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## Losses to top ranked teams ends playoff hopes for Houndettes and Lady Stangs

### Houndettes lose 45-46 heartbreaker to #10 ranked Klondike Lady Cougars

In basketball, perhaps the only thing worse than losing by one point in the final seconds of the game is losing by one point in the final seconds of the game after a controversial call after coming back from a 20-point deficit.

Perhaps worse still is to have your season end in that manner.

That is the way it happened on Tuesday night in Sweetwater for the Knox City Houndettes in the Division II Region 1 Bi-District game against the TABC #10 ranked Klondike Lady Cougars.

Down by 20 points at the half, the Houndettes regrouped during the break and came out strong in the third quarter and were back in the game at the start of the final quarter.

Getting down to the final three minutes of the game, the two teams swapped the lead back and forth, with neither gaining more than a one or two point margin.

The intensity among the players and the fans increased as the game clock decreased. With six seconds left in the game, Knox City held a one-point edge and Klondike called and was granted a time-out.

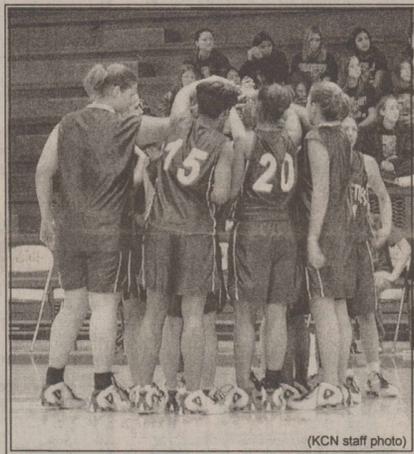
Knox City questioned if Klondike had any time-outs left to call; the game officials allowed the time-out to stand and the Lady Cougars inbounded the ball under their own basket, put up a successful shot to go one point ahead of the Houndettes as the clock ran out. Final score - Klondike 46, Knox City 45.

The ending was an abrupt one for the Houndettes, who compiled a successful season record of 20-8, losing

only two district games in the process.

Nicki Moss and Brittany Hawkins were the top scorers for the Houndettes, posting 13 points each. Sophie Gutierrez pumped in 9 and Kayla Martin added another 8. Key on assists was Shana Nicholson, who posted two points for the Houndettes.

In other Region 1 playoff action, District 8-A winner Aspermont was eliminated on Monday by Garden City, 48-37.



(KCN staff photo)

### Benjamin girls fall to #4 ranked Lady Hounds from Throckmorton, 71-43

The Benjamin Lady Stangs hit the floor running and caught the Throckmorton Lady Hounds flat-footed in the opening minutes of Tuesday night's Division II Region 2 Bi-District game played in Archer City.

Benjamin scored first and at the end of the first quarter, the Lady Stangs were right in there with the favored Lady Hounds, 13-8.

The Benjamin defense was effective in the first half at shutting down Throckmorton's inside game, usually strong with its double post offense.

Benjamin's control of the lane and the baseline forced Throckmorton to shoot from outside, but the depth of the Lady Hounds took a toll in the second quarter as their guards starting hitting on the three-point shots; the score at halftime was Throckmorton 37, Benjamin 23.

Outside shooting remained hot for Throckmorton in the third quarter and some defensive adjustments saw them pull away further in the third quarter. The final score was Throckmorton 71, Benjamin 43.

Cassie Lyles posted 16 points for the Lady Stangs and was a key on defense for Benjamin. Karla Benson also hit double digits with 11. Kaitlyn Kuehler kicked in

6; Nancy Siemens and Sadie Benson added four apiece and Shaylee Propps picked up two.

Following the Benjamin game, District 16-A winner Crowell knocked off the Woodson Cowgirls, 53-31, in another Region 2 Bi-District game. Crowell advances to the Area level to play this weekend against #19 ranked Highland who upset #9 ranked Priddy on Tuesday night.



(KCN staff photo)

## You can't argue with this — Knox County debaters are the best in the district and headed for state

Knox County teams swept the District 11-A UIL Cross Exam Debate contest held on Monday, February 10 in Vernon. The top four teams were from Knox County.

The top two teams qualified for the state meet which will be held in Austin on March 13-15.

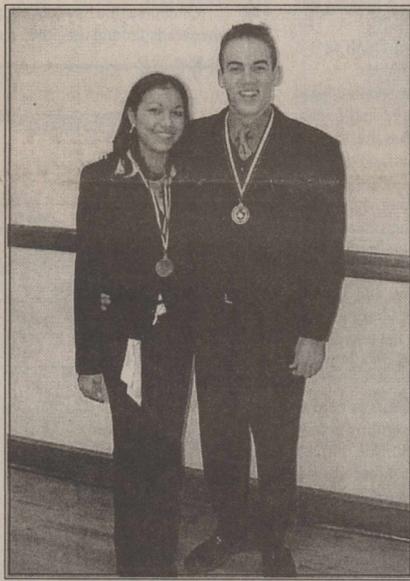
Benjamin High School seniors Maria Acevedo and Chance Propps placed first; the trip to state will be the third one for Chance and the second one for Maria.

Placing second from Knox City and also qualifying for state were Kayla Martin and Jeremy Saxton.

Knox City High School accounted for the next two spots with Meagan Schur and Vanessa Solis placing third and are state alternates; Erica Nevarez and Sandra Silva placed fourth for Knox City.

KCHS won the overall team championship out of the seven teams competing.

(See related photo on Page 6)



1st Place - District 11-A UIL Cross Exam Debate Maria Acevedo and Chance Propps • Benjamin HS (Courtesy photo)



2nd Place - District 11-A UIL Cross Exam Debate Kayla Martin and Jeremy Saxton • Knox City HS (KCN staff photo)

## City and school board elections set for May 7

Elections for the city positions and school board of trustees will be held on Saturday, May 7, 2005. The filing period for candidates is open and will close at 5:00 p.m. on March 7.

On the slate for the May 7 election are:

City of Knox City - Mayor and two 2-year terms on the City Council;

City of Benjamin - Mayor and two 2-year terms on the City Council;

Knox City/O'Brien CISD Board of Trustees - Three 3-year terms;

Benjamin ISD - Three 3-year terms.

