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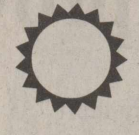
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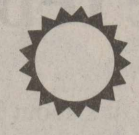
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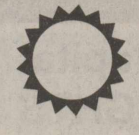
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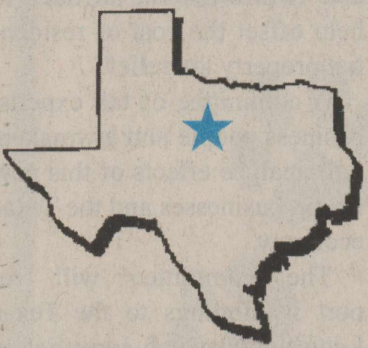
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Looking Ahead

• Knox County Visioning Meeting

Visioning Meeting scheduled for Thursday April 10th, at 6:00 PM at the Goree Community Center.

• Noah Project

Noah Advisory Committee will meet at noon, Friday, April 11, 2008, in the jury room of the Haskell County Courthouse. All members are urged to attend if at all possible.

• Open Playday

Open playday at the Knox City Arena, on April 19th at 6 p.m. 18 & under. Questions call Quinten or Ronnie Gass at 940-657-4322

• Defensive Driving Course

If you are interested in taking a defensive driving course in Knox City call the Aging Center at 657-3618 between 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. weekdays. Ask for Cheryl. At least 20 interested people needed.

• KC-O'Brien Ex-Students Homecoming

The homecoming will be the first weekend in June - June 6 & 7, 2008.

• Parenting Fair

Children depend on those who care for them to provide for their health, safety, and emotional well-being. When parents and other caregivers are not able to meet this responsibility, the result to children and to society is often tragic. Abused and neglected children often carry the burden of their experiences into adulthood in the form of substance abuse, depression, physical disabilities, learning difficulties, criminal activity and the continued cycle of abuse. This cost to the lives of children also means increasing costs of care systems such as child welfare, education, healthcare, and juvenile justice. Clearly, when a child suffers, our community suffers.

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. It is time to reflect on what we are doing as a community to support children and families. Children don't come with instructions and too many parents face raising their children without the support they need. We all have opportunities to reach out to parents in our families, neighborhoods or places of employment.

This April, let's make sure the parents in our community have the resources and support they need. Think of what it will mean for the future of children and our community.

In recognition of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month, the Knox County Child Welfare Board will participate in the Parenting Fair to be held at the Munday Elementary Gym on Tuesday, April 29th from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. We will have information for parents and fun stuff for the kids.

By Pat Gonzales

On April 1, 1978 Larry and Beth Staggs opened the doors of Larson's Prescription Pharmacy, Inc. at 502 South Avenue F in Knox City and have remained there for thirty years.

Those doors are still open today.

The Pharmacist is Larry Staggs, owner and operator, along with his wife Beth Staggs, owner and pharmacy technician.

The Staggs owned several other pharmacies in neighboring towns, but decided to gear down to one. "When we opened this pharmacy we had to build it from the ground up. The first few days we filled very few prescriptions, but that soon changed," said Mrs. Staggs.

Back 30 years, operating a small business was quite different. Larson's has come up with the times adjusting to computer programs, reporting forms, insurance plans, new medications and prescribers. Mrs. Staggs, a self-proclaimed workaholic, says she enjoys the challenges that have come along with the changes.

Larson's employees are Pat

Gonzales, store manager and insurance decipherer, Martha Casillas, pharmacy technician; Jessica and Samantha Saucedo are technicians in training. "There is no better place to work or people to work for," says Martha Casillas. Samantha Saucedo loves the personal 'one on one' experience with the customers.

Millie Smith living in Munday, says, "Our local pharmacy enables us to get our prescriptions filled close to home without having to drive so far." Larson's is the only pharmacy in Knox County and the drive to neighboring pharmacies is costly to the patient and takes away from county revenue.

"When 'Smith Drug' closed in Munday, the influx of prescribed medications was staggering. An adjustment had to be made in inventory and personnel to accommodate the growth," said Pat Gonzales. If medication is in stock and requests are received early in the day, patients do not have a long wait in most cases to get their prescription filled.

Calling in early for medication refills has been the best at



Pictured here are the Ladies of Larson's Pharmacy. Starting left to right, Pat Gonzales, Jessica Sanchez, Samantha Saucedo, Owner- Beth Staggs and Martha Casillas

helping get the patient in and out timely.

Everyone at Larson's would like to thank all the loyal sup-

porters over the years. It is a pleasure to work with the patients, doctors, hospitals, clinics, and home care personnel.

Larson's will strive to provide the best possible service to everyone for a number of years to come.

The New Class OF DPS Officers

Austin - Aaron Lewis of Knox City graduated today from the Texas Department of Public Safety's Training Academy.

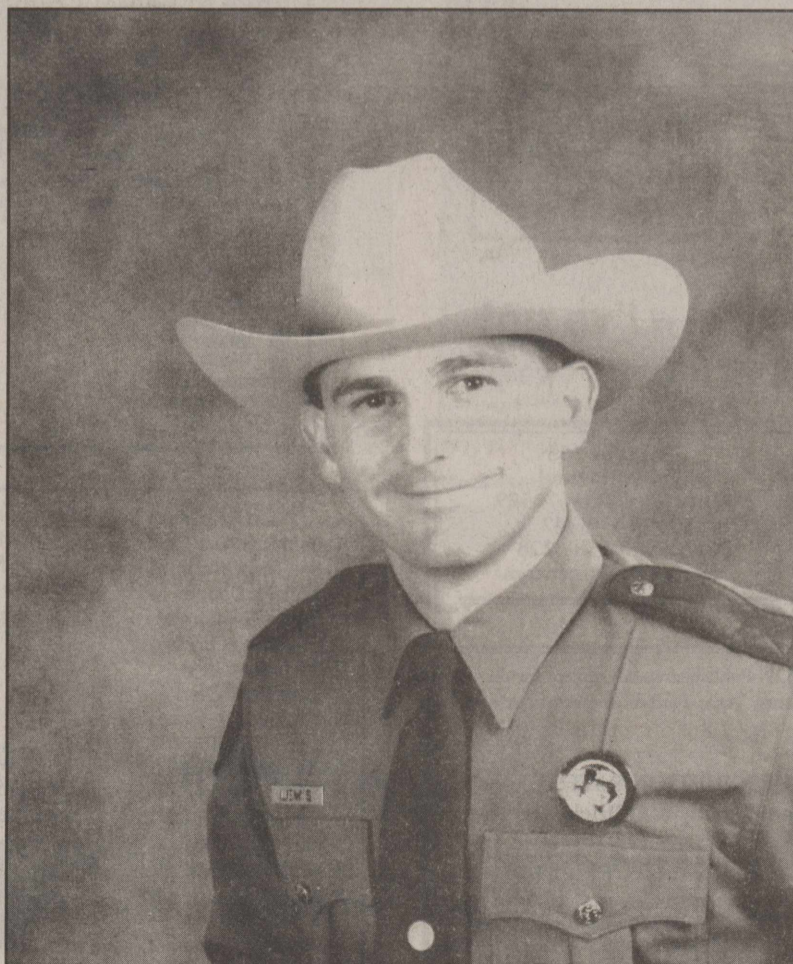
"In these times of heightened security concerns, our citizens deserve the best possible protection and this class fits that bill." Said Gov. Rick Perry who spoke at the ceremony.

