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## **Five Classmates Join Navy Together**

Five 2005 graduates of Knox City- O'Brien school district are joining the navy together. Evan Clark, C.J. Bruce, Riley O'Sheen Eddington, and Elizabeth Garcia, all have chosen careers with the United States Navy. Two will be corpsman, one a sea serviceman, one an aviation mechanic, while one remains undecided.

Evan Clark 18, is an accomplished athlete. He has been a District and area champion in Track and Hurdles and has participated in football, basketball, baseball, swimming, and in band in both Knox City and Monohans school districts. He enjoys hunting, fishing, and reading.

Evans plans to become a hospital corpsman while in the navy. His favorite subject in school was history, and he is going to take classes while in the service to major in Military History.

C.J. Bruce, 18, has partici-

pated in football, where he was hero nominee, and he received All-State honors in both football and baseball. He power lifted all four years, where he was a regional qualifier all four years and regional champion two years. He has also participated in track, was class favorite for three years and was class vice president for one year.

Upon entering the Navy C.J. plans to become a medical corpsman and work towards a physical therapist degree followed by a medical career after the military.

Riley O'Sheen Eddington, 18, has attended Knox City school all fourteen years of his school career. He has participated in football, receiving Football Hero, Red River 22, and All Big Country Honors. Baseball where he earned district honors, and power lifting where he was a regional qualifier for three years and took 1st place at state his senior year.

Riley plans to become ship serviceman when finished with his training.

Chris Norton, 18, started going to Knox City Schools in the fifth grade. He has participated in football for three years, power lifting for two years, baseball for two years, and played trumpet in the Greyhound band all four

Once Chris enters the navy he plans to becomes a aviation me-

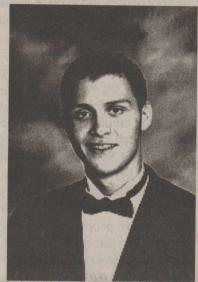
Elizabeth "Lisa" Garcia, 18, has also been enrolled in Knox City her entire school life. She was a cheerleader, played basketball, and volleyball, and played flute in the band.

Lisa is undecided as to what exactly she wants to do with her naval career.

The recruits Naval training

began courtesy of Army Corps of Engineers, with a scenic ride on Truscott Brine Lake in a Boston Whaler boat driven by Park Ranger Pete Robinson.

The classmates will depart Knox City on June 16, and arrive in Chicago June 17. Upon arrival in Chicago they will proceed to the Great Lakes Naval Training Station to attend basic training for six to eight weeks.



Chris Norton

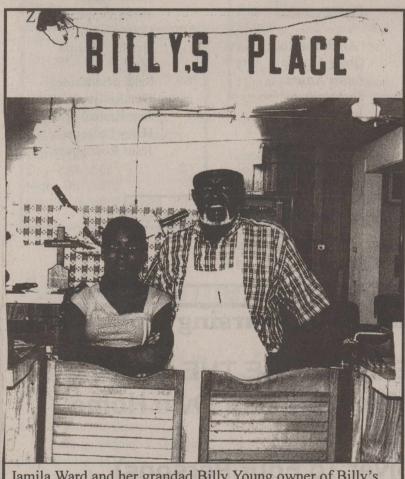
**Economic Development** 

Meeting To Be Held in



left to right, Lisa Garcia, Evan Clark, C.J. Bruce, Riley Spells, not pictured, Chris Norton

## June Business of the Month B&PBBQ



Jamila Ward and her grandad Billy Young owner of Billy's Place BBQ in Knox City.

Beginning this month the Knox County News will be featuring an area business or event. With this new feature we hope to promote Knox County, King County, and the surrounding area.

month is Billy's Barbecue located on the south edge of town on his track star granddaughter, Jathe left side of Hwy. 6.

Billy Young, who retired from the glass business after 42 years in Denver, Colorado, started chicken, french fries and burg-B&P Barbecue because he loves ers with all the fixings as well

said he was ready to come back to Texas because people here are much more friendly. He moved disappointed.

through Friday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., then from 5 p.m. until 8 om noon until 3 p.m., then gain from 5 p.m. until 8. The

Our business spotlight of the Cafe is closed on Sundays.

Mr. Young, with the help of milla Ward, serves a wide variety of meats, including beef brisket, ribs, hot links, sausage, as the "best barbecue beans in An original Texan, Mr. Young town". He also serves some of the best fried catfish found anywhere. When hunters come in, he'll cook all their wild game as to Knox City where he was not long as "They dress'em". He has catered to 300 plus for the Santa Billie's is open on Tuesday Rosa Telephone Co-op, and is happy to cater locally.

Billy said, "This is not a job, m... On Saturdays, he is open it's a pleasure!" And it shows in his wonderful food, pleasant manner and exceptional service.

## **County Commissioners Court Report for June** The Knox County Commis- ditioning situation in the court-

from 1:35 p.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Highlighted topics from today's meeting were the air con-

Knox County Judge Travis

Floyd is inviting all area may-

ors, city managers, councilmen,

and anyone who is interested in

the economic growth of Knox

County to a meeting in the Knox

County Courthouse Thursday,

June 23, at one p.m. in the As-

The Meeting, "A Road Map

to Community Visioning," is

sponsored by the Texas Mid-

west Community Network, a

non-profit organization that

specializes in rural economical

development. Founded in 1994,

the organization and it's affili-

ate, Texas Midwest Marketing

Alliance, cover 25 counties and

41 communities surrounding the

sembly Room.

Abilene area.

sioners met in Benjamin Monday room, and Richard McCanlies request to share the new repeater frequency that the commissioners are going to have for emer-

> Benjamin TMCN works toward getting small communities to work together for enhanced marketing efforts, better legislative representation, and leadership training to strengthen economy and

> > way of life for rural citizens.

Texas Midwest representatives Drew Brown and Nicki Harle will be on hand to provide a presentation, conduct workshops, and answer questions.

Judge Floyd believes that a "visioning" for economic growth in a rural area should be county wide. "Economic growth is not just for cities". he stated, "We need to begin a road map to see where we want to go with our future."All citizens are encouraged to attend.

## **Mesquito Spraying to Begin June 16th**

The City of Knox City will begin spraying mosquitoes, for the season, on a regular weekly schedule. At dusk on each Monday and Thursday, streets and alleys will be sprayed.

The City uses malathion for mosquito control. Malathion can be used for public health mosquito control programs without posing unreasonable risks tot he general population when applied according to the label.