Persons interested in filing as candidates should contact the relevant city hall or school administration.

## Commissioners court has full agenda in front of full house

Eleven county residents who live in the Vera area appeared before the Knox County Commissioners Court when they met for regular session on Monday, February 14 to express concerns about the condition of county roads in their area. No action was taken by the court.

Actions taken by the court included:

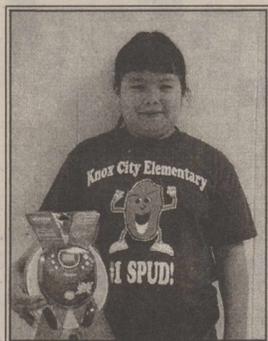
Rescinding a previous "no" vote to relinquish 15 parcels to Knox City held in trust to the city; the court approved a motion to let Knox City have the parcels in question;

Approved appointment of Margaret Hill and Mary Cartwright to the County Historical Commission; and

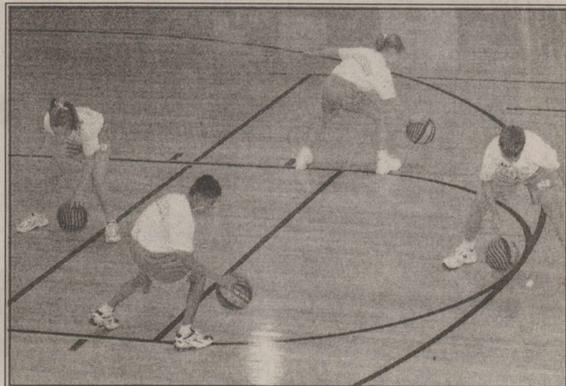
Approved appointment of Robyne Stewart, Augie Rodriguez, Linda Abila, Joyce Lloyd and Robbie Phillips to the Knox County Child Welfare Board.

## #1 Spud PIP! PIP! HOORAH!

### Kelsey Vasquez is top seller



Knox City Elementary Third Grader Kelsey Vasquez was the top ticket seller for the annual PTO Baked Potato Supper. Kelsey sold tickets totalling \$192. (Courtesy photo)



A group of youngsters wowed the crowd at the Knox City basketball game last Tuesday night, February 8.

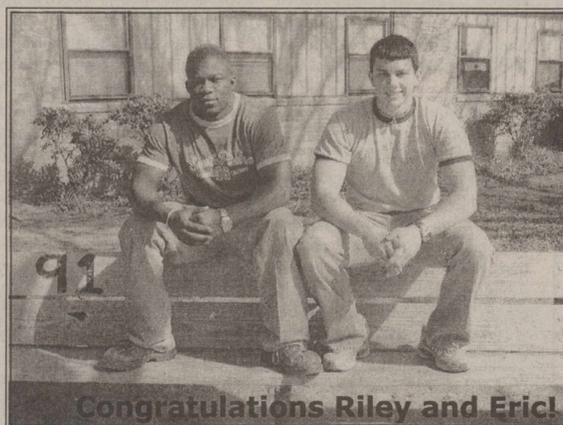
The PIPs showed off their skills, which included a 5-man weave, the coffee grinder, the rocking chair and the spider.

Ball-handling skills sharpened by their participation in the PIPs may make these youngsters future crowd pleasers on the KC basketball court. (KCN Staff Photo)

## Greyhounds Spells and Lewis selected for FCA All-Star team

Knox City Greyhounds Riley Spells and Eric Lewis have been selected to play in the Sixth Annual Fellowship of Christian Athletes Myrle Greathouse All-Star Classic football game.

The KCHS seniors are among the top athletes in the area who are chosen to play in the annual game which will be played on June 4 at Shotwell Stadium in Abilene.



Congratulations Riley and Eric!



**CAPITOL COMMENT**

U.S. SENATOR  
**KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON**



**The National Budget Allows Us to Set Priorities**

Our country, like most households, operates on a budget which seeks to balance our spending with our income. Budgets are a time for serious discussions weighing needs and wants with the available resources. In Congress it is a difficult process which can take a great deal of time.

The tone of the budget debate is usually set by the President's recommendations for spending. The two separate houses of Congress then work on their versions of a budget, which becomes the blueprint for the appropriations process.

I was encouraged by President Bush's overall proposal of a \$2.7 trillion budget because the announcement means we will have a serious effort to reduce our budget deficit after several years of higher spending to fight the war on terrorism.

As a fiscal conservative, I greeted increased expenditures over the recent past as painful necessities to protect the American people. Several years ago, our national economy was buffeted by several extraordinary events. The economy entered a recession after the internet bubble burst and a wave of corporate scandals rocked the markets. In the midst of this adjustment, the 9-11 attacks took place, killing thousands and paralyzing our economy. Since that time, we have gone to war in Iraq and Afghanistan to upend terror-sponsoring regimes and free millions of people. While we have been victorious, the effort has been, and will remain, expensive. But for a safer and more secure homeland, that cost is a relative bargain.

As our nation dealt with these challenges, Congress and President Bush passed bipartisan tax relief which jump-started the economy and led to strong job creation and lower unemployment. This year, with our economy on the upswing, and after initial expenses to bolster homeland security, we are in the best position yet to begin reducing the deficit.

President Bush's budget envisions increasing defense spending by 4.8 percent. Spending on the Department of Homeland Security would rise by 7 percent. The proposed budget would scale back increases of discretionary programs to 2.1 percent, which is less than the rate of inflation.

The budget for the 2006 fiscal year beginning in October plans to reduce the budget deficit by 8.6 percent in the first year alone, excluding costs involved in Iraq and Afghanistan. Economists say the most important measure of spending is the ratio of debt to the size of a nation's economy, or Gross Domestic Product (GDP). The President's budget projects a budget deficit amounting to 3 percent of GDP for 2006, down from 3.5 percent this year.

If we follow this roadmap, we can cut the budget deficit by half to 1.5 percent of GDP by 2009, according to White House budget officials.

