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THIS WEEK

2 Donald Trump officially wins the 2016 presidential election.
4 Peggy Cockerham recalls the Christmas of the disappearing tree.
5 Clarendon Cub Scout dens perform service projects.
6 And the Lady Broncos stampede the girls from Booker.

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

Holiday schedule set for Enterprise

THE CLARENDON ENTERPRISE will be closed for the Christmas and New Year's holidays, December 22-January 1.

Next week's "Year in Review" edition will be distributed on Wednesday, December 28, and the paper will resume regular office hours on Monday, January 4, 2017. Regular deadlines will be in place with news and photos being due by noon Monday and ads and classifieds being due by 5 p.m.

We wish all our readers and advertisers a very Merry Christmas and a fantastic New Year!

Candlelight services to be held Dec. 24

The ENTERPRISE has been made aware of two candlelight services being held in town for Christmas Eve this Saturday.

The First United Methodist Church will hold a candlelight service, featuring the community handbell choir, starting at 6 p.m. The First Christian Church will also hold a 6 p.m. service, featuring music by Katie Askew.

The public is invited to both services.

Grand Jury indicts three men Dec. 12

The Donley County Grand Jury met last Monday, December 12, and handed up indictments against three men.

Cesar Bello was indicted for the offense of Driving While Intoxicated – third or more, a third degree felony, for an offense occurring on August 12.

Rickey Lewis Row was also indicted for the third degree felony of Driving While Intoxicated – third or more – for an offense on October 15.

Walter James Wheeler, Jr., was indicted for the first degree felony offense of Aggravated Robbery for an incident on October 6.

DPS beefing up traffic enforcement

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is urging drivers to help make the holidays safer by driving sober and using extra caution.

DPS Troopers, as well as local law enforcement across the state, will conduct traffic patrols throughout the weekends of Dec. 23 – 26 and Dec. 31 – Jan. 1.

During the Christmas/New Year holiday enforcement effort last year, DPS troopers made 466 DWI arrests. DPS efforts also resulted in 9,174 speeding citations, 893 seat belt/child safety seat citations, 320 fugitive arrests and 286 felony arrests during the enforcement period.

Shot clinic to be held here Jan. 12

The Texas Department of State Health Services will hold an Immunization Clinic in Clarendon on January 12, 2017, at the Burton Memorial Library from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.



Voices raised

Clarendon fourth grader Jaythan Green sings during the elementary school Christmas program, "The Grumps of Ring-a-ding Town," last Thursday evening at the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Center.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

Wildfire consumes 432 acres

A wildfire threatened three homes and burned 432 acres in the Lelia Lake area last Friday before being brought under control.

Clarendon Fire Chief Jeremy Powell reports that the blaze started from an unknown source of ignition and the cause is under investigation by state and local authorities.

The fire started about 0.4 miles west of FM 1260 on County Road V and was reported shortly after 2 p.m. by an employee of the Texas Department of Transportation.

Powell reported that the fire traveled east and northeast crossing FM 1260, burning about two miles and crossing County Road 17. It then burned about another half mile before being brought under control.

Three homes and several other outbuildings and livestock were threatened, Powell said, but no losses were reported except to fences and rangeland.

The weather was constant worry in fighting the fire, which threatened the safety of the Lelia Lake community.

The blaze could have caused much more damage due to the conditions at the time with a temperature of 73°F, humidity of 20 percent, and winds gusting 38 to 52 mph from the west and southwest.

Fire was contained by 6 p.m., but Clarendon volunteer firemen remained on scene until 5 a.m.

The Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department responded with 10 units and 21 firemen. The Howardwick Fire Department sent one unit and three firemen, and the Hedley Fire Department sent three units and three firemen.

Also responding were the Memphis Fire Department with two units and six firemen; Donley County motor graders from precincts 1, 3, and 4 along with four county personnel; the Texas Forest Service with one engine, two dozers, and nine personnel; Donley County EMS, the Donley County Sheriff's Office, and the Department of Public Safety.

Powell also said that the assistance given from numerous landowners was greatly appreciated.



Hedley firemen Neil and Seth Koetting help control a fire near Lelia Lake last Friday.

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Workforce group offers assistance to area

The Panhandle region's low-income residents have some exciting new opportunities for training thanks to a monetary award from the Texas Workforce Commission.

Interested individuals are invited to explore career pathways in the fields of medical and nursing, computer systems, auto mechanics, office administration, bookkeeping, welding, professional driving, management, law enforcement and more by visiting with career specialists at Workforce Solutions Panhandle to discuss the possibilities.

Some of the jobs in high demand across the Texas Panhandle with training opportunities available through Workforce Solutions Panhandle include:

- Welders, Cutters & Welder Fitters - "hands-on" individuals using mechanical design skills, with flame-cutting equipment, to weld and join metal components together. Salary:

\$37,420 per year.

- Licensed Vocational Nurses - dependable individuals, with concern for others, providing basic care for patients in hospitals, nursing homes and clinics. Salary: \$42,490 per year.

- Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration (HVAC) Mechanics – detail-oriented individuals, using problem-solving skills to install or repair heating, central air conditioning, or refrigeration systems, involving occasional use of technology. Salary: \$46,333 per year.

Additional information is available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in person at Workforce Solutions Panhandle, 1206 SW 7th Avenue in Amarillo; by telephone at the main numbers of (806) 372-5521 or 1-877-967-5228; and anytime online at www.wspanhandle.com.

Look also for the new Workforce Solutions Mobile Office as it visits

various communities across the Panhandle starting in January.

The Incentive Award of \$30,000 was presented to the Panhandle Workforce Development Board at the Texas Workforce Commission's 20th Annual Texas Workforce Conference held recently in Houston. The Panhandle Workforce Development Board provides employers and job seekers access to training services through the local Workforce Solutions offices.

As one of 28 local workforce boards, Panhandle serves the workforce needs of Armstrong, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher, and Wheeler counties through locally designed, market-driven workforce development initiatives and services.