"Texans can all sleep soundly knowing that people of this caliber with training of this quantity are maintaining a vigilant watch of our state. I congratulate DPS for assembling such a fine group of new officers."

The troopers began the 28-week training academy in September. Instructions covered more than 100 subjects, including counter-terrorism, traffic and criminal law, arrest and control procedures, accident reconstruction, first aid and Spanish.

They also received extensive use of force, communications skills firearms driving and criminal interdiction, cultural diversity and physical fitness training.

"These new troopers receive the best law enforcement training available. They join a proud law enforcement tradition and we welcome them to the DPS family," said DPS Director Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr.



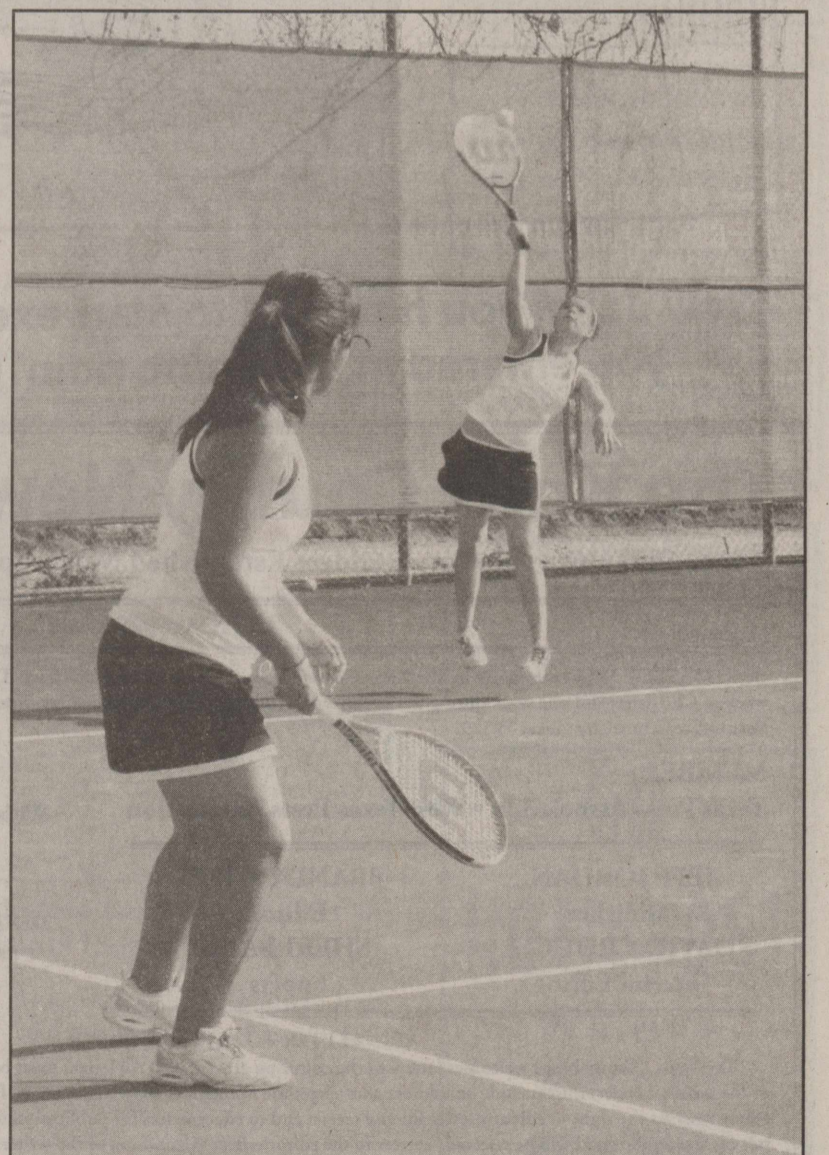
Aaron Lewis, Class of 2008 will be patrolling the highways of Archer City

In about three weeks, the troopers will move to their new duty stations. They will spend the first six months in on-the-job training with a senior trooper. Anyone interested in becoming a state trooper can call the

toll free line, 1-866-TXTROOP (898-7667), or visit the DPS Web site, www.txpds.state.tx.us, for more information.

Trooper Lewis will be assigned to the Texas Highway Patrol in Archer City.

KC Advances to Regionals



Brittney Gonzales serves as her doubles partner, Samantha Esquivel, waits. The pair took the first in district.

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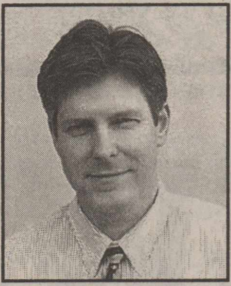
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State Capital HIGHLIGHTS



By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - A number of citizens expressed alarm after viewing a video clip showing state representatives engaged in the practice of "ghost voting" during the 2007 session of the Legislature.

Ghost voting is when a member casts an electronic vote for one or more colleagues who happen to be outside of the House chamber when a vote is called by the chair.

State Rep. Tony Goolsby, R-Dallas, said April 4 that among

State rep suggests ways to improve House vote procedure

House members, it's about 2 to 1 in favor of his suggestion to do away with the practice.

"But the public is about 99 percent in favor," he added.

A solution would be to install 10 or 12 remote voting stations that work by fingerprint identification, Goolsby said. Those stations would be in addition to a fingerprint voting machine to be installed at each member's desk.

Goolsby also suggested installing loudspeakers in the foyers and restrooms outside of the House chamber and lengthening the amount of time allotted for each vote would help, too.

There is a legislative interim charge for the matter to be studied. A House rule amending the voting procedure could be up for consideration when the next regular session of the Legislature convenes on Jan. 13, 2009.

AG launches anti-ID theft site

Texans have a new way to prevent or minimize the damage from identity theft by using a Web site published by the Texas Attorney General's Office.

Www.texasfightsidtheft.gov features a "victim's kit" with a step-by-step checklist of what to do when you know or suspect that your personal information has been stolen or used without authorization.

Attorney General Greg Abbott spoke about the site at an April 3 news conference.

"Victims whose credit is ruined or whose bank accounts are emptied because their personal information has been compromised must take immediate steps to repair the damage," Abbott said.

"Our new Web site contains helpful tools to help identity theft victims and Texans hoping

Prisons chief testifies at hearing

The Senate Criminal Justice committee met April 2.

Ron Livingston, director of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, testified that prison reforms mandated by the Legislature are on schedule.

He said prison health care costs have been cut by using federal programs that provide money for prescriptions and by shifting to an electronic record keeping system.

Also, bedridden, comatose or terminal inmates that pose no threat to society are considered for early parole, he said.

On April 3, the committee discussed the troubled Texas Youth Commission. Committee chair Sen. John Whitmire, D-Houston, pointed out the shortage of guards and suggested streamlining the agency.

Senator denies she is running

It looked like the 2010 race for governor started in the closing days of March, when the Corpus Christi Caller-Times published a story that a U.S.

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison aide said the senator was running for governor. But Hutchison, whose Senate term expires in 2012, denied that she had decided to run.

