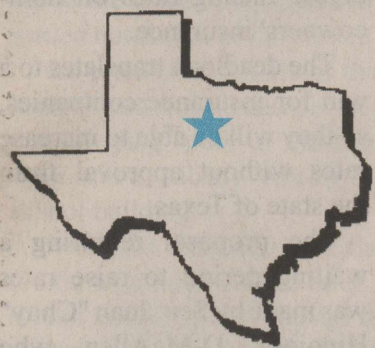


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## Looking Ahead

### •YOUTH MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER

Kerry Girling, will be speaking to Benjamin I.S.D. Students at the Memorial Building in Benjamin on Wednesday, October 8th at 1 p.m. Parents and the Public are invited to join

### •CITY COUNCIL

City Council meeting on October 9 at 7:00p.m. in the City Hall.

### •KNOX COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Knox County Sheriff's office will be handing out trick-or-treat bags and glow-in-the-dark necklaces for the first 100 kids. They want to promote a safe and happy Halloween.

### •O'BRIEN HOMECOMING

Mark your calendar and check your mail--the O'Brien Homecoming is scheduled for October 10-12, 2008.

If you are an O'Brien Ex-Student or O'Brien Ex-Teacher please share your email and postal address with us. We want to keep you informed about the Homecoming this year.

Email: derobe@srcaccess.net  
 O'Brien Homecoming Committee  
 P. O. Box 11 O'Brien, TX 79539

### •BENJAMIN PTO FALL FESTIVAL OCTOBER 25

### •KNOX COUNTY SINGLES AND SINGLES AGAIN

Knox County Singles and Singles Again is getting together on October 3, at 7:00p.m. at the Knox County Aging Center.

### •TEXAS STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The Texas state genealogical society will host its annual conference in Abilene on October 24th and 25th at the MCM Elegante Suites. Early registration by October 15 is \$75.00 For both days including lunches. Friday or Saturday sessions with lunch is \$45.00. Award banquet tickets are \$25.00. Mail checks TSGS Conference registrar, P.O. Box 7308, Tyler TX 75711 any questions call (903)539-5572

### •17TH ANNUAL REHAB PIG SALE

17th annual rehab pig sale will be held Monday, October 6, at the Wylie FFA barn. Sale starts at 7:00p.m. The chuck wagon will be serving beans and cornbread.

### •KCHS MEAT SALE

Knox City High School Ag Department is having a meat sale from September 29th- October 17th. All items must be paid for in full at the time of order. Deliveries will be made between November 3rd- 21st. Please contact Mr. Joe Nelson at (940) 657-5171 or any Knox City Ag student.

### •KCHS PRIDE BAND

Knox City Pride Marching Band will be going to a Marching Festival in Wichita Falls on Monday, October 6th.

## SPORTS

Thursday, October 2nd  
 Benjamin Jr. High Mustangs vs. Bryson There @ 5:30pm  
 Benjamin Varsity Mustangs vs. Bryson There @ 7:30pm  
 Knox City Hounds JV vs. Guthrie Here @ 7pm  
 O'Brien Bulldogs vs. Guthrie Here @ 5:30pm

Friday, October 3rd  
 Knox City Greyhounds vs. Lueders-Avooca There @ 7:30pm

Saturday, October 4th  
 Knox City Houndette JV Volleyball in Aspermont Tournament There -- TBA

Tuesday, October 7th  
 Benjamin Lady Stangs vs. Munday Here @ 6:30pm  
 Knox City Houndette Varsity Volleyball vs. Albany (tentative) ??? @ 6:30pm

Wednesday, October 8th  
 Benjamin High School & Jr. High Rule Cross-Country Meet @ 4pm  
 (Sagerton Community Center)

## Benjamin ISD Receives \$4977 For New Score Board



Janice Tolson, Superintendent Olvia Gloira and Coach Jason Loftiss accepting the \$4,977 check presented by Beverly Strickland.

The score board in Benjamin's gym has been calculating points and alarming the referees since 1979. Recently during a volleyball game, the fans realized that the trusty old board wasn't working properly.

Janice Tolson and Beverly Strickland decided that it was time to round up donations to purchase a new score board.

\$2,000 dollars was donated by the Justin Baty Amebic foundation. The foundation was started in

honor of Justin Baty. Mr. Baty was the son and grandson of Beverly and Janice. He passed away in 2000 from P.A.M., to learn more about Justin's foundation log on to: www.justinbataamebicfoundation.org.

\$1,000 dollars was donated by Jerry's Waterline Service in Stamford.

\$1,000 dollars was donated by Lonesome Dove in Knox City. \$877 dollars was donated by Max & Carolyn Williams, owners of the 246

Ranch in Benjamin. \$100 was donated by Jim Cox, a proud Benjamin Ex. Benjamin High School was given the grand total of \$4,977 dollars in donations to purchase the new score board.

Superintendent, Mrs. Olivia Gloria, and the people of Benjamin High appreciate the donations given. Mrs. Gloria says, "it's another example that shows how the people of Benjamin come together as a community."

## Knox City Chamber Of Commerce Holds First Annual Golf Tournament



Participants of the Knox City Chamber Of Commerce Annual Golf Tournament watch as Steve Pepper prepares to take his shot in the tournament, this past Saturday at the Knox City County Club.

Knox City Chamber of Commerce held their 1st Annual Golf Tournament on Saturday, September 27th at the local golf course.

Bob Maloney, Marcy Maloney, and Betty Starnes shot 55 and tool first prize. Cathye Williams, Brian Williams and Tommy Mangis who shot a 56 won second prize. Third place was awarded to Steve Pepper, Charlie Pack and Tex Cox with a score of 59.

The teams put out their best effort to support the Chamber. Fred Ledesma was the proud winner of a new Ping Putter for having the longest drive and closest to pin was

won by Donnie Skiles, he won a new Callaway Driver. Tex Cox was the winner of the \$100 gift certificate for free gas donated by Penman Services.

Estelle Skiles won the Indoor Golf Practicing Green that was donated by Pepper's Dry Goods. The Chamber would like to THANK: Frankie Stinnett of Lonesome Dove for preparing the food, Penman Services, Pepper's Dry Goods and everyone that helped to make the Knox City Chamber of Commerce 1st Annual Golf Tournament a success.

The Chamber also thanks the tee box sponsors: Baker Petrolite,

Count's Real Estate, Don Hawkins' Insurance, Knox City Florist, V&V Oilfield Services, Burrito Express, Bailey-Toliver Auto Dealership, Knox County Hospital, Turner Custom Builders, Supply House, Brazos Valley Care Home, Lonesome Dove Transport, A-Team, Air Ag. Inc., Pepper's Dry Good and Other Stuff, Shortes. Inc., Basic Energy, Eaton's Backhoe Service, Casillas' Farms, Ledesma Oilfield, Pumper's Supply, MoJo Drilling Co., PBH, Citizen's Bank, NA and Banner Well Service. Everyone is encouraged to support and participate in next year's Knox City Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament.

## The Making Of A Community The History of O'Brien Texas

By The Munday Courier

(The following information was obtained from the 'History of O'Brien, Texas' - a booklet compiled by the 7th and 8th grade classes of O'Brien Schools in 1967 and '68)

Like all of the rolling plains of West Texas the small community of O'Brien in Haskell County trace it's beginnings to the prehistoric times, the explorations of Colorado, buffalo hunters, cooper miners and cattlemen of the 'nofences' era, and farmers.