Help the City by trying to eliminate breeding areas for the mosquito. Mow front and back yards, mowing alley, empty containers of water and old tires that hold water. Use mosquito repellent when outdoors and wear light color clothing.

gency services.

stated that following District Judge Bill Heatly's heat related collapse last week, he consulted with air conditioning company Garlington-Brown this morning. They stated the reason the A/C was so loud in the courtroom was because the return air vents are right next to the units making the fan noise overwhelming. They suggested that the vents be moved down to the other end of the room. The cost for the procedure is approximately 2,000 dollars and the discussion was tabled until the budget could be

Benjamin Fire Chief Richard McCanlies asked for permission for the Knox County Emergency Services to use the new radio repeater frequency that the county is getting licensed for. The frequency is mainly for use of commissioners to communicate with county road maintenance crews. Mr. McCanlies stated that fire

department and storm watchers County Judge Travis Floyd use would be beneficial because the channel can be operated on a county wide scale and help warn neighboring departments of storms and fires. After careful consideration, the motion was passed to grant permission under the condition that the commissioners had priority unless in an emergency situation.

Other actions and discussions were the motion to regulate fireworks for the Fourth of July holiday. The motion was not passed considering the county is not under a burn ban. Accounts payable was approved. County extension agent's and aging services reports were discussed and approved. Road and bridge issues were raised such as fuel prices for pulling road side ditches versus blading or mowing them. The possible purchase of 9-1-1 equipment was discussed as well as combining 9-1-1 and law enforcement dispatchers and moving the operation to Benjamin.

## **District Judge Bill Heatly Back At Work**

50th District Judge Bill Heatly is back to work after collapsing from a heatstroke Tuesday night during the Meinzer vs. Knox County Tax Appraisal District case.

Judge Heatly was presiding over the highly publicised Mienzer vs. Knox County Tax Appraisal District case last week in the Knox County Courthouse. The air conditioning units in the courtroom work well but the noise of the fans in the cavernous room made hearing testimony impossible. The units had to be turned off during the heat of the day and it wasn't long before the room was sweltering.

During the closing statements of the defense, the judge's eyes rolled back in his head and he fell back in his chair. Many rushed to his aide and 9-1-1 was called where Benjamin first responders arrived promptly, followed by the Knox County E.M.S.

Judge Heatly was transported to Knox County Hospital where he was listed as stable and treated for heatstroke and sent to a Lubbock hospital where a pacemaker was installed.

Judge Heatly said that court during the summer months will be held only during the morning hours untill the air conditioning is fixed.

The Judge stated he was "back to a 100 percent" and would like to thank everyone who assisted him in the courtroom, the Knox City Paramedics, and Knox City Hospital..Judge Heatly gave no date for the renewal of the Meinzer Tax Case.

Sheldon Baty

Joradyn Eaton

Katelyn Carrizales



## Kay Bailey Hutchison United States Senator

# Texans Divided on Value of Daylight Saving Time Proposal

Every once in a while, one of my columns generates an unexpected response. My early May column about Daylight Saving Time was one of those, Over 300 of you responded to my question about whether Daylight

Saving Time should be extended or not.

The whole idea of Daylight Saving Time was conceived by none other than Benjamin Franklin who wrote that we could take advantage of the longer days by moving our clocks forward to coincide with earlier sunrises.

His proposal languished until World War I, when the United States adopted Daylight Saving Time to boost production. Public dissatisfaction led to its abolishment by Congress over PresidentWoodrow Wilson's veto, but it was back to stay during World War II.

In 1986, Congress passed a law establishing the daylight savings period from the first Sunday in April to the last Sunday in October and allowed states to opt out. Consequently, Arizona, Hawaii and sections of Indiana do not recognize Daylight Saving Time.

Because some studies say Daylight Saving Time saves one percent of total U.S. energy use, or the energy equivalent of 100,000 barrels of oil per day, the House of Representatives Energy and Commerce Committee included the two-month extension of Daylight Saving Time when it passed the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

The House bill requires the Department of Energy to do a study on the impact of the extension no later than 9 months after passage. The measure also retains the states' rights provisions which currently lets states opt out of the current Daylight Saving Time program. While the House has included the extension in its version of the energy bill, it is still an open question whether it will be incorporated into the Senate version. Accordingly, I asked you for your reactions, and I can now reveal the results.

Extending Daylight Saving Time brought 137 positive responses. Another 150 said they want to keep it the way it is now. An additional 19 wrote in to suggest we cancel Daylight Saving Time altogether. Sonny, of Andrews, wrote: "I have been involved with ranching and the oil field all my life. I have never heard a rancher or oilfield hand say he would like a long hot West Texas summer day extended for one more hour."

Anthony, of Dallas, dislikes the idea of extending Daylight Saving Time, saying, "I consider such a thing like pouring salt in an open wound.

The only thing worse than Daylight Saving Time would be to extend it to more of the year."

Another correspondent lamented that Daylight Saving Time forces everyone to reset their watches, clocks, car radios and VCRs after the time change. I dread changing them myself, so I can sympathize. Most of those favoring an extension cited energy savings, while Sharrell of Floresville wrote that she "relishes having daylight hours to grocery shop, garden, take a walk, etc. It is very depressing to drive home in the dark." We even received a response from the European Union Airport Coordinators Association which urged us to keep the system the way it is, claiming that changing Daylight Saving Time could wreak havoc on international flight schedules.

Daylight Saving Time is just one part of the energy bill under consideration by Congress but, because it touches all of our lives, many people have strong opinions on the subject. Thank you for participating in the survey. I will let my fellow senators know your thoughts on the subject as we debate this important legislation which is designed to improve America's energy security.

#### Sunset School Homecoming Plans Underway

To all friends and exstudents of Sunset School. Homecoming plans are being made for October 8, 2005, at Gillispie Baptist Church. If you need more information call Tom Richardson at 940-658-1143. Invitations will be mailed at a later date.

Thank You

## Knox City/O'Brien Elementary School "A" Honor Roll for 6th Six Weeks:

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Final Averages

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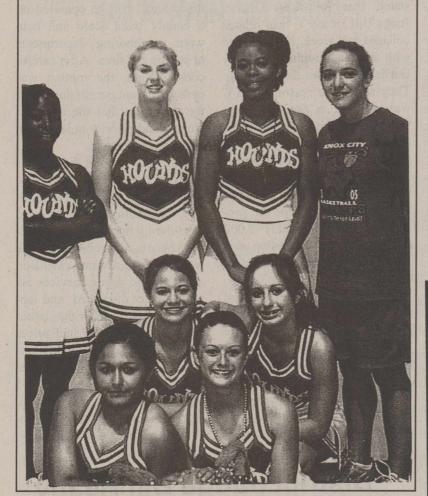
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Back row, Jamilla Ward, Laura Harrington, Kayla Martin, Martha Perkins, Middle, Jessy Schur, Marni McLemore, Fron, Vanessa Soklis, Tiffany Wilde

On June 1-4, the Knox City High School cheerleaders attended a National Cheerleaders Association camp at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, Texas along with twenty-five other squads from the surrounding areas. While they were there the cheerleaders were asked to perform what they had learned for an evaluation. The Knox City cheerleaders received a blue ribbon, the most superior award, for each and every performance. This accomplishment is extremely difficult to achieve. The Knox City cheerleaders also received the coveted Spirit Stick award on the first and last day they were there,. In addition to all of this they also received a technical award for sharpness and precise motions. On the third day of camp many of our cheerleaders were nominated to become All-American cheerleaders. Nominees for the prestigious award were Jamilla Ward, Kayla Martin, Tiffany Wilde, Jessica Schur, and Martha Perkins.