UT names interim chancellor

The University of Texas System Board of Regents appointed Kenneth Shine as interim chancellor for the UT System.

He will step in May 1. Shine, 73, has been serving as executive vice chancellor for health affairs for the UT System. He follows Chancellor

Mark Yudof, who recently was named chancellor of the University of California System. Panel to study effects

of new tax In May, many Texas businesses will for the first time pay the revised state franchise tax. This is the tax intended to help offset the cost of residential property tax relief.

A committee of tax experts, business people and lawmakers will analyze effects of this new tax on businesses and the Texas economy.

The committee will report its findings to the Texas Legislature, which convenes in January.

Comptroller Susan Combs, chair of the committee, has nominated two tax experts and 14 taxpayer members.

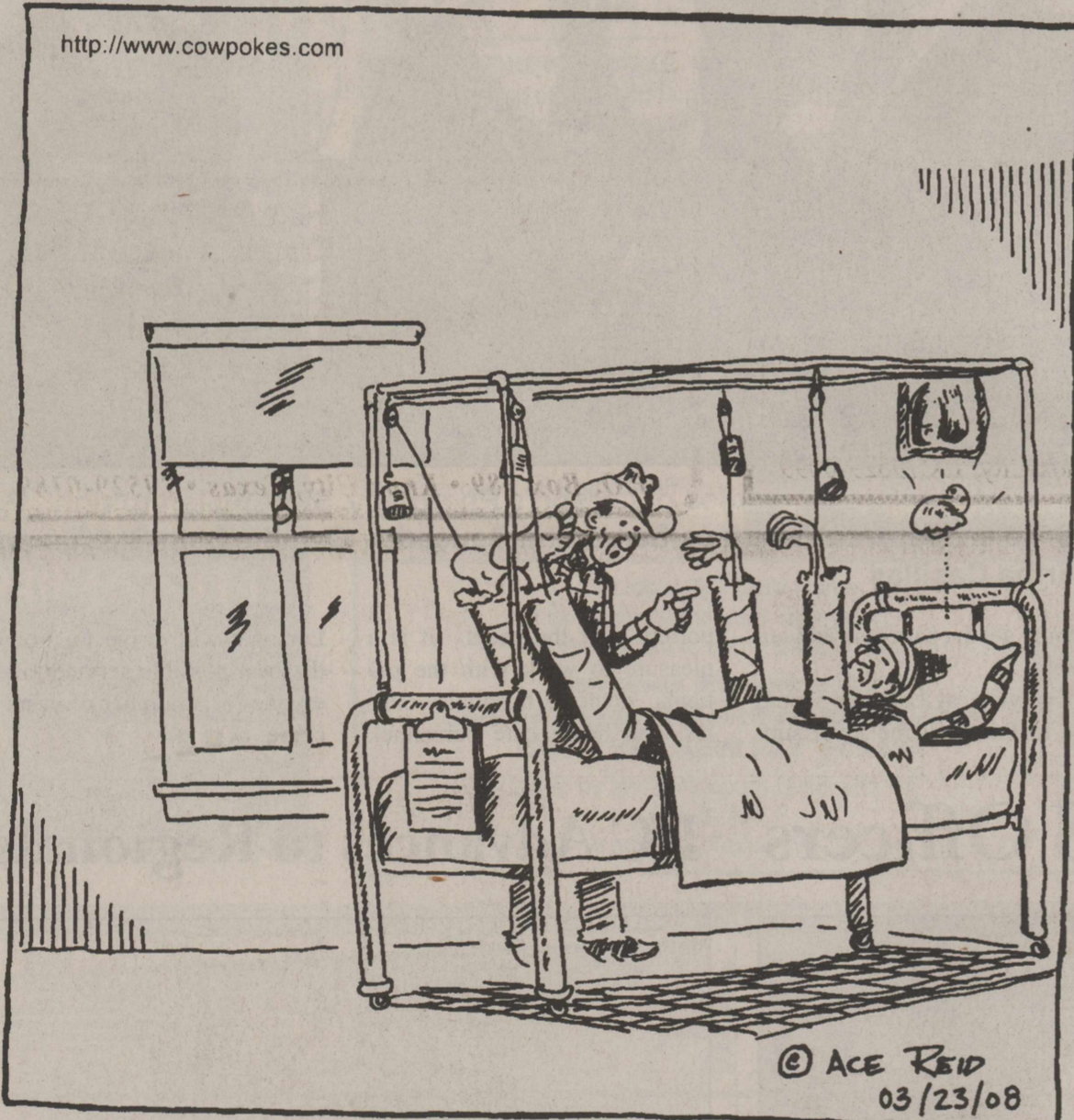
Lawmakers appointed to serve on the committee are state Sens. Steve Ogden, R-College Station, and Kirk Watson, D-Austin, and state Reps.

Warren Chisum, R-Pampa, and Myra Crownover, R-Fort Worth.

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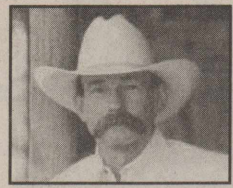
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- Friona h.s. class
- "Bullet" Bob Hayes won gold in '64 400m
- TXism: "the light" (understood)
- Jon Jovi played at TX Willie's Farm Aid II
- TX Perot's 1st naval rank (abbr.)
- Gulf shrimp net
- car cooler (abbr.)
- "life of Riley"
- in Falls Co. on 77
- reprocesses newspaper
- TXism: "some gravel" (fell)
- TX capitol architect E. Myers
- TX Vikki Carr '89 hit: "Cosas del"
- actress Saint
- TXism: "all day and dance all night" (stamina)
- Valley, TX
- UT tower sniper Charles ('66)
- "top dog" in the middle east
- tempted & tried
- TXism: "hot tar in July"
- tater skimmers
- not a police detective (abbr.)
- TXism: "worthless"
- TXism: "get your ducks in"
- TX Buddy Holly hit: "Boy"
- actress Hedy who stayed at TX's famous Tarpon Inn
- unpopular federal agency: Revenue Service
- TXism: "hissey fit"
- TXism: "stock in" (specialty)

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- state fair month (abbr.)
- TXism for "hand"
- TXism: "hungry as a concrete pasture"
- once the name of the Graham newspaper
- TXism: "he's to ride the river with"
- TXism: "best in"
- TX-born Steve Martin's "Story" in Fort Worth
- TX Tubbs' "Walking the Floor Over You"
- the "Tallest Texan" Patterson
- ex-Mav Tarpley's Greek team: Salonica
- weapon handle
- relating to UT's purpose
- this Adams starred with TX Lynda Day George in "Racquet"
- gunfighter Luke Short owned White Saloon
- organizational owner of Astros in '92 (abbr.)
- TXism: "exciting as a fire at the office"
- "of the trade"
- "tomorrow" south of the border
- horse gait
- Gulf bird
- Ranger Michael Young's lumber
- TXism: "it's root hog die"
- TXism: "chew awhile" (ponder)
- antique autos
- TX Joan Crawford: Lucille Sœur
- TX actress Meredith Mac
- impute
- big TX families & order"



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The 2008 Beef Recall

By Baxter Black, DVM

Inexcusable: the biggest recall of beef in the United States history.

