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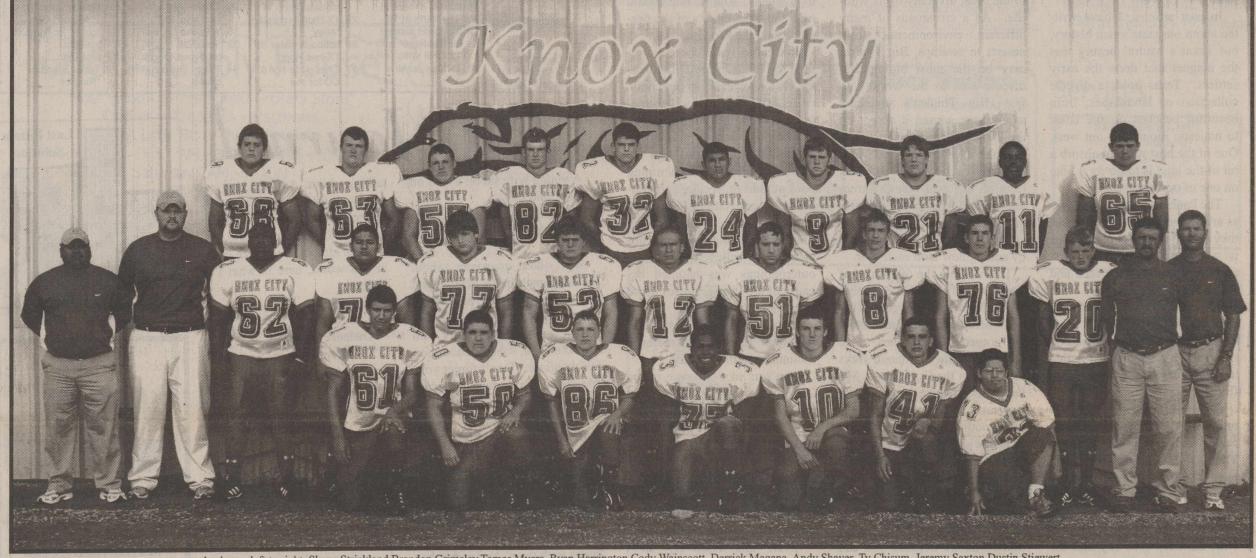
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# Greyhounds Win 26-25 Over the Roby Lions

Let's hear it for the Greyhounds. The Knox City Grevhounds rolled into the Lion's Den of Roby, Texas Friday night. The final score was a breathtakingly close 26-25.

The stands were packed leaving only room on the fence line for the dedicated fans to cheer on their favorite red and blue team. Upon examining the stats for Friday's battle it might surprise anyone to know that the Greyhounds lost in almost every offensive category except the one that says final score. This raises the question, how did our Greyhounds win when the stats were clearly in favor of the Lions? This reporter has the answer. Heart! Guts! Pride! Dedication! These are the qualities that this football team has that do not show up in the box score.

The first quarter started slow with a Lion safety giving them a 2-0 lead, but the Greyhounds soon fought back. Derrick Magana and quarterback Andy Shaver connect for the first of the Greyhound scores with 7:03 left in the second quarter. The Lion's were not to be out done. They answered back four minutes later with a drive that culminated in a Td punched in from the one yard

line, leaving the score 6-9 in the Lion's favor.

At the start of the fourth quarter the Hounds were still down, but not out. They stepped up to the challenge by striking twice in the fourth to take the lead. The first score came on a Cody Wainscott run of three yards. The next score came with 6:33 left in the forth when Derrick Magana showed his impressive

speed with a 13 yard carry to the

The Greyhound would have been happy if the game would have ended this way, but the Roby Lions, being the true competitors that they are, answer late in the fourth with 23 seconds left bringing the score to nail biting 26 to 25.

The Greyhounds still have some cob webs that need to be

cleared away, but are looking good this early in the year. The Hounds accumulated 156 yards rushing and 86 yards passing for a total 242 total offense. The Hounds offense is still looking for the cure for the fumble bug. They had 4 fumbles and lost two. of them. All-in-all the Hounds made K.C. proud with their performance and are expected to go far this season.

# **Knox City-O'Brien CISD Welcomes New Teachers**

New head volleyball coach Colby Davis is turning heads this year. She is leading this team to great victories and seems to have a great relationship with the girls. This is her first job as a teacher as she comes fresh from Texas Tech with a Bachelors degree in Exercise and Sports Science, and a minor in English. When she is not on the court, she is in the classroom molding minds to American History and Texas History at O'Brien Middle School. You might also look for her as the assistant basketball, tennis and track coach this year.

Kristi Moeller, wife to Rick Moeller, is this year's 4th grade teacher. She has two daughters Lynndy, who is a junior, and Tanna, who is in 4th grade, and

one son Bandy, who is in the 8th grade. She graduated from Tarleton State University with a Bachelors in Science of Education and taught at Munday for 15 years. With one more year at Alvarado under her belt, she is expected to do well here and says that she is happy to be back in a small community where you have a sense of belonging.