On February 12, of 1883 a land issue was entered into the state registry for Rebecca E. Farrow. Farrow was a widow of a general in the Confederate Army and the land was issued on this basis. The land issue took in approximately 1.270 acres and was located in the south part of Knox county and the north part of Haskell county.

On July 21, 1884 the land was transferred to J.S. Bounds. In May of 1886 this tract of land was surveyed by W.A. Jones, the district surveyor.

T.G. Carney came onto the scene on May 18, 1888 when he purchased the southern half of this particular tract of land. He purchased the entire package for \$1,583.00 which included 635 acres. Here the future town of O'Brien would be built.

Carney soon moved to his purchase and built a house. With many early settlers living in half-dugouts the new house was probably the focus of great attention. The swapping of mules for lumber, which was hauled to the construction sight by a team and wagon, was the timber supply. The home was situation east and southeast of the school plant.

Early settlers included Mr. Will Edge who came with his parents in 1885; Mr. Ben Farmer, whose father ran a grocery store in Haskell in 1884 and made the move to a section just north of the old Hutto school about 1885; M.S. Shook, a farmer; Mr. T.E. Robbins, a banker and rancher; John Lea; the Dave Johnston family and the Joseph W. Barnard family around 1988 to 1901; the Jacks family, the Pickerell family, the Loves and the Redwines.

Wildlife was plentiful in the region and many early settlers used wildlife for their existence. Antelope, deer, panther, wild turkeys, and small species of bear roamed the area. It is said that on one occasion T.G. Carney killed some 57 turkeys on the Brazos. It is also said that at one point he caught and broke some 20-30 wild mustangs. He probably caught the animals in the breaks of the Brazos and then took them to Seymour where he loaded them on trains for transport to Paris, Texas or into Louisiana. At his destination he would sell the livestock and return home ringing Ribbon Cane Syrup or candy, probably for resale.

In 1984 Mr. Carney moved from his home to Haskell, Texas where he ran a business on the square. He would return to O'Brien in 1905. (Watch for more of O'Brien history in next weeks issue of the Knox County News. The original authors of 'The History of O'Brien included Yolanda Casillas, Alice Del Hierro, Vicki Sue Hester, Wayne Rowan, Albert Alsides, Delbert Neal Ford, Cathy Watson, Bobby Summers, Steve Figueroa, Cynthia Collins, Janis Collins, Rhonda Hewitt, Diane Barnard, Debra Rowen, Luciano Quintana, Edmund Casillas, Danny Del Hierro, Linda Flores, Arly Watson, Mague Rocha, Craig Davis, and Mr. C.H. Underwood.)

## O'Brien Homecoming To Be Celebrated

By The Munday Courier

O'Brien Schools are hoping to have a large crowd at their Homecoming 2008 celebrations on Friday, Saturday and Sunday October 10th, 11th and 12th.

Festivities Begin on Friday at 6:30 with a snack meal and bingo to follow. Participants are asked to bring a white elephant as a donation for a bingo prize. The snack meal will cost \$3.00 per person and bingo is \$2.00.

On Saturday the 11th registration begins at 9:00a.m. A \$5.00 registration fee will be charged and the event will take place at the O'Brien School. Home cooked brisket and sausage with all the trimmings and homemade deserts will be served from 12:00 - 1:30p.m. for \$6.00 each. A 2:00 p.m. program will recognize the champions and O'Brien Trivia will be enjoyed. Recognition of classes, memorials, and a business meeting will be followed by an auction. Proceeds from the auction will be used to offset homecoming expenses. Those enjoying the auction are asked to be an auction item. Class visitations will be conducted after the program and the dance will be held at 9:00p.m.

Sunday a special worship service will be observed at O'Brien Baptist Church beginning at 11:00 a.m.

The Homecoming Committee is in the process of updating their memorial list and ask that you send in any new names that need to be added to that list. O'Brien Trivia questions and answers may also be mailed into the committee.

Please pre-register and mail meal money, other expenses, trivia questions and answers, and names for the memorial list to: O'Brien Ex-Student Association PO Box 11, O'Brien Texas 79539.

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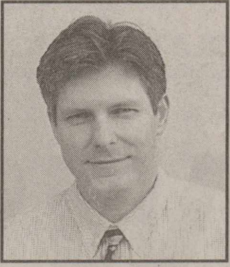
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State Capital HIGHLIGHTS



By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - With the U.S. Congress on the verge of passing a Wall Street bailout bill, what repercussions lie in store for America remain to be seen.

Reports of troubled financial markets cause uneasiness or cast gloom. Here in Texas, however, there appears to be a bright spot despite the financial turmoil.

The outlook for Texas-based banks is strong, members of the Independent Bankers Association of Texas reported during the group's 34th annual

Texas-Based Banks Stand Strong As Turmoil Hits Wall Street

convention Sept. 20-23.

Surveys conducted among the membership of the nation's largest state community banking organization showed that member banks are well capitalized and in good financial shape.

"Texas community banks did not participate in the exotic mortgage frenzy that created so much havoc across the nation," IBAT chairman Cliff McCauley said. "They stayed pretty much with the types of lending they have done for years, to local consumers and small businesses."

A small percentage of Texas-based banks will experience some losses related to the financial crisis, but the survey showed that none will be damaged significantly.

McCauley said the Texas economy is still strong and people still want to live in the Lone Star State. "Job growth,

tax revenues, new construction, home sales - while no doubt impacted by the overall slowdown in the national economy - are still the envy of the rest of the nation.

"Many of our members see an increase in business opportunities as consumers seek stability and the comfort of doing business with someone who knows them and actually cares about their financial well-being," McCauley said.

The Independent Bankers Association of Texas represents some 2,000 Texas domiciled banks and branches. McCauley is executive vice president of San Antonio-based Frost Bank, with 91 branches throughout the state.

Hurricane Recovery Forges Ahead

Now, more than two weeks since Hurricane Ike tore through Texas Sept. 13-14, we're still in the early stages

of recovery. Ike claimed 27 lives in Texas and damages may reach \$35 billion.

Repair, debris removal and salvage crews are hard at work. Aerial spraying for mosquitoes is under way. But in hard-hit Galveston, water and electrical services are not fully restored.

FEMA and HUD are helping displaced Texans find temporary housing and the Department of Labor approved a \$16 million federal grant to fund 600 temporary positions to assist in clean-up and recovery efforts.

On Sept. 23 in Washington, D.C., Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst testified before a U.S. Senate subcommittee on disaster recovery.

After acknowledging that Texas was granted 100 percent federal cost share for evacuees for 30 days, Dewhurst said, "Senators, 30 days is a real hardship. The city of Galveston

with 57,000 inhabitants, the city of Orange with more than 18,500 inhabitants, plus other heavy impact areas, are wiped out.

"Most homes and businesses have been damaged. Most electricity remains out. Most water and treatment facilities are damaged. Most sewage service and treatment facilities are down.

"It is estimated to take up to six months to make Galveston, Orange and other heavy-impact areas totally habitable.

"Texas respectfully asks that Individual Assistance be extended until the heavy impact areas are rebuilt and totally habitable. Again, treat us as Louisiana was afforded after Katrina."

Insurers Win In Sunset Vote

At a Sept. 24 meeting of the Texas Sunset Commission, lawmakers deadlocked on a

proposal to require the state's five largest insurance companies to wait at least 30 days before raising rates on homeowners' insurance.

The deadlock translates to a win for insurance companies, so they will be able to increase rates without approval from the state of Texas.

The proposal requiring a waiting period to raise rates was made by Sen. Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa, D-McAllen, who noted that Texans pay the nation's highest rates.