SWEPCO seeking rate hike

SHREVEPORT, La. – AEP Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO), a unit of American Electric Power last week submitted a request to the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) to increase the company's Texas rates by approximately \$69 million annually.

If approved, new rates could go into effect in mid-to-late 2017.

The primary need for new revenue is to cover \$34.4 million annually for additional investment in environmental controls at four major power plants. The investments are necessary to comply with new U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations.

"The goal is always to serve Texas customers with a strong electric system that provides affordable, reliable and safe energy," said Venita McCellon-Allen, SWEPCO President and Chief Operating Officer. "After investing nearly \$700 million to fulfill new federal mandates, we believe SWEPCO has responsibly met these environmental and financial challenges in order to maintain a diverse energy mix with reliable 24/7 power sources serving our customers."

The request includes four major components:

- \$34.4 million for new environmental controls at four power plants to comply with EPA mandates. Plant locations include Welsh Plant Units 1 and 3 at Pittsburg, Texas; Pirkey Plant at Hallsville, Texas; Dolet Hills Plant at Mansfield, La.; and Flint Creek Plant at Gentry, Ark.

- \$8 million for a change in transmission cost recovery to align with actual incurred regional transmission costs in the Southwest Power Pool – to help ensure reliability and access to affordable power through the regional transmission system.

- \$2 million for additional vegetation management dollars to clear transmission and distribution lines and to improve service reliability, especially during storms.

- \$24.5 million for additional generation, transmission and distribution investment, and changes in operating costs to continue delivering affordable, reliable and safe energy to homes, businesses and communities.

If approved by the PUCT, overall rates would increase annually by approximately \$69 million, an average increase of about 12.7 percent. This is the net amount of the proposed annual base rate increase of \$105.9 million minus \$36.9 million for existing transmission and distribution charges that are currently shown as line items on customers' bills and will be moved to base

See 'SWEPCO' on page 5.



And the winner is...

Maloree Wann holds her \$50 prize money last week after being named the winner of the coloring contest that chose the cover art of the Enterprise's 2016 "Christmas Dreams & Wishes" edition.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / MORGAN WHEATLY

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.

Actual vote confirms Trump win

As 2016 draws to a close, a final act of weirdness befell America this week when Donald Trump was actually elected president of the United States.

This was pretty much a foregone conclusion in November, but with the ups and downs we've seen this year, nothing was certain as members of the Electoral College cast their votes – the only ones that really mattered – on Monday and formally elected Trump.

One article I read from a reliable news source said this was the first time since 1872 that there has been more than one “faithless electors.” Two Texas electors did not cast their ballots for Trump – one went with former US Rep. Ron Paul and the other went for Ohio Gov. John Kasich. Hillary Clinton had four of her electors from Washington state defect and vote for other people.

So unless something extraordinary happens, Trump will become president next month, and America is in for an interesting time to be sure.

Trump is loud, brash, and unrestrained. The decorum of the presidency, therefore, will be markedly different than anything we've seen in our lifetimes.

There is no controlling Donald Trump. For better or worse, he's his own man and will do as he damn well pleases, no matter whose toes he steps on.

There are some toes that need stomping in Washington. Some bureaucrats need to be reminded they are not omnipotent, and the government as a whole needs a lesson that “business as usual” just isn't working for many Americans.

The challenge for America is how it responds to Trump. He needs to be supported when he's right and working for the common good, but he needs to be challenged – by both parties – when (not if) he goes off the rails. And we need to stay true to the things that have made America great in the past as the new administration seeks to make it great “again.”

America is a nation of immigrants. The nation needs to be mindful of that and cognizant of the strength that the “melting pot” of cultures has been for this country.

Some of our basic tenants are freedom of speech, freedom of the press, and freedom of religion. These freedoms must be applied equally or they are meaningless. Free speech covers the right to offend or it is not free. A free press will by its nature step on the toes of those in power. And religious freedom does not just apply to evangelical Christian nationalists. It applies to Jews, Muslims, Buddhists, Native Americans, and any other faith you can think of.

If we can't rally around those simple liberties, that there is no way America will ever be great... either now or again. Soon-to-be President Trump has indicated he has trouble understanding that. It will be up to the People and members of his own party to make sure he has some clarity on the subject as we move forward.

God willing, the new president's better angels will guide him as the new year gets underway. Let's hope so.

Meanwhile...

Looking back on 2016, we would like to thank each of you for your continued support for this newspaper. Since 1878, we have been bringing you the news each week and chronicling our community's ups and downs. But that could not be possible if it were not for our advertisers and readers.

We also want to thank the contributions of Morgan Wheatly and Tara Allred. Without them, you would not be reading this because they play an extremely important role in producing this paper each week. And let's not forget Kari Lindsey, Sandy Anderberg, Peggy Cockerham, Kathy Spier, and everyone who contributes pictures, articles, and information to help us bring you the news. Ashlee and I appreciate all of you. We thank you for your efforts and look forward to working with you in the new year.

Speaking of Ashlee, I would personally like to thank her for all her contributions to the Enterprise and for keeping me sane but most of all for putting up with this crusty old editor for these last 12 years of wedded bliss. Happy anniversary, Sunshine!

To everyone, Merry Christmas from our family to yours, and may God richly bless you in the new year.



editor's commentary
by roger estlack

Special memories of Christmas time

'Tis the season to reclaim memories. Thanks be to God for treasured recollections, and for His giving us the discernment to call pleasant ones into play from days gone by.

And why not? To dwell on unpleasant ones is gain for no one. The ones we value greatest are as welcome chestnuts roasting on an open fire, or rides across fields in a one-horse open sleigh. (That said, I think I could be equally happy in a sleigh drawn by two horses, or even four.)

Today's memories center on two “Baylor brothers” – Drs. BO and Dick Baker, giants by any measure of ministry. They come to mind at a time in history when the university's name has been smudged by a football program scandal that won't seem to go away. BO was a well-known minister/evangelist/writer. Dick was a music minister/vocalist/composer. They brought much good to the world....

Neither of them ever truly retired. Even in their 80s, they were in demand, responding to requests as long as they were physically able. BO died at age 86 in 2010; Dick died a year later at 84. Their Christian witness continues to wash against the shores of eternity.