Our new 1st grade teacher is Monica Fox. Originally from Stephenville, Tx, she moved here from Crawford a year and a half ago with her family. Her husband, Jeff Fox, is the manager of Agriliance. She has two sons, Garrett, who is in the fourth grade, and Gage. Monica has taught full time for 6 years and worked in education for 8.

She said her family has been welcomed with open arms, and is very happy that they chose to reside in Knox City.

Another first timer is Jennifer Utley who works in our Special Education and Early Childhood programs. She is married to Terry Utley, Knox County Extension Agent. They both moved to Knox City in late December and have adjusted to the life of a small town. This is Jennifer's first teaching job as well as we welcome her from Tarleton State University.

She is currently working on her teaching certificate through an alternate certification program. They have no children but love cooking and going to stock-

## **Aaron Lewis** Named **Police Chief**

The Knox City Council appointed Aaron Lewis chief of police Tuesday August 23, 2005.

Chief Lewis had previously been acting chief of police after the departure of former police chief Harry Steen. The police department has one more position to fill, and the knox city council is considering two options, The first option would be the hiring of an additional patrolman to work under chief Lewis. Under the second option the Knox County Sheriffs department would provide a deputy to be available as need in Knox City.

The Knox City Council is currently accepting applications for the position of police officer. The City Council will discuss the options at the next city council meeting on September 8th at 7:00 p.m.

# **Community Visioning Team**

The Knox County Community Visioning Team meet September 23 at the community center of Knox City.

The visioning teem discussed, progress they had made up to this point. They agreed they are at mile marker seven, which is setting short term and long term goals to reach their destination.

The teem discussed the three community goals which are-1. acknowledgable engaged citizenry who understands the counties assets and vision in what needs to be done to make the vision a reality -2. A regained and expanded business community throughout the county by the year 2010.-3.. New industry and career opportunities found throughout the county.

The team determined that these goals were correct for achieving economic development in Knox County.

The teem discussed electing or appointing chair persons for each of the three goals.

Barbara Rector, Knox City Administrator was asked to chair the committee to work on goal two. Barbara accepted.

Dwayne Bearden, will chair the committee to work on goal three. The visioning teem is seeking a chair person for goal number one. The chair person for goal number one should be skilled in the following: communication, organization, publishing and be an outgoing community cheer leader.

The next Community Visioning meeting will be held September 6 th at 5:30 p.m. at the Community Center in Knox City.

County Judge Travis Floyd hopes for increased community participation and asks that anyone interested in becoming involved contact him via e-mail concerning the best time and days of the week to have the community visioning meetings.

Judge Floyd can be reached as 940-459-2191 or e-mail at tfloyd@srcaccess.net

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# Kay Bailey Hutchison **United States Senator**

# Hike Through the Natural Beauty of Texas

While there is so much I love about Texas, it is the connection between the people and the land that makes it special. The land influences everything from the crops our farmers cultivate to the way people think. I suspect our land, with its big skies and wideopen spaces, is one of the things that have contributed to so many Texans turning big dreams into reality.

In past articles, I have written about our state's rich history, but Texas's natural beauty was the magnet that drew the early settlers. Texas holds a diverse collection of landscapes, from beautiful beaches on the coast to majestic mountains out west. One of the best ways to absorb a bit of the land is to go for a hike on one of our many trails.

The Panhandle and North Texas are known for their plains, but they are anything but plain. This is where many easterners first encounter the tumbleweeds and vistas that tell them they have finally reached the true West. The big skies make for some of the most beautiful sunsets in the world and make it possible to watch powerful storms roll in from a distance.

Some of the most breath-taking sites, and some of the most scenic trails, are in the canyons. The Caprock Canyons have over 90 miles of trails snaking through a landscape bursting with color: the whites, reds, and browns of the canyons contrast with the deep-blue sky and the green vegetation. There, you can hike and catch sight of the state's largest herd of bison. You can also venture out to Lake Mer-

edith, which provides abundant bass and walleye fishing. Or you can mosey on over to Possum Kingdom Lake to fossil hunt or to watch the turkey vultures soar overhead near Morris Sheppard

Over to the east, in the Piney Woods, is a national treasure: Big Thicket. This area has been called "America's ark" because of the great diversity of its wildlife. As a crossroads of many different environments, from deserts to swamps, Big Thicket may be the most biologically diverse area in the world. In fact, Big Thicket's abundant assets have earned it a spot on the United Nations' short list of Biosphere Reserves in the world that deserve protection. It has at least 85 different types of trees and over 300 different varieties of birds. I and many others are working to increase this preserve by adding new land each year.

Down along the 600 miles of Texas's Gulf coastline are some incredible beaches. A gem of the Gulf of Mexico, Padre Island, has gorgeous sand dunes. One of my favorite childhood treks was also on the Gulf Coast. My family used to take the ferry from Galveston to Bolivar to visit my grandmother in Beaumont. My brothers and I would climb up to the top of the ferry and stand tall to let the wind and the water blow in our faces. If you venture down to Corpus Christi, a rainy day will not spoil your appreciation of nature because you can always take a hike in the Texas State Aquarium. Experienced divers can swim through Texas's aquatic beauty by taking a deep

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water dive in the Flower Garden Banks, a series of pristine reefs south of Galveston Island.