The President's budget marks a desire to adopt a more conservative fiscal philosophy on government spending. It is a good starting point and I share his commitment to discipline. However, it is Congress which has the ultimate responsibility under the Constitution to set spending levels and allocate resources. Within the framework of a conservative budget, I will fight to increase some programs critical to Texas which have been shortchanged in the President's budget, and will work to find savings in other areas. The state and Criminal Alien Assistance program, which reimburses states for the costs involved with illegal aliens, is one example of a program which appears underfunded. NASA's traditional science programs and Amtrak are others. We must assure our farmers all have the help necessary to keep making healthy food for our country and for export. Holding the overall line on expenditures will be often difficult, but we know we have an ally in the White House as we rein in spending.

In times of tighter budgets, as you may guess, it is sometimes hard to secure funding for projects in our home states. The level of scrutiny always increases when funding is more restricted, but I remain optimistic. I have always approached budgeting as a serious matter, and have presented my colleagues with the best evidence available that particular projects are good, not only for Texas, but for our nation. If I continue using that yardstick, I believe we will gain what is right for the Lone Star State and stick to conservative fiscal principles which will make our nation and economy stronger in the long run.

**ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE**

by Baxter Black, DVM

**THE ANVIL AND THE TELEPHONE POLE**

Sometimes a cowboy will ride a good lookin' bad horse for longer than it makes sense. This flawed thinking may have a more universal application; i.e., hangin' on to a pickup, dog or girlfriend long after they've bit you or konked out.

It's even worse when the injured party thinks he can make a good horse, dog or wife out of a pretty renegade.

Roy was a California cowboy and an experienced horseman. Out of respect, the boss had given him the big, fancy 3-year-old bay to use in his string. He was a green broke, cinchy, snorty and antsy but he looked so good in his white stockings and star.

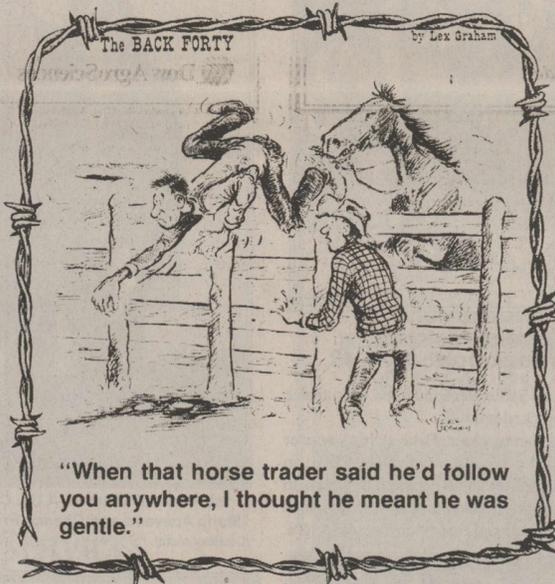
Within two weeks he pitched Roy into the rocks and broke his arm. But...he was a good lookin' devil so Roy turned him into the horse pasture while his arm healed. Every day Roy would see the bay grazing or kickin' up his heels, livin' the life of Trigger. This injustice began to prey on Roy. He himself couldn't throw a saddle over a horse or cut his own chicken fried steak. All he could do was hand things to the chore boy.

Still, he was a trainer at heart and believed he could gentle the young horse down. One afternoon he caught the horse up and with the help of one of the boys, saddled him...not to ride, only just to do some groundwork. Behind the hay shed was a dilapidated board corral that would serve as a round pen. Roy, using a plastic whip, put the pony doin' circles. But the horse was so skittish he would race away, then stop, whirl and generally act like he had iron fillings in his gyro compass. To steady his gait and add some drag, Roy decided to attach an anchor. He got the boys to bring the shoein' anvil out to the corral. He then tied it to the saddle on a ten foot leash and cracked the whip!

The first thing Roy noticed was "an anvil is not near as heavy when it's off the ground!" The horse was racing around the pen, the anvil bouncing, whacking and whip lashing behind the frightened beast! Big pieces of old board and rotten post filled the air like a wood chipper! It sounded like a 747 crashing in a Redwood forest! Roy stood frozen in the center, plastic whip limp in his good arm, as the board corral disintegrated around him.

When the big bay left the corral, the stirrups were bangin' together over the top of his back and the anvil was in midair! It took the boys an hour to saddle up and track him. They found him five miles down the road. He had been subdued by a telephone pole. There were three dallys around the pole and the anvil hung chest high.

Of course, the bay looked no worse for wear. He was pickin' at the weeds around the pole. Roy, however, was another story.



"When that horse trader said he'd follow you anywhere, I thought he meant he was gentle."

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**Rolling Plains Ramblings**

By Morton Scott

Two weeks ago we talked about the vulnerability to Indian attacks of settlers in the mid-1800s along the north central Texas border, especially in Knox and surrounding counties.

Indian warriors were raiding settlers' farms, stealing cattle and horses, killing lone horsemen. Terrorism was rampant on the Texas frontier.

The Comanches roamed the plains from the Western Cross Timber to the Llano Estacado, or Stacked Plains, stretching through western Texas into eastern New Mexico. This area was called Comancheria. The Comanches dominated the region, but Kiowas, Wichita, and others also roamed these plains.

In 1854, my favorite Western explorer, Capt. Randolph B. Marcy, was assigned to pick a reservation for Comanches and other plains Indians.

California Indians had been successfully settled on reservations, but none had been established yet for the nomadic Southern Plains Indians. The Federal government hoped the experiment would end the depredations on the Texas settlers.

Capt. Marcy was familiar with the Texas frontier. In 1851 he had chosen future sites for the line of forts from the Red River to the Rio Grande.

On June 1, 1854 Marcy, with a train of nine wagons, left Fort Smith and headed for north Texas. He followed the Texas Road he had established in 1852. On June 26, forty non-commissioned officers and men and Delaware scouts joined Marcy into Texas on the Fort Belknap Road.