BO wrote a heart-warming Christmas story for the Baptist Standard. His annual piece appeared annually for 34 years. It was as welcome as fresh-cut Christmas trees, or the sounds of reindeer hooves touching housetops of the world as Santa made his Christmas Eve rounds.

Perhaps no brothers ever worked together more closely in Christian ministry than the Bakers. BO preached worldwide, and Dick was at his side during most of the years. (With more than 300 musical pieces to his credit, Dick published songs for 64 years.)...

In the Metroplex, Dick is remembered for introducing grand Christmas pageants at Prestonwood Baptist Church, where he was longtime minister of music. It continues with multiple presentations annually. Almost 70,000 people attended the 13 performances this month.

Shortly before his death, I asked Dick what he most remembered about the pageants, which are known for grand music, unbelievable choreography and live animals, including camels.

I thought he might cite one of his own favorite arrangements, or show-stopping renditions by some talented vocalist. I was wrong. “That's easy,” he answered. “There were numerous chilling moments experienced in the dead of night.” Turns out, he received many nocturnal phone calls from the Dallas Police Department. “Hey, Dick, your camels got loose again. They were last seen galloping through the intersection of Preston and Arapaho.”...

Still ringing in my ears are ser-



the idle american
by don newbury

monic expressions for which BO was long known. “Draw in a little closer,” he liked to say, often multiple times during evangelistic messages. He'd also say something akin to, “I'm so glad to be your revival preacher. But you need to know that my best sermon will be tomorrow night.” (Naturally, he'd repeat the claim nightly until the final service.)

Another Christmas memory centers on the late Paul Crume, brilliant front page columnist for the Dallas Morning News. In 1967, he wrote a Christmas Day column entitled “Angels Among Us.” So well-received was the piece that it continues to appear annually in the DMN. I look forward to it again this year – for the 50th time.

I consider it “must” reading: it's a grand tonic for those of us who believe in angels....

The old year soon to leave us is treasured for birthing a grand Christian book and a movie of the same name – Miracles from Heaven. The “star” is Annabel Beam, the youngster who said an angel told her how to snap on a harness lowered down a rotted tree trunk so she could be lifted to safety. (She had fallen 30 feet down the trunk of a 100-year-old tree on the family home place.)

I believe her.

And I pray that in this blessed season, as you claim your very best memories, you'll sense angels nearby, or hear the rustle of their wings....

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Texas Christmas tamale tradition

The Christmas season holds different memories and meaning for people around the globe. Of course, the celebration of faith and family spans most cultures. But here in Texas, we know another feeling to be associated with Christmas: a hunger for tamales.

Countless Texas families spend Christmas gathered around corn husk-wrapped tamales the way their parents and grandparents did before them, but have you ever wondered where this tasty tradition started?

The connection between Christmas and tamales runs deep in American history. Tamales, or the ancestors of what we'd call a tamale today, were a staple for Native Americans dating as far back as 8,000 B.C. Common among many Mesoamerican faiths was the idea that God had crafted human from corn, and since corn was quite literally the substance of life, consuming it became a way to reconnect with the spirit. Tamales, made from corn, were commonly sent out with hunters, travelers, and soldiers for portable sustenance and luck along their journeys, and became the chosen feast for spiritual and community celebrations. Even the word ‘tamale’ is thought to come from the Aztecs' word for wrap: ‘tamalli.’

More recently, the tamale tie to Christmas has solidified. Tamales have become a part of the traditional Mexican celebration of las posadas, the annual commemoration of Mary and Joseph's search for shelter before Jesus' birth. And that's why for families all across the American Southwest, and here in Texas, 'tis the season for tamales.

Beyond the obvious appeal, there are several reasons we in Texas serve tamales for Christmas. They can be made in advance to reduce stress on Christmas day, they're easy to pack up and transport to a party, and they can be made in large batches to feed the entire family.

However, there's one thing tamales are not, and that's simple to make. Any tamalera – tamale maker – will tell you that crafting the perfect tamale is a labor of love. From washing and soaking the husks, to perfecting the even spread of masa dough, to rolling up a secure wrap, to achieving the balanced seasoning of meats and beans, making tamales is a process that takes days to complete.

Making tamales debunks the idiomatic saying – there can never be too



texas times
by sen. john cornyn

many cooks in the kitchen when tamales are on the menu.

In fact, many tamaleras throw a tamale-making party – a tamalada – to make use of as many extra hands as possible. Tamale preparation lends itself well to large assembly lines, which is more efficient for some families who stay up all through the night on Christmas Eve to prepare the Christmas Day feast.

For those without a family recipe passed down from generation to generation, there's another way to enjoy the old tastes of the New World on Christmas. Many Texans order Christmas tamales by the dozen from a local tamaleria – and if that's your tradition, you'll want to order sooner rather than later. They go fast.

Tamaleras at Luna's Tortillas in Dallas famously prepare 100 dozen tamales a day starting in July to prepare for the Christmas season. They steadily increase their numbers as December draws near, and in the two weeks leading up to the big day, staff is working around the clock to prepare more than 2,400 tamales each day.

So whether homemade or pre-ordered, plain or with ranchero salsa, I wish you tasty tamales and a festive holiday season.