On the way down to the Valley, Laguna Madre offers an opportunity to check out the lagoons and enjoy fly-fishing. In the Valley, the abundant wildlife provides both excellent birdwatching and great game hunting with everything from hares to javelinas. And no one should miss the quiet beauty of the desert around the Rio Grande.

In Central Texas, there are refreshing hikes in the Hill Country that showcase its greenery, rivers, and natural rock formations. During hot summer days, you can rest in the shade of the numerous cedar trees or go for a swim in the natural swimming pool at Barton Springs. In Enchanted Rock Natural Area, there is a nice four-mile hike through rock outcroppings. Some ancient tribes believed one of the outcroppings was haunted because of the strange noises heard from the granite at night.

Finally, out in far West Texas lies some of the most majestic mountains in the country.

You can hike on some of the 280 miles of trails in Big Bend and Guadalupe National Parks. And there is even a way to appreciate Texas's natural beauty at night; just pay a visit to Mc-Donald Observatory where astronomy enthusiasts can enjoy the "darkest night skies in the continental" United States.

Even this relatively short hike through just a handful of the state's treasures reveals that Texans have been blessed with a great deal of natural beauty

# It's A Boy!

Alex and Kate Roesler are pleased to announce the birth of Benjamin Jacob Roesler on June 22, 2005 at Presbyterian Hospital in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Ben Jacob weighed 7 lbs. 13 oz. and measured 22 inches long. Grandparents Benny and Belle Grill and Aunt Diahndra Grill were on hand to welcome their first grandson and nephew into the world.

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A young wife sat on a sofa on

drinking iced tea and visiting

life, about marriage, about

with her Mother. As they talked

the responsibilities of life and

the obligations of adulthood,

the mother clinked the ice cubes

in her glass thoughtfully and

turned a clear, sober glance upon

her daughter. "Don't forget your

friends," she advised, swirl-

ing the tea leaves to the bottom

of her glass." They'll be more

important as you get older. No

matter how much you love your

husband, no matter how much

you love the children you may

have, you are still going to need

friends. Remember to go places

with them now and then; do

things with them. And remember

that "Friends" also means your.

your daughters, and other wom-

en relatives too. You'll need oth-

er women. Women always do."

vice!' the young woman thought.

'Haven't I just gotten married?

Haven't I just joined the couple-

world? I'm now a married wom-

an, for goodness sake! A grown-

up. Surely my husband and the

family we may start will be all

I need to make my life worth-

But she listened to her Mother.

She kept contact with her friends

and made more women friends

each year. As the years tumbled

by, one after another, she gradu-

ally came to understand that her

Mom really knew what she was

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After almost 50 years of living in this world, here is what I've

- Time passes.
- Life happens.
- Distance separates. Children grow up.
- Love waxes and wanes.
- Hearts break. Careers end.
- Jobs come and go. Parents die.
- Colleagues forget favors.

Men don't call when they say they will. BUT friends are there, no matter how much time and how many miles are between you. A friend is never farther away than needing her can reach. When you have to walk that lonesome valley, and you have to walk it for yourself, your friend will be on the valley's rim, cheering you on, praying for you, pulling for you, intervening on your behalf, and waiting with open arms at the valley's end. Sometimes, they will even break the

My "FRIENDs" bless my life. The world wouldn't be the same without them, and neither would I. When we began this adventure called womanhood, we had no idea of the incredible joys or sorrows that lay ahead.

rules and walk beside you. Or

come in and carry you out.

Nor did we know how much we would need each other. Every day, we need each other still.

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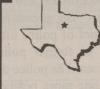
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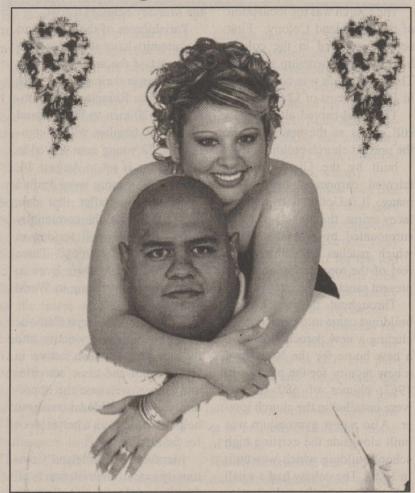
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# Wedding Announcement



LaTrisha Michelle Andrade to Manuel Ledesma Jr.

Jessie and Nancy Andrade of Wichita Falls are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter.

LaTrisha Michelle Andrade to Manuel Ledesma Jr. Son of Mary Ledesma of Knox City and the late Manuel Ledesma.

The couple will be married on September 10, 2005 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Rhineland Texas.

# TT'S THE PITT'S by: Lee Pitts

Quality Time (Best Of)

Isn't it amazing that with everything we eat trying to murder us these days that man is living longer than ever? In the Roman days the average life span of a human being was only 25 years and that was before they even knew about cholesterol. It couldn't have been all those sex orgies that did them in at such an early age. Could it?

