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

Hedley approves trash rate increase

Hedley citizens will soon start paying more to have their trash hauled off after action at last week's city meeting.

The Board of Aldermen voted January 9 to raise sanitation rates by \$2 per Dumpster. City Hall says the rate increase will help maintain a recently purchased trash truck and go toward other sanitation expenses.

The higher trash rate will go into effect in February.

The city also is anticipating raising water rates but is waiting to learn how much its wholesale cost from Greenbelt Water Authority is increasing.

Sales tax revenue up for Clarendon

City sales tax revenues started the calendar year with a boost when Texas Comptroller Susan Combs delivered January allocations last week.

Clarendon's sales tax revenue for the month was \$27,637.84, which is up 6.79 percent from the same period in 2013.

Hedley and Howardwick did not receive good news, however. Hedley's January allocation slid 25.47 percent to \$309.28, and Howardwick's sales tax revenue fell 29.93 percent for the first month of the year.

Across the state, Combs said that sales tax revenue was \$2.25 billion, up 3.9 percent compared to the same period a year ago.

"Consumer spending in retail trade contributed to the latest gain in state sales tax collections," Combs said. "Other sectors such as telecommunications also contributed to the monthly growth, and state sales tax revenue has now increased for 45 consecutive months."

The sales tax figures represent November sales reported by monthly tax filers.

PBS presents 'One Square Mile: Texas'

Over the past 18 months, Texas filmmakers Carl and Betsy Crum have been producing a nine-part series titled "One Square Mile: Texas" (OSMTX). The square miles featured are Silverton, Nacogdoches, Dallas, Midland, Port Isabel, Houston, Austin, San Antonio and El Paso.

For the "One Square Mile: Texas" series, the husband and wife filmmakers approached nine distinct square miles across the Lone Star State. The purpose of the series is to explore what life actually is like for the people living and working in these square miles and to shed light on what it actually means to be Texan in contemporary American culture.

"One Square Mile: Texas" will air on all 12 Texas PBS stations, and will premiere on Panhandle PBS Thursday, January 16 at 7 p.m. The episode featuring Silverton will broadcast Thursday, February 6 at 7 p.m., and features scenes from the Malt Shop, Silverton Oil Co., Silverton School, FFA stock pens, and more.

For more information about the series, visit OSMTX.com.

State explains alcohol rules to city officials

Clarendon city officials learned what they can and cannot do in terms of alcohol sales regulations during a called meeting with Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission representatives last Friday, January 11.

TABC Licensing Supervisor Kyle Russell explained several rules to the Mayor, Board of Aldermen, and City Secretary with the major points being that the city cannot enact ordinances more strict than the state code allows nor can the city be more lenient than the code allows.

While cities can choose to do nothing in terms of regulations, the state allows cities to prohibit businesses selling alcohol within 300 feet of a school, church, or public hospi-

tal. A city cannot make that distance 600 or 1,000 feet, Russell said. There is a state rule allowing for a 1,000-foot distance from schools, but that rule is only applicable to cities of populations greater than 900,000.

Alcohol permit applications in the city have to go through four basic steps before the TABC can consider them. They have to be signed by the county clerk and the state comptroller's office, notice must be run two weeks in THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE, and the city secretary must sign off on the permits.

Businesses applying for on-premises consumption licenses must also post notice for 60 days at their place of business with a TABC-

issued sign.

"I would post that sign today if I were even thinking about applying for an on-premises consumption license," Russell said.

The role of the city should be an easy one, Russell said.

"It is not a difficult process for the city," Russell said, noting that the city secretary simply certifies that the location is inside the city limits, that the location is "wet" for the type of permit being sought, and that alcohol sales for the type of permit being sought is not prohibited by ordinance.

Cities can opt to receive half of the state fee for alcohol permits, but they have to decide administratively

how they will collect that money. The exception to this is that the city cannot collect any of the state fee for the first year of an establishment selling mixed beverages for on-premises consumption (restaurant or bar).

A mixed beverage permit carries a state fee of \$6,000 plus a state surcharge of \$602 the first year but then drops with each renewal until it reaches a \$1,500 state fee and \$602 state surcharge in the third renewal.

Russell said he anticipates receiving five to six alcohol permits from Clarendon with the most common being a "BQ" permit for the package sale of beer and wine, such as those being applied for by Lowe's, CEFCO, and Allsup's. The

state fee for a two-year BQ permit is a \$120 state fee plus a \$553 state surcharge.

A restaurant selling beer and wine only requires a two-year permit that carries a \$350 state fee plus a \$553 state surcharge.

Applications can be protested and then reviewed by the county judge, Russell said. Any on-premises consumption permit application requires notice be given to residences within 300 feet, and any application within 1,000 feet of a school requires notice to be given to the school.

Alcohol permits expire after two years and must be displayed where the public can see them.

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Stock show nets \$55k for youth

Tucek, Adams win top beef categories

Koyt Tucek and Kati Adams exhibited the top animals in the Beef Division during the annual Donley County Junior Livestock Show last Saturday, January 11, at the Donley County Activity Center.

Tucek showed the Grand Champion Steer, and Adams had the Grand Champion Heifer.

Other top winners were Chardy Craft and her Grand Champion Goat; Malerie Simpson with the Grand Champion Lamb; Kati Adams and his Grand Champion Gilt; and Koyt Tucek with the Grand Champion Barrow.

Reserve Champion honors went to Kolt Stevenson, goats; Madison Smith, lambs; Kati Adams, steers; Jodee Pigg, heifers; Kallie Lindsey, gilts; and Tristen Harper, barrows.

A total of 63 kids from the Donley County 4-H Club and local FFA chapters exhibited 104 animals during the show. Last year 73 young people showed 102 animals.

The livestock auction following the show generated an estimated \$55,000, and that number is likely to increase as donations continue to be received. Last year's sale totaled about \$61,000 when everything was collected.

Showmanship awards this year went to Clint Franks - Senior Goat, Izzy Craft - Junior Goat, Alysse Simpson - Senior Lamb, Madison Smith - Junior Lamb, Kati Adams - Senior Swine, Dalton Benson - Junior Swine, Kati Adams - Senior Beef, and Hannah Hommel - Junior Beef. The Pee Wee Showmanship winner was Grant Haynes.

Complete results of the show are as follows:



Presley Smith, daughter of Wes and Amanda Smith, proudly shows her award winning lamb during the pee wee show at the Donley County Junior Livestock Show on Saturday.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / KARI LINDSEY

Sheep - Class 1 - Malerie Simpson, first; Madison Smith, second; Alysse Simpson, third.

Goats - Class 1 - Brandalyn Ellis, first; Kolt Stevenson, second; Arden Haught, third; Dalton Benson, fourth; Jade Benson, fifth;

Class 2 - Kolt Stevenson, Reserve Champion; Brenna Ellis, second; Cole Franks, third; Clint Franks, fourth; Laney Gates, fifth; Class 3 - Chardy Craft, Grand

Champion; Izzy Craft, second; Jenci Hernandez, third; Ethan Babcock, fourth; Christopher Gonzalez, fifth; Laney Gates, sixth.

Heifers - Kati Adams, Grand Champion; Jodee Pigg, Reserve Champion; and Shelby O'Keefe, third.

Steers British - Class 1 - Tres Hommel, Breed Champion; Koyt Tucek, second; Class 2 - Hannah Hommel,

Breed Reserve Champion; Jodee Pigg, second.

Steers American - Class 1 - Madison Smith, Breed Champion.

Steers AOB - Class 1 - Koyt Tucek, Grand Champion; Kati Adams, Reserve Grand Champion.