Evidence Preservation Is Topic

The collection, storage and preservation of evidence were discussed at a Sept. 25 meeting of the Texas Criminal Justice Integrity Unit. State Rep. Jim McReynolds, D-Lufkin, said he is concerned about wrongful convictions and the need for proper storage of biological evidence.

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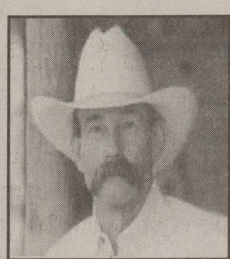
"I think I'm in orbit, but unlike the astronauts I don't have any preparations for my landing!"

The Paperboy By CHRISTOPHER BLACKBURN Are you at risk? Yes. Will you be okay? Yes. I don't know if it will be this week, but you will be okay. Many Americans are seeing first hand how ugly things can get in Washington. It's a sad truth. Most of our elected officials have absolutely no background in economics, finance or business. They can tell you what you'd like to hear about law, but their knowledge on the economy is lacking to say the least. I imagine CPAs and bankers across this country are shaking their heads when thinking about the attempts to educate the U.S. Congress on our economic problems. That scares me more than anything. It's like someone coming to me and explaining how to do surgery and then pointing to the patient and saying, "You need to get in there and save this guy." Many Americans know this and realize that when you put billions in the hands of the government, you can kiss it goodbye. That's why phones in Washington have been ringing off the hook with people voicing their concerns. Of course Congress must act and they must act very soon. But, they must do what is best for you and I, not Wall Street. And we certainly don't need a bill which can be construed as Socialism. Can you imagine the other troubled sectors in our economy running to Washington with their hand out? "Here you go housing market." "Hey airlines ... need some cash?" "American auto makers - come on down!" That's the last thing we need. Like usual, the warning signs were there. Economists have been saying it for years, but it fell on deaf ears. Why? Again, because our elected officials lack economic knowledge. How many times in the past week have you heard the word bipartisanship or partisanship? More than ever, we need our elected officials to forget what party they belong to and listen to experts. Bottom line: we need the best bill possible and we need it soon. And if you need to email our elected officials, tell them no pork, no golden parachutes for failed companies and keep the socialist rhetoric to a minimum. By the way, if you are someone with some cash under your mattress, you might want to consider investing. It's looking more and more like a buyer's market in most sectors. Copyright Christopher Blackburn 2008 Feel free to comment on this column at http://thenewbastion.blogspot.com/.

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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

## TOWING RATTLESNAKES

It's always a tough choice for a farmer to make when it is necessary to tow a crippled vehicle; should he have his wife drive the towing unit or should she sit behind the wheel of the one being towed?

To tow requires a steady acceleration to avoid jerking. To follow requires an astronaut's sensitivity to slow and brake the vehicle before it smashes into the rear bumper or three point hitch!

Kent's old '58 4-wheel drive 3/4-ton pickup had sat like a statue on top of a hill above their farm in eastern Kansas for years. Tourists might have remarked "how poignant that some farmer had made a monument to his faithful old 4 x 4." However, the neighbors knew that the pickup broke down up there and was abandoned!

On the fateful day of the "Junction City Rattlesnake Ride", Kent asked his wife to help him tow it to the shop. Complicating the operation was that the master cylinder was dry, the clutch plate was rusted to the flywheel and the engine didn't run!

"Don't worry," he told her, "All you have to do is steer!"

Most farmers' wives have a blind spot about machinery. The biggest one is, they actually think their husband knows what he's talking about! The plan was that he would gently push her to the edge of the hill with the loader bucket. How, she inquired suspiciously, would she be able to stop

it once she was headed down the slope toward the shop? He tapped his head with his finger to indicate he had already accounted for this contingency, "I will have the log chain hooked from the loader bucket to your back bumper to let you roll down easily."

She gave him a skeptical look as they began. She tipped over the ridge as he slowed to take the slack. The truck picked up speed and never broke a step when the chain snapped like an old rubber band! Down the hill at a racing pace she flew, dodging, leaping, coursing, swerving and sailing in, over and through, cut banks, washes, creeks, ponds, cow trails, down fences and other snarling obstacles as Kent marveled at the old truck's ability to maneuver. She high-centered on a stack of stone posts and leaped out screaming! He thought she'd done quite well, actually, and was surprised at her histrionics.

But, it turns out, there was more to the story than meets the eye. Just as the 4 x 4 broke free, she noticed a big shed snakeskin on the floor!

With one hand on the wheel and the other frantically hunting for the snake, she didn't get as much out of the ride as she could have!

Kent commiserated and said, sympathetically, "Thank goodness ya didn't have to worry about braking!"

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## How to Remove Odors Caused by Spoiled Food in a Refrigerator

COLLEGE STATION – Among the many unpleasant consequences of Hurricane Ike can be the odors caused by food that has spoiled in a refrigerator or freezer that shut off because of a power failure.

Jenna Anding, a food and nutrition expert with the Texas AgriLife Extension Service, offers these suggestions for eliminating refrigerator odors:

- Unplug the appliance and remove all spoiled food. If you are not sure whether or not the food is spoiled, throw it out anyway.
- Remove shelves, crispers, bins and ice trays and wash thoroughly with hot water and dish detergent. Afterwards, rinse the unit with a sanitizing solution made by mixing 1 teaspoon of chlorine bleach per quart of water.

- Wash the inside of the refrigerator with hot water and baking soda then rinse with the sanitizing solution. Leave the refrigerator or freezer door open for at least 15 minutes so air can circulate freely. If the odors are strong, you may need to leave the unit open longer.

If odors remain, you can try one or all of the following:

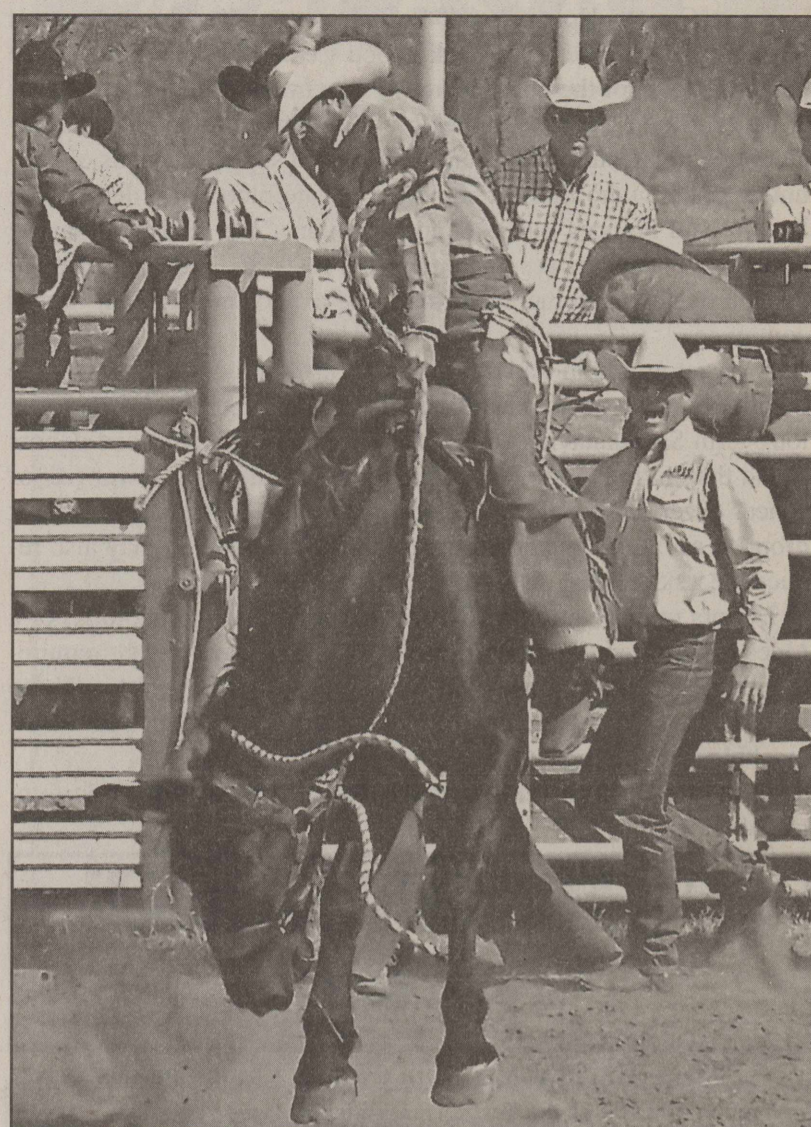
- Wipe the inside out with a solution made of equal parts of water and vinegar. Leave the door open for several days so it can air out.