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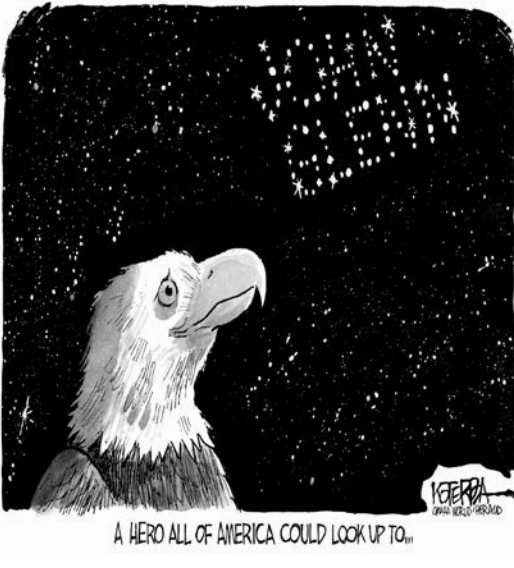
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Community Calendar

December 24
Christmas Eve

Christmas Eve Candle Light Service
• 6:00 p.m. • First Christian Church

December 25
Christmas Day

December 31
New Year's Eve

January 1
New Year's Day

January 3
Lady Broncos & Broncos v Amarillo
Flames • 5/6:15/8 p.m. • Home

January 6
Lady Broncos v Memphis • 5/6:30
p.m. • Away

Broncos v Bushland • 5/6:30 p.m. •
Away

Lady Owls v McLean • 6:30 p.m. •
Home

January 7
Donley County Junior Livestock Show
and Sale

January 9
Broncos v San Jacinto • 5:30 & 7
p.m. • Home

Owls & Lady Owls v Ft. Elliott • 6
p.m. • Home

January 10
Lady Broncos v Wheeler • 5/6:30
p.m. • Home

Lady Owls & Owls v White Deer •
6:30 p.m. • Home

January 13
Lady Broncos & Broncos v Wellington
• 4/5/6:30/8 p.m. • Away

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

January 17
Lady Broncos & Broncos v Panhan-
dle • 4/5/6:30/8 p.m. • Home

Owls & Lady Owls v Lefors • 6:30
p.m. • Away

January 20
Lady Broncos & Broncos v Claude •
4/5/6:30/8 p.m. • Away

Owls & Lady Owls v Shamrock •
6:30 p.m. • Away

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

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

January 27
Lady Broncos & Broncos v Wheeler •
4/5/6:30/8 p.m. • Away

Owls & Lady Owls v White Deer •
6:30 p.m. • Away

January 31
Lady Broncos & Broncos v Wellington
• 4/5/6:30/8 p.m. • Home

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

February 3
Lady Broncos & Broncos v Panhan-
dle • 4/5/6:30/8 p.m. • Away

Owls & Lady Owls v Lefors • 6:30
p.m. • Home

February 7
Lady Broncos & Broncos v Claude •
4/5/6:30/8 p.m. • Home

Owls & Lady Owls v Shamrock •
6:30 p.m. • Home

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Menus

December 26-30

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Holiday
Tue: Sliced beef, macaroni and
cheese, Italian mix, vegetables,
chocolate cake, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Soft beef taco, salad trim-
mings, Spanish rice, pinto beans,
pudding, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Hot dog on bun, potato wedges,
coleslaw, chocolate cake, iced
tea/2% milk.
Fri: Chicken spaghetti, broccoli, corn,
crackers, spice cake, iced tea/2%
milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Holiday
Tue: Chicken tenders/gravy, garlic
mashed potatoes, turnip greens,
wheat rolls, mandarin, iced tea/2%
milk.
Wed: Meat loaf/tomato sauce,
mashed potatoes, winter blend veg-
etable, wheat roll, apple fluff, iced
tea/2% milk.
Thu: Ham & pinto beans, cornbread,
margarine, spinach, seasoned corn,
orange pineapple, country apple
crisp, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Cheeseburgers, potato wedges,
tomato wedge salad, melon medley,
iced tea/2% milk.

What car dealers aren't saying about their inspections

Hi, gang! Merry Christmas. Be safe if traveling.

“What Car Dealers Didn’t Say About Their Inspections” by Amy Hebert, FTC.

If you’re doing business with a car dealer that advertises 100-plus-point inspections for its used cars, you’d expect the dealer to make it clear if some of those cars had open recalls for safety defects, right?

Dealers should make it clear. But in the case of CarMax, West-Herr Automotive Group, and Asbury Automotive Group, they didn’t, the FTC alleges in complaints announced today. The FTC settled similar allegations against GM and two other dealers earlier this year.

Used car dealers aren’t required to – and sometimes can’t or don’t – fix manufacturer recalls on the cars they sell. But if they make claims touting their inspections, they need to clearly let people know about the possibility of recalls, so people can get them fixed or decide to buy another car. Under the settlements, the companies must stop making misleading claims about their recall-repair practices, and must notify recent customers who may have bought a used car subject to a recall.

Anytime you shop for a used car, make sure you check up on recalls: Ask questions. Ask the dealer if the car you’re considering has a recall, and whether the dealer can and will fix it before you take the car home. Check for yourself.

Take down the VIN number of a car, and enter it at the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration’s recall look-up website, safecar.gov. You also can get information to help you follow up with a manufacturer or dealer about a recall. Check out the vehicle history report.

The report will tell you about a car’s title, odometer, theft, or salvage history, and might also provide recall information. Ask the dealer – they’ll often provide a vehicle history report for free. For links to companies that sell the reports, go to vehiclehistory.gov.

“Vemma Agrees to Ban on Pyramid Scheme Practices to Settle FTC Charges” by Jason C. Moon, FTC

Health drinks marketer touted unlimited income potential, but most people lost money. Under a settlement with the Federal Trade Commission, Arizona-based Vemma Nutrition Company will end the business practices that the FTC alleged created a pyramid scheme. The multi-level marketing (MLM) company, which sells health and wellness drinks through a network of distributors called “affiliates,” will be prohibited under a federal court order from paying an affiliate unless a majority of that affiliate’s revenue comes from sales to real customers rather than other distributors. The order also bars Vemma from making deceptive income claims and unsubstantiated health claims.

“Unfortunately, extravagant income claims and compensation plans that reward recruiting over sales continue to plague the MLM industry,” said Jessica Rich, Director of the FTC’s Bureau of Consumer Protection. “MLM companies must ensure that their promotional materials aren’t misleading, and that their compensation programs focus on selling goods or services to customers who really want them, not on recruiting more distributors.”