Gilts - Class 1 - Makenzie Hinton, first; Misti Scott, second; Joseph Jaramillo, third; Taylor Hall, fourth; Kaylaneth Mendoza, fifth; Ray Jaramillo, sixth; Hailey

Wilson, seventh; Class 2 - Christian Lucero,

first; Mckayla Johnson, second; Kylie Monroe, third; Alysse Simpson, fourth;

Class 3 - Kallie Lindsey, Reserve Champion; Cody Cabler, second; Lane Hinton, third; Malerie Simpson, fourth; Gilbert Norberg Njelm, fifth; Kadee Lockeby, sixth;

Class 4 - Kati Adams, Grand

See 'Stock Show' on page 7.

Committee forming to plan decorations for courthouse

Local volunteers are being sought to make plans for decorating the Donley County Courthouse for Christmas this year.

The county commissioners' court last month appointed Justice of the Peace Denise Bertrand to recruit and organize a volunteer committee to decorate the lawn in 2014 and forward. And the hope is that the lawn will be lit in a manner to give the respect and dignity the historic courthouse deserves.

Given the nickname "The Jewel of the Plains," the Donley County Courthouse was built in 1890 and is the oldest operating courthouse in the Panhandle. The building was completely restored in 2003.

Bertrand says volunteer organizations have decorated the courthouse lawn for many years. The Girl Scouts are still decorating

their tree and putting out a nativity scene. This leaves the rest of the lawn empty and in desperate need of some loving care at Christmas.

The plan is for the courthouse lawn to again be something to brag about and a place to kick off the Christmas holiday each year. The committee is charged with overseeing the lighting, hosting a lighting ceremony the weekend of Thanksgiving, and removal and storage of the decorations.

Judge Bertrand says the committee's organizational meeting will be Tuesday, January 21, in the courthouse at 7:00 p.m. Anyone and everyone who is interested in seeing a Donley County Christmas tradition revived and improved is asked to come.

For more information and to volunteer, call Bertrand at her office 806-856-5914.



Supporting rivals

Valley High School cheerleaders joined up with Team Kortney on Friday at the Hedley/Valley district match up. Fans and students from Valley wore purple ribbons and Team Kortney shirts at the game in support of Kortney Burton (pictured center), a Hedley student who suffers from epilepsy. Kortney will be undergoing surgery this week to help control her seizures.

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guest commentary

Why Is the government so wasteful?

By Chris Edwards, Cato Institute

I've followed federal budget issues for two decades, and there has been a never-ending stream of scandals regarding wasteful spending. Programs do not work, officials get caught frittering away taxpayer money, and many unscrupulous people are ripping off federal benefits.

Wasteful spending is a fundamental problem with the way the government works. Private businesses can also make bad decisions, have cost overruns, and misallocate investments. But private markets have built-in mechanisms to minimize those problems, whereas the government does not.

Here are 15 reasons for federal government wastefulness:

1. The government has become so huge that federal auditors, private watchdogs, and congressional oversight committees cannot even begin to review all the spending. The federal government funds more than 2,200 subsidy and benefit programs, and they are all susceptible to waste, fraud, and abuse.
2. People tend not to spend other people's money as carefully as they spend their own. For federal decision makers, the source of funding for their favored programs can seem to be distant or abstract, but private-sector decision makers must weigh the costs and benefits of spending their own money.
3. Unlike in the private sector, poorly performing federal agencies are not subject to takeover bids, nor do they go bankrupt, and thus there is no built-in system to eliminate failed activities. In the private sector, roughly 10 percent of U.S. companies go out of business each year, and corporate executives get ousted all the time. In the private sector, poor performance gets punished.
4. There are more political rewards for federal policymakers to add new programs and expand existing ones than to weed out low-priority programs and waste. By contrast, private-sector decision makers are forced to make tough decisions.
5. Federal managers face no profit incentive, giving them little reason to proactively reduce waste and cut costs. Indeed, without profits to worry about, federal managers often favor budget increases without any idea about whether expansion will add net value to society above the taxpayer costs.
6. Without the profit motive, there is little incentive for government workers and managers to innovate. There is less motivation than in the private sector to try and produce better services of higher quality.
7. To policymakers, costs are benefits, and that creates bad incentives. If a Pentagon project has a cost overrun, members with related jobs in their districts may not be worried because an overrun means more spending on their constituents. Academic research has shown that cost overruns are more frequent on government projects than on private-sector projects.
8. Even if a federal agency wanted to adopt business-style efficiencies, the output of much government work is hard to measure, which would make it difficult to set performance goals for managers and workers.
9. Even if federal performance could be easily measured, federal worker pay is generally tied to longevity, not performance. Federal workers receive rising salaries even if they perform poorly.
10. Disciplining federal workers is difficult and they are rarely fired, which can result in agencies carrying heavy loads of poor performers.
11. The government needs complex regulations and extensive paperwork to carry out routine functions such as procurement. One reason is that in the public sector there are no clear goals such as maximizing profits. Another reason is the need to prevent public corruption. The plethora of rules adds to federal inefficiency and sluggishness.
12. Because of the frequent turnover of political appointees in federal agencies, many agencies experience continual changes in their missions driven by transitory and political factors.
13. Congress imposes extra costs on federal agencies in carrying out their duties, such as resisting closure of low-value facilities or cutting projects that affect the states or districts of important members.
14. Federal agencies can get influenced or "captured" by special interest groups that steer policies toward narrow goals, rather than broad goals.
15. The sheer size of the federal government makes coordination and decision making for many activities very difficult. The multiplicity of congressional committees and executive branch agencies has led to a great deal of overlap and duplication in federal activities.

What is the solution to these problems? There is no straightforward, technocratic way to "reinvent" the federal government to make it work with a decent amount of efficiency. Some of these problems can be reduced to an extent, but as long as the federal government is as large as it is, it will sadly continue wasting hundreds of billions of dollars from misallocation, mismanagement, and other problems.

The only real solution to the ongoing waste in the federal government is to downsize it. To improve the performance of American government, we should revive federalism and hand more responsibilities back to state governments, while privatizing federal activities where we can.

Chris Edwards is editor of www.DownsizingGovernment.org at the Cato Institute.

Thank you all for your prayers, support

Well, finally, I'm back – sort of. Even though it is more difficult than I expected to regain my strength and energy, I'm still plenty glad to be on the upside of the matts. It goes better with my personal motto, "It's better to be seen than viewed."

Seriously, folks, I appreciate your prayers and support, even your visits to the hospital when I was so very sick. It seems that I could feel the power of your prayers as they streaked towards heaven, fortifying me with the strength to fight off a mean super bug – a superbug bug called c-diff or c-diff. If you ever hear that term, run like the wind. If it will help you to run faster, set your hair ablaze, pe rhaps even your pants. You do not want this superbug. It will most definitely hurt you.

My hospital visit lasted from December 15, 2013, through January 10, 2014. Upon arrival at Northwest Texas Hospital, I immediately underwent emergency surgery to counter the effects of toxic c-diff and sepsis. My good friend, Dr. Patricia Westergaard, got me to the hospital in the nick of time, it seems. I'll be forever grateful to her for getting me there just in time to save my life.

The Grim Reaper is worthy foe indeed, especially when armed with a nasty bacterial infection and sepsis.

Without every-one's prayers and encouragement I'm not convinced that I would have made it. After a hospital stay of 25 days, losing 28 pounds in the process, I am tickled to death to be alive and hoping to grow stronger in the coming days.