- Stuff the refrigerator and/or freezer with rolled newspapers. Close the door and leave it alone for several days. Then, remove the paper and clean with a solution of vinegar and water.
- Use materials that absorb moisture and odors. These materials include activated charcoal, baking soda, or fresh ground coffee. Place the material in a shallow pan in the bottom of the unit and let the refrigerator run for a few days until the odors disappear.

If the odor gets into the freezer's insulation, Anding said, contact the manufacturer for suggestions on solving the problem. However, at that point, there may not be anything one can do to eliminate the odor. "That's when you have to consider more unpleasantness," she said, "the purchase of a new appliance."

If the refrigerator or freezer needs to be thrown out, be sure do it in a safe manner. "Childproof" the unit so children cannot get trapped inside. This can be done by taking the doors off, locking them shut with a padlock or removing the latch completely so the door won't lock if it is closed.

## Third Annual Tom Butler Memorial Bronc Riding



The Third Annual Tom Butler Memorial Bronc Riding (TBMBR) will be held on October 18 in Post, Texas at the Post Stampede Rodeo Arena. The event called a "Ridin' High Bronc Riding" will start at noon, preceded by the Calcutta of the bronc riders at 11:00 a.m. A dance featuring the Lone Star Troubadours will be held from 8 p.m. to midnight at the rodeo grounds. Along with the Open and Rookie Bronc Riding events, Shetland Bronc Riding for 12 years and under has been added to the day's activities. Entries are limited to 30 Open Bronc Riders, 15 Rookie Bronc Riders and 12 Shetland Bronc Riders.

The Memorial Bronc Riding event, held in Seymour, Texas the past two years, was initially organized by saddle maker Jeff Gray as a way to honor Tom Butler, of Guthrie, Texas. Butler, an 18 year old Texas Tech University Student was killed in a vehicle accident two years ago. In his short career Butler had earned many awards and titles in ranch rodeos, horse competitions, as well as athletic and scholastic activities.

Bronc riders in the event will compete in stock saddles and have a opportunity to win prizes that include a handmade saddle, handmade spurs and buckles from various makers along with a cash payout. The public is invited to attend the action-packed event. Everyone can get in on the action by bidding on a contestant at the Calcutta auction and cheering them on during the bronc riding. Proceeds from the bronc riding go to the Tom Butler Memorial Scholarship and Foundation.

The 2007 event funded 30 scholarships for college bound graduating high school seniors. A full concession stand will be available along with vendor booths that will be on location throughout the day.

For more information, contact Kelly or Traci Butler at 806-596-4632 or by e-mail at tracilyn@wildblue.net or www.tombutlermemorial.com

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**CORRECTIONS:**  
The Knox County News apologizes to Samantha Esquivel and Brittney Gonzales for the continuous misspelling of their name. We also apologize for mistaking Mea Abila and Brittney Gonzales in the front-page photo. Last but certainly not least we apologize to Jim and Tammie Dillon, owners of Dillon's Greenhouse.

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Meek Blood Center supplies blood to fifteen area hospitals, including Knox County Hospital. "The blood supply depends on volunteer donors who make a choice to donate blood in order to save lives," said Frances Baker, donor recruiter. "We all depend on the kindness of strangers at some time in our lives, and this is never more evident than when someone is in need of a blood transfusion," Baker continued

A recent article in Parade Magazine listed blood donation as the number one way to stay healthy. According to Dr. Mark Liponis, a long-term Scandanavian study of more than a million blood donors found that giving blood was found to be linked with a lower risk of cancer (liver, lung, colon, stomach and throat) in men. Cancer risk dropped as blood donation increased. Blood donation may also reduce the risk of heart disease.

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## OBITUARIES

### Don Hertel

Mr. Don Hertel, 78, passed away September 27, 2008. A funeral service is 2pm, Monday, September 29, 2008 at the Benjamin United Methodist Church with Dennis Duke and Rev. Tim Trimble officiating. Burial will follow in Benjamin Cemetery under the direction of Mansell Smith Funeral Home. Visitation will be Sunday Evening from 6 to 8pm at the funeral home in Knox City.

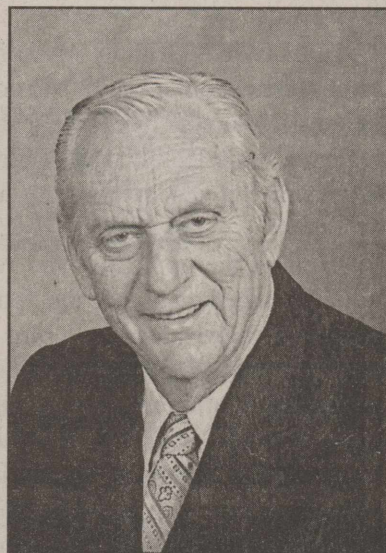
Mr. Hertel was born to the late Walter and Elnora Hertel in Benjamin, TX. He graduated from Benjamin schools. He had retired from the used car and wrecker service business. He married Louise Isbell on May 5, 1955 in Crowell, TX. She preceded him in death on July 10, 2000.

Mr. Hertel served in the Air Force during the Korean War.

He was a member of the Methodist Church in Benjamin.

Survivors include three sons Scott Hertel of Dallas, Craig Hertel and wife Donna of Gainesville and Kent Hertel and wife Elizabeth of Coppell; two brothers Walter Hertel of Munday and Charles Hertel of Midland; one sister Rose Albus of Lubbock and four grandchildren Megan, Olivia, Victoria and Derek.

He was also preceded in death by one infant son Donald Dale; as well as his wife and parents.



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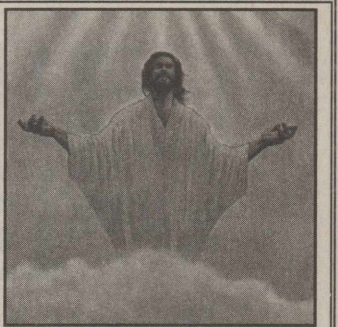
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## God's Promises

By Jim Reid, Pastor  
O'Brien Baptist Church



I Babbled On About Things Far Beyond Me

I don't know about you, but I am absolutely confused and without an answer for the most part concerning the Presidential election. And if that isn't confusing enough, now I have to deal with this "bail out" of the economy. Did you ever hear so much babbling in all your life? Can you even listen long enough to hear the information given, much less try to understand it? So much arguing, rambling and blame; discussion hasn't even got a chance!