If you are a man in today's society I have exciting news for you on how you can increase your life expectancy by two whole years: Have a sex change operation because women live two years longer than men on the average. There is, of course, a good reason why women outlive their spouses: So they can throw out our stuff, watch whatever they want on TV and collect on our life insurance.

One would think that animals would live longer than man because they eat whole grain cereals and "natural food" all the time. They don't drive cars or smoke

cigarettes, except of course for lab mice. So, I was shocked recently while glancing through the encyclopedia (yes, that's how boring my life's become lately) that I could find only one species of animal that lives longer than man.

That's right, it's the turtle. One even lived to be 152 years old, which is 22 in dog years. Turtles lives so long because they never get in a hurry, don't fly in airplanes or eat anything with monosodium glutamate in it. And, get this, adult turtles never meet their offspring! No wonder they live so long!

Actually, man has a pretty good thing going for him in comparison to most animals when it comes to life expectancy. I don't how the May fly got its name because it certainly doesn't live a month. Within hours it is born, has sex and dies shortly thereafter. I guess it figures life couldn't get any better so why go on living?

back as a goldfish... you'd sure surprise you're mother-in-law.

The housefly and the mosquito

only live six weeks on the aver-

age because they go around pes-

tering people all the time. That

should be a lesson to PETA mem-

bers and the folks who knock on

The butterfly lives only eight weeks which proves my theory

that the uglier you are the longer

you live. With my face I figure

I've got at least sixty good years

left. Canaries live twenty years

Just think how long they

would live if they were meat eat-

ers! Camels live 28 years which

is also the life expectancy of

average life expectancy of 6

years but that was before they

started eating three truckloads

of saccharin a day and scien-

tists started breeding them to die

at the drop of a hat. And by the

way, if chicken is so good for you

and beefsteak so bad, how come

chickens only live to be 6 years

old and cows ten? Not that I am

complaining, six years is entirely

If you were to die and come

too long for a chicken anyway.

The mouse used to have an

anyone who smokes them.

and crows thirty.

my front door all the time.

Not only that but you'd only live ten years in your new life. Dogs also live ten years on average, sheep 13 and squirrels, cats, goats and monkeys all live to the ripe old age of fifteen. Horses and jackasses only live to be 20 and they eat tons of oat bran and alfalfa sprouts.

Then there is modern man. Despite the fact that we already live on average to the ripe old age of 74 years we continue to worry ourselves to death about living even longer. If we don't quit all this worrying about living longer I'm afraid we'll be survived by our wives, kids, the May fly, mosquitoes and cocky capons.

The only other animal that even comes close to living as long as humans and turtles is the goose. The goose is also known for being more intelligent than those people who actually spend the winter in Canada. I'd suggest that we could probably learn a thing or two about living longer from the goose and the turtle: fly right, develop a thick hide, honk if you're happy, slow down, mate for life and when life gets too difficult crawl into your shell and take a long nap.

# ROLLING PLAINS RAMBLINGS

Tomorrow: Challenge and Opportunity

This column is for the young people in Knox and surrounding counties. This is about the challenges and opportunities you will face. Your challenges are going to be far more troublesome than your parents, your grandparents or old codgers like me ever faced.

These challenges are frightening, but please, please read on to your opportunities. These are fantastic, also. You can best prepare yourselves by taking your learning in school very seriously. The more you know now, the better prepared you will be to solve the problems and take advantage of the exciting opportunities.

This week we've faced one such challenge, the Category 5 hurricane which struck the Gulf coast. Damages will be extensive; reports of casualties are not yet in as I write. This, may, or may not be Global Climate Change at work. Europe is suffering unprecedented flooding and drought. Meteorologists tell us hurricanes will increase in number and strength. Global warming means warmer oceans;

hurricanes draw their energy from warm seas.

Global Climate Change is already causing other serious problems. Glaciers are melting rapidly, threatening critical water supplies. Reduced ice packs are having serious problems for Alaskan natives. Deserts are expanding.

Climate Change will cause the Knox County area to become warmer and drier, reducing water supplies enough to have serious impacts on farming and ranching by 2020. Rainfall will be unable to recharge water reserves.

Impacts from Katrina kicked the oil prices up to \$70 plus. The extreme price of oil will force us to explore alternative energy sources. Your area is far-sighted with your pioneering in wind power.

Increasing energy prices will affect the national economy. We already have the highest national debt in history, with low savings levels for both individuals and corporations. Most of our debt is owed to foreign countries, which puts our nation in potentially serious danger. This is emphasized by the growing economies of In-

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dia, China and South Korea.

These are only some of your problems in the future. You will have to learn to deal with them as those of us in the older generation move on. Dealing with them means learning as much as possible while you are still in school. The future world will be one of information.

Fantastic things are ahead for you if you deal effectively with these challenges. My generation is living to about 75 years; 100 years ago most people barely hit 50 years. Your generation will probably live to 100 or beyond and you will be very healthy.

The biomedical field is exploding. Within a dozen years, should an accident paralyze your arms or legs, physicians will give you the use of arms or legs again with routine operations. Nanotechnology may enable technicians to put nanorobots in your blood stream to clear out cholesterols and other problems from your system.

