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AFTER BEING INTRODUCED AS THE HEAD COACH of the FCA North Team All Stars at a press conference in Abilene last Thursday, Athletic Director Wayne Hutchinson from Knox City High School is shown here at the podium as he introduces his assistant coaches for the June 5 All Star Classic in Abilene. As Head Coach of the North All Star Team, Coach Hutchinson was able to select the coaches he wanted for his assistants. Introduced to the public and press were (from left to right) Coach Colin Howeth, Coach Larry Welch, and Coach Mitch McLemore, all from Knox City High School. Not at the press conference, but also announced as assistants were coaches Clint Easley of Clyde High School and Jason Dean of Abilene High School. Coach Brad McCoy, Head Football Coach and Athletic Director at Jim Ned High School in Tuscola was named as the Head Coach of the South All Star Team. (NEWS digital photo)

Knox City coaches named to lead FCA All-Star Classic's North Team

Wayne Hutchinson selected as Head Coach

At a Thursday afternoon press conference at the Fairway Oaks Country Club in Abilene, Coach Wayne Hutchinson of Knox City High School was introduced as one of the head coaches for the 2004 Myrle Greathouse Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) All -Star Classic that will be held in Abilene on Saturday, June 5.

After Coach Hutchinson was introduced to the media as the head coach for the North All-Star Team, Coach Brad McCov of Jim Ned High School in Tuscola was named the South Team's head

Along with the honors and responsibilities of head coach, each team's leader was allowed to select their own assistants for the prestigious game. Coach Hutchinson named coaches Mitch McLemore, Larry Welch and Colin Howeth of Knox City to assist him, along with coaches Jason Dean of Abilene High and Clint Easley of Clyde High School.

Being selected to coach the FCA All-Star Classic is one of the biggest individual honors a high school coach in the Abilene region can receive.

The FCA staff selects players of the highest quality and moral character for the game, and the selection of coaching staffs to work with the best players from throughout the area is an honor that few coaches will experience in their careers.

As the North Team's Head Coach, Wayne Hutchinson brings a lot of experience with him to the All-Star Classic. After graduating from Angelo State University, Coach Hutchinson started his coaching career at Kermit in 1990. In 1992, he moved to Archer City

and coached there from 1992 until 1997. He coached at Whitewright from 1997 until 1999, when he moved to Abilene for a coaching job with Abilene High School. He was offered and accepted the head coaching and athletic director position at Knox City High School in 2001.

Returning to the high school where he led the Knox City Greyhounds to a State Championship as their quarterback in 1983, Coach Hutchinson has led the Hounds to the playoffs each year since he has been here. In 2001, the Greyhounds were the Tri-District Champions; in 2002, the team went all the way to the State Quarterfinals; and in 2003, the team advanced to the playoffs as the District 6A Runner-Up. In 2002, Coach Hutchinson was named the Class A Big Country Coach of the Year. Coach Hutchinson and his wife Kelly have two sons, Hagen and Wes.

Coming to Knox City with Coach Hutchinson in 2001, Coach Mitch McLemore will serve as the defensive coordinator for the FCA North All-Star Team. Coach McLemore graduated from Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls and has coached three years at Bryson High School, one year at Munday High School, five years at Archer City, one year at Alvord High School and three years here at Knox City. Bringing a lot of experience to the defense, 'Coach Mac' has served as the defensive coordinator at Knox City, Alvord, Archer City and Munday. Coach McLemore and his wife Kim have two children, Marni and Ty.

Also assisting with the FCA North All-Star Team, Coach Larry Welch of Knox City High School

brings a wealth of football experience and knowledge as a line coach. Coach Welch graduated from college at Panhandle State University, and coached at Goree from 1993 until 1998 before coming to Knox City. Having served under Coach Hutchinson as the line coach since 2001, Coach Welch is no stranger to championship and playoff games. He is also the head boys basketball coach at Knox City High School. He and his wife Annelle reside in Rhineland and have three children, Ambra, Laurie and Lari Dee.

Another graduate of Midwestern State University, Coach Colin Howeth has been coaching at Knox City since 2000. Serving as assistant varsity coach and junior high coordinator, Coach Howeth has also gained a lot of experience in championship and playoff games that is sure to help the FCA North All Star Team. Colin and his wife Christie have one daughter, nine month old Gracie.