Marcy was to meet with the Southern Comanches on the Clear Fork of the Brazos. W.B. Parker, with Marcy on the expedition, wrote about Marcy's speech to the Comanches:

"Captain Marcy told them that he had seen their Great Father in Washington, and he had sent him out to locate and survey lands for them, that they might have homes and learn to cultivate the soil and no longer lead the uncertain life they did; that buffalo had disappeared from these plains and deer and other game were fast disappearing; that in a few years they and their children would have to resort to some other means than chase for subsistence; that they would not be permitted to depredate upon the white settlements,

and there was no alternative - they must learn to cultivate the soil."

"He told them that their Great Father would send them agricultural implements and seeds and also men to teach them to farm and that he would provide for them until a crop was raised. That he - Captain Marcy - had been among tribes in the north who had once lived as they were living, but who, on advice, had learned to cultivate the soil, and who were now living like the whites, with plenty to each and wear."

"That if they would do as their Great Father wished them, they would have reason to thank him in a few years. That an agent would be sent to reside among them, and, with the assistance of the United States troops would see that they were not molested by white men, or other wild Indians if they remained friendly."

The Southern Comanches, desperate for food and other resources, agreed.

In future columns, we'll learn how this experiment in Texas history turned out.

If you have suggestions for future columns, you can contact me at fmortonscott@aol.com or drop off a note at the newspaper office.

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The only limit to our realization of tomorrow will be our doubts of today.

—Franklin D. Roosevelt

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**TEXAS CROSSWORD**

by Charley & Guy Orbison

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**KNOX CITY NOTES**

The Verhalen Girls (Melanie, Donna and Kathy) met for a visit with their dad, Matt, and brother Ronnie. It was time to celebrate the baby's (Kathy) birthday and take down Christmas. Matt would have done it sooner but he was just too busy dancing.

Pete Torres was awarded the "Young Citizen of the Year" award by the Colorado City, Texas Chamber of Commerce. Pete was born and raised in Haskell and is the brother of Linda Avila of Knox City and the son of Delia Torres of Rule and Pete Torres, Sr. of Albany.

Shanna and Sandy Smethers of Owasso, Oklahoma visited Sandy's Mother, Romain Stubbs and Sister Shea Edmonds, to attend a birthday party honoring long time friend Nell Ashbrook of Rule, Texas.

Pete is employed as an Investigator with the Colorado City Police Department. He was formerly a DPS patrol trooper assigned to Stonewall and King Counties. He is a veteran of the U.S. Army and was deployed to Saudi Arabia and Iraq during the Desert Storm war.

**O'BRIEN HAPPENINGS**

By Audie Johnston,  
O'Brien Correspondent

Beatrice Ellis and Bernice Rowan were in Plainview last week for Beatrice to see a doctor about a toe. They spent the night with Grady Murry and wife.

dren can really make one happy by visiting often.

David Ellis of Alpine visited his mother Beatrice Ellis for a few days this week.

My son Jimmy Johnston of Lubbock visited with me Sunday afternoon. His wife Jenia visited with her mother in Munday Care Home. She will be transferred to a Care Home in Lubbock on Monday.

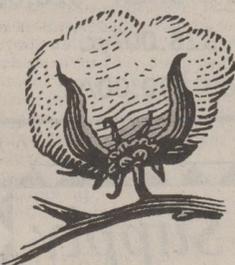
Jim Duncan of Los Lunas, New Mexico visited with his cousin Billie Walker and told her about the church where he is presently serving as pastor located a short distance outside Los Lunas.

Randall Hughes of Corsicana visited with Dan and Marilyn Talbot over the weekend and brought Dan a new pickup.

The Youth of O'Brien Baptist Church studied about the "Full Armor of God" and John 3:16 for the utmost example of love. Pizza, caramel corn, chips and drinks with chocolate heart candy for dessert was enjoyed by the group who came from Benjamin, Munday, Knox City, and O'Brien.

Visiting Adelle Herring over the weekend were Andy and Austin Hines of Lubbock. These grandchild-

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—Thomas Edison  
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—Thomas Edison  
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♥♥ WEDDING NEWS ♥♥

**Magana & Johnson  
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Mr. & Mrs. Albert Magana of Knox City along with Mr. & Mrs. Brian Johnson of Gwinn MI. are happy to announce the marriage of their children Monica Magana to James Johnson of Abilene Texas on February 19, 2005.

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Sunday School at 10:00 a.m., Sunday Morning at 11:00 a.m.  
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We want to thank everyone for the calls, cards, food, visits and especially your prayers during our time of loss. Nothing can take the place of friends at a time like this. We love you and God bless you.

*The family of Bea Moore*

**Hannah Upton  
selected to  
participate  
in NYLC**



Hannah Upton, a senior at Seminole High School, has been selected to participate in the National Young Leaders Conference (NYLC) in Washington, DC from February 22 to February 27, 2005.

NYLC is a unique leadership development program for high school students who have demonstrated leadership potential and scholastic merit.

Upton will be one of approximately 400 students from around the country at the Conference.

Hannah is the daughter of Al and Michelle Upton of Seminole, formerly of Munday. She is the granddaughter of Wayne and Jean Upton of Seminole and Homer and Jackie Lowrance of Munday.

**New Arrival**

Kyrin Adlee Shawn, was born November 26, 2004 at 6:08 a.m. to Toby and Janson Shawn of Decatur, Texas.

Kyrin weighed 6lbs 7 oz. and was 18 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Mary Rainwater of Nocona and Max Rainwater of Runaway Bay. Paternal grandparents are Brenda and Robert Shawn of Bridgeport.



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**Wednesday, February 23**

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**Thursday, February 24**

Chicken Strips, Mashed Potatoes, Whole Kernel Corn, Biscuits, Cookies

**Friday, February 24**

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The recipient may be a full or part-time student at MSU but must be enrolled in a minimum of 6 semester hours.

Applications are available through MSU Donor Services, Hardin Building room 109 or at mwsu.edu/donations. The deadline to apply is April 4.

**KCHS FCCLA — Showing  
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The Knox City-O'Brien High School FCCLA put on a Valentine's Day party for the residents at Brazos Valley Care Home. (KCN staff photo)

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# KITCHEN KORNER

## Chili—The Ultimate Family Weeknight Meal

(NAPS)—With families busier than ever, it seems everyone is working up their appetites for satisfying meals. Becki Dilley, working woman and mother of "America's favorite sextuplets," is no stranger to hearty appetites. With eight people to feed, she often relies on one-dish meals that her family can customize to their liking.