Jamilla, Kayla, and Tiffany were all nominated for their abilities in dance. Jessy was nominated for her exceptional tumbling and Martha was nominated for her efforts as a mascot.

On the lasts day of camp the Knox City Cheerleaders had the privilege of competing in the Champion Chant competition and they were name one of the top four teams in the small varsity division,. The cheerleaders are looking forward to an exciting football and basketball season. They would also like to thank their sponsor Rachel Byers for coaching and putting up with them all week.

# To the Citizens of Knox County

June 15, 2005

I sincerely wish to thank everyone involved in assisting me on the evening of June 7, 2005, in the courtroom at the Knox County Courthouse.

I suffered from the heat and my heart fibrillating and became dizzy and passed out. I have never, in my life, received such good and prompt care from those concerned with my health at that time

I wish to personally thank the following individuals who assisted me in the courtroom: Sheriff Dean Homestad, Wyman Meinzer, Tracy Cartwright, Roland Marion, Sue Marion, Sherry Parker Monroe, Ronnie Verhalen, Sylinda Meinzer, Kim McLemore, Linda Parker, Kay Sheedy, Donnie Hertel and Dicky McCanlies.

If there are others, please let me know who you are. I wish to thank you, also, but I do not remember everyone. Had it not been for your excellent and prompt response, I do not know what would have happened to me. I received excellent care in the ambulance on the way to the Knox County Hospital, (Thank you, EMS personnel) and in the Knox County Hospital (Thank you, hospital employees).

The citizens of Knox county should be aware of the good emergency response that I received on that night and of the wonderful facilities that you have at your disposal. I also wish to thank my court reporter, Sherry Powell, and my court administrator, Francine Braselton, for their concern and patience. Thank you, Judge Floyd and Ida Dean Johnson for your encouragement. I was transported to the Lubbock Heart Hospital, (Thank you, ambulance crew) where I had an angiogram run on the morning of June 9, 2005, which showed no damage to my heart, but my cardiologist recommended that a pace maker/defibrillator be installed, which was done on June 10, 2005. The doctors said that my airplane was not in the best of shape and that I needed a parachute. Again, thank all of

See you in court!

William J. Heatly District Judge

## BAXTOR BLACK

ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

### THE TURKEY MENACE

Normally the only time turkeys make the paper is in November, but this spring photos of wild turkeys appeared in both the Long Island, NY and Spokane, WA newspapers. Both stories involved potential overpopulation and "infestation," "inbreeding," or "attacks." In each instance it was the result of well-intentioned humans manipulating the turkey population.

Washington hunters all over the state have had a bonanza spring turkey season. The State Department of Fish & Wildlife says "Emphasis is swinging from spreading birds across the state..." to "...helping landowners cope with flocks big enough to raise havoc..."

In New York, wild turkeys have escaped from the Boys Ranch into the community. "Obviously it got out of hand." said the ranch manager. The director of Environmental Conservation suggested rounding them up and euthanizing them for the needy to eat. That brought a passionate response from both sides. It was even too hot for the animal rights groups to get involved.

We do it to ourselves; Canadian geese, kudzu, white-tailed deer, grizzly bear, mountain lions, starlings, wolves, fescue, buffalo. We hunt them to extinction, we import them, we protect them, we euthanize them, we eat them, they eat us, and still we fumble on. It might appear that the best way to manage wildlife to ensure its abundance, is to domesticate it!

Salmon, for instance, catfish, rice, sheep, trout, horses, elephants, turkeys, strawberries, and alligators are all found in the wild, but also grown in captivity. Even to the point that you can hunt or fish for your trophy on a game ranch or a stocked stream. Which, I expect in another half millennium, will be how we will solve the contentious problems created by humans moving into wildlife habitat.

But for now, there is still wild country where the presence of humans is transitory. We go to the woods, or the mountains or rivers or plains, fly fish or shoot antelope, then return to our urban caves where we eat frozen food and drink out of cans.

From the looks of it, the wild turkey menace will always be lurking beneath the surface as Game & Fish Departments continue to count and relocate, while farmers and homeowners swat and sweep them off their front porch, out of the backyard, or out of City Park.

But every now and then a gobbler will step over the line and later make an appearance in a croissant somewhere...minus his feathers

## THANK YOU

The family of Murrel Bishop would like to say **Thank You** to the Munday Nursing Center for their wonderful care, to Mansell-Smith Funeral Home for the beautiful service, to the members of the Baptist Church for the delicious meal, to the Ruth Class for their love and support over the years, to all those who visited, called, sent flowers or food, and for your prayers.

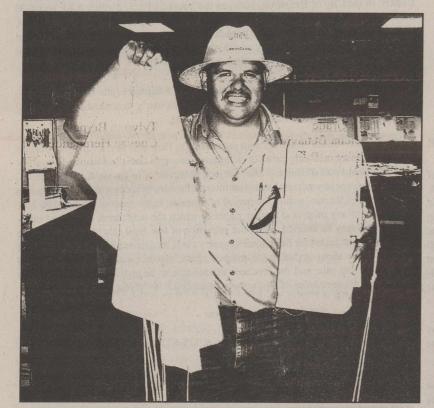
Your concern is greatly appreciated and will never be forgotten. The families of: Debbie Wilde, Ricky Bishop, Bill Bishop, Jeff Bishop, and Jean Bishop.

# Donald Johnson Memorial 17th Annual Seedless Watermelon Festival and 6th Annual Classic Car Show July 29-30, 2005

It's almost time, once again for Knox City's Seedless Watermelon Festival and Classic Car Show. This year the chamber will be changing a couple of things. We will kick things off on Friday, July 29 with a parade starting at 7:00 p.m. this year there will be trophies given for several different categories, The categories will be given at a later date, so start planning your float now! This year our Theme is "Celebrate the Great Outdoors-Knox City Style". The chamber will be hosting a dance and meal at the City Park immediately following the parade and trophies for the parade will be given out during this time. The meal will consist of hamburgers, chips, and drink at a cost of \$5.00. Make sure you plan to stay for the live music at 8:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m.

On Saturday, the festivities will begin with booths opening at 10 a.m. there will be arts, crafts, homemade items, food, live music, free swimming, free watermelon slices, and plenty for the kids to enjoy including a giant slide, giant bouncer, pony rides, mechanical bull, rock climbing wall, and more.

The Classic Car Show will register from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m., judging will begin at 12:30 and this year the Classic Cars will be judged by our sponsors at Bailey Toliver Cadillac-Chevrolet-Ford-Mercury in Haskell. The chamber is looking for local talent to play or sing on Saturday, if you are interested please contact the chamber office at 658-3442. More information will follow in coming weeks.