Coaching at Abilene High School since 1999, Jason Dean graduated from McMurry University, where he also served as a graduate assistant on the football team in 1997. He started his coaching career at Franklin Middle School in 1998 before moving to Abilene High School. Coach Dean and his wife Bethany have one son, Tatum.

Another graduate of McMurry, Coach Clint Easley is currently coaching at Clyde High School. He has also coached at Franklin Middle School in Abilene, Palestine High School, Turkey-Valley High School and McMurry University. His wife's name is Julie and the couple reside in Clyde.

Players will be announced on Sunday, March 28.

Results from Tuesday's Democratic Primary

For District Judge, 50th Judicial District

WINNER •

538 **Knox County** votes

> 1,414 **District** Votes



Bill Heatly Paducah

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For Knox County Judge



Joe Lowe Munday 313 votes · RUNOFF ·



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Mitzi Welch Benjamin 201 votes



Dwayne Bearden Munday 158 votes



District

Votes

Jules Rizan Knox City 24 votes

For Knox County Tax Assessor - Collector



Linda Parker Benjamin 566 votes · WINNER ·



Kay Sheedy Benjamin 360 votes



Roy Day Jr. Knox City 49 votes

The runoff election for Knox County Judge will be held on Tuesday, April 13, 2004

Batter up, KCHS baseball is underway



BATTER UP!! The 2004 high school baseball season is underway and Knox City fans had an opportunity to watch the 'Hounds play against Seymour in a game at home on Monday evening. Shown above, KCHS Greyhound Carlos Ruiz hits a single, putting him on first base and driving Quinten Spells in to home plate for Knox City's first run. The Greyhounds lost to the visiting (NEWS digital photo) Panthers, 10-7.

From this Angle

Local KC Notes by Billye Angle

We are so thankful that we did not get the storms last Thursday that so many of the area towns did. We did have strong winds and only a little pea-size hail, but the additional rain was great. Many of the area tanks benefited from the runoff from the soaked ground.

Spending several days with Bro. Bobby King and family were Ann and Gene Clyatt of Missoula, Montana. Gene is a lay person and delivered the message Sunday evening at First Baptist Church. The Clyatts left Tuesday to return home.

Scott and Shea Edmonds along with their children, Stratton, Spencer, Stuart, and Saylor were in Flower Mound Saturday night for Scott to conduct an auction for a private school in Dallas.

Had a note from Iris Hughes in Lubbock saying she enjoyed this new column and that the more news from home, the better. I agree with you, Iris, and am asking readers each week to please share their news with us.

We received good news from former residents Beverly and Bob Munsell Monday. Bob has been employed by the Texas Railroad Commission and they have moved from Midland to Big Spring. Their daughter Latissha is going to school in Big Spring, but Beverly said she stays so busy they hardly ever get to see her. In calling in her address change for the paper, Beverly told Stacy that this was the last address change for them until they go to heaven!

Tammie and Jim Dillon had their seventeen month old

grandbaby Gilbert Trevino here for the weekend.

Lois Bruton of Olney was in the News office Tuesday to renew her subscription. We told Lois we were making every effort to get our readers to turn in their news and that we did appreciate her sister Lou Vail for reporting her family's "goings

Talked to Roland Marion, president of KCHS homecoming, and he tells us that the various committees are very busy getting ready for the big event to take place this year on June 4-5-6. He said that letters would be mailed out next week and that he would get us the information for a complete story. We all look forward to this and we really do encourage our local people to take part as well as attend and make everyone who attends feel welcome.

Aging center lunch menus

March 15th thru 19th

Monday, March 15 - Chicken strips with gravy, whole kernel corn, mixed green salad, biscuits, cake.

Tuesday, March 16 - Pepper steak, buttered rice, mixed vegetables, hot rolls, peach crunch. Wednesday, March 17 -Fishwith tarter sauce, cole slaw, French fries, hush puppies,

Thursday, March 18 - Sliced ham, baked beans, macaroni and cheese, hot rolls, fruit with topping.

Friday, March 19 - German sausage with sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, great Northern beans, cornbread, dessert. (All menus subject to change without notification. It is important to contact the site manager in order that meals can be prepared.)