Well, we all know a man who went through a great deal of confusion trying to understand all that was happening in his life. His name was Job. He lost everything; wealth, family, business and friends and he lost it all at once. Job didn't understand any of this destruction, but he did begin to talk to God about all of it.

Job complained, wept bitterly, yelled, screamed and argued for a long time with God about everything. Finally, Job had no more answers, no direction and still didn't have much understanding. Job throughout all of his circumstances never lost his trust for God, nor could he be convinced that his relationship with God was broken.

Well, forty-two chapters later Job understood that God was truly in charge all the time. Job also realized that God had His purpose for Job in mind all along. Job was broken for God's purpose, then Job was put together again for God's glory. Joy and restoration came to Job in the fullest extent at the end.

God has His purpose for your life as well. Do not be anxious for anything, nor worry about what you can't control. Become convinced like Job that God is right and wants to prosper you in all things. Let's all agree with Job's conclusion:

Job 42: 1-6

Job answered GOD: "I'm convinced: You can do anything and everything.

Nothing and no one can upset your plans.

You asked, 'Who is this muddying the water,

ignorantly confusing the issue, second-guessing my purposes?'

I admit it. I was the one. I babbled on about things far beyond me,

made small talk about wonders way over my head.

You told me, 'Listen, and let me do the talking.

Let me ask the questions. You give the answers.'

I admit I once lived by rumors of you;

now I have it all firsthand—from my own eyes and ears!

I'm sorry—forgive me. I'll never do that again, I promise!

I'll never again live on crusts of hearsay, crumbs of rumor."

(The Message translation)

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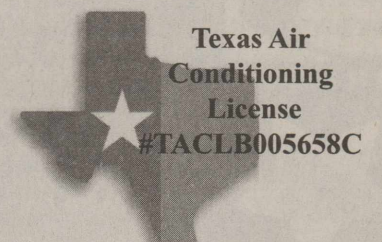
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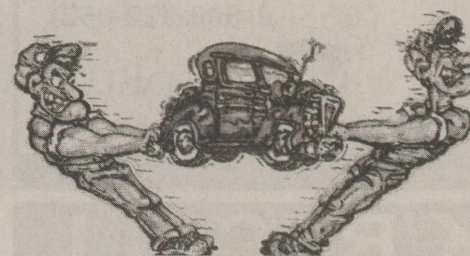
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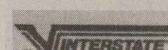
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# BENJAMIN SPORTS

## BENJAMIN NEWS

By Gladene Green

The weather has been soooo nice the past few days. Wonderfully cool mornings and much warmer days but not so bad that it is unpleasant. Just typically fall!! And I'm loving it.

### About Our Ill

Dutch Young returned home today (Monday) after surgery and almost five weeks in a Wichita Falls hospital he made the trip home fine but was tired. I'm sure after he rest he will feel much better Home is often the best medicine one can get.

Rayburn Layton suffered a stroke on Thursday. He is in a Wichita falls hospital. No late word on his condition but hopefully there won't be any long lasting effects of it. Remember him in your prayers.

Randolph and Judy Barnett returned to Benjamin today after several weeks at their "other home" on Alvin. They went to see about their place following Hurricane Ike. All was well for them so Randy decided to help his neighbors out and in doing so, he was injured in an accident breaking his leg. Some called it "not to bad" as it was a small bone but he's on crutches so I think that might be considered BAD!! He said it was so maybe he won't be handicapped to long! Let's hope not, He's too active. Not being able to do what he wants to is not his "cup 'o tea"

### Sympathy

I extend sympathy to the family of Don Hertel today. Donnie passed away Saturday after a courageous, hard fought battle with cancer. Donnie was my good friend and he will certainly be missed by many. His funeral was today here in Benjamin.

### Sports

You win some and you lose some. Such was the case last week for the Lady Stangs Volleyball team. On Tuesday they hosted the Knox City Houndettes and were victorious over their neighbors to the south. But on Saturday, it was a different story. They traveled to Rotan and won the first game but after that it was all Rotan. This weeks game is Tuesday night with Abilene Christian School in Abilene. Game time is 5p.m.

In Football, Jr. High was defeated by Knox City-O'Brien on Thursday night and High School defeated Paint Rock on Saturday. The game was played in Trent. This weeks schedule include games with Bryson. Both are on Thursday night Jr. High plays at 5:30 p.m. and the Mustangs play at 7:30 p.m. and both will be played in Bryson.

### Here 'n There

Not much going on in the coming and going column this week. Did see Nafeesa Ebraheim and Karla Benson on Saturday. Both are attending MSU and say the love it.

## LADY STANG VOLLEYBALL

## Benjamin Mustang Football

The Benjamin Mustangs, 3-1 in the season, prepared all week for their battle against Paint Rock. Although the journey was long, the intensity during the last play was sustained. Seconds before the buzzer sounded, Paint Rock had 4 downs to score inside at the 11 yard line. Coach Jason Loftiss states that, "The guys did an outstanding job stopping Paint Rock's last offensive series."

Leaders of Saturday's game are: Gilbert Nevarez- rushing 14-129 yards 4 TD, passing 6-8-140 yards 1 TD 1 INT; Derrick Northrup- rushing 7- 87 yards 1 TD; Mitchell Ham- receiving 3-45 yards 2 TD; Blake Jones- receiving 1- 50 yards 1 TD, passing 3-4-28 yards 2 TD

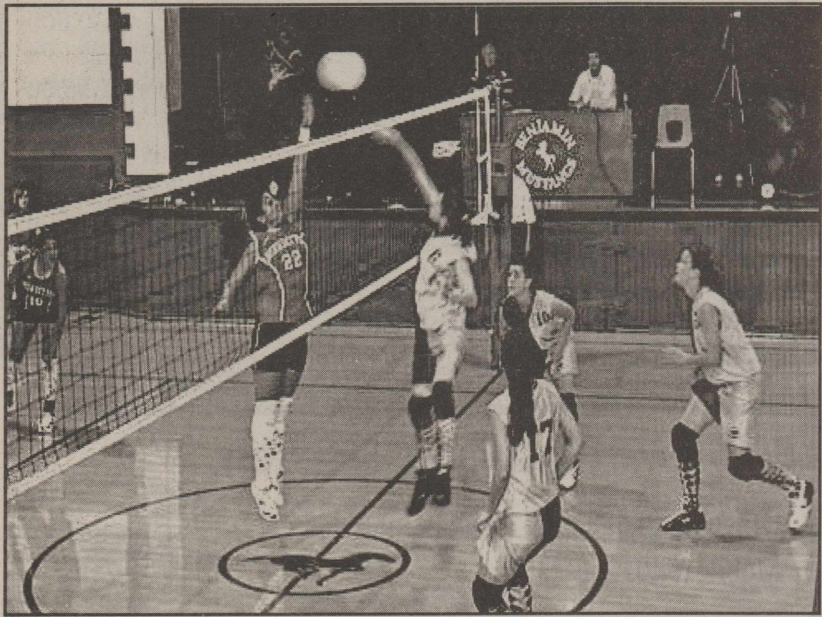
Benjamin: 22, 22, 0, 14- 58

Paint Rock: 22, 08, 06, 16- 52

Team: 1st Downs; Total Offense; Rush Off.; Pass Off.; Int; Fumbles

Benjamin: 7; 381; 31-219; 10-15-162; 1; 3

Paint Rock: 10; 397; 35-281; 10-21-116; 2; 2



Tuesday, September 23rd, Benjamin Lady Stangs hosted the Knox City Houndettes in a district showdown. The Lady Stangs lead to a whirlwind of a victory. The Ladies played a, "hard fought match!" Coach Loftiss exclaimed.