In August 2015, the FTC brought a federal court action against Vemma Nutrition Company, Vemma International Holdings, Inc., CEO Benson K. Boreyko and top affiliate Tom Alkazin. The companies’ “Young People Revolution” campaign targeted college students and other young adults with materials that presented Vemma as a profitable alternative to traditional employment and depicted young affiliates surrounded by conspicuous displays of wealth, such as luxury automobiles and yachts. Vemma allegedly failed to disclose that the program’s structure ensured that most participants would not earn substantial income, and provided affiliates with false and misleading materials for recruiting



bob's whittlin'
by bob watson

others. According to the complaint, the defendants encouraged participants to buy products to qualify for bonuses and to recruit others to do the same. The result, the agency alleged, was a pyramid scheme that compensated participants mainly for recruiting others rather than for retail sales based on legitimate consumer demand for the products.

Vemma expanded throughout the U.S. and several foreign countries and took in more than \$200 million a year in revenue in 2013 and 2014. Under the stipulated order announced today, the Vemma companies and Boreyko are banned from any business venture that: pays any compensation for recruiting new participants; ties a participant’s compensation or an ability to be compensated to that participant’s purchases; or pays a participant compensation related to sales in a pay period unless the majority of the revenue generated during that period, by the participant and others the participant has recruited, comes from sales to non-participants.

The order also bars these defendants from involvement in any pyramid, Ponzi, or chain marketing schemes and prohibits them from making misrepresentations about the profitability of business ventures or the health benefits of products. The order imposes a \$238 million judgment that will be partially suspended upon payment of \$470,136 and the surrender of certain real estate and

business assets. It also requires Vemma to provide compliance reports from an independent auditor for 20 years.

A separate order provides similar conduct provisions against Vemma affiliate Tom Alkazin and his wife, Bethany Alkazin and imposes a judgment of more than \$6.7 million, which will be partially suspended upon payment of more than \$1.2 million and the surrender of certain real estate and business assets.

The Commission vote approving the stipulated final orders was 3-0. The orders were filed in the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona on December 15, 2016. To learn more about multilevel marketing, read Multilevel Marketing and Business Opportunity Scams. For other recent enforcement actions by the FTC regarding multilevel marketing, see Herbalife and FHTM. NOTE: Stipulated final orders or injunctions, etc. have the force of law when approved and signed by the District Court judge. The Federal Trade Commission works to promote competition, and protect and educate consumers. You can learn more about consumer topics and file a consumer complaint online or by calling 1-877-FTC-HELP (382-4357). Like the FTC on Facebook, follow us on Twitter, read our blogs and subscribe to press releases for the latest FTC news and resources.

Stay safe out there and drive safe.

Wonderful memories of Christmas past

Winter has come to the Texas Panhandle, but it would be nice if it came gradually.

Friday the high was 75° around 4 p.m. Saturday at 4 p.m. the temperature was 9° with a “feels like” temp of negative 14. Ole Jim and I just stayed inside and kept our fingers and toes warm, thanking the good Lord for retirement.

People seem to like my stories, so here we go with an oldie that happened December 23, 1990. I was in the last year of nursing school with very early shifts and had rented an apartment in Amarillo, coming home each weekend to catch up on laundry, pay bills, and get ready for the next week. As most college students know, finals are usually Christmas week, or they were that year. I had my car packed, ready for the trip to Clarendon and was waiting for the last final to be posted (I passed with a B) and getting ready for the push to get home, buy groceries, and decorate the house and tree. We were sticking to traditions and used a live

tree. I jumped into Ole Jim’s pickup and made a trip to Allsup’s, the only place in Clarendon that sold live trees at the time.

As I drove up to Allsup’s, my heart sank. There were three sadly-picked-over trees in the lot. I chose the best looking tree and, with the help of the clerk, Charlene Mays, tossed it in the back of the truck. Nighttime had descended and time was running out, so the trip to Howardwick was fast. As I passed under a light, I glanced out the back window and could not see the tree. I pulled over and looked. My tree was gone!

I immediately turned around, driving slowly and found no tree. I made that trip twice and knew the only solution was another tree from Allsup’s. I will never forget the look



'wick picks
by peggy cockerham
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on Charlene Mays face when I told her I lost my tree and needed another one. We found something in Allsup’s to tie the tree to prevent it from blowing out and made it home ok with #2.

I was so stressed out, wondering what happened to that tree and how could it be lost. But being the optimist I am and feeling the love of the season, I wrote a story in my head that went like this:

“A man was coming home from work, thankful for the job but sorry he could not provide a Christmas tree for his children and was praying for a tree. As he drove home that dark, lonely night, suddenly a tree came flying through the air and landed on the side of the road. He picked up this gift from the sky and what a story he had to tell.”

I bought boxes of icicles to cover that Charlie Brown tree, and my family would never have known it was a sad tree if I had not told them.

I wonder if I will have a new story next year.

Scouts trek the Greenbelt Lake

Last Wednesday, my Cub Scout den and I got to go on a three-mile hike by the Lake. We each had a certain job that we had to do. There was snack jobs, first aid jobs, trail leaders, and a service leader.

The trail leaders had the most to do. They had to have a compass to know which way were going, and a watch to keep track of the time. And they had to schedule breaks. The trail leaders were me and Henry Bivens.

The service leader had to think of a service project we could do on the hike. Our service leader, Mason Allred, had us pick up trash.

The first aid leaders had to bring first aid kits, and they were Blake Ratcliff and Jaythan Green. Snack leaders were Daniel Estlack, Casey Curtis and Koltyn Shields; and they brought apples, oranges, and snack bars.

It was very cold while we were hiking so we all wore big coats and some of us even wore gloves and hats.

I had a lot of fun being able to go on the hike with my Cubscout pack.



the cub reporter
by benjamin estlack



Parker Haynes narrates part of the Clarendon Elementary program last Thursday night at the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Center.

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Ella Estlack speaks during the “Grumps of Ring-a-ding Town” last week.

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Rosenfield’s mercantile store was not only a center of business, but it was a depository for visitors’ firearms, which were forbidden to be carried in old Saints’ Roost. With the nearest bank more than 130 miles away, Rosie’s basement vault was used to hold citizens’ checks and money until they needed it with nothing more than his word that it was taken care of. An early school trustee, the community often sought the counsel of the witty and gregarious man, and his perfect tenor voice performed regular solos in the Methodist choir.