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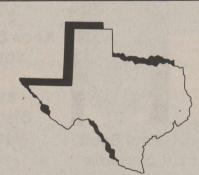
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Chamber banquet date changed to Monday, March 22

The date for the Knox City Chamber of Commerce's banquet, commemorating Knox City's 100th birthday, has been changed from Thursday, March 18, to Monday, March 22, due to a conflict.

Plans call for the celebration to still be in the newly remodeled Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church beginning at 6:30 p.m. Knox City's one act play students will present their entry, "The Other Side of the Wall", following the banquet in the W.R. Baker Auditorium.

A special powerpoint of the history of Knox City with old pictures,

memorabilia and stores will be presented during the banquet.

To obtain tickets for the event, contact any Chamber Director, or call the Chamber office at 658-3442.

To make sure the celebration of Knox City's 100th birthday is a special time, Chamber officials are asking those with old photographs, memorabilia or stories to contact them. Pictures will not be damaged. They will be scanned and returned to the owner in the same condition they were received.

Out-of towners register for Day services

Among those from out of town who attended funeral services last Wednesday for Essie Day were Christine Tidrow, Abilene; Kyle Strader, Fort Worth; Bruce Casteel, Austin; Nell Ashbrook, Rule; Barry, Rolanda, Angie and Christine Bowman, Pampa; Loran Day, Jamul, CA; Clyde and Elizabeth Day, Albuquerque, NM; DeAnn Ulm, Dallas; Josh and Heath Epley, Stefani Stephens, Scott and Dani Stephens, Randy, Ann, Mary Ann and Charles Egenbacher, Lance and LeAnn Inderman and Chad Inderman, Edith Broach, Jim and Laura Haynie, Dr. Frank Baird and Brenda Hawkins, George and Kathy Egenbacher, and Carl and Mickey Weathers, all of Lubbock; Rob and Jimileen Jenson, Shallowater; Verne and Maxine Stubbs, Lawn; Shirley Wheatley, Stamford; Sandra and Jerome Schustrug, Carla Day Oden, The Woodlands; John and Marilyn Clark, Denison; Bill Gunn, John Vickery and John P. Vickery, Captain Bob Mitchell, Waco; Gary, Sandy, Shanna and Garret Smethers, Owasso, OK; and Shirlene and Georgene Vinita, Abilene.

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Deadline for joint election is this Monday

For city council, school and hospital boards

Monday, March 15, will be the deadline for anyone to file for the joint city, school, and hospital election which is scheduled for May 15.

Until this year, the deadline for the hospital filing was different, but hospital officials have been notified that the hospital filing deadline will be the same as that for the city and school. Filing for the three two year terms on the council are incumbents Bud Reynolds and Fred Ledesma

along with Dan Godsey. Tommy Mangis has filed for the one year unexpired term. Incumbents Dale Turner and Raul Espinosa have filed for Knox City-O'Brien school trustees, but

no other information was available on the school board election due to the office's closing for spring

In the hospital election, incumbents filing are James Reid of Munday and JoAnn Albus of Knox

The hospital board has three elective members including the above mentioned as well as Clint Jones' whose term will continue until next year.

There are four appointed members including Tracy Cartwright, Lezli Williams, John Loftin, and

board president Leon Burkham. Any person wanting to file for the hospital board must present a petition with the names of 25

O'Brien happenings

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"WWJD: What Would Jesus Drive? This question has been posed by environmental groups: If Jesus were walking on earth today, what car would he drive if he got tired of walking?

registered voters.

One theory holds that Jesus would tool around n an old Plymouth because the Bible says, "God drove Adam and Eve out of the Garden of Eden in a Fury."

Dodge pickup trucks were also popular in heaven's carpool, as evidenced by the warning to Moses' followers not to go up a mountain "until the Ram's horn sounds a long blast."

But most scholars agree that Jesus favored Honda, since it is written that, following his lead,

"The Apostles were in one Accord."

Here and There - Jim Duncan of Los Lunas, NM, visited his cousin, Billie Walker, over the weekend and attended the O'Brien Baptist Church where he was guest teacher of the Men's Church School Class.

Bro. Milton, Rhonda and Laci McManas left last week for a trip to Nevada to visit their son and his family. Bro. Troy Culpepper of Haskell filled in for him on Sunday. Bro. Troy and Gene are our "good fillin's" when needed.