"Chili is the ultimate family favorite in our house," said Dilley. "It's easy to make, there are endless flavor options, and my kids love to help prepare it. In fact, we serve chili at least once a week."

Ready-to-use seasoning packets like McCormick® Chili Seasoning take the guesswork out of combining herbs and spices for that perfect chili flavor. One of the Dilley's favorite chili recipes is Tortilla Chicken Chili, which combines boneless skinless chicken breast cubes, diced tomatoes, their choice of beans, and corn. The Dilley children really pitch in to help prepare the meal, opening the cans of beans, corn and tomatoes, and adding the chili seasoning packet to the pot.

"Quinn's favorite part is breaking up the tortilla chips," said Dilley.

Here are a few of the Dilley's favorite chili tips:

- **Chili Toppings Buffet**—Let



each member of the family dress up his chili just the way he likes it. Prepare chili according to package directions. Then, let everyone get creative, choosing from a selection of corn, tomatoes, cheese, sour cream, crackers or tortilla chips to top off their bowls.

• **Super Snack Attack**—Left-over chili turns an average after-school bite into a delicious, high-protein snack or quick meal on busy nights. Kids can roll up a flour tortilla with chili and cheese and enjoy an easy burrito on the way to practice. They can also use the leftover chili to make delicious nachos. Simply scatter tortilla chips on a plate, add a scoop or two of chili, then sprinkle with shredded cheddar or Monterey Jack cheese and microwave until cheese is melted. Dress up the finished nachos with salsa or sour cream.

• **Chili Roni**—Combine two family favorites—chili and macaroni—into one hearty meal. Simply brown 1 pound ground beef and drain. Stir in one packet McCormick Chili Seasoning mix, ½ cup each chopped onion and bell pepper, 1 can (14½ ounces)

chopped tomatoes and ¾ cup water. Bring chili to a boil and simmer for 15 minutes. Add 2 cups cooked elbow macaroni to chili and simmer for 5 minutes. Serve with shredded cheddar cheese.

### Tortilla Chicken Chili

#### Ingredients:

- 1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cut into ¾-inch cubes
- 1 package McCormick® Chili Seasoning
- 1 can (14.5 ounces) diced tomatoes, undrained
- 1 can (15-16 ounces) kidney, white, or pinto beans, undrained
- 1 can (11 ounces) Mexican-style or whole kernel corn, drained
- ½ cup water
- 1½ cups broken tortilla chips (bite-size pieces)

#### Directions:

1. Heat a lightly oiled large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Add chicken; cook and stir until lightly browned, about 5 minutes.

2. Stir in remaining ingredients and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low. Cover and simmer 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Top as desired.

Looking for more quick and easy weeknight meal ideas? Visit [www.mccormick.com](http://www.mccormick.com) or call 1-800-MEAL-TIP (1-800-632-5847).

# BENJAMIN NEWS

By Gladene Green

After a showery, cool Saturday, Sunday was a much more peasant day. The temperature went up to near 70 and the sun shone brightly and lots of folks were out "stirring" around. I'm sure we'll see more "cool" days but we know spring is just around the corner.

Good to report the ailing of the community are slowly making progress back to better health.

Jack Young had some back surgery Thursday and is doing great. He came home Saturday and Mary Jane said he's getting along nicely.

Tibb Burnett had orthoscopic knee surgery Friday. Saw him on Sunday and tho he's walking with the aide of a walker, he says he's doing o.k. and hopes to put his walker away before too long.

Little Kinsey Benson, 9 month old baby girl of Laura Benson, spent 3 days and nights in Knox County Hospital. She was released on Saturday night and is doing much better.

Jane Gideon is to come home today (Monday) after a couple of weeks in a Wichita Falls Hospital and a week in Rehab for antibiotic therapy. She will continue the therapy after she comes home going to Knox City twice daily. It's good to hear she's doing better.

Hazel Stockton got results from her CT scan she had in Abilene a couple of weeks ago. All those test were normal but she does have to go back to Abilene Wednesday for more blood work.

Johnny Bob Turner was in Abilene Thursday for a stress test

and other heart related tests. No results but he feel all's o.k. said he's feeling fine.

Tina Siemens and Jakey were in Ft. Worth Friday for Jakey to see a lung specialist. His dad, Jacob, has a chronic lung problem and Dr's checked Jakey to see if he has the same condition.

But they learned his lungs are clear however, he will go back on Thursday for and MRI on the area around his lungs to see if all's o.k. their too. Mary Hamm accompanied her mother and brother to Ft. Worth. Then there's the problem of colds, allergies, stomach virus and other everyday ailments that are aggravating many of our citizens.

Our pastors wife Peggy Gilispie who lives in Knox City has had nearly 2 weeks of this "stuff" that's going around. She gets better, the feels worse again and seems that is how everyone is being affected by this ailment. Think time is about all that twill take care of it. Please remember all the friends in prayer.

Sympathy to Debra Ebraheim and Linda Brooke Hudson today. Their grandmother, Eloise Patton passed away last week in Killen.

Sports: The boy's basketball season is over. A pretty good showing all year, suffering every few defeats, The girls finished second in district and will meet Throckmorton tomorrow (Tuesday) in Archer City. Game time is 6:30 p.m.

Debate News: Our Cross-Examination debate team, Maria Acevedo

and Chance Propps are state bound after winning first Thursday in Vernon.

They were in competition with 6 other teams. They will "be off" to Austin March 13, 14, and 15, for the state meet. We wish them well in that stiffer competition. C.H. Underwood in their instructor.

Chance Propps has been selected to play in the Texas 6-Man coaches Association all star Basketball game later this year. Congratulations to Chance and Maria for their accomplishments.