Fred Ledesma brought this "Sky Site" to the Knox County News Office. It was discovered Monday afternoon by his brother Alex Ledesma. He found it seven miles west on 2279 on the Bush Burnett Lease.

#### **Sky-Site Found West of Knox City**

Knox County resident, Alex Ledesma, found what looked like a styrofoam box that had a rubber antenna attached to one end and a small parachute to the other. The device was found approximately seven miles west on 2279 on the Bush Burnett lease and appeared to have floated down from the sky.

Mr. Ledesma discovered a telephone number on the side of the device and a note asking to call the number if the object was found. He called and spoke to a representative from the Space Data Corporation who stated they would drive down to Knox City to retrieve the item.

The Space Data Corporation was founded in 1999 by Jerry Knoblach to develop a data communications service by using weather balloons to place transceivers into the stratosphere between 70 to 80 thousand feet. This service is less expensive to set up than launching a telecommunications satellite.

The service is still in its research and developmental states although it is becoming increasingly popular among oil and gas companies in Texas, Oklahoma, Arizona, New Mexico, Louisiana, and Arkansas. These companies are using the "Sky-Sites," at they're called, to monitor updates on remote oil and gas wells and pipelines.

Because the procedure to launch and maintain the data devices is cheaper than towers and satellites, the cost can be passed on to consumers. Space Data Corporation's long term goal is to offer their services to large wireless companies. Since their program is lower cost than constructing towers or launching satellites, Space Data Corp. hopes they can become an affiliate to facilitate better cell service to outlying areas. Many large companies are not developing their rural parts of service areas due to the fact they are so sparsely populated. S.D.C. hopes to change that.

For now, the corporation is primarily working with oil and gas companies, as well as the military and U.S. Border Patrol to use their services in highly mobile fields such as two way radio or "walkie talkies"



Nicholson-Holmes
Exchange Vows

Erica Nicholson and Wes Holmes, were married May 26, 2005 in Las Vegas, Nevada. The couple exchanged vows at the Little White Chapel. The mother of the bride is, Leslie Williamson of Stamford, TX., father of the bride is Jerry Nicholson of Rochester, TX.. The grooms parents are Alan and Jennifer Holmes of Knox City, TX.

The couple will be residing in Knox City, Erica will be working for Jerry's Plumbing and Wes is self employed owner of Wes Holmes Mobile Wash.

Man and wife, being two, are one in love.

—William Shakespeare,

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Lots 7-9, Block 2, Warren Addition to the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 240, Page 461 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas.

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion there of to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit an sale: subject, however, to the right of redemption, and 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 an accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest theron and cost of suit and sale and the proceeds of said dale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the reminder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED June 1, 2005, at Benjamin, Texas.

SHERIFF, Knox County, Texas You may contact the Plaintiff's attorney at 325-672-4870.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF KNOX

DATED June 1, 2005, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District thereof, and the reminder, if any, to be applied as the law directs. Court of Knox County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date in a certain suit No. 8738, and style Knox County Appraisal District vs. Willie G. Rodriquez, Gullermo Z. Rodriquez a/k/a Guillermo Z. Rodriquez, Elida H. Rodriquez, Anita McCrary, Antonio Rocha Franko Felomeno, Lorrie Richardson, Fairrie Richardson, Charles Otto, Mrs. R.S. Shelton a/k/a Nell Shelton, O.W. Brummett and O.L. Brummett, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on June 1, 2005, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in July, 2005, the same being the 5th 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 bider all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in an to the following described real estate levied upon a the property of said defendants, the same lying an being situated in the County of Knox and the State

Lot 2, Block 12, Original Town site to the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly describe in Volume 226, Page 377 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas;

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Lot 4 Block 13, Warren Addition to the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 121, Page 155 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas'

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Lot 16, Block 55, Original Townsite 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;

Lot 2, Block 9, Warren Addition to the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 122, Page 601 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas,

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion there of to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit an sale: subject, however, to the right of redemption, and 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 an accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest theron and cost of suit and sale and the proceeds of said dale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the reminder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED June 1, 2005, at Benjamin, Texas.

SHERIFF, Knox County, Texas You may contact the Plaintiff's attorney at 325-672-4870.

We had a misprint in last weeks paper. We got the wrong names on the winners of the Third Flight. They were Adkins, Bracey and Johnston.



Third Flight First Place-Adkins, Bracey, Johnston

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SHERIFF, Knox County, Texas You may contact the Plaintiff's attorney at 325-672-4870.

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DATED June 1, 2005, and issued pursuant to a judgment of the District Court of Knox County, Texas, by the Clerk of said court on said date in a certain suit No. 8724, and styled Knox County Appraisal District vs.Felix Lerma, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on June 1, 2005, seized and levied upon, an and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interwill on the first Tuesday in July, 2005, the same being the 5th 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 thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs. lying and being situated in the County of Knox and the State of Texas, to-wit:

East 1/2 of Lot 8 All of Lot 9, Block 59, Original Townsite of the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 246, Page 421 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 cost of suit and sale: subject, however, or 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 provision of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes an accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest therein 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.

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Lots 17 & 18, Block 35, Original Townsite of the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 88, Page 455 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas.

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the North 60' of Lot 3, Block 4, West-Munday Addition to the City of Munday. Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 92, Page 283 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 cost of suit and sale: subject, however, or 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, ested therein may be entitled, under the provision of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes an accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest therein and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction

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## **Obituaries**

#### Jo Paul Archer

LUBBOCK -- Jo Paul Archer, 36, of Lubbock died Wednesday, June 8, 2005, after a courageous battle with leukemia.

Funeral services conducted at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, June 11, 2005, in the sanctuary of First Baptist Church of Seymour. Rev. Dannie Gwinn and the Rev. Deacon Art Casias officiated. Interment followed at the Masonic Cemetery under the direction of Archer Funeral Home.

The son of Benny and Linda (Grinstead) Archer, Jo Paul was born April 11, 1969, in Seymour. Growing up in Knox, Baylor and Jones counties, Jo Paul graduated from Seymour High School in 1987. On July 21, 1995, he married Ann Carlton in Acapulco, Mexico. He earned his undergraduate degree from Midwestern State University and his doctorate of jurisprudence from Texas Tech University. He achieved licenses from the State of Texas as a Funeral Director and Embalmer, Attorney, and Certified Public Accountant. His work experience included several years in the funeral industry, accounting, and practicing law. He proudly worked as a staff attorney for the Texas Department of Public Safety in Lubbock, also is a Mediator, Adjunct Professor, ind volunteered at legal pro bono :linics.