There is not a livestock person in the country who doesn't feel shamed by the years-long continuation of animal insensitivity and product wholesomeness indifference exhibited by those involved in Chino, California's Westland/Hallmark meat packing plant fiasco.

From the owners to the minimum wage workers, the USDA inspectors to the producers who brought in the beasts, and now, all of us who produce beef, feed cattle, buyers or sellers, auctioneers, R-Calf, United Dairywomen, NCBA, veterinarians, nutritionists, yes, all of us bear the burden, the guilty feeling.

To me, the worst part was that the Humane Society of the U.S., an avowed enemy of modern farming methods (big dairies, feedlots, hog confinement, veal barns, chicken houses), deserves some of the credit for bringing attention to the problem.

I know some of them. They want to put us out of business. And we, through our negligence, handed them the lead headline in their next fund-raising brochure! I am humiliated personally.

I apologize to them and to all consumers. My tail is between my legs. I assure them we shall do better.

So now what?

There are some circumstances that could have been worse;

Chino is a large dairying community. Most of the animals brought into the plant probably would have been cull Holstein cows. The meat recall is mostly hamburger.

The recall reaches back to any products still on the shelves (143 million pounds estimated). Most of the meat has already entered the food chain and been eaten with no deleterious effects.

The verifiable complaint involved downer cows being moved into the packing plant without proper inspection.

The USDA calls any human health risk from eating the meat "remote." In other words, there have been no human health problems as a result of the packing house's sloppy management. That is a break for the consumer, as well as for us producers.

There are so many producer groups and individuals who have made great strides in how we treat our cattle; the NCBA's Beef Quality Assurance program, sale barns promoting value-added marketing procedures, cattle handling equipment makers, "cow whisperers," Heather Thomas Smith's books, Temple Grandin's packing house guidelines, and smart operators.

The list is long.

Obviously, it is a continuing process, improving how we raise and care for our animals.

It is the responsibility of all of us all, as individuals, to be aware.

It is for our own good, the good of the animals, and the 96% of the population that eats meat.

Network Luncheon In Knox City

Knox City community leaders will host a regional network luncheon sponsored by Texas Midwest Community Network (TMCN) on April 18th at the Knox City Community Center, 212 SE 3rd Street, next to the City Park. The local contacts are Barbara Rector at City Hall and Daveine Clark at the Chamber of Commerce.

Each year TMCN conducts a series of network luncheons in April to bring local leaders from visiting communities together to discuss issues that affect quality of life and local economies.

This year's series of luncheons will focus on "Tools for Growth" with community representatives sharing tips for success. Other locations for luncheons this year are Breckenridge, Colorado City, Winters, Comanche and Brady.

Interested participants are encouraged to make reservations online at www.texasmidwest.org or by calling City Hall at 940-658-3313 or the TMCN Office at 325-795-8626 or 800-845-3563.

Texas Midwest Community Network is a regional organi-

zation founded in 1994 for economic development, tourism development, regional awareness & promotion, education, and legislative awareness. It is an organization of "communities working together to accomplish what one community cannot do alone." TMCN sponsors a number of networking events during the year and projects to market the region for business and tourism development. The organization most recently launched a regional cooperative by which businesses have access to affordable employer group healthcare plans.

TMCN Member cities are: Abilene, Albany, Anson, Aspermont, Baird, Ballinger, Brady, Breckenridge, Bronte, Brownwood, Buffalo Gap, Cisco, Clyde, Coleman, Colorado City, Comanche, Cross Plains, De Leon, Dublin, Early, Eastland, Eden, Goldthwaite, Gorman, Hamilton, Hamlin, Haskell, Knox City, Merkel, Munday, Ranger, Robert Lee, Rising Star, Roscoe, Rotan, San Angelo, Santa Anna, Snyder, Stamford, Sweetwater, Throckmorton, Tye, and Winters.

Thank You

I want to say THANK YOU to the folks that helped so much with the wildfire. The Bible says in John 15:13 "Greater love has no one but this, that one lay down his life for his friends." Our volunteer firefighters certainly showed their love by laying their lives on the line fighting the fires. There were no complaints, they just did their job. In addition, the great citizens of Knox County readily gave of their time and resources by providing food, water, drinks, support, and prayers. We were blessed in that we had no loss of life, and no major injuries. Logistical support to wildland firefighters is essential in wildfire suppression efforts, and our citizens stood tall.

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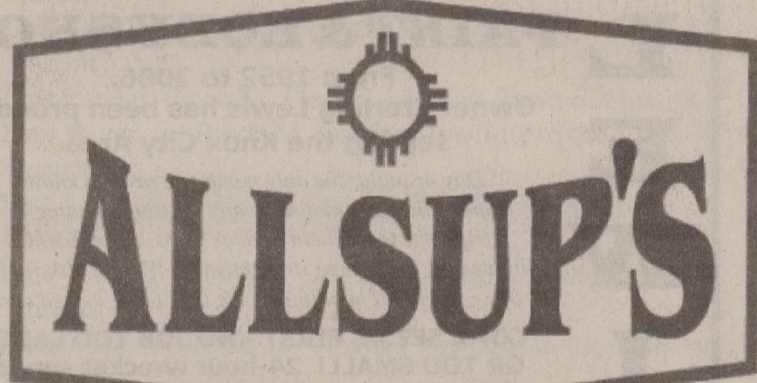
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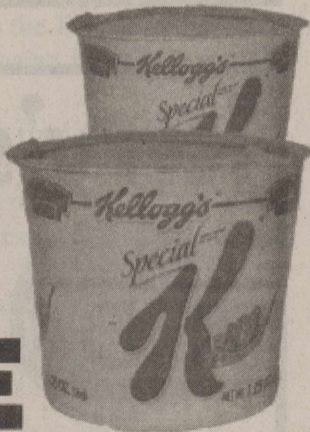
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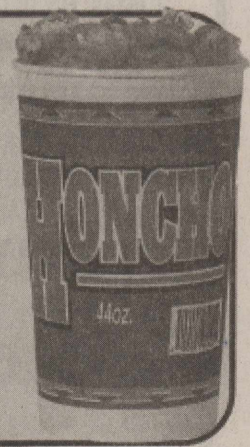


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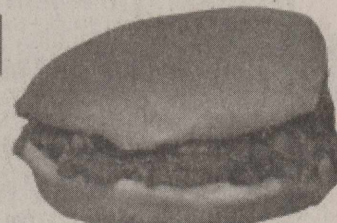
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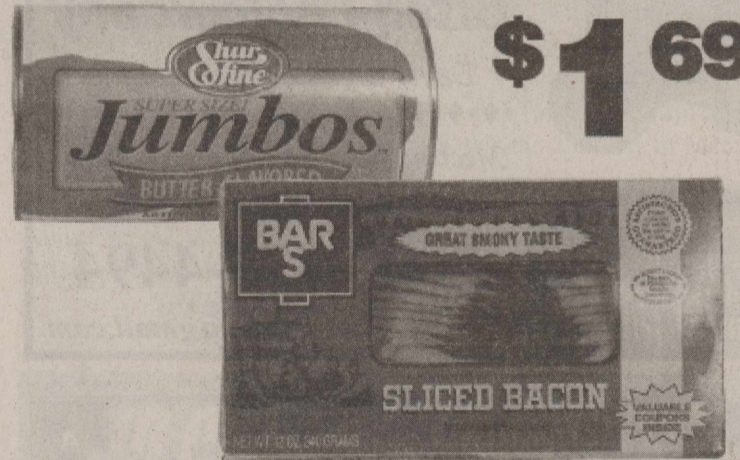


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An election will be held on Wednesday April 23, 2008 from 9:00 A.M. until 12:00 Noon in the Assembly Room in the Knox County Courthouse, located in Benjamin, Texas. The purpose of the election will be to elect a new member to the Board of Directors of the Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc. All interested Knox County residents are encouraged to participate.