Shower Honors Mom-To-Be  
A baby shower honored Lisa Siemens Favor Sunday. Held at the Methodist Church, the calling hour was 3 to 4. Refreshments of punch and cookies were served and the honoree received lots of neat things for her soon to arrive baby girl. Hostesses were: Laura McCanlies, Belle Grill, Pam Duke, Jessie Roberts, Jonnie Williams, Nancy McGregor, Janet Reed, Irma Bell, Mary Jane Young, Mitzie Welch, Gladene Green and Stacia Propps.

Here 'N There: Kim Moore and Samijo of Spur were here for a weekend visit with home folks.

Jackie Jr. and Cindy Young returned to their home in Round Rock Sunday after being here with his parents, Jack and Mary Jane Young. They came earlier in the week to be with them when Jack had his surgery on Thursday.

Todd and Teresa Washington of Lubbock spent he weekend with Debbie and Mike Moorhouse and family.

There will be a retirement reception honoring Brian Williams at the Knox County Courthouse at 2 p.m. on Thursday, February 17

The Knox County Retired Teachers will meet on Tuesday, February 22 at 2:30 p.m. at Benjamin Baptist Church.

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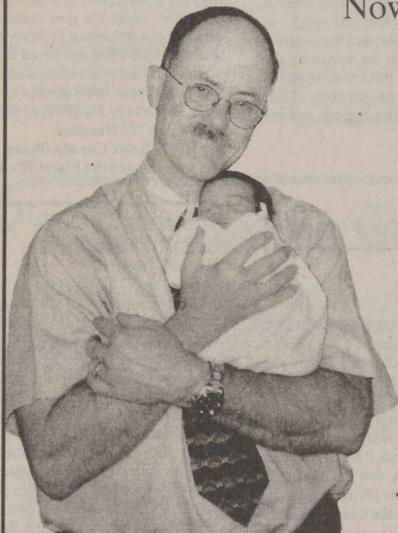
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DATED January 26, 2005, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Knox County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 8255, and styled Knox County Appraisal District vs. Rudy J. Jacques, Ermalinda Jacques, Glyn Weaver, Lienholder (In Rem Only) and Joan Weaver, Lienholder (In Rem Only), and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on January 26, 2005, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in March, 2005, the same being the 1st day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Benjamin, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Knox and the State of Texas, to-wit:

Lots 1, 2, 3, East 1/2 of Lots 9 and 10, all lots 7 and 8, Block 67, of the Original Townsite to the City of Goree, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 265, Page 227 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas, or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED January 26, 2005, at Benjamin, Texas.

By /s/ Dean W. Homstad  
SHERIFF, Knox County, Texas.

You may contact the Plaintiff's attorney at 325-672-4870

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DATED January 26, 2005, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Knox County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 8388, and styled Knox County Appraisal District vs. Ina L. Smith AKA Iona L. Smith, Alfred Smith AKA Alfred W. Smith, Roy Smith, Martha Henson, Richard E. Strange, J. B. Justice, Nannie B. Justice, Ed H. Taylor, Ed R. Kone, S. A. Williamson, Clarence W. Smith AKA Wayne Smith and Everett Smith, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on January 26, 2005, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in March, 2005, the same being the 1st day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Benjamin, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Knox and the State of Texas, to-wit:

All of Block 13, Original Townsite of the City of Goree, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 97, Page 156 and Volume 130, Page 621 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; All except Lot 5, Block 14, Original Townsite of the City of Goree, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 79, Page 492, 493, 494 and Volume 82, Page 585, Volume 85, Page 42 and Volume 133, Page 91 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; Lots 1 thru 9, Block 32, Original Townsite of the City of Goree, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 139, Page 432 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; All of Block 34, Original Townsite of the City of Goree, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 97, Page 156 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; All of Block 64, Original Townsite of the City of Goree, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 95, Page 520 and Volume 96, Page 613 of the Deed Records, and Volume 17, Page 321 of the Plat Records, Knox County, Texas, or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED January 26, 2005, at Benjamin, Texas.

By /s/ Dean W. Homstad  
SHERIFF, Knox County, Texas.

You may contact the Plaintiff's attorney at 325-672-4870

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DATED January 26, 2005, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Knox County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 8644, and styled Knox County Appraisal District vs. Donald Lee Miller and Kim Miller, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on January 26, 2005, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in March, 2005, the same being the 1st day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Benjamin, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Knox and the State of Texas, to-wit:

Lots 3-4 and the West 26' of Lot 2, Block 29, Original Townsite to the City of Truscott, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 251, Page 81 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; 580 acres more or less out of the H & TC Ry Co. Survey #119, Block C, out of Abstract 370, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 259, Page 581 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas, or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED January 26, 2005, at Benjamin, Texas.

By /s/ Dean W. Homstad  
SHERIFF, Knox County, Texas.

You may contact the Plaintiff's attorney at 325-672-4870

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DATED January 26, 2005, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Knox County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 8715, and styled Knox County Appraisal District vs. Rodolpho L. Agrads a/k/a Rudy Araz a/k/a Rudolph Agrads and Josefa M. Agrads a/k/a Josepha Agrads a/k/a Josepha Agrads, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on January 26, 2005, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in March, 2005, the same being the 1st day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Benjamin, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Knox and the State of Texas, to-wit:

Lots 10, 11, 12, Block 3, Warren Addition to the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 187, Page 464 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas, or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED January 26, 2005, at Benjamin, Texas.

By /s/ Dean W. Homstad  
SHERIFF, Knox County, Texas.