My publisher and friend, Roger Estlack, went the extra mile, being there with me during the darkest days of my illness. I can still see his concerned look breaking through the blackness of my consciousness as I struggled to breathe and stay alive. I remember his prayers and kind expressions of support. The same goes for Patricia Westergaard, who stood at my side for many hours, fervently praying to the LORD for my deliverance.

Then there is Paul and Elmonette Bivens, along with the crew down at the Outpost, whose visits lightened my load considerably. They, along with Roger, were also kind enough to provide me with a few pair of pajamas, lest I spend



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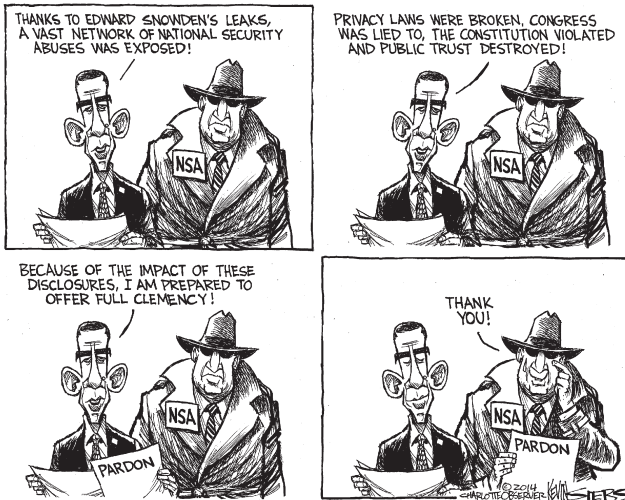
my time in the hospital sitting around naked.

Of course, my cousins, Bobbie Keith and Ashlee, also added much to my recovery. My late mothers' sisters Aunt Joan and Aunt Cornett called several times, encouraging me to make it through this. "Big", my older brother Barry, was also there for the duration, as was the pride and joy of my life, – my son Lance.

What I'm trying to say, in spite of a brain still fuzzy from the trauma, is that if you are going to be smitten by a superbug or other horrific illness, it's best to live in a small town, with plenty of friends and family to provide comfort and support. West Texas people are the best if you are lucky enough to be related to any of 'em.

This recent illness serves as a reminder to me as to why I came home a few years ago. The people of Donley County are my people, and I belong here with them. It is my intent to remain here in Donley County until I die, then have my ashes scattered across this beautiful country.

Thank you all for being there in my greatest hour of need. I'm eternally grateful.



Federal Reserve needs a checkup

By Sen. John Cornyn and Sen. Kevin Brady

Maintaining the purchasing power of the dollar is critical to a strong U.S. economy and to the economic well-being of middle-class American families. The Constitution grants Congress power over our nation's currency. One hundred years ago, Congress assigned this responsibility to the Federal Reserve. The Fed's centennial anniversary, reached last month, marks an appropriate time for a constructive and bipartisan review of America's central bank's performance over its first century and the proper role for the Fed in the future.

History proves that a sound and stable dollar is the best foundation for robust economic growth. Absent stability, price inflation steals from the pocketbooks of American families, punishes savers and increases uncertainty. This weakens business investment, job creation and real income growth for families, especially for those working to climb the economic ladder.

Even if consumer price inflation remains tame, asset-price inflation can create unsustainable bubbles that devastate the American and global economy when they burst. On the flip side, deflation can be equally destructive, leading to debt defaults, bankruptcies and financial meltdowns.

Unfortunately, the purchasing power of the U.S. dollar over time has been anything but stable. A dollar in 1967 is equivalent to barely 14 cents today.

The past decade of generally accommodative monetary policy has been accompanied by a significant decline in the international value of the dollar. This decline has added to the cost of international commodities such as oil and gasoline.

Europe's financial crisis and global uncertainty helped to restore some of the value of America's currency. Being the best-looking horse in the global glue factory is a dubious honor, though.

There are significant and thoughtful disagreements among policy experts and free-market leaders about whether the Fed should maintain its current policies

or begin aggressively reining in its easy-money policies to avoid stoking new asset bubbles or planting the seeds of future inflation.

There are concerns about the dual mandate that Congress placed on the Fed in 1977: picking winners and losers in the credit markets, which jeopardizes the political independence of the institution; the make-up of the Federal Open Market Committee; and the transparency of the Fed.

Perhaps the best way forward is to step back and take a longer view of the institution. We believe the moment is right for an objective, comprehensive survey of the Fed's existing mandate and policy framework. That's why we have introduced the Centennial Monetary Commission Act, which would establish an independent, balanced, bipartisan panel to collect evidence and make recommendations to Congress.

Such an evaluation is long overdue. The Fed's original mission was to provide an elastic currency within the context of the gold standard to combat seasonal financial issues. A hundred years later, its mission has obviously become much broader.

Today, in pursuing its employment mandate, the Fed has purchased more than \$3 trillion worth of Treasury bonds, federal agency bonds, and federal agency mortgage-backed securities — its so-called "quantitative easing" strategy. Its total balance sheet now stands at \$4.1 trillion — four times larger than before the crisis. The Fed has also generated a staggering \$2.4 trillion in excess reserves.

So why hasn't this explosion in the monetary base ignited higher general price inflation?

In normal times, commercial banks convert excess reserves into new loans and investments, boosting the demand for goods and services. However, in recent years, commercial banks have been reluctant to lend and invest, and so the Fed's dramatic monetary expansion hasn't increased aggregate demand to the levels we might have expected.

Indeed, despite the Fed's "mon-

etary morphine" stimulus to Wall Street, America is experiencing its weakest economic recovery of the postwar era.

Admittedly, quantitative easing and extraordinarily low interest rates have clearly boosted stock prices. The S&P 500 Total Return Index adjusted for inflation has more than doubled since the official end of the recession in June 2009. America's middle class hasn't been as fortunate. Real disposable income per capita has increased by less than 4 percent. At this point in an average recovery, a family of four would have nearly \$11,000 more to spend than the Obama recovery provided. We don't begrudge Wall Street's success, but we do lament the fact that so many middle-class families on Main Street have been left behind.

While families' net worth on paper looks much better today than it did in 2009, will the gains prove illusory? Is America headed for a major stock market correction, or perhaps even another crash? Will the fuel of excess reserves spark general price inflation?

Most importantly, what is the best role and rules for the Federal Reserve to ensure America remains the strongest economy on earth through the 21st century?

These are the thoughtful issues and long-term view the members of the Centennial Monetary Commission would address.

Both Republicans and Democrats have a common interest in getting monetary policy right. Good monetary policy provides the foundation for a strong economy that is essential to eliminating our fiscal deficit.

Given the centennial and the experience of the recent financial crisis, there has never been a more appropriate time to re-examine the Fed's role in American life.

Senator Cornyn serves on the Finance and Judiciary Committees. He serves as the top Republican on the Judiciary Committee's Immigration, Refugees and Border Security subcommittee. He served previously as Texas Attorney General, Texas Supreme Court Justice, and Bexar County District Judge.

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CHS competes in first 2014 UIL meet

Clarendon High School students competed in their first 2014 academic UIL practice meet Saturday at West Texas High School in Stinnett where 11 contestants placed in 12 events. Those placing included seniors Deborah Howard - 1st Features and 4th Headlines; Haley Ferguson - 4th Computer Applications; Darbe Woodard - 2nd Science; Jacy Hill - 2nd News; and Tyler Smith - 3rd Editorials.

Juniors placing included Abby Johnson - 2nd Spelling and Cedrick McCampbell - 4th Science.