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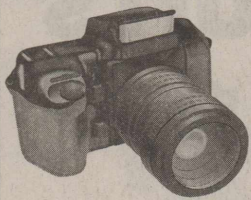
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The blood drives held at the high school and hospital on February 18th, resulted in thirty-one pints of lifesaving blood. Those who gave blood at that time will be eligible to give blood on April 14th.

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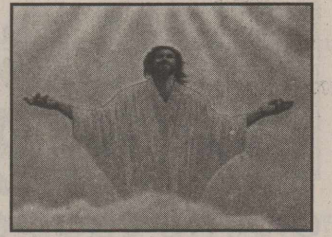
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God's Promises

By Jim Reid, Pastor
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I write and submit this article each week in the hope that you will be encouraged in all that you do. I pray that you will be encouraged to glorify God in everything that you do. If we are to glorify God then we must example Him to others. Let's think about how we can show God to others? Well, how does God show himself to us?

God's love is such an overwhelming demonstration of a love that we really can't begin to understand, but His love is known. When we experience God's love we know without a doubt that it was Him. We know that others would benefit so much if we can share the understanding that we have of His love. We know God's love is experienced in and through all that we do each and everyday. He is our security, hope, affection and assurance in life. He is our protector, provider and one who promises to be with us always. He is the one who wants us to follow His lead, each and every step of the way as He leads us into victory over circumstances, giving us the courage to endure the consequences and the strength to overcome evil.

How could we as Christians be more blessed? Our blessing increases every time we share Christ with one who doesn't know His love. We meet many people everyday who want to have a life filled with blessing. They certainly desire to live the abundant life in which God blesses us as Christians. We truly are a peculiar people, separated from the ways of the world and the desires of evil.

1 Peter 2:9 of the New Testament reads; But you are A CHOSEN RACE, A ROYAL PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION, A PEOPLE FOR GOD'S OWN POSSESSION, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

It is easy to see how much God thinks of you and why He wants you to share Him with others. God will provide the opportunity today for you to share His love with someone else. Let's be ready and willing to do that as He creates the opportunity. You will be blessed beyond measure for doing it.

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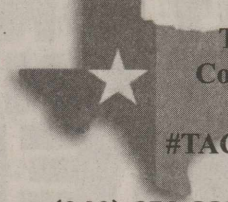
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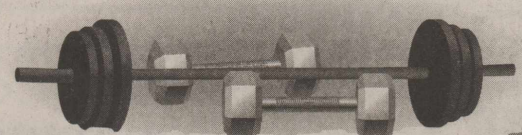
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DATED April 3, 2008, and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court of Knox County, Texas, by the clerk of said Court on said date in the hereinafter styled and numbered causes, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said Court, I have on April 3, 2008, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in May, 2008, the same being the 6th day of said month at the Courthouse door of said County, in the City of Benjamin, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock A.M. and 4:00 o'clock P.M. on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in such suit in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Knox and the State of Texas, to-wit:

CAUSE NO. 8912 STYLING, DEFENDANTS AND PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

Knox County Appraisal District v. J. F. Torres a/k/a J. F. Torras, Vida Torras, T. G. Benge, Edwin E. Chowning AKA Ed Chowing, W. B. Chowning, F. E. Davidson, Glenda Lee Turnbow AKA Glenda Turnbow, C. H. Browder, A.S. Tarpley, Rocky Monroe Glasscock a/k/a Rocky Glasscock, W. R. Glasscock, C.C. Browning, Grace Browning, Anna Catherine Wright, James C. Browning, Ms. Natchez, Annie Chasser, James Holliday, Ophelia Brown, J. W. Arnett, Leo Spencer, G.M. Thacker, J.S. Ellis, Charlie Caram, Manria Caram Pena, Matiana Caram, Dan Caram, Mary Caram, Philip Caram, Louis Caram, Rosa Caram, Margaret Caram, Jimmie Lee Caram, Sofia Caram, Salvador Caram, Olivia Palacios, Albert Caram, Fred Caram, Estelle Garcia, Lydia Acosta, Ralph Caram, Jr., J.B. Eubank, Trustee of Truscott Building Club, E.J. Whitaker, Trustee of Truscott Building Club, T.A. Hairston, Trustee of Truscott Building Club, Evelyn Clark, W.W. Clark, Annie Chesser, C.A. Bullion, C.J. Marts, Beno Rauch, R.J. Allen, E.J. Gannon, M. N. Baker, E.J. Gannon, M.N. Baker, D. Edgar Little, C.M. Williams, Frank Morris and C.M. Burton

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- Lots 1 and 2, Block 23, Original Townsite to the Town of Truscott
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- Lots 9 and 12, Block 23, Original Townsite to the Town of Truscott
- Lots 7 thru 11, Block 51, Elandel Addition, Original Townsite to the Town of Truscott
- Lot 9, Block 24, Original Townsite to the Town of Truscott
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- Lots 4, 8-12, Blk 48, Elandel Addition, City of Truscott
- Lots 7-8 & 11, Blk 58 Elandel Addition, Original Townsite to the Town of Truscott
- Lots 5-12, Block 65, Elandel Addition, Town of Truscott
- Lots 5 & 7, Blk 75, Elandel Addition, Town of Truscott
- all of Block 79, Elandel Addition, Town of Truscott

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest and costs of suit and sale; subject, however, to the right of redemption, the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the period of time and in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment for delinquent property taxes and accrued penalties and interest rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest thereon and costs of suit and sale, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

DATED April 3, 2008, at Benjamin, Texas.

By /s/ SHERIFF, Knox County, Texas /s/ DEPUTY

You may contact the Plaintiff's attorney at 325-672-4870. (Published April 10, 2008, April 17, 2008 and April 24, 2008)

Public Notices

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF KNOX

In the name and by authority of the State of Texas, notice is hereby given as follows: TO

Jose Luis Guerra, if living, and if any or all of the above named defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of each or all of said above named persons who may be dead, and the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land, and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, the unknown stockholders of any defunct corporations, their successors, heirs and assigns, owning or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property, delinquent to Plaintiff herein, for taxes, all of said property being located in said County and State, to-wit: Lot 9, Block 55, Lee Addition to the City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 247, Page 613 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiff for taxes in the following amount: \$1,208.49, exclusive of interest, penalties and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes, all said interest, penalties and costs therein allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein. You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the Knox County Appraisal District, Plaintiff, against the above named persons, as Defendants, by petition filed on May 23, 2006, in a certain suit styled the Knox County Appraisal District et al vs. Jose Luis Guerra, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Knox County, Texas, 50th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 9013, that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit are NONE. Plaintiff and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, and in addition to the taxes all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiff, Defendants, and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties and costs allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefor, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file and which may hereafter be filed in said cause by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance of this citation as set out below, said appearance and answer date being the 2nd day of June, A.D., 2008, (which is the return day of such citation), before the honorable District Court of Knox County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiff and the taxing units parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

This citation is issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court in the City of Benjamin, Knox County, Texas, this the 26th day of March, A.D., 2008.