You may contact the Plaintiff's attorney at 325-672-4870

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COUNTY OF KNOX

### BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE

DATED January 26, 2005, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Knox County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 8721, and styled Knox County Appraisal District vs. Jeffery Roberson, Charles Otto, David Counts, John Adam Pechacek, Jr., Joe Pechacek, Gilbert Paul Pechacek, Mary Smith, Lillian Pitts, Marian Reeder, David Weir, Attorney at Law, Cindy Weir Mitchell AKA Cindy Mitchell, Carolyn Weir Newton AKA Carolyn Newton, Brenda Weir, John Patrick Weir, Barbara A. Nollen AKA Barbara Nollen, John Pechacek, Frank Pechacek, Alisa Pechacek Shertz AKA Alisa Shertz, Sherry Pechacek Mogford AKA Sherry Mogford, Betty Pechacek Nabours AKA Betty Nabours, Billie Pechacek Smith AKA Billie Smith, Dr. Donald Pitts, John A. Pitts, John Herring and Sammy Herring, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on January 26, 2005, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in March, 2005, the same being the 1st day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Benjamin, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Knox and the State of Texas, to-wit:

Lots 9 & 10, Block 17, Warren Addition to the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 212, Page 633 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas;

Lots 11 and 12, Block 17, Warren Addition to the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 212, Page 373 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas;

Lot 5, Block 14, Original Townsite to the City of Goree, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 58, Page 315 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas;

Lots 5, 6 and 7, Block 45, Lee Addition to the City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 243, Page 497, Volume 243, Page 499 and Volume 243, Page 705 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas, or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED January 26, 2005, at Benjamin, Texas.

By /s/ Dean W. Homstad  
SHERIFF, Knox County, Texas.

You may contact the Plaintiff's attorney at 325-672-4870

8721/2-3. 2-10, 2-17/593

## NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF KNOX

### BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE

DATED January 26, 2005, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Knox County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 8790, and styled Knox County Appraisal District vs. E.B. Sewell, L. Simpson Lumber Company, Annie Carter, George Carter and Josie A. Lawrence, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on January 26, 2005, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in March, 2005, the same being the 1st day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Benjamin, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Knox and the State of Texas, to-wit:

Lots 6-9, Block 27, Original Townsite to the City of Truscott, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 40, Page 7 (Lots 7, 8 & 9), Vol. 96, Page 61 (Lot 6) of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; Lot 1, Block 25, Original Townsite to the City of Truscott, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 66, Page 18, of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; Lot 2, Block 25, Original Townsite to the City of Truscott, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 18, Page 270 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas, or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED January 26, 2005, at Benjamin, Texas.

By /s/ Dean W. Homstad  
SHERIFF, Knox County, Texas.

You may contact the Plaintiff's attorney at 325-672-4870

8790/2-3. 2-10, 2-17/479

## NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF KNOX

### BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE

DATED January 26, 2005, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Knox County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 8803 and styled Knox County Appraisal District vs. A.M. Searcy, John Tucker, N.A. Howeth, R.C. Pickard, Sallie Robertson, Camile Slaton Chatman a/k/a Camille Slaton, Josie Lefevre, Josie Madden, Roy Madden, Luis Arturo Flores, Indiana Beal, Addie Smith, R.S. Ragsdale, E.E. Stout, B.M. Musser, R.B. Beal, R.B. Beal, Indiana Beal, Addie Smith, Josemarid Perez and Marcelino Perez, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on January 26, 2005, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in March, 2005, the same being the 1st day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Benjamin, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Knox and the State of Texas, to-wit:

the North 58.7' of Lot 7, Block 4, West Munday Addition to the City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 100, Page 410 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; Lot 8, Block 122, Reeves & Musser Addition to the City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 48, Page 197 and Vol. 82, Page 68 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; a 50' x 150' tract of land, more or less, and being a part of Lots 7, 8 and 9, Block 116, Reeves & Musser Addition to the City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 171, Page 192 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas;

the North 1/2 of Lot 6, Block 4, West Addition to the City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 96, Page 460 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; the South 80' of the North 140' of Block 124, Reeves & Musser Addition to the City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 286, Page 913 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; Lots 2, 3, 4, Block 133, Reeves & Musser Addition to the City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 15, Page 343 (including Lot 3), Vol. 18, Page 6 (Lot 2) and Vol. 36, Page 431 (Lot 4) of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; Lot 9, Block 134, Reeves & Musser Addition to the City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 98, Page 312 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; Lot 3, Block 160, Munday Development Addition to the City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 169, Page 242 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas, or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED January 26, 2005, at Benjamin, Texas.

By /s/ Dean W. Homstad  
SHERIFF, Knox County, Texas.

You may contact the Plaintiff's attorney at 325-672-4870

8803/2-3. 2-10, 2-17/730

## NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF KNOX

### BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE

DATED January 26, 2005, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Knox County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 8815, and styled Knox County Appraisal District vs. Willie B. Barber and Jessie Barber, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on January 26, 2005, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in March, 2005, the same being the 1st day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Benjamin, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Knox and the State of Texas, to-wit:

All of Lot 4 and the East 1/2 of Lot 5, Block 27, Davis Addition to the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 255, Page 439 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas, or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED January 26, 2005, at Benjamin, Texas.

By /s/ Dean W. Homstad  
SHERIFF, Knox County, Texas.

You may contact the Plaintiff's attorney at 325-672-4870

8815/2-3. 2-10, 2-17/407

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Plant Materials Center Knox City, Texas Weekly Weather Report		
Temperature		
Date	Low	High
2-01	34	37
2-02	29	43
2-03	27	56
2-04	29	59
2-05	36	54
2-06	41	62
2-07	34	49
<b>2005 Rainfall (YTD)</b> <b>01.33 inches</b>		

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**District Champions – KCHS Debaters**



Knox City HS debaters took the championship at the District 11-A UIL Cross Exam contest held on Monday. Debating for KC were Vanessa Solis, Sandra Silva, Jeremy Saxton, Kayla Martin, Erica Nevarez and Meagan Schur.