Jr. and Myra Reeves and J.M. and Susan Emerson attended the funeral for Laverne Emerson, a former O'Brien resident, last week.

Dan and Marilyn Talbot were in Shallowater over the weekend to visit their daughter, Cathy.

Beatrice Ellis and son David were to be in Plainview to visit Grady Ellis' sister and Grady Murry will be with them for a while.

Orval and Helen Manning were blessed this week by having their grandson Brad and son Samuel of Keller and their son Royce of Abilene visit with them for a few days and they really enjoyed them

Adelle Herring's grandson, Kevin Urbanczyk of Goree, visited with his grandmother Saturday and helped her with some odds and ends jobs.

LEGAL NOTICE

On February 10, 2004, VALOR Telecommunications of Texas, LP (VALOR) filed its Second Amended Application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to establish surcharges to recover lost revenues and incurred costs associated with Expanded Local Calling Service (ELCS) routes implemented from February 1, 1996 through December 31, 2002 between VALOR's Texas telephone exchanges and, in many instances, the exchanges of other local telephone companies. The Second Amended Application was filed pursuant to the Commission's Substantive Rule § 26.221 titled "Applications to Establish or Increase Expanded Local Calling Service Surcharges."

ELCS expands the local calling scope of a telephone exchange to include one or more additional telephone exchanges if customers in a petitioning exchange approve by ballot the payment of an ELCS fee in lieu of long distance charges. Costs and lost revenues associated with Valor's surcharge application are those not recovered through existing ELCS fees.

In the Second Amended Application, VALOR proposes to implement monthly ELCS surcharges for five years beginning on the date the Commission issues a final order on VALOR's request. The Commission can establish an ELCS surcharge for any duration. ELCS surcharges apply in addition to monthly ELCS fees. VALOR proposes the following monthly ELCS surcharges per residential line: \$.86 in Year 1, \$.85 in Year 2, \$.03 in Year 3, \$.02 in Year 4, \$.01 in Year 5. VALOR proposes the following monthly ELCS surcharges per business line: \$1.72 in Year 1, \$1.70 in Year 2, \$.06 in Year 3, \$.04 in Year 4, \$.02 in Year 5.

VALOR is currently billing interim ELCS surcharges approved by the Commission, including an interim ELCS surcharge of \$.65 per month per residential line and an interim ELCS surcharge of \$1.30 per month per business line. If rates below the level of the interim surcharges are ultimately approved by the Commission, VALOR may be required by the Commission to refund all

If VALOR's Second Amended Application is approved, the net annual effect on VALOR's Year 1 revenues will be zero since the requested surcharges are designed to replace lost revenues and to reimburse VALOR for increases in costs associated with the provision of ELCS. The estimated total lost revenues and increased costs VALOR seeks to recover through this proceeding is \$3,867,372 in Year 1, 3,791,870 in Year 2, \$133,831 in Year 3, \$89,220 in Year 4, and \$44,610 in Year 5.

If you have questions about the proposed surcharges or would like further information, please call VALOR at 1-877-520-5220. The Commission assigned Docket No. 27363 to this proceeding. Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Public Utility Commission of Texas as soon as possible, and no later than April 21, 2004, the intervention deadline. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, PO Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission at (512)936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing-impaired and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136.

AVISO

El 10 de Febrero de 2004, VALOR Telecommunicaciones de Texas, LP (VALOR) sometió una solicitud a La Comisión Pública de Servicios de Texas (Public Utility Commission of Texas) para establecer sobrecargos para recuperar las ganancias perdidas y los costos incrementados relacionados del Servicio Expandido de Llamadas Locales (Expanded Local Calling Service - ELCS) entre los despachos centrales de teléfono de VALOR de Texas y en muchas instancias, despachos de otras companías locales de teléfono. La Segunda Enmendación de Applicación se sometió basada en la Regla 26.221 de La Comisión titulada, "Solicitudes para Establecer o Incrementar los Sobrecargos de Servicio Expandido de Llamadas Locale