Nanotube clothes already are on the market which eliminate dirt and stains. These nanotube clothes can be worn in the rain without getting wet. Before

long, "smart" clothes will tell you about health problems, contain computers and radios.

Tell a man he is brave and you

-Thomas Carlyle

help him become so.

"Smart" houses will automatically adjust the lighting and temperature in your house, will keep track of your groceries and order replacements, track some of your medical problems and keep you and your doctor informed.

In Knox county you are already pioneering in the energy revolution with your developing wind generators. By your midage, each house may produce its own energy, through wind generators, solar panels, and energy friendly homes.

You are already participating in the communications revolution, with cell phones, but many more developments are in the offing. More and more activities are being linked through communications and computer developments.

This new world will require more of you if you are going to solve the challenges and take advantage of the opportunities. Take advantage of your educa-

I envy you young people with such a future

BY A.W. ERWIN

# BAXTER BLACK

ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

Technology is now available to count cattle on a Forest Service permit from outer space, to construct material for space shuttles that can withstand 3,000° temperature on reentry into the earths's atmosphere, and to plastic wrap a tool in Ace Hardware that cannot be opened by the Jaws of Life.

Farriers are still using the same technology the Romans did when they conquered England in 55 BC. If we can do all these things, why haven't we figured out a better way to shoe horses? I'm not sure what it would be? Glue on with epoxy, inject Jell-O in their veins, a titanium wrap, impregnate the hoof with diamonds.

The two fields most closely related to farriary, weight lifting and carpentry have advanced slightly with the advent of Gatorade and the self-retracting measuring tape, but horse shoeing still remains a primitive technology.

Another endeavor that remains much unchanged is the tricky little job of "bean" cleaning in male horses, and it's counterpart, the also ancient veterinary practice of expressing the anal glands in dogs.

Both procedures require some skill, some would say even artistry, but in this modern age you would think some new technology would have come along involving suction,, or centrifugal force or trained spelunking invertebrates, wouldn't you?

Another field ripe for renovation is fly swatting. I will grant that insecticides do a great job at mass extinction but I'm talking about the one lone Musca domestica that keeps landing in the potato salad at the picnic or buzzes around your room at night after you've turned off the lights, or keeps landing on your nose while you're trying to pass the pipette into a recipient heifer.

If NASA can hit a comet moving at the speed of Halley a jillion miles away, surely we could invent a device that could zap a fly on a paper plate at six feet. Something like a heat-sensitive lock-on-target laser beam disintegrator. It could be incorporated into your cell phone, carving knife, or dentures, Just snap your jaws to fire! You could pick flies off someone you're talking to, a cow you're milking, or Aunt Effie's friend chicken without lifting a finger!

But in the meantime, we humans must carry on shoeing our own horses, shearing our own sheep and picking our own noses, until technology catches up. I guess I can wait.

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Life is short; live it up.
—Nikita Khrushchev

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"....then I said, "Yuh big idiot, the nearest lake is over a hunnert miles away!"

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# EARLY HISTORY OF THE RHINELAND COMMUNITY

As plans are progressing for the upcoming 110th anniversary of the Rhineland Community, the thoughts of many parishioners are turning to the early settlers of the community and their sacrifices and contributions to what we are enjoying today.

The German Catholic Colony of Rhineland had its official beginning with the signing of a contract between J.C. League and George E. Mann, landowners, and the Reverend Joseph Reisdorff, Catholic priest, and Hugo Herchenbach, land agent, agreeing to assign 12,000 acres for a colony. Contract was executed on January 31, 1895, and notarized on February 1, 1895.

Father Reisdorff and Hugo Herchenbach agreed that Knox County, with its rich soil ideally suited for cotton growing, would make a good site for a Catholic settlement. Father Reisdorff, being from Germany, with the well-known cold, clear and deep Rhein River (also spelled Rhine), was no doubt influenced to name the new colony "Rhineland". This name is included in the contract.

Advertising began soon after the signing of the contract. It is known that as early as June, 1895, announcement of the new colony was seen as far as Fort Dodge, Iowa. Circulars were distributed, one side in German and the other in English, giving detailed information on the crops that could be grown in Rhineland, price of land, information on church and school and how to reach the colony. Advertising highlighted the healthful climate, wood for fence posts and firewood, good well water to be obtained at fifteen to thirty-five feet and the fertile soil for growing wheat, oats, corn, barley, milo, grass, cotton and fruit and vegetables.

Contract specified the price of land to be \$5.00 per acre, not applicable to town-sites. One hundred acres were designated for a town-site and the contract specified that ten (10) acres of this was to be in one block and donated and deeded to the Catholic Church.