Benjamin: 25, 16, 25, 19, 15 Knox City: 22, 25, 17, 25, 09  
Devon Jones: 4 Kills, 19 Assists; Leah Vanderpol: 5 Kills; Tabby Golden: 13 kills; Jessica Vanderpol: 3 Aces, 6 Assists; Brittany Coop: 5 Aces; Teri Miller: 11 Kills, 2 Assists; Chloe Baty: 4 Aces, 3 Kills.

On Saturday, September 27th, the Lady Stangs traveled to Rotan and took on the Hammers. Coach Loftiss said, "We had too many unforced errors. Rotan did a great job of attacking the ball and defending their side of the court."

Benjamin: 25, 14, 13, 19 Rotan: 23, 25, 25, 25  
Devon Jones: 2 Aces, 1 Kill, 8 Assists; Leah Vanderpol: 4 Kills; Tabby Golden: 8 Kills; Jessica Vanderpol: 3 Aces, 8 Assists; Teri Miller 6 Kills.

The Lady Stangs hold an overall record of 10-9 and are 2-1 in district play. The Ladies will take on Munday in home court on Tuesday, October 7th. The match will begin at 6:30pm.



## Kerry Girling To Speak At Memorial Building In Benjamin On Oct. 8th

One young man can silence over 1,000 youth at a time within seconds of opening his mouth, Kerry Girling is a youth actor/model and motivational speaker. He has been motivating students throughout Canada and the United States, promoting a positive message and encouraging the youth to live healthy lifestyles, along with his reflecting message 'Make the Right choice'

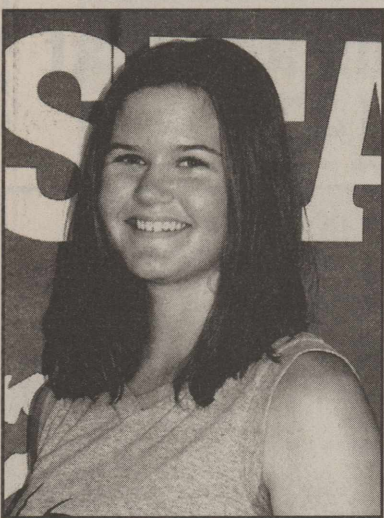
Kerry decided to take a break from his successful acting and modeling career to help motivate and influence teens in a positive way. He has over five years experience speaking to over one million students on an International level. Being a young person himself helps him relate to the age of his audience, he is someone they can relate to a little better, and he keeps their attention with an entertaining and enlightening message.

Mr. Girling is genuine with his message and shows compassion for his audience. He truly believes that he can create a Better World through a Better Youth.

Kerry will be speaking to the local youth at the Memorial Building in Benjamin on Wednesday, October 8, at 1:00p.m., Parents and public welcome to attend. For more information about Kerry Girling visit his website at [www.kerrygirling.com](http://www.kerrygirling.com)

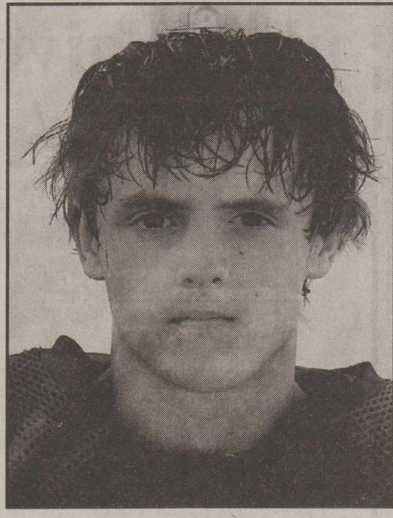


## BENJAMIN PLAYER HIGHLIGHTS



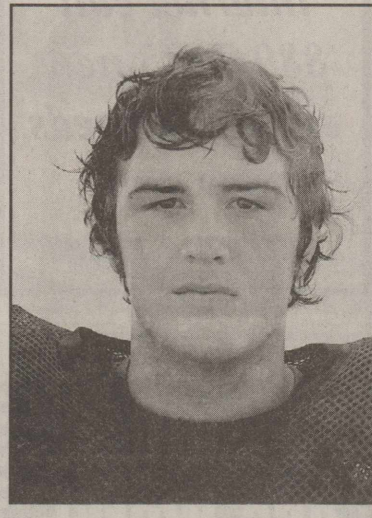
Jessica Vanderpol

Age: 16  
Nickname: Debbie  
Parents: Brent and Dawn Vanderpol  
Siblings: Leah (18), Laura (29), Benjamin (10)  
School Involvements: Volleyball, 4-H, Cheerleading.  
My "American Idol" is: My Dad.  
My claim to fame is: I read all the time.  
Some people don't know that I: want to be an artist.



Dillon Loftiss

Mustang Football  
Grade: 12th  
Age: 17  
Nickname: Lofty  
Parents: Jason & Angela  
Siblings: Kellen (12)  
School Involvements: Football, Cross-Country, Basketball, Tennis, Track, U.I.L.  
My claim to fame is: doing good in school.  
If I could be anyone for a day I would be: Adrian Peterson.  
The last book I read was: The Great Gatsby.



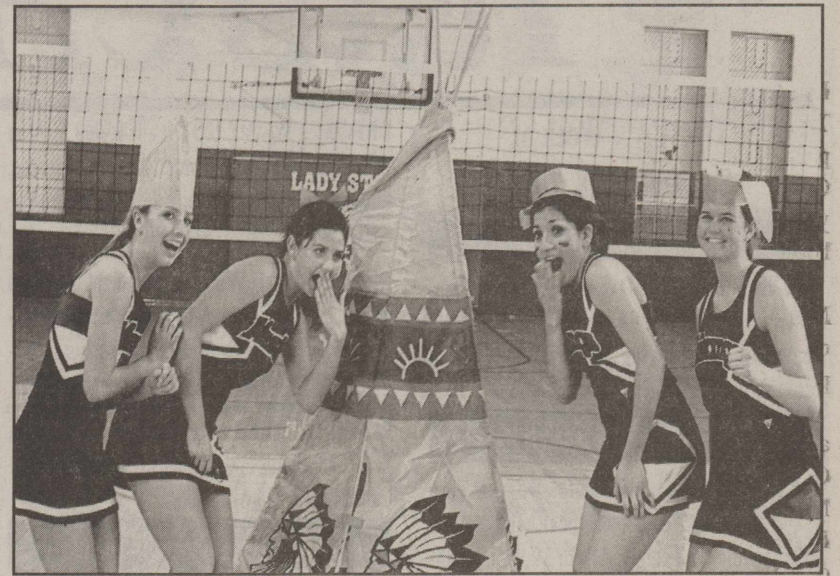
Mitchell Welch

Mustang Football  
Grade: 11th  
Age: 16  
Nickname: Big-M  
Parents: Shane & Mitzi Welch  
Siblings: Ray (22), Misty (28), Heath (13)  
School Involvements: Sports & U.I.L.  
Behind my back people say: I talk too much.  
My favorite subject is: Algebra.. NOT!!  
Some people don't know that I: am actually fast.



