



Bland

Albert Kelly Bland and wife Cherrie and Donald Gene Bland and wife Judy, both of Amarillo; by a loving friend whom she considered a son, Rev. Robert Griffin and wife Faye of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; 5 grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren; and by 2 great-great grandchildren.

The family suggests that memorials be to the Howardick Baptist Church.

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Roach

Mrs. T. L. Roach (Rosemary), 86, died December 27, 2013, in Amarillo.

Services were held December 31, in Polk Street United Methodist Church with Dr. Burt Palmer officiating.

Entombment will be in Llano Cemetery Mausoleum. Arrangements are by Schooler Funeral Home, 4100 S. Georgia.

Rosemary was born September 11, 1927, in Amarillo to Harvey and Olga Carter Allen. She graduated from Amarillo High School in 1945. She also graduated from Christian College, Columbia, Missouri in 1947, and from Texas University in Austin with a Bachelor of Arts in 1949. While at UT, she joined the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority, was runner-up in the Sweetheart of University Contest, and runner-up finalist in Blue Bonnet Belle and was Aqua Carnival Queen.

In 1950, she married T. L. Roach, Jr. Her current and past business operations include Roach Oil Co. & Ashtola Exploration Co., Senior Partner, T. L. Roach and Son,



Roach

Allen Creek Ranch, and owner of TxAire Charter Service.

Rosemary loved the Amarillo community and was very involved in community activities. She served on the Board of Directors of Amarillo Symphony Inc. from 1981-1987. While on the Board, she served on the following committees: Nominating, Program Advertising, By-laws, and the Investments committee.

She also served on the board of Amarillo Symphony Guild from 1970-73; Amarillo Art Alliance Board of Directors, 1995; and on the Amarillo Opera Board of Directors, While serving on The Amarillo Opera board, she was a member of the Advisory board 1995-1998, sponsored many productions, and was nominated by Amarillo Opera as one of the Philanthropists of the Year.

In 1951, she became a member of the Junior League of Amarillo and served on the Advisory Planning Committee, was corresponding secretary of the Executive Committee, served on the Admissions Committee and on the Nominating Committee three years, YWCO Public Relations Committee Chairman, and was a sustaining Advisor to Advisory Planning.

Rosemary also served on the Cal Farley Boy's Ranch/Girlstown USA Board of Directors. She was one of the first two women to serve on the Board of Directors after Boy's Ranch merged with Girlstown. While on the board, she served as secretary of Executive Committee and Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee. She also co-chaired the Strategic Planning committee of Boy's Ranch and Girlstown and was an avid and proud fan of the yearly Boy's Ranch Rodeo.

From 1993-2001, Rosemary served on The Sam Houston Society, Friends of the Governor's Mansion, Board of Trustees 1993-2001 and as Vice President 1997-1999. She also served on the YWCO Board of

Directors 1978-1982.

Polk Street United Methodist Church was a large part of Rosemary's life. She was a member since 1950 and served on the Board of Trustees 1991-1994. She was recognized at the Charge Conference in 1994 for the renovation of Social Hall, a gift in memory of her husband, T.L. Road, Jr. She also served on the Finance Committee, was a charter member of the Altar Guild, served on Adult Ministries and on the Committee for "Wednesday Night Worship Service." She was a member of Susanna Wesley Class, United Methodist Women's Board, and Church Circle Chairman. She was also on the Board of Directors of Wesley Community Center.

Other community and statewide involvements include serving on the West Texas A&M University Foundation. She was a member of Hall of Fame 1993. Mrs. T. L. Roach, Jr. and family gave a Presidential Honors Scholarship in memory of T.L. Roach, Jr. in 1992. She was a member of President's Circle of Friends, received a WTA&M Gold Medallion award by Circle of Friends, and was on the Inaugural Committee for WTA&M President Max Sherman in 1977.

Rosemary served on the Steering Committee to re-elect Teel Bivins for Texas Senate and to elect Rick Perry for Texas Agriculture Commissioner.

She was a charter and lifetime member of Amarillo Botanical Gardens as well as the Lone Star Ballet Board and was a Lone Star Ballet production sponsor. She was a member and past president of Kappa Kappa Gamma Alumnae and received her 50-year service pin in 2013. She served on the Eldon Durrett Scholarship Committee 1979-1987 and was appointed Chairman in 1980 by the Amarillo School Board.

Rosemary was active in the Texas and Southwest Cattle Raisers

Association ("TSCRA") and was a member since 1950. She was elected as Honorary Vice President. Rosemary adored attending the TSCRA conventions twice a year where she would reunite with her lifelong friends. She was a financial supporter of the TSCRA Museum in Fort Worth.