CHS 2014 UIL team

Sophomore Caleb Cobb placed 3rd in Current Issues and Events. Freshmen placing included Chance Lockhart - 5th Number Sense; Riley Shadle - 6th Number Sense; and Taylor Knorpp - 6th

Accounting. The Science team of Woodard and McCampbell along with seniors Austin Lowry and Audra Thomas placed first. In addition to those who placed, 10 other students practiced their competitions that day. They included senior Zhanae Bassett; junior LeeRoy Buckhaults; sophomores Chesson Sims and Marissa Jaramillo, Emelie Thompson, and Kendra Davis; and freshmen Cire Jauregui, Karleigh Davidson, Aubrey Powell, and Hannah Howard.

Nazarene church to help community

The Clarendon Church of the Nazarene has two new endeavors for the New Year as the church works to serve the community and praise God. Church officials say they are trying to reach out to those in need and serve our community. In order to do that, they have recently had a Coat & Blanket Drive and would now like to distribute those items. Those who need this service are invited to come to the church this Saturday, January 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There have been clothes and many other things donated.

The church's goal is to make sure that everyone has an opportunity to get what they need and stay

warm. If they do not have a size, they want to take people's information and set out to get it. Please, if you are in need, they would love to assist you.

Next on the agenda for a blessed New Year is Singing Praises to thank God for the blessings he is bestowing on all of us. There will now be a Praise & Worship Service starting at 5 p.m. on Saturday, January 18.

The members of the Church of the Nazarene hope to see everyone there. Plus there is a wonderful announcement to be made that they are excited about. Our community is receiving a wonderful blessing and opportunity to help those in need.

Arts Club holds first 2014 meeting

By Tommye Duncan

Les Beaux has started a new year with a wonderful meal of casseroles and salads and beautiful table decorations of gold and white, which are our colors at the Methodist Church. Our hostesses were Freddie Moreman and Tookie Thornberry. This is our meeting to install officers for the upcoming year, they are as follows: Jan Campbell; president,

Christ Clifford; Vice-President, Gay Cole; Secretary, Tookie Thornberry; Lucy Saye; Historian, Tommye Duncan; Reporter.

Our program was for our members to bring something that was special to them and share with the members. We say many interesting things and after our meeting we could understand why these items were so special.


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Fri	10	57°	24°	-
Sat	11	62°	26°	-
Sun	12	75°	29°	-

Total precipitation this month: 0.2
Total precipitation to date: 26.97"


weekend forecast



Fri., Jan. 17
Sunny
55° / 30°



Sat., Jan. 18
Sunny
62° / 31°



Sun., Jan. 19
Partly Cloudy
63° / 35°

Information provided by:
Lori Howard
National Weather Service

CC Meat Judging team wins big at Lubbock contest

The 2013 National Champion Clarendon College Meats Judging team was extremely successful this past weekend with a big win at the Southwest International Invitational in Lubbock.

Clarendon won the contest with 3626 points, Western Texas College was a distant 2nd with 3221 points and Tarleton was 3rd with 3155 points.

Clarendon College students brought home eight of the top 10 individual placing spots and finished as follows: 1st Jessica Humphrey; 2nd Kiersten Scott; 3rd Lane Harrington; 5th Hailey Dimitroff; 6th Sabra Barnett; 8th Mitch Garvin; 9th Shelby Lee; and 10th Courtney Wingate.

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Buildogs & Lady Bulldogs 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 Silvertown • 6:30 p.m. • Silvertown

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
Buildogs & Lady Bulldogs v New Mexico JC • 5:45/7:45 p.m. • Dawg house

January 28
Broncos & Lady Broncos v Vega • 4/5/6:30/8 p.m. • Vega

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

January 30
Buildogs & Lady Bulldogs v Odessa College • 5:45/7:45 p.m. • Dawg house

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Menus

January 20 - January 24

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Meatballs/alfredo sauce, potato wedges, coleslaw, green beans, peach Chantilly, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Creamy mushroom steak, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, emerald pears, whole wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Spaghetti/meatballs, whole wheat roll, margarine, spinach, brownies, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Chicken teriyaki fried rice, seasoned vegetable blend, cookies, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Roast pork, roasted sweet potatoes, broccoli florets, banana pudding, whole wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Salisbury steak, mushroom sauce, mashed potatoes, spinach, pea salad, wheat roll, fruit cocktail, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Chicken spaghetti, spinach, carrot/raisin salad, wheat roll, gingerbread/peach sauce, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, corn, Waldorf salad, brownie, wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Chicken & dumplings, squash, tossed salad, corn bread, winter fruit cup, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Cheeseburgers, chips, lettuce, tomatoes, onion, wheat bun, strawberry shortcake, 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.
Thu: Chicken-n-waffles, fruit juice, milk.
Fri: Breakfast burrito, fresh fruit, milk.
Lunch
Mon: Hamburger w/garnish, potato rounds, Western beans, diced pears, milk.
Tue: Pig in a blanket, baby carrots, steamed broccoli, pineapple tidbits, milk.
Wed: Tex-Mex stack, Spanish rice, refried beans, salad, cinnamon apples, milk.
Thu: Chicken fajitas, salad, tortilla chips, baby carrots, fresh fruit, milk.
Fri: Chicken parmesan, green beans, salad, apple slices, breadstick, milk.

Hedley ISD
Breakfast
Mon: Waffles & chicken w/syrup, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.
Tue: Breakfast quiche, Texas toast, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.
Wed: French toast bake, bacon, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.
Thu: Banana bread squares, cream of wheat, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.
Fri: Muffins, cereal variety, fruit juice, milk.
Lunch
Mon: Beef & bean burrito, broccoli bites, garden salad, orange smiles, milk.
Tue: 2 crispy tacos, tortilla chips, garden salad, charro beans, salsa, cinnamon applesauce, milk.
Wed: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, carrot coins, strawberries & bananas, roll, milk.
Thu: Spaghetti w/meatballs, garden salad, savory green beans, sliced peaches, breadstick, milk.
Fri: Hot dog, sweet potato fries, cucumber dippers, fresh seasonal fruit, milk.

Ten helpful tips to keep you safe online

Hi gang. Hope that your New Year has been a happy one and that the rest of the year be even better. Had to make a trip to Houston and will make several more this year. Feeling good and things a looking up. There are many new scams out there however I felt these were the most important. Be sure to check on any elderly kin and friends to make sure they are not getting scammed.

Increasingly, we live in a virtual, online world. And just like the real world, the online world can be a dangerous place - unless you know how to protect yourself. These tips from the U.S. government's OnGuardOnline.gov and the U.S. Computer Emergency Readiness Team websites can help:

1. Block the bad guys. Install security software on your computer and set it to update automatically. This way, your computer security can keep up with hackers - criminals who want to sneak into your computer and spy on your online activities or even steal your personal data.
2. Protect your personal information. You already know not to give out your Social Security number to everyone who asks for it, but it's equally important not to send sensitive information such as your bank account numbers over email or text.

3. Be careful about photos and personal information you post on social media sites such as Facebook. Your family might want to know that you're having fun while you're away on vacation, but the criminals can find out, too. So don't post revealing information such as your home address or birthdate.
4. Look for the https. Web addresses start with the letters "http" followed by a colon and two forward slashes: http://. But secure websites, like the one for your bank or a shopping site asking for your credit card number, should start with https://. That added "s" stands for "secure" and indicates the site is encrypted (preventing illicit entry) so it's safe to send your personal information. Look for it on every page of the site you're browsing.

5. Beware of public or free wifi access. Wireless Internet access that is not password protected can easily be hacked. Never send sensitive personal information by public or free wifi.
6. Write strong passwords, change them regularly, and use a different password for each site. Passwords like "password 123" or your birthday might be easy to remember, but they're also easy to hack. Aim for passwords of 10 or more characters, use a combination of upper and lower case letters, and include numbers and special characters. For example: YoUr1stpet'sName2013.