He is survived by his wife, Ann (Carlton) Archer; their laughters, Katie Jo Archer (6) and Addison Ann Archer (4), all of Lubbock; his parents, Benny and Debbie Archer of Seymour and Linda Archer of Hamlin; sisters, Vonda Archer of Seymour



and Jaci Harlan of Lubbock: grandparents, Paul and Flo Grinstead of O'Brien; his aunts, Vondell Archer of Seymour and Lisa Grinstead of Austin; his cousins, Brandon, Sheryl, and Brayden Blair of North Richland Hills; his parents-in-law, Terry and Cathy Carlton of Vernon; his sisters-in-law, Jennifer Rhone and husband, David, and Pam Featherston and husband, Brad, all of Wichita Falls; his nephews, Jake and Gray Williamson and Lukas Featherston and his niece, Libby Featherston, all of Wichita

The family received friends on Thursday evening, June 9, 2005, at Sanders Funeral Home in Lubbock and Friday evening at Jo Paul's family's firm, Archer Funeral Home in Seymour.

For those desiring, the family suggests that memorial contributions be made to Covenant Foundation for JACC Stem Cell Transplant, 2201 Oxford, Ste. 106, Lubbock, Texas, 79410. That organization is raising money to add a wing to Covenant Hospital in Lubbock (that's where Jo Paul has been for these last weeks) so stem cell recipients from this area can go to Dallas for the transplant but will be able to come back to Lubbock and stay in the wing instead of having to stay for weeks in an apartment in Dallas.

ARCHER FUNERAL HOME SEYMOUR, TEXAS.

## **Jettie Murrel (Brooks) Bishop**

Jettie Murrel (Brooks) Bishop, born March 19, 1915 of Knox City, Texas, died Friday, June 10, 2005 at Munday Nursing Center in Munday, Texas, at age 90. She was employed by Knox County Hospital as an LVN until she retired.

She is survived by One Granddaughter, Debbie Wilde, of Knox City, TX., One Daughter-In-Law, Jean Bishop of Grand Prarie, TX., One Brother, Vaughn Brooks of Knox City, TX., Three grandsons, Ricky Bishop of Albuquerque, NM. Bill Bishop, of Keller, TX., and Jeff Bishop of Mansfield, TX

She is also survived by Twelve great-grandchildren and by one great-great grandchild. Arrangements are being handled by Mansell Smith Funeral Home, 210 Ave. A, Knox City, TX. Funeral services were held at the First Baptist Church of Knox City on Sunday, June 12, 2005 at 2:00 p.m., Rev. Gayle Baucum officiating.

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## O'Brien Happenings

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

Veita Reed of Dallas spent several days here getting one of her rent houses ready for someone to move into. Veita has three houses for rent.

C.H. and Linda Undewood were proud to have their youngest daughter and granddaughters, Hope and Faith, of Roby, visiting over the weekend. They all attended church services with us on Sunday.

Charlene Brothers spent the weekend with her son, Jerry, his wife and family. They all had a good time--just visiting and

Beatrice Ellis was blessed by having her son, David, of Alpine, Texas, spend some time with her. While he was here, he did several odd jobs around the house for her.

Several ladies of O'Brien were invited to the Four Square Church on Monday, June 6 for a good service and dinner. Those from O'Brien Church who attended were: Billie Walker, . Berneice Rowan, Helen Manning, Sherrie Reid and Audie Johnston. We always enjoy these church meetings.

Jonama Stephens was in Lubbock last weekend and was able to visit her granddaughter, Steffini, who lives in Brazil.

Julie and Dale Sanders of Amarillo feted their sonin-law, John Cole and their granddaughter, Cyan Cole, to a birthday gala of hamburgers, hot dogs and all the trimmings. A yellow chocolate birthday cake and cheese cakes were also served.

Julie's mom, Billie Walker, helped prepare the food and serve the thirty guests. Billie Walker also visited her daughter, Laura Wade, and her husband, David. On Sunday evening, the Youth began planning a pool party for Davy Wade to welcome him to the church. The time and date are not yet determined.

# by Agriculture Commissioner

SUSAN COMBS

Ever heard of salad sabotage? It's when folks with great intentions add salads to their diet only to be sabotaged by high-fat, high-calorie toppings like dressing or croutons. With flavor-packed Texas vegetables available year-round, salads can be a healthy, low-fat way to boost good nutrition.

Salad consumption is at an all-time high, with 73 percent of American households serving salads regularly as part of their meals. Starting out with crisp, green lettuce provides a foundation for vitamins like iron and vitamin C. Texas grows a wide variety of salad fixings including lettuce, spinach, cabbage and mustard greens

Dress up salads using chopped peppers, baby carrots, onions, mushrooms, cherry comatoes and celery, and add a burst of sweetness by topping salads with orange sections or sliced strawberries. Families looking for taste and texture should look no further than the produce department at their local grocery store.

Ingredients packed with fat and calories should be avoided or used sparingly. Oildrenched salad topped with cheese, fatty meats and buttery croutons can have as much calories as a fast-food meal. Choose reduced fat dressings, balsamic vinegar or yogurt for healthier alternatives, and top salads with low-fat cheese.

Visit a local farmers market or produce section for inspiration. Extra flavor does not have to come in the form of extra fat. Texas grows plenty of rich, colorful fruits and vegetables that curb salad sabotage and boost good nutrition.

### Friends of KCHC Garage Sale A Success

The county museum moved closer to completion Saturday, June 4, 2005, with \$1,500.00 added to funds from the annual garage sale at Munday. Over 120 hamburgers and lots of cookies made by commission members, were bought by hungry shoppers to help boost the total sales. Pricing and selling of articles was done Friday and Saturday by members with the help of Ann Therwhanger. Friends of the Knox County Historical Commission members said all articles donated were greatly appreciated as was the attendance of all the

Lawrence Brothers of Munday is thanked for furnishing the buns and lettuce for the sale. Dan and Becky Offutt furnished the tomatoes, Becky sliced the tomatoes, onions and lettuce and helped serve the hamburgers along with Pam Duke. Ben Grill, chief cook, was assisted by Dan Offutt, Jackie Young and Bill Baker.

Clint Norman bought up what was left of the garage sale, allowing the Friends to say, "It all

Volunteer donations and time is always needed at museum fundraisers. These are projects to help everyone in the county and anyone who wants to help just has to let us know or show up. Board members do a lot of the work at all fund raisers, but participation is open to anyone who can donate an hour or a day.

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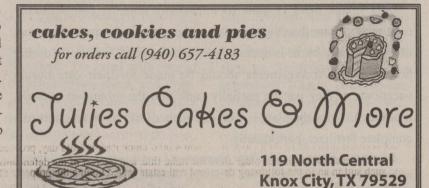


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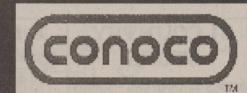
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Almost any plant can be used as a container specimen as long as its cultural requirements are met. Placing a plant in a container tends to dramatize it and make it more important visually. Deciduous or evergreen trees, shrubs and vines, annual and perennial flowers may be used. The key is to determine where the plant will usually be located and the availability for sunlight, moisture and protection. Annual flowers usually prefer at least a half day's full sun, but most tropical and evergreens do well with less.

Design of the overall area should be considered. When selecting from the wide variety of containers on the market today, choose those of simple design that do not compete with the plant but tend to feature it. For instance, plants in plain terra cotta clay pots often are featured on beautifully designed terraces, patios and entrances. Fortunately, some of the most appropriate containers such as clay products are often moderately priced.