ELCS extiende el alcance de llamadas locales para incluir uno o más despachos de teléfono adicionales, si los clientes de un despacho hacen una petición de cambio que es aprobada por voto para pagar un cargo de ELCS en lugar de sobrecargos de larga distancia. Los costos y ganancias perdidas relacionadas con los sobrecargos de la solicitud de VALOR no son recuper-

En la Segunda Enmendación de Applicacíon, VALOR propóne implementar un cargo mensual por cinco años commensando el dia que la Comicion sumete el orden finál, por la solicitacion de VALOR. La Commission puede establisar sobrecargos ELCS for cualquier duración. Sobrecargos ELCS see applicarán arriba de los cargos mensuales ELCS

VALOR háce proposito de los siguientes sobrecargos mensuales por cada linea residental: \$.86 en Año 1; \$.85 en Año 2; \$.03 en Año 3; \$.02 en Año 4; y \$.01 en Año 5. VALOR háce proposito de los siguientes sobrecargos mensuales por cada linea comercial: \$1.72 en Año 1, \$1.70 en Año 2; \$.06 en Año 3; \$.04 en Año 4, y \$.02 en Año 5.

Corrientemente, VALOR esta cobrando sobrecargos ELCS interines aprobados por la Comisión, incluyendo un interin sobrecargo de \$.65 por mes por cada linea residencial, y un interin sobrecargo de \$1.30 por mes por cada linea comercial. Si tasas bajo de los sobrecargos interines serán ultimamente aprobadas por la Comisión, es posíble que VALOR estará disponible a reembolsar todo o parte de los cargos interines.

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We will miss her, but know the separation is only temporary.

Mama Day's family

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Benjamin news

It's been another rainy week and every drop of moisture is so greatly appreciated. The "news" called it a million dollar rain week before last and surely it was and the follow up last week just added more "icing to the cake". And we are thankful we didn't have the storms some of our neighboring towns got and tho their material loss was great indeed, we are so happy and thankful there were no serious injuries. It is the stormy time of the year and we must always be mindful of what could be if one of those angry looking clouds hit us. This talk of stormy weather brings to mind the alarms the Benjamin Weather Watchers have once again reminded us of. One long blast signals fire - two short blasts approximately 10 seconds each indicates fire meeting on first and third Monday nights. Three or more short blasts approximately 10 seconds each indicates there is threatening weather in the area. We need to keep these alarms in mind and appreciate the fire boys and weather watchers out there watch-

Reports on our ill-Hazel Stockton was back in Abilene Wednesday for tests. Her x-ray came back OK and she's waiting results of her blood work before making a decision about hip replacement surgery.

ing the skies for us and keeping us

Tib Burnett is in Knox County Hospital after developing an infection in his knee on which he had surgery about a month ago. If, after the weekend, the infection is still there he may have to go back to Wichita Falls and see the doctor who did the surgery. Maybe a round of antibiotics will clear it up. We hope so.

There's been some sort of stomach virus and congestion going around. Maybe after the spring break and a week of not "mixing" so much it will kind of slow down some.

Shower honors young couple -A bridal shower honoring Kendra Eaton and Tony Hunter was held Saturday p.m. at the Methodist Church in Benjamin. Calling hours were from 2 til 4. Receiving guests with the bride-elect were the couple's mothers, Penny Eaton and Carol Hunter. Other special guests were the bride's grandmother, Dorothy Spikes and her aunt, Tammy Littrel.

The hostess gift to the couple was a money tree with its branches full of "cash".

Refreshments of cookies, punch, mints and nuts were served the guests.

Hostesses were Janice Tolson, Debbie Nolan, Belle Grill, Laura McCanlies, Stephanie Carver. Sue Shortes, Tammy Lyles, Stacia Propps, Shannon Propps, Gracia Zavala and Philomae Roberson.

Kendra and Tony will be married March 20 here in Benjamin.

One-Act Play - "Blithe Spirit" is the name of the one-act play the Benjamin cast is working on getting ready for competition. The cast of characters include Chance Propps, Cassie Lyles, Jessica Moorhouse, Kaitlyn Kuehler, Marlon Monge and Nancy Siemens. The crew is made up of Matthew Cartwright, Michael Clower, Shaylee Propps and Tomas Acevedo. Alternates are Margaret Siemens, Jenna McCanlies and Christina Zavala. The play is directed by Belle Grill and Stacia Propps. (After I see it, I'll tell you more about it!)