7. Don't get caught by a phisher, "Phishing" (pronounced "fishing") is the name for hackers who try to lure you to give them your personal information, often by telling you (falsely) that your account is in danger of being closed if you don't send the requested information right away. Legitimate companies don't do business this way. Call your bank or credit card company directly - by checking the phone number on your statement or the back of your card - rather than responding to the email. If it's a phishing scam, the company can help you report the offender to authorities.

8. Log off when you're done. This is particularly important if you are using a shared, public computer like those at the public library, but it also helps if you are using your own computer at home. Most legitimate financial sites will log you off after

a few minutes of inactivity to protect your personal information.

9. Listen to your browser. Most browsers will warn you if you are logging into a suspicious site. Heed those warnings.
10. Beware of attachments. If you weren't expecting an attachment, don't download it unless you can confirm it came from the sender. That's one way computer viruses are spread.

Beware! Health Law Scammers on the Prowl. Now that it's possible to sign up for health insurance under the new federal health care law, the Affordable Care Act, watch out for scam artists. They may use this as a new way to steal your Social Security, bank account, and credit card numbers and with them, your identity. Don't let them. Here are steps you can take to sidestep scammers:

Don't let anyone tell you a new card is required under the Affordable Care Act (ACA). It's a sneaky way to lure you into handing over the numbers above and other private information. No ACA cards exist.

Don't believe anyone who says the law makes everyone buy new insurance policies. It's true the law says nearly everyone must have health insurance. But if you like the Medicare Supplemental, Part D, or

Medicare Advantage coverage you have now, you don't have to buy anything new.

Your best bet is to give no information to anyone who calls or even comes to your door to talk about enrolling under ACA. Instead, you can call 1-800-318-2596 for information (TTY: 855-889-4325). These are toll-free phone numbers to the official federal government Health Insurance Marketplace call center. If you get a call from someone claiming to be with an insurance company or the government, ask them to mail you more information or provide you with the address of a website you can visit. Be wary of visitors or callers claiming to be government workers "checking the accuracy" of your personal medical information so they can "update" it for the Affordable Care Act. The government does not have representatives doing that.

If buying direct rather than using the government marketplace, stick with an insurance company you know. If you've never heard of a company before, it could be a made-up company that offers no real health insurance coverage for the money you pay them. They walk away with your money and all your personal information.

Stay safe out there.

To be a good sport you have to lose

As I flipped through the Farmers Almanac I noticed the quote, "The trouble with being a good sport is you have to lose to prove it." If that is the truth I must be a good sport because my Dallas Cowboys have found so many ways to lose this year you had to watch the game to see a new way to screw up.

I watched Jason Whitten drop a pass that would have won the game, a pass a Hedley Owl could have caught. How many fourth quarter interceptions did Tony Romo have? I could go on and on, but the bottom line is, those Boys are watching other teams playing just like I am.

The play offs are down to four teams; the Seattle Seahawks playing the San Francisco 49ers at Seat-

tle and the Denver Broncos vs. the New England Patriots at Denver. The people I know may watch those games; but with the exception of Denver, there won't be much fervor around the television.

I have seen many sea birds, but I couldn't tell you what a Seahawk looks like and "Go, Seahawks" doesn't have a nice ring to it. The Super Bowl will be played February 2, 2014, at the Meadowlands



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Stadium in New Jersey which is an open-air stadium in a cold area of the United States. Oh, boy! Good luck, fans. Maybe next year the Cowboys will play again.

We had our first dust-blowing day January 12 with sustained wind at 25-30 mph, the temperature was in the 70s with single digit humidity a perfect day for wild fire. I pray we do not have a repeat of the fires we have had in recent years; and until we receive rain, we must all be vigilant with open fires or sparks.

So many people are sick with upper respiratory, cough, colds, and flu; and my advice is stay home. If you can't stay home, wash your hands, wash your hands and good luck.



Ryan Hill

Hill graduates from Police Academy

Ryan Hill of Clarendon recently graduated from the Amarillo Police Department's 84th Police Academy and was sworn in December 6, 2013, with 11 other officers.

The officers completed 1,113 hours of training since the academy began May 30, and recruit officers passed the Texas Basic Peace Officer's Certification Test before continuing with additional training. Sgt. Brent Barbee said.

Recruits tackle subjects including emergency vehicle operation, report writing, department rules, criminal and juvenile traffic laws, searches and seizures, criminal investigation, collecting evidence, interviewing in mental health crises, the mechanics of arrest, and self-defense, Barbee said.

The new officers will be assigned to the department's uniform division and will continue training under field training officers for four months, rotating through different shifts, Barbee said.

The field training program is designed to expose police to more than 900 police tasks. The department's authorized strength is 358 sworn officers, and the new officers bring department strength up to 341 officers, Barbee said.

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The FDA recently approved a new medication to help treat partial seizures in people who are diagnosed with epilepsy. Eslicarbazepine acetate (Aptiom) is approved to be added onto existing medication therapy. Aptiom went through three separate clinical trials before getting approval. The most common side effects that study participants experienced included dizziness, drowsiness, nausea, and headache.

Epilepsy is a nervous system disorder that causes seizures. Seizures may impact a person's consciousness and may cause uncontrollable physical or mental impairment. Epilepsy is more common in young children and the elderly, but it can strike at any age. People are more likely to get epilepsy if they have a history of stroke, head injury, dementia, childhood seizures, brain infections, or a family history of seizures. Partial seizures are the most common type of seizure seen in people with epilepsy. People who have simple partial seizures do not lose consciousness; however, movement, emotions, sensations and feelings can be affected.

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FAILURE ISN'T AN OPTION

Spiritually speaking, we can't fail. The consequences of doing so are enormous. Heaven or Hell, those are the choices. Some folks have failed at things in life and let it define them. They give up or give in and allow themselves to become failures. Failing isn't the same as being a failure. We have all failed at times, but we get up and move on. Here's what we have to do to move on from failures.

1. We must accept Jesus' love and forgiveness. John 3:16 tells us that God loves the whole world and His Son died for each of us. We must forgive ourselves so that we can move on from our past failures. If we seek God's forgiveness, He will grant it (1John 1:7-9).

2. We must move past our failures. That's easily said and much harder to do. It can be done. We all remember David and the many failures in his life. He took another man's wife. In the process he had Uriah murdered to try and cover it all up. Yet, when confronted with his sin by Nathan, he repented of his sins and God forgave him. David didn't spend all of his life allowing his failure to define him.

3. Do the best with what you've got. God doesn't expect more than that. (2 Corinthians 8:12) "For if there is first a willing mind, it is accepted according to what one has, and not according to what he does not have." We can't hold ourselves to others' abilities or standards or vice-versa. God wants our best and doesn't expect more than we can deliver.

4. We must be persistent. Failing once doesn't mean we are failures. Failing one hundred times doesn't make us failures if we keep getting back up. Trying to get to Heaven while living right in this world is hard. We will fail at times, but we just have to keep getting back up.

5. Finally, learn from your mistakes. Continuing to do the same thing when it is wrong is foolish and prideful. God doesn't expect perfect people but people who can be honest with Him and themselves. David is a prime example of someone who learned from his mistakes and maintained a right relationship with God.

My prayer is that we never allow ourselves to be defined as failures. We must be stronger than that. God bless you and may 2014 be a great year.

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Extension offering estate planning session

A Farm and Ranch Estate Planning Workshop will be held in Clarendon at the Donley County Activity Center January 23 at 6 p.m. featuring Dr. Wayne Hayenga, professor emeritus and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service specialist from College Station.