/s/Clerk of the District Court, Knox County, Texas, 50th Judicial District /s/Deputy Michelle Esquivel

(Published April 3, 2008 and April 10, 2008)

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF KNOX

In the name and by authority of the State of Texas, notice is hereby given as follows: TO

Samuel Valladares, E.G Valladares, Marie G. Valladares, Salvador Valladares, Camila Urena, Gregoria Nuntz, Josephine Brown and Bernardina Ramirez, if living, and if any or all of the above named defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of each or all of said above named persons who may be dead, and the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land, and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, the unknown stockholders of any defunct corporations, their successors, heirs and assigns, owning or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property, delinquent to Plaintiff herein, for taxes, all of said property being located in said County and State, to-wit: 0014194, Lot 4, Block 14, Warren Addition to the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 85, Page 332 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiff for taxes in the following amount: \$321.45, exclusive of interest, penalties and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes, all said interest, penalties and costs therein allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the Knox County Appraisal District, Plaintiff, against the above named persons, as Defendants, by petition filed on August 21, 2007, in a certain suit styled the Knox County Appraisal District et al vs. Samuel Valladares et al, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Knox County, Texas, 50th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 9118, that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit are NONE.

Plaintiff and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, and in addition to the taxes all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

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/s/Clerk of the District Court, Knox County, Texas, 50th Judicial District /s/Deputy Michelle Esquivel

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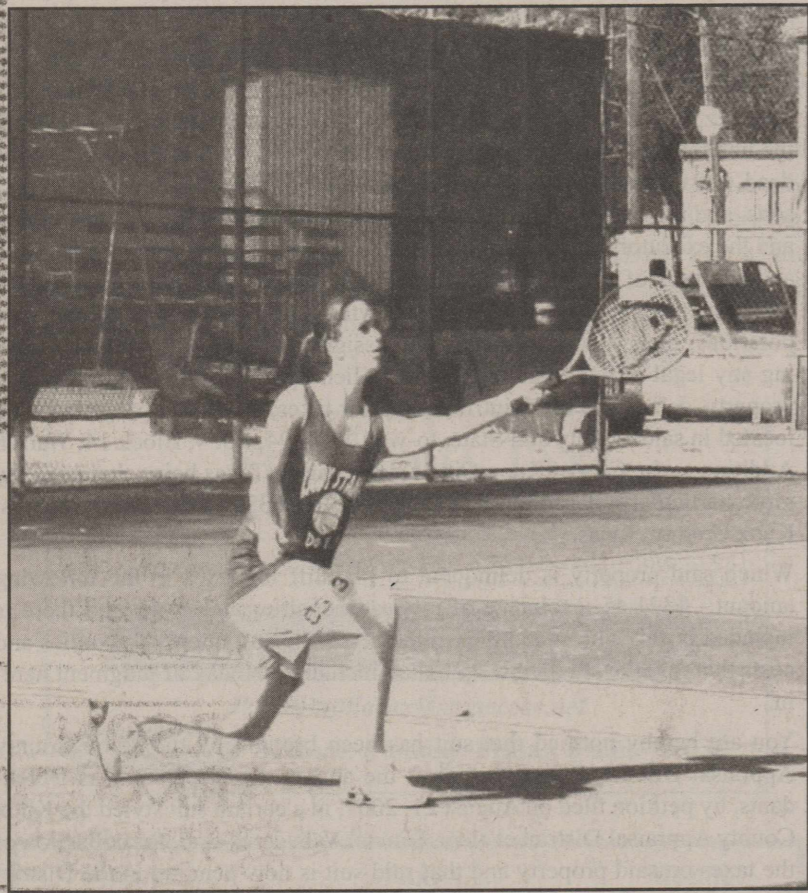
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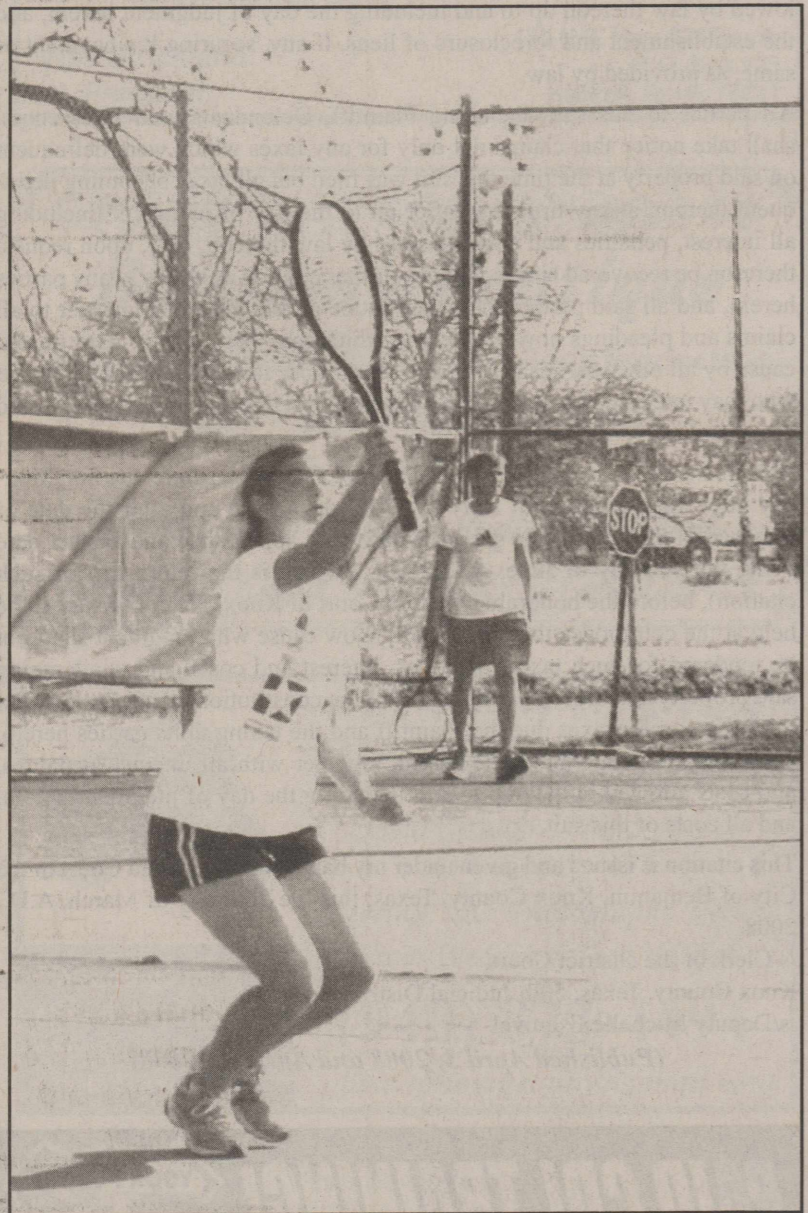
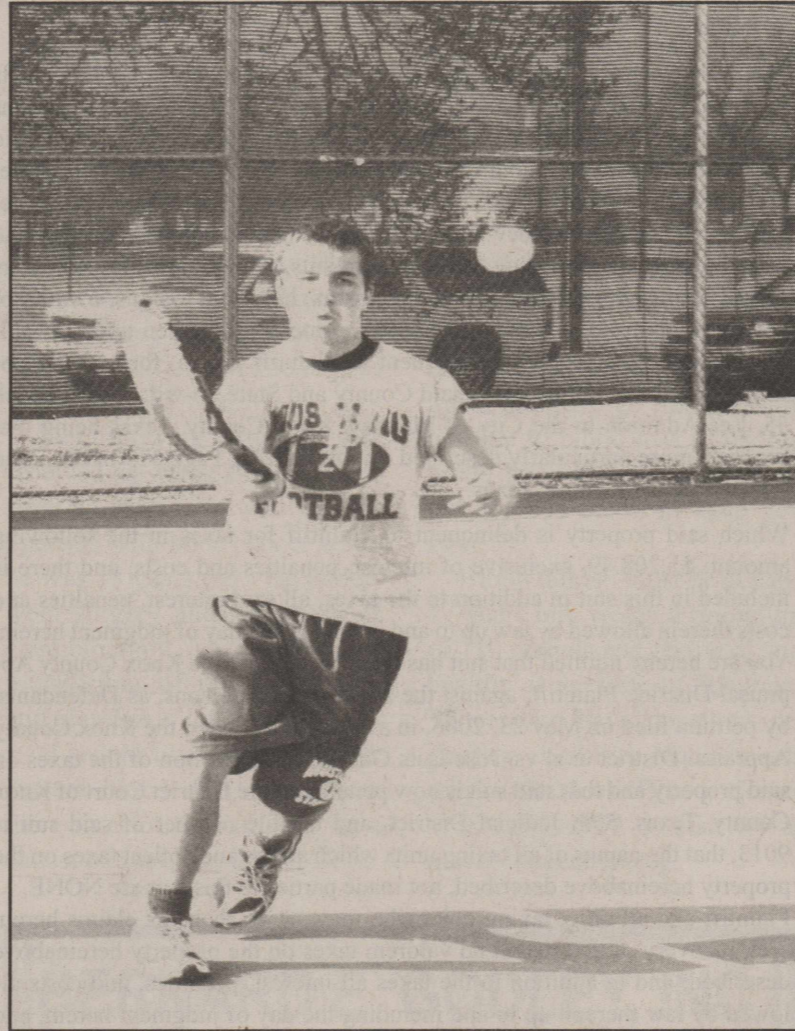
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UIL Spring Summary Results