In 1887, Clarendon moved to the railroad, but the colonists held one last celebration in the old town’s church on Christmas Eve. First on the program was the Jew, Morris Rosenfield, whose voice rose in “Silent Night, Holy Night” as the colonists bid farewell to the idyllic life they had known on the Salt Fork.

The Whistle-Stop and the community salute the memory of Morris Rosenfield for his pioneer spirit and for his role in the development of Clarendon. Thank you, sir!



Cub hike

Clarendon Cub Scout Den 3 members Casey Curtis, Mason Allred, Ben Estlack, Blake Ratcliff, Koltyn Shields, Dan Estlack, Jaythan Green, and Henry Bivens completed their three-mile hike in and near Kincaid Park at Lake Greenbelt last Wednesday, December 14. During the hike the boys studied wildlife, learned a little about the history of Kincaid Park, and picked up four bags of trash as a service project.

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The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting December 20, 2016, with Boss Lion Tex Buckhaults in charge.

We had 15 members, Sweethearts Cire Jauregui and Brooke Smith, and five guests this week – David Smith, guest of Lion Don Smith; Ben and Ella Estlack, guests of Lion Ashlee Estlack; and Dan and Nate Estlack, guests of Lion Russell Estlack.

Following a delicious Mexican pile-on meal, we dispensed with our usual business, and packed and delivered 35 food baskets for local families. The club would like to express its appreciation to Clarendon Junior High and Clarendon High School for collecting and donating canned goods, to the Skelton Fellowship Class at the Methodist Church for its donation, to Tara Allred for donating canned goods and to Lowe's Family Center and the Bread of Life food ministry for their assistance.

The club will not meet next week, and we wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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Warm donation

Clarendon Cub Scout Den 4 members Henry Bivens and Kaendan Moffett raised money and donations to be able to give 125 pairs of socks to the homeless in Amarillo plus coats and blankets to the needy as well as blankets to one family in Clarendon.

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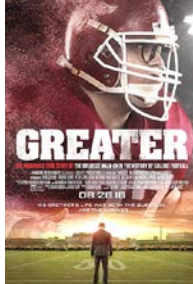


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Lady Broncos stampede Lady Kiowas

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos traveled to Booker before the Christmas break and brought home a huge 55-25 win. The Lady Kiowas were unable to stop the Lady Broncos as they set a strong defense.

With opening quarters of 13 points each, the Lady Broncos surged ahead by 10 at the break. They were able to maintain that lead and control the momentum in the game. They also sealed the win early in the fourth quarter.

Brianna Butler was on fire finishing with 21 points and Jensen Hatley had the hot hand from the three-point line as she nailed four three-pointers for a total of 12 points. Shaelyn Owiti hit two threes and added eight, while Berkeley Alexander added six from inside. Hannah Hommel had four, and Briley Chad-

wick finished the game with two.

Over the weekend, the Lady Broncos participated in the Lockney Tournament and went up against Happy in the first round. They fought to the end, but fell short by at 32-34.

They trailed the Cowgirls by five after one quarter, but only trailed by three at the break. A poor-shooting third quarter stifled the Lady Broncos somewhat and Happy was able to build a bigger lead going into the final quarter. The Lady Broncos staged a comeback, but the clock was not on their side and they lost by two.

“We had a slow start against Happy,” coach Korey Conkin said. “We have to learn to start every game with energy and intensity.”

Shaelyn Owiti led the ladies on the scoreboard with 15, and Brianna Butler added nine. Berkeley

Alexander put in seven, and Hannah Howard finished with two.

They took on Tahoka in the next round and suffered another close loss at 49-52. They began the game trailing their opponent, but they fought hard and worked their way back in the game in the following minutes. Tahoka led the entirety, but the Lady Broncos could not contain Tahoka’s best player.

“This was another close game against Tahoka,” Conkin said. “They had one very good shooter and we struggled to stop her. We had our chances but came up short.”

Alexander was strong inside and finished with 15 and Butler helped with 11. Chadwick had six, Hatley had five, Emily Johnson and Hommel put in three each, and Howard and Owiti added two each.

The Lady Broncos took on

Ralls in the final round and easily defeated them, 77-22. It was never a contest as Ralls had trouble stopping them.

The Lady Broncos were able to shoot a little over 50 percent from the free throw line, and Owiti connected on five from the three-point line. She finished with 27 points to lead the Lady Broncos.

Butler had 16 and Alexander put in nine. Hatley, Kira Weather-ton, Brandalyn Ellis, Hommel, and Chadwick each put in four points and Howard and Johnson had two each.

“This was a much better outing for the girls,” Conkin said. “We played great defense and had a total team effort where each girl scored.”

The Lady Broncos will participate in the Gruver Tournament over the holidays on December 28-30.



The Clarendon 6th grade band held their Christmas concert recently.

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Seventh grade Colts slam Claude

The seventh and eighth grade Colts traveled to Claude last Monday night and totally dominated the court to get a huge 46-12 win.

The Colts took grabbed the early momentum and the scoreboard showed a 19-point lead at the break. They played solid defense in the entire game and held Claude to single digits in three quarters of play. Jordan Herndon pumped in 14 points, and Jodee Pigg added 11 to lead the team in points.

“The boys played a very scrappy Claude team,” coach Kalen Grahn said. “They came out and pushed the tempo opening up a commanding lead in the first quarter. Each boy had several outstanding plays. As a group, they were able to enjoy a fast-paced game and enjoy the victory.”

Calder Havens put in six, Koyt Tucek and Josiah Howard each had

four, and Cutter Goodpasture put in one.

The eighth grade played hard, but fell short at 17-49. The Colts struggled offensively to get through a good Claude defense, but never quit.

“The boys ran into a very solid team,” Grahn said. “Robert McGuire and Ethan Babcock carried a big load with trying to handle the Claude pressure. The team played hard and showed a lot of character. Defensively, Jacob Jahay and Gavin Hall showed a lot of heart by their hustle. Hadley Dale and Travis Thomas played solid for the Colts.”