This seminar will provide participants with enough information on tax and estate planning matters to assist in making difficult decisions. Hayenga is an agricultural economist and attorney who works extensively with farmers, ranchers and family owned firms in financial, business and estate tax planning. He will give a thorough analysis of relevant income and estate tax rules as they affect families and agricultural businesses.

"These seminars are helpful to married couples in that they discuss estate administration and tax reporting requirements for the surviving spouse. They are also useful for potential executors and trustees and helpful to all who want to make their estate settlements less burdensome to their loved ones.

Topics will include:

The Will: What all is needed? Selection of executor, paying debts and taxes. "Share and share alike?" and "Do I need a trust?"

A living trust: Managing property to take "care of," not "give to" people. Avoiding guardianships and many other benefits.

Passing on an active farm or ranch: Tips for keeping the business going.

Power of attorney: What if they don't work? Health care power of attorney. Living wills.

Taxes: Estate tax, generation-skipping tax, gift tax, income tax and Social Security tax.

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The cost of the workshop will be \$10 per person payable at the meeting to Donley Ag Program. Participants are asked to please call and RSVP to the Donley County Extension Office at 806-874-2141 by Thursday at noon.

For more information, contact Leonard Haynes CEA AG/NR 806-874-2141 or cell 806-282-7680 or email l-haynes@tamu.edu

Rainwater harvesting program set for Feb. 13

AMARILLO – The Rainwater Harvesting for Home Landscaping program will be conducted Feb. 13 by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service office in Potter County.

"Rainwater harvesting is an innovative and efficient means of utilizing water," said Nathan Carr, AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent in Potter County. "This process collects rainwater, stores it and uses it when needed. It is extremely useful as it lessens the demand on existing water supplies and saves for times when it

is needed."

The program will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at noon in the Commercial Exhibit Building on the Tri-State Fairgrounds in Amarillo.

The fee is \$15, payable at the door. Participants are requested to make a reservation by calling the AgriLife Extension office in Potter County at 806-373-0713.

The program will highlight:

- The need and purpose of harvesting and collecting rainwater.
- Rainwater harvest collection and storage systems for homes.
- Equipment for rainwater

harvest around houses and buildings.

- Equipment for home yard irrigation from harvested rainwater.

Billy Kniffen, retired AgriLife Extension specialist and noted rainwater harvesting expert, will be the featured program speaker. He has educated audiences throughout the country on rainwater collection systems and utilization.

Kniffen resides in Menard, a town in the Texas Hill Country that annually receives about 20 inches of rain. He exclusively collects and uses rainwater for in-home use and exterior landscaping and gardening.

Futures and options workshop planned

AMARILLO – To help producers understand and manage their way through volatile markets using a variety of marketing tools such as futures and options, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and the Risk Management Agency will offer a one-day "Intro to Futures and Options" workshop at six locations across three months.

A record corn crop, adequate-to-surplus supplies of all crops in the U.S. and world markets, and the lowest cattle inventory in 60 years are just some of the factors that will lead to volatile markets in 2014, said Dr. Steve Amosson, AgriLife Extension economist in Amarillo.

"Crop and livestock producers need to know how to use all the mar-

keting tools available to help ensure their profitability for the upcoming year," Amosson said.

Specific topics covered will include: an introduction to futures and options markets, margin accounts, short hedges and how these tools relate to cash marketing tools, he said. A number of examples and hands-on exercises will be used to enhance the learning experience.

The workshop will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. The fee is \$50 and will cover costs associated with instruction, breaks, meals and materials, he said.

The meeting dates and locations are: January 27 – First State Bank, 1601 E. 16th St., Dalhart; January 28 – O'Loughlin Center, 502 S. Brandt

St., Spearman; January 29 – Ochil-tree Expo Center, 402 Expo Dr., Peryton; February 11 – Roberts County Courthouse Annex, 122 Waters St., Miami; March 5 – Wheeler County Ag and Family Life Center, 7939 N. U.S. Highway 83, Wheeler; and March 6 – AgriLife Extension office for Deaf Smith County, 903 14th St., Hereford.

To register and pay for a course, go to <http://agriliferegister.tamu.edu>. Payments also will be accepted at the door. Registrations, however, should be made at least three days prior to each meeting for planning purposes and may also be completed by contacting Leon Guerrero at 806-677-5626.

Alcohol:

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Russell said it takes about 40 days for TABC to approve a license once an application has been completed. Permits that are in the process at about the same time will all be issued on the same day, he said.

TABC encourages business owners and employees to take seller/server classes to learn the laws regarding selling and serving alcohol. Those businesses who complete such a course can receive "safe harbor" and receive more lenient punishment in case a violation occurs later.

Clarendon officials were preparing to meet on alcohol sales rules as the ENTERPRISE went to press Tuesday.

Hedley officials met on the same topic last Thursday but took no. Hedley Mayor Leon Ward attended the meeting here Friday as did about dozen interested citizens.

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the lion's tale
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The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting with Boss Lion Ashlee Estlack wielding the gavel.

We had 19 members, Sweetheart Minnie Buckhaults, and one guest this week – Brad Vanden Boogaard, who presented our program.

The Boss Lion announced that the club had received \$1,000 from the Bairfield Foundation for the Lions' playground project at City Park. We gratefully acknowledge the support and generosity of the Foundation for this gift. The second annual Chance Mark Jones Memorial 5K Walk/Run will be Saturday, April 12, with proceeds going to the playground project.

Lion Robert Riza updated the club on college activities. Classes resumed today, and late registration continues this week. The CC basketball teams will take on Frank Phillips this Thursday.

Lion Monty Hysinger discussed school activities, and Lion Chandra Eggemeyer said a volunteer committee is being organized by Judge Denise Bertrand to plan Christmas decorations for the Courthouse Square this year. The committee will meet January 21 at 7 p.m. at the Courthouse.

Coach Vanden Boogaard reported on the college athletic teams. The meats judging team won a big contest recently (see story elsewhere in this issue) and took eight of the ten high individual spots. The women's basketball team posted a strong grade point average for the fall semester, and the men's team recently volunteered at a shelter in Amarillo.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

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Lady Colts do well in White Deer Tourney

Both Lady Colt teams participated in the White Deer Tournament last Saturday with overall good results from very close games.

The eighth grade took on San Jacinto in the first round and squeaked out a win at 26-25. They held the Lady Patriots at bay for three quarters, but allowed them back in the game in the final period of play. However, they were determined to get the win and hung on for the one-point victory.

Scoring: Whitney Laroe 10, Sandra Smith 6, Shaelyn Owiti 5, Kendra Weatherton 4, and Abby Ceniceris 1. They took on White Deer in the next round and defeated them, 28-15. The Lady Colts held only a slight lead after one quarter of play, but were able to extend that lead at the half. The time at the break helped the Lady Colts regroup and they were able to stop White Deer with solid defense while stepping

up their offense to open up the game and get the win. Scoring: Smith 10, Laroe 7, Owiti 7, Weatherton 2, and Ceniceris 1. Earlier in the week, the Lady Colts defeated Memphis 34-15. Clarendon led from the tip off and was able to stop the Lady Whirlwinds with aggressive defense. Offensively, the Lady Colts executed well and earned the win.

"The eighth grade girls played well against San Jacinto and won by one point," coach Johnny Nino said. "The girls are running the offense and defense better. Against White Deer, the girls played a very good game. We beat a team that we lost to earlier in the year by one point. We were able to take control early and never let them back in the game. I am very pleased and proud of all the girls for their hard work and sacrifice."