Tabby Golden

Lady Stang Volleyball  
Grade: 12th  
Age: 17  
Nickname: Fatty Tabby  
Parents: Randle Golden, Dawn Wilson & Loren Schademan  
Siblings: Tiffany (29), Jeremy (29), Randy (26), Stacey (23), Jackson and Blaise (14), Michael (7)  
School Involvements: Volleyball, Cross-Country, Basketball, Track, Tennis, Golf, Yearbook  
If I could be anyone for a day I would be: Richard Simmons.  
One embarrassing moment for me was when I: was carrying an ice chest and talking to Gilbert in the concession stand and when I dropped it quickly, I slammed my chin on the table. I got up like nothing happened but, Gilbert seen the whole thing and laughed.



Above Benjamin Cheerleaders- Brittany Coop, Leah Vanderpool, Raquel Acevedo and Jessica Vanderpool enjoying themselves as Indians who weren't afraid of the Mustangs this past weeks Pep-rally. Below Benjamin Vs. O'Brien Junior High Stats from both teams unavailable at press time.



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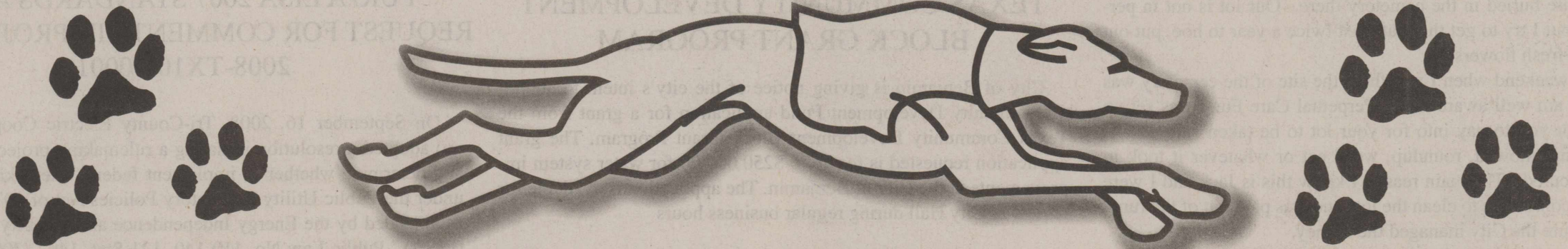
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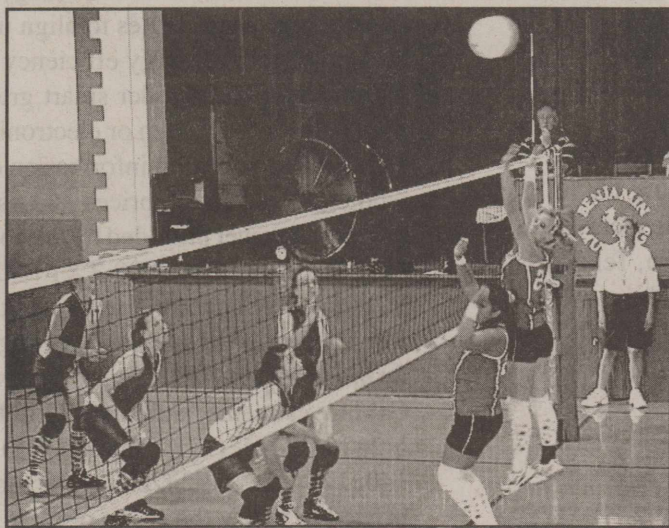
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# KNOX CITY SPORTS



## Knox City Houndette Volleyball



Houndettes took on Benjamin Lady Stangs on Tuesday, September 23rd. Although the Houndettes were overcome during the fifth game of play, they didn't give up they fought until the bitter end. Coach Jan Reed said, "the girls just didn't 'git-r-done' in the last game." Coach said they made mistakes and let their guard down.

Mea Abila: 16-4 Serves, 7-2 Hits, 9-0 Digs, 3 Aces, 4 Tips; Brittany Baker: 4-4 Serves, 1-0 Hits, 6-6 Digs; Whitney Collins: 8-4 Serves, 19-7 Digs; Sam Esquivel: 4-2 Serves, 4-0 Hits, 2-0 Digs, 1 Assists, 1 Tips; Brittney Gonzales: 17-2 Serves, 2-0 Hits, 11-1 Digs, 3 Tips; Tiffany McCrary: 10-4 Serves, 7-2 Hits, 16-10 Digs, 1 Assists, 3 Tips; Lacey Pierce: 13-1 Serves, 2 Blocks, 18-3 Digs, 1 Aces, 1 Tips; Katelyn Reed: 2-1 Serves, 11-2 Digs, 1 Tips.

Knox City: 22 / 25 / 17 / 25 / 9 Benjamin: 25 / 16 / 25 / 19 / 15

Saturday, September 20th, the JV and Varsity Houndettes greeted Munday. The competition ended on a well grounded basis. Munday got served and went home. The Houndettes JV team spent the past week working on a new rotation that encouraged the outcome with a victory. Coach Reed said that, "Destini Billington stood out among the team but, overall the ladies played well together." The JV Houndettes will be playing in the Aspermont JV Tournament this coming Saturday.

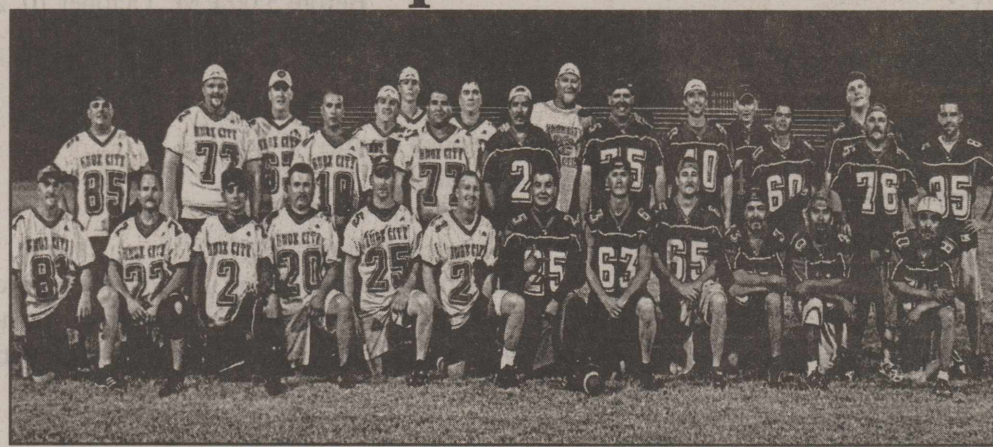
The Varsity Houndettes continued the triumph during Saturday's contest against Munday. The girls won three out of three games. The Houndettes were able to apply things that were worked out in practice and take control of the winning situation.

Mea Abila: 6 Serves, 3 Hits, 8 Digs, 1 Aces, 1 Assists; Brittany Baker: 6 Serves, 1 Hits, 4 Digs; Whitney Collins: 7 Serves, 4 Digs; Sam Esquivel: 1 Serves, 3 Hits, 3 Digs, 1 Aces, 2 Assists, 2 Tips; Brittney Gonzales: 18 Serves, 2 Hits, 10 Digs, 1 Aces, 2 Assists; Tiffany McCrary: 4 Serves, 2 Hits, 6 Digs, 1 Aces, 3 Kills; Lacey Pierce: 7 Serves, 13 Digs, 3 Hits, 1 Kills; Katelyn Reed: 2 Serves, 1 Hits, 4 Digs, 1 Kills.