Babcock led the scoring with eight, McGuire had five and Hall and Thomas each put in two.

Both Colt teams will play at home against Memphis on Monday, January 5, beginning at 5:00 p.m.



Clarendon’s Harley Jauregui, Philip Monds and Samara Johnson were selected for the All Region Jazz Band. They are pictured with their director Mr. Brian Rose.

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Lady Colts lose close game to Claude

The eighth Lady Colts played extremely hard against Claude on the road last Monday night and narrowly lost 24-29. Clarendon trailed after the first six minutes, but came back to take the lead by three points at the break. The game was back and forth throughout with Claude squaring the game at 16-16 after three. A slight lapse in execution by the Lady Colts allowed Claude to gain the advantage and the win in the last minutes of the game.

“It was a close game for sure,” coach Carrie Hicks. “We were ahead

at half by three points. We were tied at the end of the third quarter, but they slipped away from us in the fourth. We need to learn to stay in the game mentally and physically the whole time and not relax until the final buzzer sounds. When we were all in the game, we played well.”

Amnesty Oatman, and Ashlynn Newsome each put in six, and Jade Benson, Zhala Bassett and Kaylin Hicks helped with four each.

The Lady Colts will travel to Memphis on Monday, January 5, beginning at 5:00 p.m.



Clarendon’s 7th & 8th grade band performing during their Christmas concert recently.

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Buzzer beater wins game for Bronco JV

Noab Elam has been strong for the junior varsity Broncos all season long and last week at Booker, Elam stayed strong in the final seconds of the game.

Elam got the ball just before time ran out to hit a three-pointer at the buzzer to give the Broncos a two-point win at the buzzer at 25-23. It was the second three-pointer that Elam hit in the game as he finished with eight points.

The Broncos led from the tip off, but the Kiowas were hot on their trail. Clarendon led by five at the break, and increased that lead to six after three. But Booker was not finished yet and worked their way back to lead by one when Elam got the ball. Coach Alton Gaines was impressed with his team’s effort.

“Wow! What a crazy finish with

a buzzer beater,” coach Alton Gaines said. “Noab Elam took the big shot and made it for the win. He’s been the big-shot taker and heart of this JV all season. He’s a good example of student and athlete.”

The Broncos were focused throughout the game and never faltered according to Gaines.

“Booker was very well coached and aggressive,” Gaines said. “Which caused a lot of trouble for us offensively inside. But the guys handled the pressure and returned the defensive pressure as well. Good job, Broncos.”

N. Elam and Jamal Butler 8, Caton Grahn 5, Daquawne Oliver and Preston Elam 2.

The Broncos will travel to Bushland January 6 and play at 6:00 p.m.



The Clarendon high school band at the Christmas concert held Sunday, December 11th.

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Lady Bronco JV holds Booker scoreless

The Lady Bronco junior varsity came out fired up and ready to win last week in Booker. After four quarters of great play, the Lady Broncos shut out the Lady Kiowas, 42-0.

Intense play in the first quarter gave the ladies a 17-point lead and the confidence they needed to keep up the pace on both ends of the court. Booker was helpless to get anything going against Clarendon’s fierce defense.

“We really played unselfish

ball,” coach Kasey Bell said. “Offensively against Booker, we were making some really good passes. I am proud of their effort.”

Emily Johnson finished strong with 13 points and Kira Weatherton added 12. Eboni Butler put in eight, Brandalyn Ellis had four, Darcie Hunsaker added three and Madi Gay finished with two.

The Lady Broncos will continue their schedule on January 6 at Memphis beginning at 5:00 pm.

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Broncos Lockney Tournament Champs

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon Broncos remain undefeated at 12-0 with their recent championship over Lockney in the Lockney Tournament December 15-17. The Broncos played the host team in the championship game and came home with the 72-54 win and first place trophy.

After trailing by three after the first eight minutes, the Broncos turned up the heat and scored 27 points to only 11 for their opponent. However, Lockney was able to come back somewhat after break, which caused the Broncos to turn up the heat in the final quarter of the game to get the win.

Keandre Cortez led the Broncos with 18, Chance Lockhart put in 15, Bryce Grahn had 14, and Marshal Johnson added 11. Bear Smith put in seven, Colt Wood had five, and Jacob Jeffers helped with two. Johnson and Grahn had seven rebounds each, and Wood had six assists. Lockhart and Grahn helped with four assists each. Grahn had four steals and Cortez had three.

The Broncos got to the championship round by defeating Tahoka in the first round of play at 84-40. They were able to handle Tahoka com-



The Broncos were named Tournament Champions during the Lockney Tournament held this weekend. Pictured with the trophy are trainers Zoe Adams, Giselle Mellado, Faith Keelin, and Bronco players Keandre Cortez, Jacob Jeffers, Bryce Grahn, Damarja Cortez, Cameron Smith, Colt Wood, Marshal Johnson, Chance Lockhart, and Head Coach Brandt Lockhart. The boys will travel to Bridgeport after the Christmas holidays to participate in a tournament.

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pletely and never allowed them to be a part of the game.

Six Broncos finished in double figures with Johnson leading the way with 20. Lockhart put in 15 and Grahn added 14. Smith each had 11 and Wood and Jeffers each finished with 10, and K. Cortez helped with four. Johnson finished with 12 rebounds giving him a double-double and Grahn and Smith each had eight. Grahn helped with 11 assists and Wood had seven. Grahn also had eight steals with K. Cortez getting four.

The Broncos went up against the Lubbock Titans in the second round and breezed by them, 78-38. Great defensive play propelled the Broncos to the win and allowed them to coast offensively.

Lockhart put in 17, Smith 16, Johnson 12, and Grahn 10. K. Cortez had nine and Damarjae Cortez helped with seven. Once again Johnson grabbed 12 rebounds and Grahn had eight. Wood and D. Cortez each had four assists, and Grahn and K. Cortez had eight and five steals respectively.

The Broncos will participate in the Bridgeport Holiday Tournament December 29-30.