Scoring: Hannah Hommel 12, Laroe 9, Owiti 8, Weatherton 2,

Ceniceris 2, and Smith 1.

The seventh grade Lady Colts struggled against San Jacinto in their opening game and lost 6-34. The Lady Patriots were able to stifle anything the Lady Colts tried offensively and held to only six points. Emily Johnson put in five and Zoe Adams had one.

The Lady Colts got back on track in the next game and only lost by two points at 12-14. They did a much better job of executing their offense and playing together. Scoring: Johnson 8, Adams 2, and Casey Thomas 2.

The Lady Colts played Memphis on the previous Monday and after fighting until the end in overtime, narrowly lost by one at 28-29.

Clarendon led throughout the game, but allowed Memphis to have a big fourth quarter to come back to tie the game at 23-23. After the overtime period, the Lady Whirlwinds

led by one point to get the win. Emily Johnson had a great game leading the Lady Colts on the scoreboard with 17. "The seventh grade has come a long way from when we started," Nino said.

"Against Memphis we went into double overtime and the girls fought very hard until the end. They are seeing the floor better and they are making better decisions. They are doing a better job of taking what we practice and applying it in the game. In the tournament we played San Jacinto and we couldn't make a basket and the game got away from us. Against Boys Ranch, the girls played very well and we still couldn't make a basket. We missed too many layups."

Also scoring: Alandra Williams 7 and Brandalyn Ellis 4.

Both Lady Colt teams will be at home against Vega January 20 beginning at 5:00 p.m.



Hannah Howard scrambles for the ball. COURTESY PHOTO / MELODY HYSINGER



Chance Lockhart blocks out. COURTESY PHOTO / MELODY HYSINGER

Bronco JV defeat Claude, Vega

The Bronco junior varsity ended the week with two big District wins. Their first win came on the road against Claude and the second was achieved at home against Vega.

The Broncos skinned the Mustangs last Tuesday night 75-16. The Broncos jumped on them early in the game racking up thirty-eight points to only nine for Claude at the break. They continued their dominance in the second half and held them to zero points in the final period. Teamwork helped the Broncos to the huge win, as the Mustangs could not stop them offensively.

The Bronco defense caused many turnovers on which they were able to capitalize on to score the big points. Four Broncos finished

in double figures, as the Broncos' inside and outside game was solid. Scoring: Chance Lockhart 18, Marshal Johnson 17, Clay Koetting 16 (7/8 from the free throw line), Chesson Sims 12, Seth Greer 5, Joseph Jaramillo 5, and Riley Shadle 2.

The Broncos made several free throws late in the game to defeat Vega at home on Friday night 50-40. Clarendon shot 74 percent from the bonus line, which was crucial in their win. Lockhart finished the game with 29 points, fifteen of which came from the charity stripe. He finished 83 percent in bonuses. The Broncos managed to stay on top after every quarter, but they had to fight to keep their lead. Vega did not give up, but got in foul trouble, which allowed

the Broncos to gain an edge.

"The boys got on Claude early and often," coach Alton Gaines said. "They were so aggressive defensively that Claude couldn't get started offensively." Gaines was equally excited about the Vega win.

"This was a game of patience and execution," Gaines said. "In which our boys had plenty of to bring home the victory. Two District wins; way to start boys."

Also scoring: Koetting 10, Shadle 4, Bryce Hatley 4, Johnson 2, and Greer 1.

The Broncos will play Panhandle at home Friday, January 17, beginning at 5:00 p.m. They will not play on Tuesday but will host Claude on January 24.

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Lady Bronco JV destroy District opponents

The Lady Bronco junior varsity had an explosive week last week as they demolished two district opponents on Tuesday and Friday. The Lady Broncos traveled to Claude on Tuesday and easily won, 71-27.

The Lady Mustangs never challenged the Lady Broncos in the twenty-eight minute game as Clarendon easily executed their offense and struck down their opponent with their dynamic defense.

Four Lady Broncos finished in double figures and everyone contributed to the win. Hannah Howard lit up the three-point line hitting three three-pointers for seventeen, and Briana Butler snagged seventeen

points of her own in the contest.

Also scoring: Jensen Hatley 13, Briley Chadwick 13, Sterling King 9, and Karlee Adams 2.

On Friday night, the Lady Broncos hosted the Vega Lady Longhorns and earned a 45-20 win to go 2-0 in District.

The Lady Broncos jumped out to the early advantage and used their quick defense to hold their opponent to single digits in the first half of play. It was more of the same for the Lady Broncos in the second half as they had the game in control early on.

Coach Kasey Bell is pleased with the start the Lady Broncos have

in District play.

"Two main things we are working on has been containing penetration and blocking out," Bell said. "And we've gotten better over the last two games. We've been able to run through some passes and finish our shots. We need to stay out of foul trouble and quit sending our opponents to the free throw line."

Scoring: Chadwick 14, Howard 8, Butler 7, Berkeley Alexander 4, Hatley 3, and Alysse Simpson 3.

The Lady Broncos will continue their District schedule Friday, January 17, at home against Panhandle at 4:00 p.m. and then play Claude here on January 24 also at 4:00 p.m.

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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	\$ 1,535,626	\$ 50,130	\$ 1,585,756
5800 State Program Revenues	2,988,574	54,278	3,042,852
5900 Federal Program Revenues	-	452,314	452,314
5020 Total Revenues	4,524,200	556,722	5,080,922
EXPENDITURES:			
Current:			
0011 Instruction	2,618,382	295,969	2,914,351
0012 Instructional Resources and Media Services	201,944	30,158	232,102
0013 Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	6,854	28,898	35,752
0023 School Leadership	362,607	-	362,607
0031 Guidance, Counseling and Evaluation Services	117,016	4,769	121,785
0033 Health Services	26,647	-	26,647
0034 Student (Pupil) Transportation	134,970	-	134,970
0035 Food Services	6,666	217,332	223,998
0036 Extracurricular Activities	290,602	-	290,602
0041 General Administration	386,339	-	386,339
0051 Facilities Maintenance and Operations	473,834	-	473,834
0052 Security and Monitoring Services	7,465	-	7,465
Debt Service:			
0071 Principal on Long Term Debt	56,303	-	56,303
0072 Interest on Long Term Debt	33,649	-	33,649
Intergovernmental:			
0093 Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Districts of SSA	58,859	-	58,859
6030 Total Expenditures	4,782,137	577,126	5,359,263
1100 Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(257,937)	(20,404)	(278,341)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
7915 Transfers In	-	20,404	20,404
8911 Transfers Out (Use)	(20,404)	-	(20,404)
7080 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(20,404)	20,404	-
1200 Net Change in Fund Balances	(278,341)	-	(278,341)
0100 Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	1,770,478	-	1,770,478
3000 Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 1,492,137	\$ -	\$ 1,492,137

Junior High Colts demolish Memphis Whirlwinds

Both Colt teams easily handled the Whirlwinds at Claude last Monday night gaining two big wins.

The seventh grade Colts won 59-21 with four players finishing in double figures. According to coach Brad Elam, the Colts began the game slowly, but finished strong at the end.

"We played really well," Elam said. "It took us some time to get going, but once we did, we didn't slow down. (It was) very balanced scoring. Ryan was putting them in and Bear hit a couple of three-pointers. Noab passed the ball well and Cole Franks played a great game."

Scoring: Ryan McCleskey 16, Bear Smith 13, Noab Elam 10, Preston Elam 10, Franks 6, Gavin Word 3, and Payton Hicks 2.

The eighth grade showed their strength over the Whirlwinds as well and won 49-38. The Colts struggled at times against Memphis, but according to Elam, they did not panic when they got down.