Care of the plant is quite to important. Container plants usually require more care than those grown in the ground. Frequent watering, often on a daily basis, is necessary for most species, especially during hot weather. Arrangements should be made for their care during vacations, or they can be partially sunk into the ground in a shady, moist area. Once the plant is well established, add small amounts of a complete fertilizer, periodically.

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Sammi Offield hosted a Mexican dinner in honor of Dr. Heather and Mark Bingham in her home on Sunday.

Guests included: Dala Angerer and her two daughters, Kelly Myers and Maria Gonzales; her husband, Jose; her two daughters and her son. Also attending were Wanda Bingham, Eric Garcia and his friend, Jennifer Guadala-

Mrs. Offield reported a wonderful time and stated that the Binghams will be missed professionally as well as personally, by the entire community

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## Benjamin News

By Gladene Green

It's been another unsettled week-end--weatherwise. Nothing severe ever developed, but sure stormy looking enough to make one stay pretty close to a cellar. Maybe by now, it has moved out for a while.

About Our Ill

Lucille Moorehouse spent Friday night in the Knox County Hospital. She was taken there late in the afternoon, becoming ill at her home. She was able to return home Saturday and is feeling much better.

Reports are that Joe Trapanier continues to make good progress since his recent triple bypass sur-

Sympathy to the families of Chester Lain and George Cotton this week. Both men passed away last week and funerals were held in Munday and in Goree respectively.

Also sympathy to Frances Dear and her family. Frances' husband, Orville, passed away week before last. They were former Knox City residents, but had

years. It was always good to see them when they would come back to visit. He will be missed by many.

New Arrival

Ryder Lewis is the newest member of the Ross family in Grundy Center, Iowa. Ryder was born June 6, at 1:35 a.m. He weighed 6 lbs. 13 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long. His parents are Ryan and Christi and he has two "big" sisters, Kate, 6 years old and Libby, almost 3. Grandparents are Jack and Judie Whitten of Benjamin and Ron and Kathy Ross of Grundy Center, Iowa. Grandmother, Judie has her reservations made and will be going "that way" around June 23rd (if she can wait that long.) Reports are that all the family is doing

Here 'n There

**KC Red Minor League** 

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The 2005 Seniors of B. H.S returned home late Tuesday after a trip to California and on to Hawaii. All reports are lots of fun, but glad to get home and get 'lined out' in a regular routine

days begin.

Hazel Stockton was in Lubbock Thursday to see her cardiologist. She will be going back on July 12 for an angiogram since her doctors were not pleased with the results of her initial tests. Maybe they will get to the cause of her problem and get her on medication or some course of treatment so she will feel better.

Chelsea Parker of Aspermont is spending a few days with her grandparents, Leroy and Gloria West.

Zeke and Amanda Duke Daniel of Amarillo visited relatives during the weekend. They went to Dallas for a few days, while little Daniel stayed here for a visit with his grandparents, Dennis and Pam Duke. Visiting Dennis and Pam for a few days last week, were grand children, Paige and Payton Boone of Abilene.

Samijo and Shelby Russell of Spur spent the weekend with great grandmother, Hazel Stockton while their parents took a two day trip to the Dallas area.

## **Aging Center** Lunch Menu

Week of June 20 - June 24

Monday, June 20 th Peppered Steak, Buttered Rice, Sweet Peas, Light Bread, Cobbler

Tuesday, June 21 th Pizza, Salad, Whole Kernel Corn, Ice Cream Wednesday, June 22 nd German Sausage, Butter Beans, Potato Salad, Cornbread, Peanut

butter Rice Krispies Treats Thursday, June 23 rd Sausage/Pepper Casserole. Apple/Celery Salad, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, cobbler

Friday, June 24 th Hamburgers, Cheese Slices, Lettuce, Tomato, French Fries, Cake

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## **ROLLING PLAINS RAMBLINGS**

By Morton Scott

The sharp sound of a bugle blast echoed across the prairie, resounding over the mesquite, sagebrush and the Clear Fork of the Brazos River.

Soon, the four thundering horses pulled the dusty Concord stagecoach into the Clear Fork station in Throckmorton County. The conductor tossed the bags with the local mail to the ground as the stagecoach came to a stop. The wranglers at the station rushed the fresh horses from the corral. The six passengers got out to stretch their legs after the bumpy 26-mile journey from Smith's station to the west across the

Soon, the Butterfield stage would have a fresh quartet of horses, the new mail would be loaded, the passengers would climb back aboard and the coach would be off to its next stop, the Butterfield Franz station, still in Throckmorton County, 13 miles to the east.

The Clear Fork station was located in southwest Thorckmorton County on the Clear Fork of the Brazos River. The Franz Station was located in the Woodson area, also in Throckmorton county,

The Butterfield Overland Mail System was a mail and passengers system that went from St. Louis, Mo. Or Memphis TN, merging at Fort Smith, AR, then passing through Indian Territory into northern Texas, through the Throckmorton area, then south to El Paso, across the New Mexico and Arizona deserts, finally reaching San Francisco.

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Before the Butterfield stage, citizens in California were very upset about the time to get a letter "Back East." Mail went by ship from the East Coast, past South America, around the southern tip of South America, up to San Francisco. This took weeks and months. The time could be shortened by 10 days by crossing the Panama isthmus, near the future Panama Canal area, by land through the jungles of Panama, then up through the Golden Gate to San Francisco.

The 25-day trip via the Butterfield stage was a great improvement. We'll talk more about the Butterfield Overland Mail in future columns.

Next week, I will probably be talking about how different the United States was 100 years ago, in 1905. We have had an unbelievable change in 100 years ago We sometimes do not stop to think about how fortunate we are to be living in these days of the 21st Century – and in the United States. Only a few years before 1905, most places in the United States would have seemed very familiar to Benjamin Franklin and George Washington.

The many amazing developments which would happen in the still new 20th Century which were just beginning—and at an accelerating rate. Will changes come at the same rate for us in this, the still new 21st. That, for us, remains to be seen, as it did for our great grandparents in 1905. We know what happened to them and to the United States. I wonder what our great grandchildren will think of when they look back



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## Nominations Sought For FSA

(Knox City, Tx. June 14th)

Knox CountyFarm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director, Michael McDonald, today, announced the USDA will soon begin accepting nomination forms for eligible candidates to serve on local FSA County Committees. The nomination period is from June 15 until August 1. For Knox County, the committee seat up for election in 2005 represents LAA #2, which is south of the Brazos River down to the Haskell County line. It extends from the King County line on the west going east to Highway 267 and Highway 277.

"I encourage local producers to get involved and make a difference in the local agricultural industry by becoming a member of their local FSA County Committee," said McDonald. "FSA County Committees play an important role in the decision making process for commodity price support loan and pay-

ments, conservation and disaster 2 programs and other important Y agricultural issues in impacting community." Almost anyone participating y or cooperating in a local FSA

program and who is of legal voting age can be nominated as a candidated. Individuals may nominate themselves or others.