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A time to give

Clarendon High School and Clarendon Junior High brought in approximately 700+ cans of food for the Lions Club food drive. Back Row: Taviona Hearn, Ivan Gonzalez, Robert McGuire Middle Row: Ethan Babcock, Antwan Bassett, Elayna Smith, Nathan Matthews, Jesse Burrow, Koyt Tucek Front Row (kneeling): Armani Jackson, Jordan Johnson, Graci Shadle, Zhala Bassett Front Row (standing): Brock Hatley, Calder Havens.

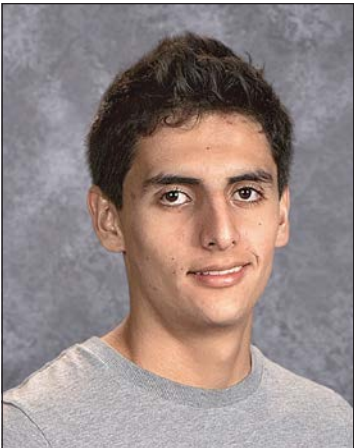
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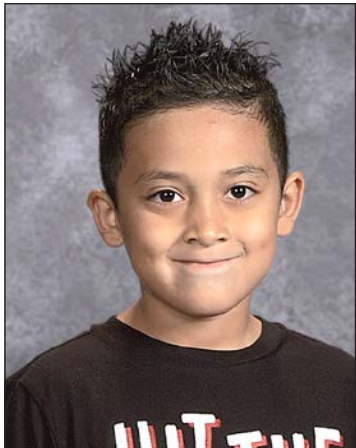
The Hedley's Class of 2018 delivered gifts to less fortunate children in Amarillo. The junior class worked with the Evelyn Rivers Coat Project.

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Hedley Students of the Month



Paul Yanez



Nathan Sanchez

Hedley ISD named Paul Yanez and Nathan Sanchez as December's Students of the Month.

Paul Yanez is the 18 year old foreign exchange student from Ecuador. Paul enjoys spending time with his family. Most of Paul's hobbies are based on experiences with his family, or new sports that he tries. Paul enjoys almost all sports.

In the future, Paul would like to stay in the states to study and attend college. He plans on getting a medical degree from Baylor or Texas Tech. Paul wants to be a surgeon when he graduates. Paul most admires his mom and his grandmother because they are the reason why he is what he is. They worked together to raise Paul in excellent

conditions, alone. Paul's favorite quote is "you never know how strong you are until being strong is the only choice you have." and "Laughter is timeless, Imagination has no age, and dreams are forever."

Nathan Sanchez is six years old. He's in 1st grade. He has one big brother and one little brother. His hobbies are playing Xbox and playing outside. Nathan's plans for the future are helping his mom put up their Christmas tree and sledding in the snow if it snows. Nathan admires Frankie and Paul because "they are good football players and they read books to us." Nathan also admires his grandma because she loves him and plays with him. Nathan's favorite quote is "Do your best!"

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By Ray Vigil, Social Security Public Affairs Specialist in El Paso, Texas

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Obituaries

Lowe

Reginald Stewart “Bill” Lowe, 99, died Monday, December 12, 2016, in Sterling, Colorado.

Services were held on Monday, December 19, 2016, in the First Baptist Church of Hedley, with Rev. Anthony Knowles officiating.

Cremation & arrangements were under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Bill Lowe died December 12,



Lowe

2016, in Sterling, Colorado at the age of 99 years and 364 2/3 days. He was born on December 13, 1916, in Duncan, Oklahoma to Ruben and Laura Lowe. Bill was a cowboy and began his career at the age of 16 working for his Uncle Joe in Rawlins, Wyoming. He cowboied for 70 years in the Texas panhandle for numerous ranches; Finch Ranch in Hedley, Johnson Ranch in Alanreed, McMurtry in Goodnight, Stroop Ranch in Quitaque, and Ingram Ranch in Pampa. He retired at the age of 90. Bill's hobbies were cowboying, ranch work, and telling stories about cowboying and ranch work. Bill was always a dedicated family man and loved all kids.

He was preceeded in death by his parents, Ruben and Laura; his wife, Carolyn Webster Lowe; three

sisters, Dorothy Lowe, Marie Lowe Anderson, and Mary Joe Proffitt; and his grandson, Robert Wayne Carmichael.

He is survived by his children, Jeanine Hermismeyer and husband Frank of Vancourt, Kathy Logsdon and husband Jim of Panhandle, Jim Lowe and wife Janet of New Raymer, Colorado, David Lowe and wife Susan of Amarillo, C.W. Woodward of Lefors, LeeAnn Green of Amarillo, and Kelly Martinez and husband Ricky of Wellington; 16 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great-grandchild.

The family request memorials be sent to Rowe Cemetery in Hedley or a favorite charity of choice.

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Sheriff's Report

November 12, 2016

11:34 a.m. – EMS assist 300 block Main Street - Hedley
6:05 p.m. – EMS assist 400 block South Jefferson
6:15 p.m. – EMS assist 200 block Dixie Drive

November 13, 2016

6:08 a.m. – Motorist assist 287 Westbound near Co Rd CC
12:36 p.m. – EMS assist 700 block West 2nd
4:20 p.m. – Welfare check 600 block South Sims

4:27 p.m. – Welfare check Howardwick
5:05 p.m. – EMS assist 200 block Douglas
7:56 p.m. – EMS assist 700 block South Collinson
11:23 p.m. – EMS assist 300 block East 5th

November 14, 2016

5:04 a.m. – EMS assist 800 block South Carhart
1:52 p.m. – EMS assist 700 block South Collinson
4:35 p.m. – Out @ Annex

December 15, 2016

12:34 p.m. – Suspicious vehicle Co

Rd 7
2:14 p.m. – See caller 700 block South Collinson
5:09 p.m. – EMS assist 13900 block Co Rd T
10:25 p.m. – See Caller 100 block Billy Drive

December 16, 2016

1:24 a.m. – EMS assist I-40 MM 120
2:08 p.m. – Residential burglar alarm 400 block West 5th
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