"I thought the kids played a really good game. They know the other team will start to wear down and that's what happened. Once Memphis wore down, we were able to take the lead and add to it."

Elam noted that Colt Wood had 23, Nathan Shadle put in 12, Justin Christopher and Damarjae Cortez each added six, and Peyton Havens put in four.

"Peyton provided a spark in the second half," Elam said. "Nathan and Justin had really good games offensively and defensively, and Colt had a good all-around game and made many good passes."

Both Colt teams will be in action in the Childress Tournament January 16 and 18 and play Vega at home Monday, January 20, at 5:00 p.m.

Stock show: Continued from page one.

Champion; Lane Cabler, second; Jayde Gribble, third, Klaiton Moore, fourth; Misti Scott, fifth; and Shelby O'Keefe, sixth.

Barrows - Class 1 - Tristen Harper, Light Division Champ; Tyler Harper, second; Tyler Harper, third; Seth Greer, fourth; Cooper McCleskey, fifth;

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Havens, sixth;

Class 3 - Dalton Benson, Reserve Light Division; Wyatt Wheatley, second; Kelsey McAnear, third; Emeri Robinson, fourth; Braylee Shields, fifth; Porsche Henderson, sixth;

Class 4 - Koyt Tucek, Medium Division Champ; Kati Adams, Reserve Medium Division; Lane Cabler, third; Brittney McAnear, fourth;

Class 5 - Misti Scott, first;

Hadleigh Halsell, second; Kati Adams, third; Clay King, fourth; Caylor Monroe, fifth; Calder Havens, sixth;

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Broncos begin District season 2-0

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon Broncos had a great week on the court as they nabbed two big wins over Claude and Vega to start their District season with two wins.

The Broncos traveled to Claude Tuesday night and defeated the Mustangs, 57-43. The Broncos began the game one behind the Mustangs after the first quarter, but turned things around before the break to teak a three-point lead. Hard work and determination in the second half sealed the win for Clarendon. Chance McAnear finished with seventeen, Charles Mason had fourteen, and JoJo Cartwright helped with 10.

Head coach Brandt Lockhart

was pleased with his team's good start.

"We were able to get some turnovers in the second half and turn them into easy points," Lockhart said. "We did a good job of executing the game plan. It was a big win to start district."

Also scoring: Ashton Smith 8, Taylon Knorpp 4, and Jr. Cenicerros 4.

The Broncos were able to pick up Friday night right where they left off earning a huge 59-52 win over Vega. The teams battled hard and each team took advantage of momentum swings throughout the game. But the Broncos persevered and capitalized on Vega's mistakes.

They also shot 77 percent from the bonus line, which turned out to be key for the Broncos. Mason finished with twenty and Cartwright added thirteen.

"We did a good job of rebounding the basketball and pushing the ball up the court for easy baskets," Lockhart said. "We did a good job of making our free throws in the fourth quarter."

Also scoring: McAnear 9, Smith 9, and Cedrick McCampbell 8.

The Broncos will play Panhandle at home on Friday, January 17, at 8:00 p.m. and have an open day on January 21. They will host Claude on Friday, January 24.



Marshal Johnson defends for the Broncos.

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Ryann Starnes gets ready to jump for the ball at the opening.

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Lady Broncos dominate Claude, Vega

By Sandy Anderberg

Starting their District season at 2-0, the Lady Broncos are riding high and playing solid basketball at a crucial time in their season. Earlier in the week, the ladies stopped Claude, 46-34. The ladies played a good first half, but turned up the heat in the second half of play to shut the door on the Lady Mustangs. Claude was unable to stop the Lady Broncos as Camra Smith and Taylor DeGrate led Clarendon on the scoreboard with sixteen and fourteen points. Each of the duo hit two three-pointers in the game.

"I was very proud of the girls," head coach Molly Weatherred said. "I felt completely different mentally with them going into this game. There was a sense of urgency. I had

some girls off the bench step up and do an amazing job for us, which was needed."

Also scoring: Taylor Gaines 6, Ryann Starnes 6, and Brittney Braim 2.

On Friday, the Lady Broncos hosted Vega in their first home game of the District season and stole a 50-38 win over the Lady Longhorns. Three-point shots and free throws proved to be the difference in the game. The Lady Broncos began the game slowly, but worked their way back to lead by three at the end of the first quarter of play. The back and forth contest finally ended with the ladies grabbing a huge win.

Taylor Gaines hit five out of nine free throws in the first quarter and Ryann Starnes connected on

three three-pointers on the offensive ends. The ladies shot six three-pointers in all and went fifteen for twenty-one from the bonus line.

"This was a very tough and physical game," Weatherred said. "They are a very good team. I thought we stepped up to a big challenge on Friday night. Again, I had great play from some girls that came off the bench. I feel that overall, we are becoming a more well-rounded team."

Also scoring: DeGrate 9, Phara Berry 7, Gaines 7, and Deborah Howard 2.

The Lady Broncos will play Panhandle at home on Friday, January 17, at 6:30 p.m. They will be open on January 21 and play Claude at home on January 24.



Taylor Gaines plays defense.

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Chance McAnear handles the ball during the Broncos game against Vega last Friday.

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JAN. 31ST	WHITE DEER	8 PM
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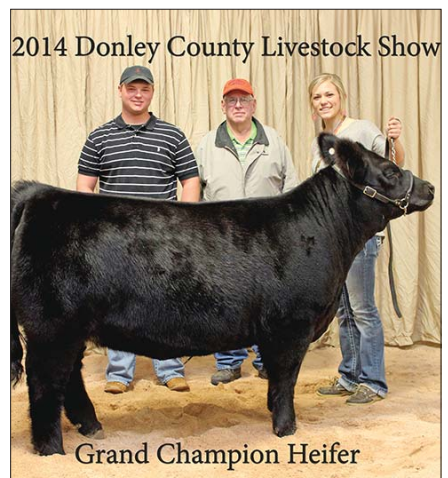
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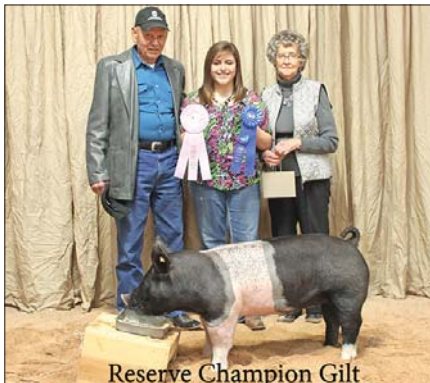
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Sheriff's Report

January 6, 2014

3:33 a.m. – Report of suspicious activity 300 block South Facker
8:49 a.m. – EMS assist 600 block West 4th
12:20 a.m. – EMS assist 600 block West 4th

January 7, 2014

8:51 a.m. – Stalled vehicles causing traffic problems 287 & Koogle
9:37 a.m. – EMS assist 12300 block Co Rd S

5:40 p.m. – See caller 300 block South Taylor

5:50 p.m. – EMS assist 300 block South Taylor

January 8, 2014

9:02 a.m. – Out @ Annex
11:37 a.m. – EMS assist 100 block North Sully
1:00 p.m. – Minor fender bender 200 block South Kearney
2:20 p.m. – See caller 300 block South Taylor

January 9, 2014

2:15 a.m. – See caller Co Rd P off

North 70

10:26 p.m. – EMS assist 100 block South McClelland

11:03 p.m. – EMS assist Clarendon Family Medical Center

7:31 p.m. – EMS assist 300 block Ellerbe

January 10, 2014

3:57 a.m. – EMS assist 500 block South McLean

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