Benjamin High School
234 points

Knox City High School
187 Points

Calculator Applications
Devon Jones - placed 1st, 15 points; Nafeesa Ebraheim - 2nd, 12 points; Karla Benson - placed 3rd, 10 points

Calculator Applications
Chris Taylor - placed 4th, 8 points

Current Issues
Brittany Coop - placed 2nd, 12 points

Computer Applications
Jordan Cater - placed 1st, 15 points; Brittany Baker - placed 4th, 8 points

Feature Writing
Mitchell Ham - placed 6th, 4 points

Editorial Writing
Samantha Esquivel - placed 5th, 6 points

Headline Writing
Nafeesa Ebraheim - placed 2nd, 12 points

Headline Writing
Lando Lynn - placed 3rd, 10 points

Lincoln Douglas Debate
Judith Acevedo - placed 1st, 15 points; Sharrisa Hearn - placed 2nd, 12 points; Leah Vanderpool - placed 3rd, 10 points

Informative Speaking
Zak York - placed 1st, 15 points

Mathematics
Julia Acevedo - placed 3rd, 10 points

Lincoln Douglas Debate
Eric Cassilass - placed 4th, 8 points

Number Sense
Julia Acevedo - placed 1st, 15 points; Tina Siemens - placed 6th, 4 points

Mathematics
Jordan Carter - placed 1st, 15 points; Joe Albus - placed 5th, 6 points

Spelling and Vocabulary
Brittany Coop - placed 2nd, 12 points; Devon Jones - placed 3rd, 10 points; Karla Benson - placed 5th 6 points

Number Senses
Chris Taylor - placed 2nd, 12 points; Jordan Carter - placed 3rd, 10 points

News Writing
Jordan Carter - placed 5th, 6 points

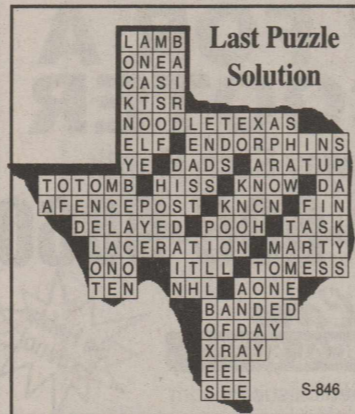
Benjamin placed first as a team in Calculators Applications, Cross Examination Debate, Speech and Spelling Vocabulary. They also placed second in Cross Examination Debate, Number Sense.

Poetry Interpretation
Camille Ward - placed 2nd, 12 points

Prose Interpretation
Mina Bank - placed 2nd, 12 points

Ready Writing
Samantha Esquivel - placed 6th, 4 points

Knox City placed first as a team in Mathematics and Number sense. They also placed third in Cross Examination Debate.



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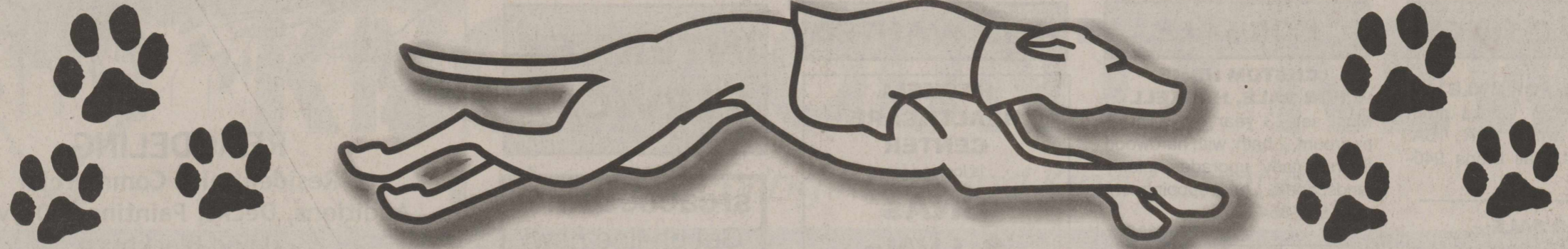
Congratulations to Karla Benson, Nafeesa Katrine Ebreheim, Julia Acevedo, and Tina Siemens. These four young ladies have worked hard and enjoyed their debates. We certainly want to thank C. H. Underwood for his time and accomplishments with these girls. Also thanks to Beth for being chaperone and going to Austin. We want to also thank Linda Underwood for giving her love and support for these debate teams.