A colony house had been constructed shortly after the contract was signed and immigration to the colony had begun. Travel to the colony was by team and wagon. Settlers worked the land and planted crops as soon as they settled. Success in farming came only after the settlers became equipped for West Texas farming and its demands and finding outlets for their products. By 1908 most had passed the critical stage of pioneering. They experienced both good and bad years. The year 1896 was a crop failure followed by a bumper crop in 1897. The prosperous crop year brought hope and renewed confidence to all settlers. The first self-binder to cut grain and a small horse-powered threshing machine were introduced to the Rhineland farmers in 1897. Market price for wheat was from \$1.00 to \$1.25 per bushel. After experiencing great trouble in getting their 1897 cotton crop ginned, a cotton gin was built. Heavy machinery was moved from Seymour with the help of people of Rhineland and for a long period of time, this was the only cotton gin in Knox County. It was also the first gin to process "bolly cotton", i.e. cotton bolls that remained unopened or partly opened. Machinery was rigged up to open the bolls by installing a homemade threshing cylinder and running the unopened bolls through this thresher and then into the gin. The cottonseed was sold to cattlemen for feed as there was no other outlet for the cottonseed. With respect for the inventions of the Rhineland community regarding the ginning of the "bolly cotton", factories used Rhineland gin as a proving ground for newer "bolly cotton".

Rhineland had a post office

Today, the "bolly" machine is

called an extractor because it

extracts the burrs from the cot-

ton and is standard equipment of

cotton gins.

in the Colony House for a short while after the first settlers came. Mail was brought in by buggy or on horseback from Goree, Texas, twice a week. Rhineland became a rural route out of Munday, Texas, in 1917.

In 1898, the Colony added a blacksmith to its list of craftsmen. First general store was built in 1897 and in 1900, another general store was added to the community. A Farmers'Union Sore was organized in 1917 and was called the Rhineland Mercantile Company.

Virtually every farmer in the community had stock in the store. Later two garages and "gas" stations were also in existence furnishing servicing of tractors and farm machinery as well as automobiles. Today the community still has The Rhineland Coop Gin, R.A.S. Trucking, Inc., and the Myers Elevator.

The Rhineland Colony was not at a loss for cultural activities. A band, named "Lone Star Band of Rhineland", was organized and was composed of persons with great musical abilities. Concerts were given by the band at neighboring towns. A choir in the colony was also composed of musically talented people and held an equally good record in the musical field. The choir continued to grow and to this day remains a choir of distinction.

The church was the focal point of the Rhineland Colony. First settlers gathered in the colony house for their worship services. The first church was constructed in 1900 at a cost of \$2,000.00.

The hand-carved altar, which still serves as the main altar in the present church building, was

built by the Gier Brothers, talented carpenters from Germany. It is Gothic with slender, lacey spires, the highest of these surmounted by a golden cross which reaches to within eight feet of the topmost point in the present sanctuary.

Throughout the years, new buildings came into existence including a new parochial school, a new home for the Nuns, and a new rectory for the pastor. In 1967, chimes of 680 carillon were installed in the church tower. Also a new gymnasium was built alongside the existing high school building which was built in 1926. The colony had a small school house built at the beginning as specified in the contract with Mr. League.

Nuns were teachers in the parochial school with lay teachers in the public high school. The school trustees declared the Rhineland

School District No. 11 dormant after the 1968-69 school year due to a drop in enrollment. Children from Rhineland entered

the Munday School District.

Parishioners of the Rhineland Community have always tried to be a part of the area's activities and wherever their services were needed .The Rhineland Community sent 20 men to World I and out of 97 families in the community, 72 young men served in World War II up to August 14, 1945. Many more were drafted or volunteered after that date and to this date, the community has young men still serving in service to their country. Three young men gave their lives in World War II and one in World

Today the St. Joseph Catholic Church remains very active and its members are also active in local school and civic activities and always welcome the opportunity to serve all local causes to help make the area a better place for family life.

Members of Rhineland Community extend an invitation to all friends, neighbors, and all others interested in area history to join them September 17, 2005, to celebrate their 110th Anniversary. An afternoon of fun, fellowship, great food booths and entertainment is being planned so come on out!!!! Celebration begins at 2:00 P.M. with celebration of Holy Mass at 7:00 P.M. and more visitation and fun to follow after the 7:00 services.

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McMarson from the Seymour class, and The All-Around Student award was presented to Jessica Holland from the Vernon day class and Kimberly Morgan from the Seymour class.

The Vocational Nursing Program is a one-year program that prepares students to take the Licensing Exam for Vocational Nurses. After passing the exam, a vocational nurse can give direct patient care with the supervision of a registered nurse or physician. The 27 graduates from 2004-2005 are the following: Seymour Class- Angie Campos, Seymour; Rick Decker, Haskell, Linda Donnell, Seymour; Krisi Hager, Munday, Kristi Hamm, Graham, Ashley Harrison, Knox City, Veda Hilbers, Seymour; Krissa McCarson, Megargel' Kimberly Morgan, Seymour, Amanda Myers, Munday; Christopher Taylor. Megargel, Ashley Turner, Knox City.

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# Benjamin News

By Gladene Green

It's another fairly pleasant day over here at the Capital of Knox "today". We are all saying our prayers for the poor people in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama and all other parts feeling the effects of Katrina. Such devastation one can only imagine! Television brings it to us with what I imagine is a pretty vivid account of it but I am sure first hand knowledge of it would really make us extra thankful that we live in this part of the country.

It was a good-night for football fans in the county Firday night as all the teams won their opening game of the season. Benjamin beat Moran by a score of 68-18. This week Samnorwood comes here for the match up which begins at 7:30. Be there if you can to support the Mustangs.