All nomination forms must be received in the County FSA Office or postmarked by August 1st.. Voting takes place between November 4th and December 5th, 2005.

Knox City Houndette's Hold Car Wash to raise money for their trip to camp this summer. This will be the second year the team has gone to camp.



left to right, Brittany Hawkins, Shana Nicholson, Tiffany Wilde

## **Notice of Public** Meeting

CHILDRESS - The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct a public meeting on July 15, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. in the TxDOT District Office, 7599 US 287, Childress, Texas. The purpose of the meetu ing is to help plan transportation 2 services for elderly person and or persons with disabilities in the Childress District. Counties in 3 the Childress District are Bris-B coe, Childress, Collingsworth, 6 Cottle, Dickens, Donley, Foard, Hall, Hardeman, King, Knox, Motley, and Wheeler.

Interested organizations, pubbe lic entities and individuals within the Childress District are invited to attend this meeting. Those interested in attending the meeting -T who have special communication or accommodation needs Is are encouraged to contact Kim -9 Butler at 940/937-7248 at least -Y two days prior to the meeting. Because the public meeting will hi be conducted in English, any re-98 quests for language interpreters no other special communication .9' needs should also be made at east two days prior to the public meeting. TxDOT will make ev--y ery reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

. To hold office as an FSA County Committee member, a person must meet the basic eligibility requirements described below:

1. Participate or cooperate in a program administered by FSA.

2. Be eligible to vote in a county committee election.

3. Reside in the LAA in which the person is a candidate. (In some cases, this requirement may be waived. Check with the local county office.)

4. A person must not have been:

a. Removed or disqualified from the office of FSA County Committee member. alternate or employee.

b. Removed for cause from any public office or have been convicted of fraud, larceny, embezzlement, or any other felony.

c. Dishonorably discharged from any branch of the armed forces.

Interested individuals who are uncertain about their eligibility to serve on the FSAS County Committee should contact their local FSA office for affirmation of eligibility to serve.

Information on the COC elections, including the nomination form, is available at the local USDA office.

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Here are a few helpful ways to use vinegar and baking soda that perhaps you've never thought

IN THE KITCHEN

Keep it in a spray bottle near the sink and use it to wipe your countertops clean.

Baking Soda

when you cook cauliflower to keep the vegetable snowy white and to cut cooking odors.

adding a pinch of baking soda to the teapot while steeping tea. This will also keep the tea from clouding whether its served hot

IN THE BATHROOM

Vinegar

tracks with vinegar followed by a rinse of hot water to clean them out.

Sprinkle on a damp sponge to scrub away water spots, mildew and rust on fiberglass surfaces without scratching them.

Fill a decorative dish or saucer to keep on top of the toilet tank

Vinegar

Clean hardened paintbrushes by simmering them in a pot with

FOR PERSONAL USE

Vinegar

fungus by soaking those areas in full strength white vinegar.

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AROUND THE HOUSE

vinegar. When doing laundry, add onehalf to one cup to the final clothes rinse cycle to keep colors bright and to remove soap residue.

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Officials deposit \$1 billion in proceeds to speed transportation projects

AUSTIN - Congestion relief in Texas got a huge injection of funds today with the transfer of \$1 billion in bond proceeds into the Texas Mobility Fund.

The proceeds come from the sale last week of bonds backed by the Texas Mobility Fund. Established by the 77th Legislature and approved by Texas voters, the fund allows the Texas Transportation Commission to issue bonds to finance transportation projects in the state.

"This new money will allow the state to build major metropolitan highway projects in half the time it would have previously taken," said Gov. Rick Perry. "Innovative solutions like the Texas Mobility Fund enable the state to solve our transportation needs faster and more efficiently than ever before."

The \$1 billion will be used to pay for such activities as engineering and right-of-way acquisition and to fund much-needed expansion of the state's transportation system. Through the use of bonds, these needed improvements will be delivered to Texans years ahead of the pay-as-you-go method.

TxDOT Executive Director Mike Behrens said that the bond funds will allow TxDOT to accelerate transportation projects by helping to double the financial resources for reducing congestion over the next ten years. "We are working fast to get Texans out of traffic congestion," he said. "We are moving forward on transportation in this state."

After receiving public comment, in September 2004 the commission adopted a Strategic Plan for the Texas Mobility Fund that directed money toward projects involving:

A multimodal approach Local control

Leveraged funding to accelerate projects and maximize financial resources

Priority status to previously requested, locally-supported projects

A success metric focused on speed and efficiency in reducing congestion

The Texas Bond Review Board approved in May the department's request to issue bonds backed by the revenue of the Texas Mobility Fund. The board approved the issuance of \$4 billion in bonds over the next few years, allowing TxDOT and its local partners to plan projects knowing that the necessary funds will be available when needed.

The Texas legislature established the Texas Mobility Fund in 2001. Voters approved the concept that same year. In 2003, legislators authorized money for

The Mobility Fund can help to speed up locally-supported and already-planned projects that reduce congestion, improve safety, expand economic opportunity, and enhance connections among various parts of the state. To receive Mobility Fund monies local areas were asked to submit plans that leveraged their allocation of the Mobility Funds with tolls, user fees, private funds and other revenue sources to stretch limited transportation dollars.

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## **Tips On Preventing Mosquito Bites**

The name may sound exotic--West Nile virus.

But it is the common backyard mosquito that is the troublemaker, the potential carrier of this and other infectious diseases. Most mosquitoes are simply an annoyance, but avoiding mosquito bites is the key to preventing illness.

"We do not know the extent to which West Nile infections or the other mosquito-borne illnesses will affect Texans this year," said Jim Schuermann, staff epidemiologist for vectorborne and zoonotic diseases with the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). "But, we do know that mosquitoes are a problem in every part of the state every year. And there are steps people can take to protect themselves."

At the top of the list is to use an insect repellent containing DEET, picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus. According to a 2003 DSHS survey, 77 percent of the people who got the most serious forms of West Nile infection never used repellent.

"People should read and follow the label instruction," Schuerman said.

DSHS offers the following additional recommendations:

Drain standing water from around your home. Empty cans, buckets, tires, rain gutters, tree holes and saucers under potted plants regularly. Change the water in pet bowls, bird baths and wading pools several times a week. It only takes a thimble of water for mosquitoes to breed.

Limit the amount of time outdoors between dusk and dawn when those mosquitoes more likely to carry infections, are most active.

Dress appropriately when outside in mosquito-infested areas. Cover as much skin as possible to reduce exposure to mosquito bites and use a recommended repellent on exposed skin. Mosquitoes may bite through thin clothing., so spray clothes with repellent containing either DEET or permethrin for extra protec-

Schuermann said it also is important to keep mosquitoes out of the house. "Be sure door, porch and window screens are in good condition," he said.