Basketball playoffs gives Benjamin coach a chance to see one of his favorite players on the court



Tuesday night's basketball playoffs in Archer City gave Benjamin boys coach Danny Copeland a chance to be a parent in the stands to watch his daughter Kelcy play. Kelcy is a junior at Woodson High School, where she is a standout in volleyball, basketball and track. The Woodson girls team played Crowell following the Benjamin-Throckmorton girls game. (KCN staff photo)

**THEY'RE THE PIPS!**

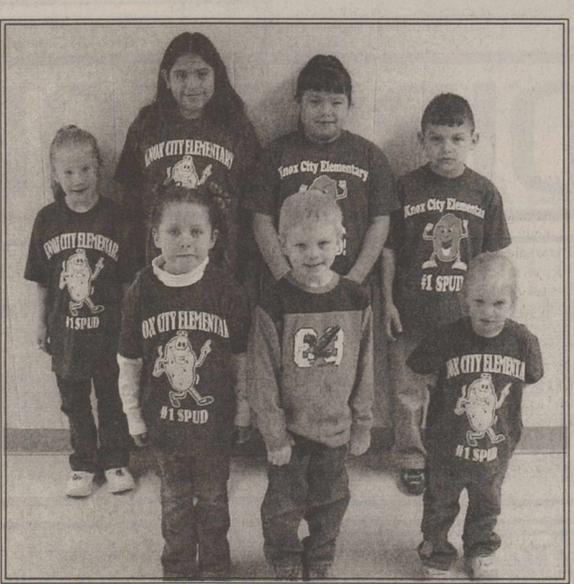


Members of the PIPs are: Landon Lynn, Kyle Harrington, Zach York, Hagen Hutchinson, Isaac Banks, Emily Espinosa, Jose Espinal, Stran Jackson, Allison Lynn, Blayne Bradley, Jonathon Rodriguez, Chris Richardson, Ty McLemore, Zach Carter, Lyndon Baty, Leah Tibbets, Cassidy Carter, Reagan Clark, Jerick Wilde, Brandon York, Andrea Lynn, Sheldon Baty, Avery Frausto, Brylee White, Ana Arrize, Isaac Flores, Skylin Ledesma, Amy Harrington, Kaytlin Baxter, Payne Stanfield, Wes Hutchinson and Shailee Manning. The PIPs are coached by Kim McLemore, Brandi Manning, Kristi Frausto and Kelly Hutchinson. The PIP Coordinator is Isabel Rodriguez.

**WAY TO GO!**  
Benjamin HS senior Chance Propps has been selected to play in the Six-Man Football Coaches Association All-Star Basketball tournament!

**KC Elementary hosts annual Baked Potato Supper**

Despite the dreary weather on the night of February 1, Knox City Elementary's PTO (Parent Teacher Organization) hosted a very successful fund raiser. Baked potatoes and all the trimmings were enjoyed by approximately 300 people in the school cafeteria. Home baked desserts and potatoes were donated by parents of Knox City Elementary students. Many parents as well as teachers and staff members volunteered their time to serve the meal and then clean up afterwards. Two weeks prior to the event, students at Knox City Elementary were scurrying around town selling tickets to the supper. A "#1 Spud" T-shirt is awarded to the top "sales boy" or "sales girl" in each grade level and a grand prize is awarded to the student who sells the most tickets overall. Following is a list of this year's winners: Early Childhood - Faith Sliger; Pre-Kindergarten - (tie) Peyton Shipp and Clayton Richardson; Kindergarten - Elissa Hacker; 1st Grade - Casey Stiewert; 2nd Grade - Zachary Rodriguez; 3rd Grade - Kelsey Vasquez; 4th Grade - Megan Martinez. Grand Prize was awarded to Kelsey Vasquez who sold \$192 worth of tickets.



#1 Spuds - Front Row: Peyton Shipp, Casey Stiewert, Faith Sliger Back Row: Elissa Hacker, Megan Martinez, Kelsey Vasquez, Zachary Rodriguez (Clayton Richardson not available for photo) (Courtesy photo)

The purpose of the Parent Teacher Organization is to promote the welfare of the students, home, school and community, establish a closer relationship with educators and parents working cooperatively, develop an interest in the students, the home, school and community and raise funds to provide enrichment for the schools populations and facilities. For more information about becoming involved in PTO contact the Knox City Elementary at 657-3147.

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DL/2\*17\*05/P (17)

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ML/2\*10\*05-3\*3\*05/C (49)

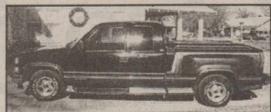
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BVCH/2\*10\*05-2\*17\*05/C

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**Rike Real Estate, Mary Rike, Broker.**  
RRE/6\*19-TF/C (26)

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BP/2\*10\*05-3\*3\*05/C (50)

### SERVICES

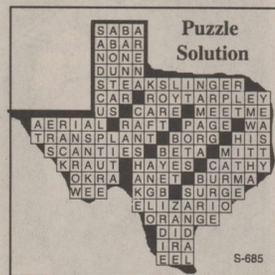
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SR/3\*28-TF/C (16)

### LEGAL NOTICE

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### CITY OF BENJAMIN NOTICE OF SPEED LIMIT

**LOCATION:** Beginning at the intersection of Hwy 82 and South Church Street and ending at the intersection of South Church Street and East Goree street (end of football field). Benjamin City Council passed ordinance NO. 2004-5 requiring all persons to abide by the 10 MPH Speed Zone 24 (Twenty-four) hours a day, 7 (Seven) days a week.  
Signs stating the speed limit of 10 MPH are posted. Any persons violating any provision of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of an offense, and upon conviction shall be punished. Further information may be obtained from Benjamin City Hall, PO Box 286, Benjamin, Texas 79505 or by phoning Benjamin City Hall at 459-3131 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 12 p.m.  
Published 2-10-05 and 2-17-05 (121)

### BID NOTICE

Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc. is accepting invitations to bid for the 2005 Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) in the Heating and Cooling component. Bidders must be qualified to assess, as well as repair, replace or retrofit central units, window units and all other major heating and/or cooling appliances for individuals who qualify. Counties to be served include: Haskell, Jones, Kent, Knox, Stonewall and Throckmorton. To request a bid package please contact Wilda Giles at 940-989-3538 or 800-722-0137 or reply to PO Box 188, Aspermont TX 79502.  
Published 2-17-05 and 2-24-05 (90)

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TxDOT) CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.  
**CONSTRUCTION/ MAINTENANCE/BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)**  
**Dist/Div: Childress**  
Contract 0496-02-015 for MISCELLANEOUS WORK ADA/ SIDEWALKS/OVERLAY in KNOX County will be opened on March 08, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office.  
Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website [www.dot.state.tx.us](http://www.dot.state.tx.us) and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.  
NPO: 15618

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District Engineer  
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Childress, Texas 79201 - 9705  
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