In 1990, Rosemary accepted the Research Chair, in memory of T. L. Roach, Jr., of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center, which was given by Mrs. Sybil Harrington.

Awards received from Polk Street United Methodist Church include the Special Christian Service Award and Special Mission Recognition of Polk Street United Methodist Women in 1986. She also received the Distinguished Service Award for outstanding Achievement in the Community from The Amarillo Area Women's Forum. She was awarded the Golden Nail Award for service in the arts.

Following in the footsteps of her mother, Olga, she was an avid gardener. She also loved fly fishing in Colorado and Montana, and playing bridge and gin rummy with her dear friend, Jay Taylor. Rosemary was passionate about supporting the arts in the Amarillo area, museums, higher education, and historical preservation. She traveled worldwide, but found her most treasured and beloved destinations to be Allen Creek Ranch, spending Thanksgiving at the Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs and the 4UR fishing resort in Creede, Colorado. She was an avid supporter of politics, loved entertaining, and most of all, she enjoyed her children and her seven grandchildren, who loved her dearly.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her sister, Elizabeth Allen Chesshir in 1974; her husband, T.L. Roach, Jr. in 1988; and a grandson, Jack Roach.

Survivors include two daughters, Susan Roach and Sheri

Brosier and husband Scott, all of Amarillo; one son Tom L. Roach III and wife Annie of Montana; six grandchildren, Travis Higgins, Benjamin Brosier, Brennan Brosier, Channing Brosier, Katie Roach, and McCullough Roach, and two nieces, Rosemary Orr of Amarillo and Leanne Siewerr of Costa Rica.

The family suggests in lieu of flowers, memorials be to T.L. Roach Presidential Honors Scholarship, WTAMU, Box 60766, Canyon, TX 79016.

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Cox

Grace Virginia Lee Cox, 93, died Thursday, January 2, 2014, in Clarendon.

Services were held on Monday, January 6, 2014 at Zion Lutheran Church in Pampa with Rev. Michael Erickson, pastor, officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Burial followed at Memory Gardens in Pampa.

Grace Cox was born May 6, 1920 in Elmo, Missouri to Henry Theodore and Christine Charlotte Sander Held. She married Harold Cox on December 18, 1940 in Cape Girardeau, MO. Grace was a homemaker and was a member of the Zion Lutheran Church in Pampa for many years.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband on December 19, 1990; and several brothers and sisters.

She is survived by 2 sons, Ricky Cox and wife Sandy, and James Cox; 4 grandchildren; and 7 great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Zion Lutheran Church, 1200 Duncan Street, Pampa, Texas 79065.

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Sheriff's Report

December 30, 2013

11:06 a.m. – EMS assist 100 block North Sully
11:29 a.m. – Loose livestock FM 2362
11:56 a.m. – Mutual aid with Hall County
1:06 p.m. – Ems assist 200 block South Sully
3:19 p.m. – To jail with 2 in custody

December 31, 2013

12:28 a.m. – EMS assist none emergency transport
1:37 p.m. – To jail 1 in custody
10:04 p.m. – EMS assist 600 block South Johns
January 1, 2014
8:35 a.m. – EMS assist 600 block South Johns

1:06 p.m. – See caller 400 block West 2nd

1:21 p.m. – Units paged to fire in Lelia Lake

4:23 p.m. – EMS assist 1100 block West 5th

January 2, 2014

2:55 a.m. – Community burglar alarm 800 block West 2nd
11:30 p.m. – Units paged to minor accident 600 block West 2nd
9:12 p.m. – To jail with 1 in custody
10:55 p.m. – EMS assist 800 block West 8th

January 3, 2014

5:45 a.m. – Welfare check 800 block West 8th
9:01 a.m. – Out at Annex
11:56 a.m. – Welfare check to Lelia Lake

5:07 a.m. – To jail with 1 in custody

5:23 a.m. – Taking report 600 block East 2nd

5:37 a.m. – EMS assist 800 block West 8th

January 4, 2014

4:05 a.m. – Suspicious person 100 block Woodrow in Lelia Lake
3:27 p.m. – EMS assist mutual aid with Hall County
11:20 p.m. – Report of intoxicated minors 4th Sully

January 5, 2014

7:36 a.m. – EMS assist 300 block 4th Hedley
1:47 p.m. – EMS assist mutual aid with Hall County
4:54 p.m. – EMS assist 300 block Angle Street in Lelia Lake

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