West Nile virus and other mosquito-borne infections can result in serious illness or death.

"With West Nile virus, older people, especially those who already have medical problems, are most likely to develop the most serious forms of illness including encephalitis and meningitis," Schuermann said.

In 2004, West Nile was detected in 101 Texas counties. A total of 119 human cases of serious West Nile illnesses from 40 counties were reported, including eight deaths.

West Nile infection is caused by the bite of an infected mosquito that gets the virus when feeding on infected birds and other wild animals. It is not transmitted from person to person.

The risk of exposure to West Nile virus is relatively small. Not all mosquito species are able to transmit the virus. Of the species that do, only one in 100 mosquitoes will be infected; and only a small number of people bitten by infected mosquitoes will become

Symptoms usually appear from three to fourteen days after a person is bitten. For most who do develop symptoms, the illness is relatively mild. The most common symptoms of mile infections include fever, headache, muscle aches and drowsiness. About one of 150 people infected will develop a severe form of the illness with intense headache, high fever, nausea, stiff neck and mental confusion. Convulsions, coma and death may follow. For those who survive, recovery may take months.

Other mosquito-borne illnesses include St. Louis encephalitis, eastern equine encephalitis, western equine encephalitis and dengue fever. There is no specific treatment for those infections. For more information, visit DSHS website: www. dshs.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The following was received from Judy Anderson former Knox City resident. My son sent me this article "To Kill An American" I know many have read this. At the same time I feel like a lot of people have never read it as I feel it's a great honor to be an American and I wish to share it.

You probably missed it in the rush of news last week, but there was actually a report that someone in Pakistan had published in a newspaper an offer of a reward to anyone who killed an American, any American.

So an Australian dentist wrote the following to let everyone know what an American is,...so they would know when they found one. (Good on ya, mate!!!)

An American is English, or French, or Italian, Irish, German, Spanish, Polish, Russian or

An American may also be Canadian, Mexican, African, Indian, Chines, Japanese, Korean, Australian, Iranian, Asian, or Arab, or Pakistan, or Afghan.

An American may also be a Cherokee, Osage, Blackfoot, Navaho, Apache, Seminole or one of the many other tribes know as native Americans.

An American is Christian, or he could be Jewish, or Buddhist, or Muslim.

In fact, there are more Muslims in American than in Afghanistan The only difference is that in America they are free to worship as each of them choos-

An American is also free to believe in no religion. For that he will answer only to God, not to the government, or to armed thugs claiming to speak for the government and for God.

An American lives in the most prosperous land in the history of the world.

The root of that prosperity can be found in the Declaration of Independence, which recognizes the God given right of each person to the pursuit of happiness.

An American is generous. Americans have helped out just about every other nation in the world in their time of need. When Afghanistan was over-

run by the Soviet army 250 years ago, Americans came with arms and supplies to enable the people to win back their country.!

As of the morning of September 11, Americans had given more than any other nation to the poor in Afghanistan.

Americans welcome the best, the best products, the best books, the best music, the best food, the best athletes. But they also welcome the least.

The national symbol of America, The Statue of Liberty, welcomes your tired and your poor, the wretched refuse of your teeming shores, the homeless, tempest tossed. These in fact are the people who built America.

Some of them were working in the Twin Towers the morning of September 11, 2004 earning a better life for their families. I've been told that the World Trade Center victims ere from at least 30 other countries, cultures, and first languages, including those that aided and abetted the terror-

So you can try to kill an American if you must.

Hitler did. So did General Tojo, and Stalin, and Mao Tse-Tung, and every bloodthirsty tyrant in the history of the world.

But, in doing so you would just be killing yourself. Because Americans are not a particular people form a particular place. They are the embodiment of the human spirit of freedom. Everyone who holds to that spirit, everywhere, is an American.

Author unknown.

## An Old Farmer's Advice:

- \* Your fences need to be horse-high, pig-tight and bull-
- \* Keep skunks and bankers and lawyers at a distance. \* Life is simpler when you
- \* A bumble bee is considerably faster than a John Deere

plow around the stump.

- \* Words that soak into your ears are whispered...not yelled.
- \* Meanness don't jes' happen overnight. \* Forgive your enemies. It
- messes up their heads. \* Do not corner something that you know is meaner than
- \* It don't take a very big person to carry a grudge.
- \* You cannot unsay a cruel
- \* Every path has a few pud-\* When you wallow with
- pigs, expect to get dirty. \* The best sermons are lived, not preached.
- \* Most of the stuff people worry about ain't never gonna happen anyway.
- \* Don't judge folks by their relatives.

\* Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.

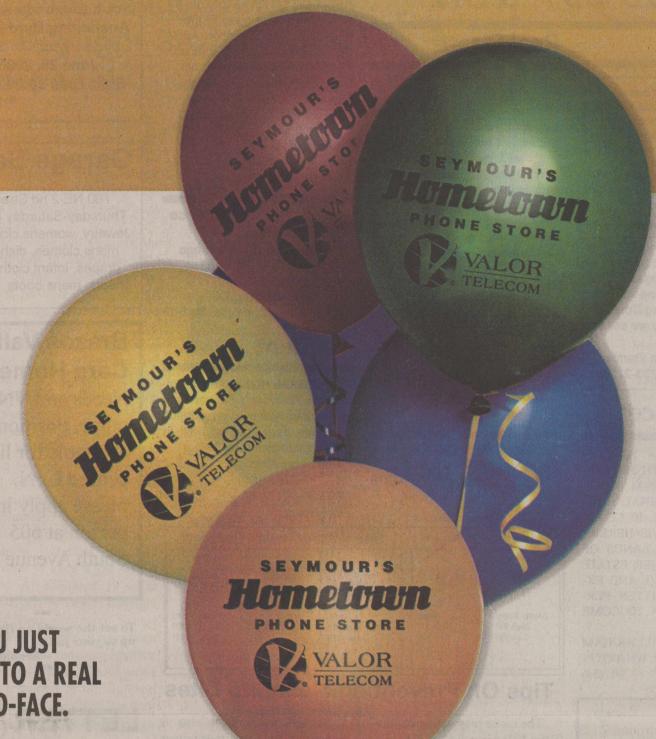
\* Live a good, honorable life.

- Then when you get older and think back, you'll enjoy it a second time.
- \* Don't interfere with somethin' that ain't botherin' you
- \* Timing has a lot to do with the outcome of a rain dance.
- \* If you find yourself in a hole, the first thing to do is stop
- \* Sometimes you get, and sometimes you get got. \* The biggest troublemaker you'll probably ever have to deal
- ror every mornin' \* Always drink upstream from the herd.

with, watches you from the mir-

- \* Good judgment comes from experience, and a lotta that comes from bad judgment. \* Lettin' the cat outta the bag
- is a whole lot easier than puttin' it back in. \* If you get to thinkin' you're a person of some influence, try orderin'somebody else's dog around.
- \* Live simply. Love generously. Care deeply. Speak kindly. Leave the rest to God.

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