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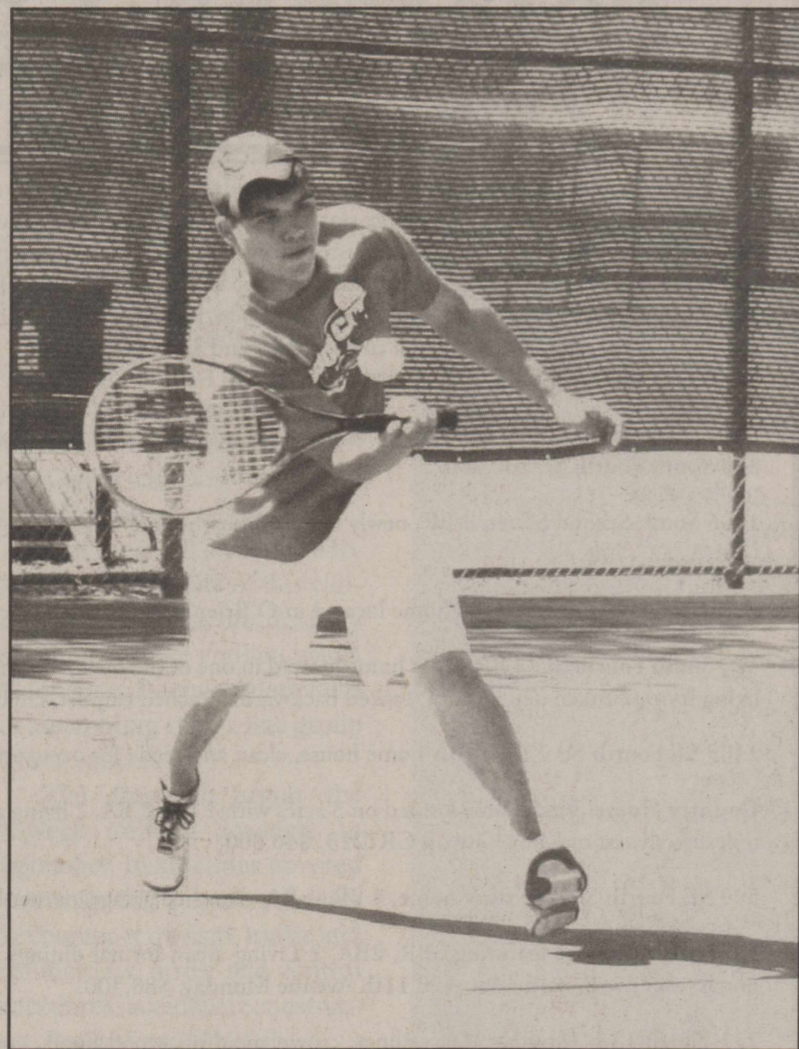
The Greyhound PRIDE Band tuned up before they stepped onto the concert stage at Wilbarger Auditorium in Vernon on Thursday, April 3. The PRIDE, dressed in their uniforms, took center stage promptly at 11:30. Three

judges reviewed every note as the band's small listening audience from Knox City was on hand to boost their confidence to the next level. The PRIDE of Knox City played to perfection as their concert score of "One" re-

flected. Upon the completion of the concert portion, the band was escorted from the concert stage into the sight reading area. Mr. Mark Tucker, Band Director, reviewed the music with the students within the seven

minute time frame; then the band played the music. The PRIDE scored a two in the sight reading portion of the contest. The Greyhound PRIDE of Knox City continues to march on to the sound of excellence.

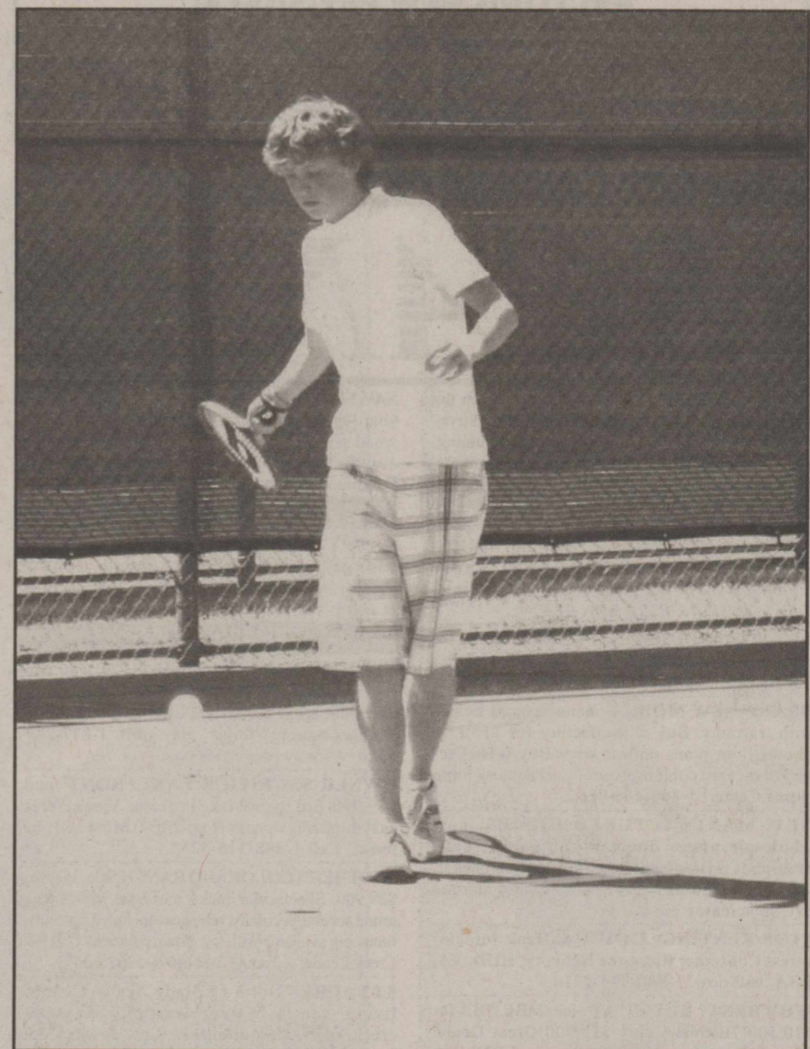
Advancing to Regionals — Continued



M.J. Abila concentrates as he takes a step towards the return. M.J. was first in boys singles.

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Knox City - O'Brien CISD played host to the District 10A tennis tournament on Monday and Wednesday.

Competitors placing first and second in the tournament advance to the Regional Tennis Tournament scheduled for April 23-24 at Hardin



Clay Clark waits for the ball before he steps into his return. Clay took third in the district tournament.

Simmons University in Abilene. Advancing to the Regional round from Knox City are: Brittney Gonzales & Samantha Esquivel in Girls Doubles (1st);

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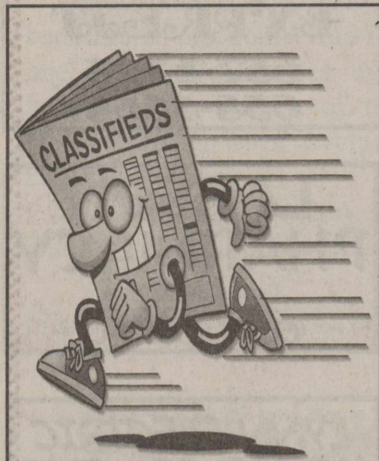
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