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

Here 'N There - Dutch and Imagean Young spent the weekend in Wichita Falls and he will keep his doctor's appointment Monday morning for a checkup on his hip after his recent replacement surgery.

We have learned that Miles and Laura Neal Richardson are the proud parents of a baby boy born on Friday, March 5. No details or vital statistics on the youngster but am told mom, baby and dad are all doing well. They live in Abilene. Maternal grandparents are former Benjamin residents, Larry and Gaye Neal, who now reside in Rule.

Helen Green called tonight to give an update on her brother, James Coppedge. Said he had been in the hospital but was released today. The side effects of his chemo had made him weak and his blood count had dropped so he was admitted for blood and rest. He was feeling better and told her to tell his friends here to please continue the prayers for him. He has three more treatments and will have another one in a about a week. He has them 21 days a part.

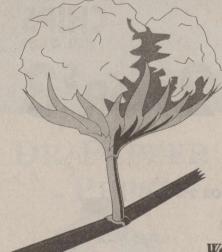
Lynn and Michael Rogers of Maryneal were weekend guests of her family, the Mike Moor-

houses.

Two file for Benjamin city council seats

Two have filed for the three places on the Benjamin City Council. The unexpired term of Bud Conner as well as the seats of Charles Jones and Kim Sealy are to be filled. Filing for the two year seats are Janet Reed and Laura McCanlies. Filing deadline is Monday, March 15.

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American Red Cross of North Texas trains Benjamin's firefighters, first responders

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Benjamin was one of the communities chosen to receive the CPR for the professional rescuer plus AED training.

On March 1 and 3, those individuals from Benjamin trained were Jimmy Barrientez, Judie Whitten, Laura McCanlies, Matthew Cartwright, Linda Wagner, Susan Cartwright, Mike Moorhouse, Debbie Moorhouse, Laura Benson, Cindy Layton, Danny Copeland, Ben Grill and Roger Babcock.

Help shape the future of **Knox County**

By Sherry McGough County Extension Agent / Ag

What are some issues that affect your everyday life? What can be done to ensure a better quality of live in Knox County in the

. Your opportunity to address these concerns is here! Anyone interested in a better future for themselves, their family and their community is encouraged to participate in the Texas Community Futures Forum, sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension Service, Knox County's forum will begin at 7:00 p.m. on March 22 at the Perry Patton Community Center in Munday.

The purpose of the Texas Community Futures Forum is to bring together a diverse group of individuals and organizations to identify the issues and concerns facing our county over the next several years. Once identified, the priorities for Knox County will be incorporated into Texas Cooperative Extension's long-range educational programs. Entities outside of Extension that will be involved in addressing our county's future needs will also be identified. These forums are being conducted statewide, in all 254 Texas counties. The outcome of this project includes a statewide list of issues that will be available via Internet to county government, state agencies and other organizations for use in developing their strategic plans.

The results of Texas Community Futures Forum will enable Extension and its partners to take action and deliver results that will make a difference in your life. So, if you want to have a voice in the future of Knox County, plan on participating in Knox County's Texas Community Futures Forum on March 22. This is your opportunity to shape the future!

Noah Project - North to meet Friday at noon

The Noah Project - North Advisory Committee will hold their monthly meeting at KP's Restaurant in Haskell at noon, Friday, March 12.

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KNOX CO. CEA NEWS

By SHERRY McGOUGH County Extension Agent / Ag.

How does your garden grow? Chamber to sponsor seminar Monday

Spring is on its way, if somewhat reluctantly, and now is the time to plan this year's garde.

Knox County Extension Horticulture Committee is sponsoring a general Gardening Seminar on Monday, March 15, at the Knox City Chamber of Commerce starting at 6:30 p.m.

Janet Laminack, Taylor County Horticulture Agent, will present some general gardening guidelines and rules of (green) thumb, for both vegetable and lower gar-

Morris Houck of the USDA Plant Materials Center will speak on drip irrigation. Two General CEUs will be offered at the seminar. Whether you plan on growing vegetables or would just like to add some color to your yard and landscape, we hope to see you

Danny Brown is appointed as Wichita Falls District TP&D director

CHILDRESS - The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) announces the appointment of Danny Brown as the Director of Transportation, Planning & Design (TP&D) in the Wichita Falls District, effective March 1, 2004.