The Volleyball girls were in a tournament in Bryson Saturday. The Varsity girls came in 4th and the Jr. Varsity won the first place trophy. Not a bad showing at all. Leroy West remains in Harris Hospital in Ft. Worth and still having several problems. I talked to him on Sunday night and he did not feel well at all and just asks us all to keep praying for him and Gloria. They know they still have some tough times ahead but hopefully things will begin to turn around for them after his problems are all diagnosed and treatment has begun. He has had a viral infection and he said that was about cleared up so that's one bit of good news.

Randolph and Judy Barnett and Loraine Powers visited him Sunday afternoon. I'm sure Leroy and Gloria would appreciate a card, note or phone call from friends in the area. Just send cards to their box here and if you want to call, let some of us know and we will give you the num-

Days do get long in a hospital.

Charles and Mary Sue Flannery of Alvin visited her Aunt, Earlene Meinzer recently. They were in the area to be with his family during the death of his mom who lived at Haskell. Mary Sue id formerly of Munday she was Mary Sue Ballard and I went to school with her way back when!!

Pete and Elissa Barnett who live in Colorado spent a few days here recently with grandparents, Randolph and Judy Barnett. They met them in Dalhart for the trip down here and took them back that far where they were met by their parents for the trip home.

Chance Propps left Thursday for Austin to get settled in for his freshman year at U.T. His parents, James and Stacia made the trip to Austin with him to see that all was well with their first born as he embarks on this new phase of his life.

Jessica Moorhouse who is beginning her freshmen year at Tarleton State was home Tuesday to visit family and gather up a few more things she'll be needing in her dorm. Her family Mike Debbie and Will ere in Stephenville Saturday to visit and help her to continue her settling into the

My granddaughter and her son of Childress visited me Wednesday night an spent the night with her mom, Debbie Moorhouse and family. They went to Dallas Thursday for Dillion to see he Dr. He got a good report and all are very thankful for that. Thanks to all who have expressed concern and offered prayers in his and his family's behalf. It's been a pretty scary anxious two years since he first got sick but things are definitely getting better.

Lexis Taylor of Childress spent the weekend with grandparent Mike and Debbie Moorhouse and went to see Jessica on Sat-

### **Former Knox County** Citizen Celebrates 100th Birthday

Lucille Hardberger Littleton, from Ozona, Texas, celebrated her 100th birthday at the Ozona Civic Center on August 27th. She was born September 1, 1905 in the small community of Heifner in Haskell County. Growing up, she lived with her family in Munday, Knox County and Lubbock. She graduated from Knox City in 1923. She moved to Ozona as a bride in 1928.

A reception to honor this long time West Texas resident and much respected former Ozona school teacher was given by her sister and brother-in-law, Geniece and Pleas Childress of Ozona, and by her sister-in-law Bess Hardberger of San Antonio and by her nieces and nephews and their families. Lucille is the aunt of Pleas Childress III & wife Sandra Ellis Childress, daughter of Beatrice Ellis of O'Brien.

At the beginning of the reception, the Hardin Simmons University Cowboy Band played a short concert in her honor. She is a graduate of Hardin Simmons and served as a trustee of that university. The band is particularly special to her, as her late husband, Lowell Littleton, former Ozona banker, was a charter member when they were in college there in the early 1920's.

Introductory remarks, during the reception, were made by nephew, Phil Hardberger, Mayor of San Antonio.

Family, former Ozona students, former foreign students to whom she gave assistance, friends from Ozona, San Angelo, Midland, Dallas, the Lubbock area and other parts of Texas helped her to celebrate this occasion.

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## **October TAKS Exit Test**

The October administration of the exit level TAKS and TAAS test will be conducted at 9:00 a.m. at Knox City High School on the following dates: October 18, 2005-**English Language Arts** October 19, 2005-Mathematics

October 20, 2005-Social Studies October 21, 2005-Science

Students enrolled in the 10th, 11th, and 12th grades are eligible to a take any section of the exit level tests that they have not yet mastered. In addition, individuals who are out of school may test at this administration.

Individuals who are no longer enrolled in a Texas public school and who wish to register to retake the TAKS test may pick up a registration packet at the high school office in Knox City. The test registration form must be completed and returned in the pre addressed envelope and must be received in Iowa City, Iowa, no later than 5:00 p.m., September 16, 2005. You can also register for the test at gttp://k12testing. tx.ncspearson.com.

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8:00 a.m.-?

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The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Strawn 5400 formation, Burnett, S.B. Estate "GG" Lease, Well Numbers 22 and 44. The proposed injection wells are located approximately fifteen miles southeast of Guthrie in the GG, East (Strawn 5400) Field, King County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 2850' to 5540'.

LEGAL **AUTHORITY:** Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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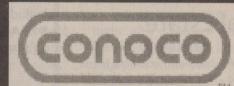
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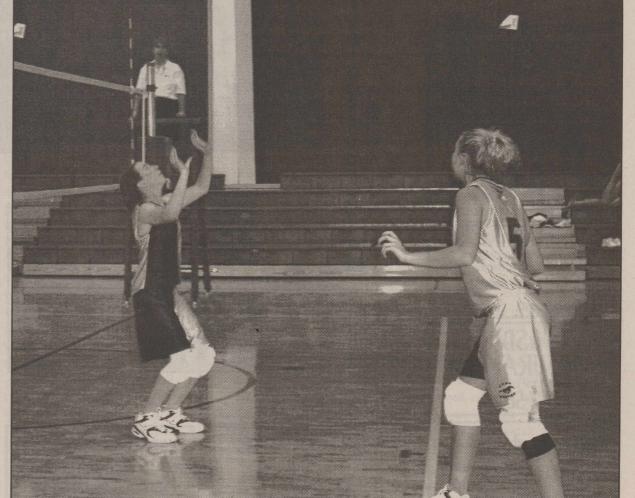
Benjamin Mustangs defeated Moran last Friday night the game was called with one minute and forthfive seconds left in the fourth quarter.

# Guthrie wins 30-0

Guthrie Jaugars defeated Paint Creek Frday night the game was called with nine minutes remaining in the second quarter.



Devon Jones serves the ball at Saturday's tournament in Bryson.



Shaylee Propps sets the ball to fellow team mate Katlyn Kuehler.

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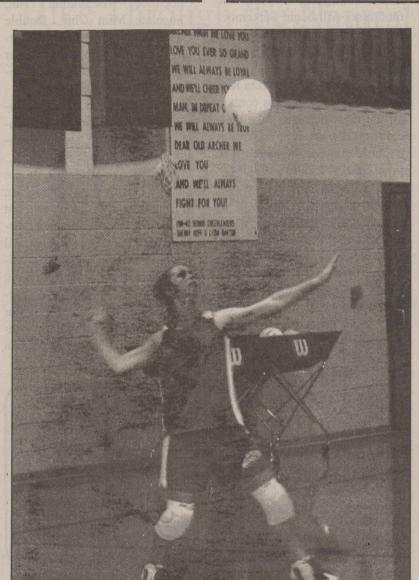
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Tiffany Wilde serves the ball at Saturday's game in Archer City.

## **Houndettes Place First** In Saturday's Tournament

The Lady Houndettes varsity team once again went on the road to take on the already defeated Archer City Lady Cats. They were successful in their endeavors as they ended the day with a satisfying game count of 25-12 in the first, 23-25 in the second, 25-14 in the third, 19-25 in the fourth, and a close 15-12 in the game winning tie breaker. With bumps, sets, and spikes, the Houndettes couldn't have shown more team spirit and unification as they worked together to put another victory under their belts,

and one more opponent behind

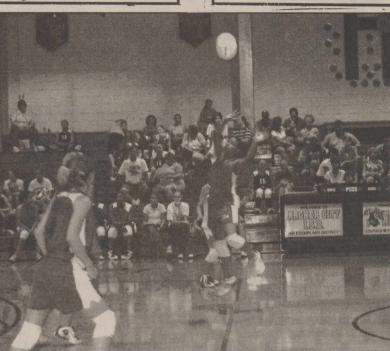
The Lady Cats were the second of two matches set in front of the Houndettes that day. Playing the Wichita Christian Lady Stars earlier, they were able to emerge victorious and hold their heads up high with a score to be proud of. The final was 25-18 in the first game, 25-21 in the second game, and 25-23 in the third. Three in a row was no problem for this extraordinary group of

As for the junior varsity, it

just wasn't their day as they were overpowered by the Wichita Christian Lady Stars. There were many outstanding individual

efforts, but teamwork was not clicking for these girls as their final game count ended at 19-25 in the first, 25-21 in the second, and 4-15 in the tie breaking third. After the match was over, the Lady Stars invited the Houndettes to

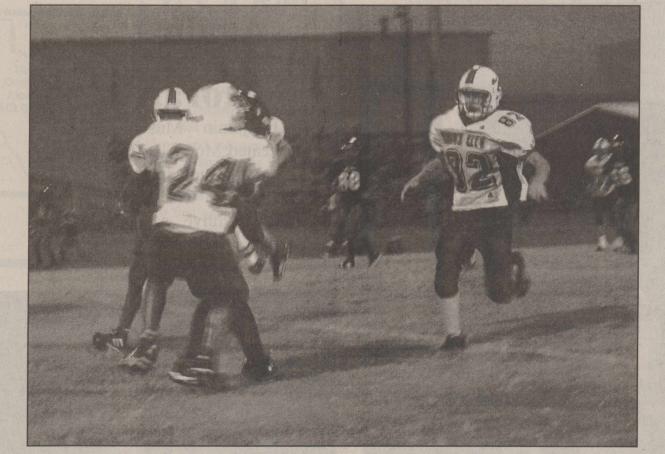
share a prayer with them saying thanks for a great competition and sportsmanship. This is a young team and needs all the support that we can give them. We are all anticipating them to become a cohesive team unit as Coach Davis and Coach Fisher know they can be. As soon as they come together and work as one, they will be unstoppable.





Shana Nicholson set the ball for fellow team mates Kayla Martin and

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