Danny, a native of Munday, graduated from Munday High School in 1978. He attended Tarleton State University from 1978 to 1980 before graduating from Texas A&M University in 1982 with a Bachelor of Science

degree in Civil Engineering, with an emphasis on transportation.

He is the son of Gene and Dorothy Brown of Munday. Danny and wife Sherri have two daughters Brooke and Braci.

"The Wichita Falls District is gaining a lot of experience at the expense of the Childress District," Terry Keener, Childress District Engineer, said. "However, I realize that this is a good career move for Mr. Brown and we wish him all the best in his new position," Keener added.

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FROM V SOWER Michael A. Guido

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The one who's controlled by God is the one who controls himself. Don't let anyone get your goat. Let God control you, and you'll conquer self!

Wantads Work!

Fund established at Citizens Bank for Miriah Shahan

A trust fund to benefit three year old Miriah Shahan, a patient at Cook Children's Hospital in Fort Worth, has been established.

According to Kristy Hacker, the account has been set up at Citizens Bank.

Those wishing to make a donation must have the account number, 700489, on the deposit slip, she said.

Weather

Courtesy of **Plant Materials Center** 4 Miles N.W. of Knox City

Date	Low	High	Rain
03/02	42	46	.10
03/03	46	48	.18
03/04	48	62	.86
03/05	46	70	.09
03/06	38	79	ni xons
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TONY HUNTER and KENDRA EATON

Couple to wed March 20 in Benjamin

Kayla Jo Eaton of Knox City, Texas, would like to announce the approaching marriage of Tony Hunter and her mother Kendra Eaton. The ceremony will be on March 20, 2004.

The festivities will begin at 7:00 p.m. in Benjamin at the Community Center with the ceremony and reception to follow for family and close friends. However, everyone is invited to join in the celebration beginning at 9:00 p.m. when Buster Redwine and his band will start the public celebration, playing until 1:00 a.m. It is the happy couple's wish for everyone to come and celebrate.

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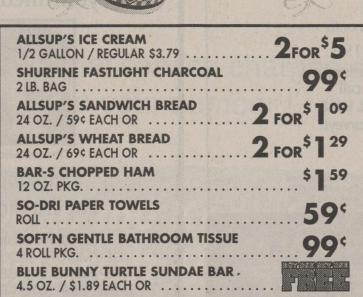


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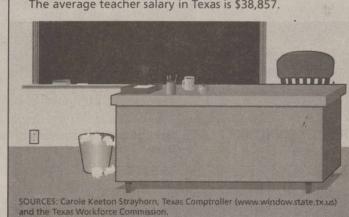
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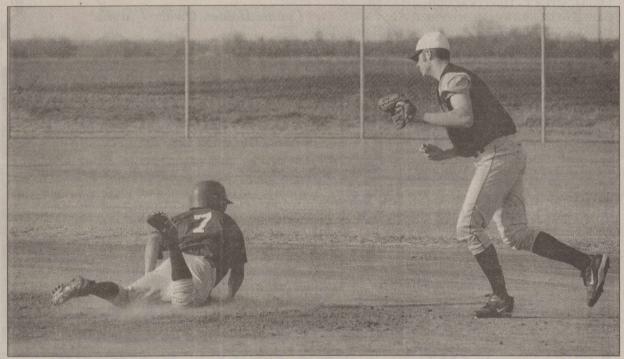




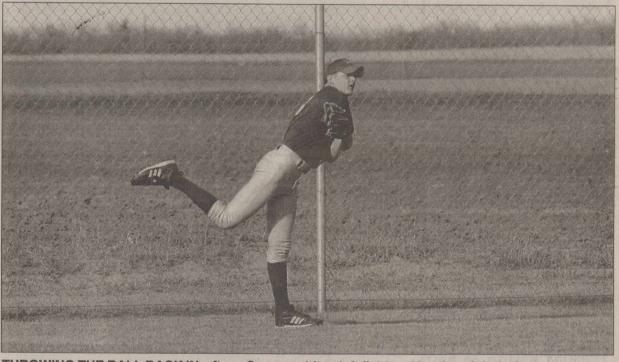
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