Knox City: 25 / 25 / 25 Munday: 15 / 17 / 16

The Varsity will be playing Albany in Albany on Tuesday, October 7th.

## Knox County Law Enforcement 54 Knox City Volunteer Fire Department 42



The local Law Enforcement confronted the Knox City Volunteer Fire Department in a benefit brawl on Thursday, September 25th at the Greyhound Stadium. Although the Firemen came out with the intentions to light a fire underneath the law enforcement, they lost their "poof" during the top of the fourth quarter. The "Law" ended up capturing the officials' attention and cuffing the KCVFD to a victorious 54 - 42 win. The intensity of game play was exciting yet, very unpredictable. During portions of the game it was undetermined whether it was flag football or tackle. Also, the players had no sense of boundaries from any direction. All in all, both teams participating had fun. The Greyhound Pride Band and the announcers exaggerating way to inform the calls entertained the fans.

The Law Enforcement and KCVFD come together each year to raise money to support different causes. This year, the group collected over \$1400 dollars. The proceeds will benefit the Knox County Child Welfare and a scholarship for a Knox City graduate.

Each organization would like to thank the sponsors that made this event possible: PBH, Pepper's Dry Good & Other Stuff, Ledesma Oil Field, Jarred Pepper of Basic, The Supply House, Randy Smith of Basic Rental & Fishing Tools, Citizen's Bank, The Body Shop, Pumper's Supply, Lynn Electric, Jerry Guinn, The Main Place, Eaton Backhoe, Conoco, Knox Family Wellness Clinic, Bill Stewart Insurance, Bud's Café, Kathie and Jack's Restaurant, Blossoms Boutique, Flower Shop, Art Stall & Frame Shop, The Pizza Place, KC Video. A special thank you goes out to the men that kept the game under control as much as possible the referees: Anthony Logsdon, Al Rios and Scott Brown; announcer: Raymond Nichols; the concession stand workers, the cooks and the volunteer players (that were not Law Enforcement or KCVFD members) that played in the game.

## TEEN NEWS

By Rachel Ellis

The football boys will play Lueders-Avoca this Friday in Trent. The game will start at 7:30 p.m. This week's spirit day is Crazy Sock Day. Be sure to wear your crazy socks and support the hounds.

The Volleyball girls played Munday on Saturday. They came out on top with a victory. They played Aspermont on Tuesday.

The band will participate in a marching festival on Monday October 6th. It will be held at Memorial Stadium in Wichita Falls. They will then go to contest on Saturday October 18th.

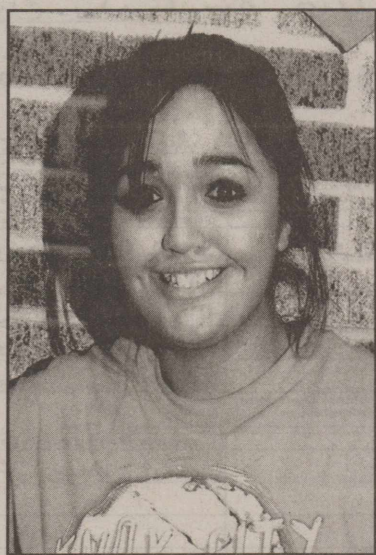
## Junior High News

By Kinslee Cox

Last Tuesday student council held a fear factor contest as a fundraiser. The winners were Alferdo Martinez and Zachary Rodriguez. The Bulldogs played the Mustangs last week; the score was 31-0. The Bulldogs are playing Guthrie this week in O'Brien. The girls will start basketball in November. Have a great week.

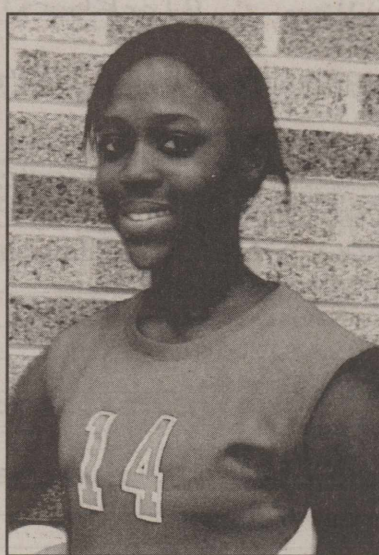
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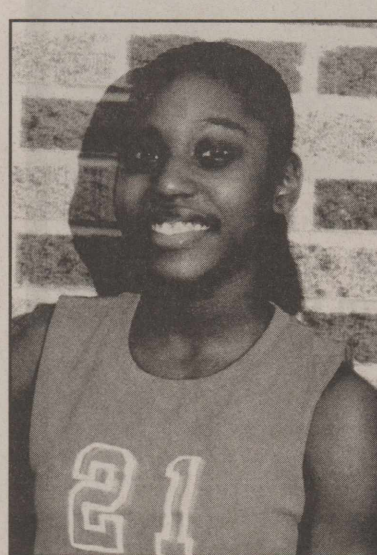
Samantha Esquivel

Houndette Volleyball  
Grade: 12th  
Age: 17  
Nickname: Ling Ling  
Parents: Rudy and Michelle Esquivel  
Siblings: Vanessa (19), Tiffany (14)  
School Involvements: Volleyball, Basketball, Band, Cheerleading, U.I.L., Tennis and Student Council  
At a fantasy dinner I would invite: Brittany Gonzales' older brother, Rick Gonzales  
If I could be anyone for a day I would be: Dora the Explorer because she goes on adventures with a monkey in red boots.  
One embarrassing moment for me was when I: umm, I don't remember one at the moment.



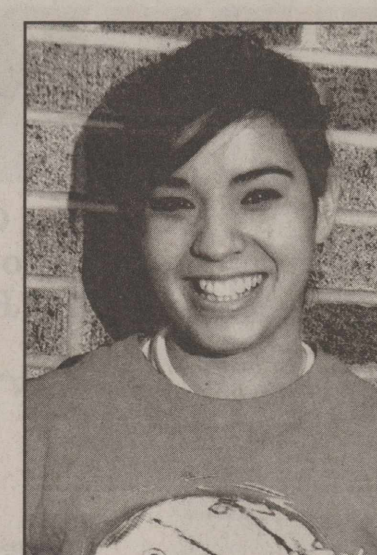
Destini Billington

Houndette Volleyball  
Grade: 9th  
Age: 14  
Nickname: Little Bridgette  
Parents: Linda Bonner & James Ray Billington  
Siblings: Kylie (21), Bridgette (19)  
School Involvements: Volleyball, Track, Basketball, U.I.L.  
At a fantasy dinner I would invite: Carl Edwards, Dale Jr., Jimmy Wayne, CJ Wilson, Ian Kinsler, Josh Hamilton  
One embarrassing moment for me was when I: went to block Brittney's spike, came down and it hit me right in the face.  
My "American Idol" is: Shane Strickland.



Camille Ward

Houndette Volleyball  
Grade: 11th  
Age: 16  
Nickname: Gonzo  
Parents: Rick & Tammy Gonzales  
Siblings: Tandy (25), Rick (22)  
School Involvements: Volleyball, Basketball, Golf, U.I.L., Cheerleading, FFA, Band  
My claim to fame is: Volleyball.  
If I could be anyone for a day I would be: Misty May or Kerri Walsh  
The last book I read was: Sweet 16



Brittney Gonzales

Houndette Volleyball  
Grade: 10th  
Age: 15  
Nickname: Ms. Mill  
Parents: Doris and Gene Ward  
Siblings: Ashleigh (23), Jamilla (20)  
Essence (11)  
School Involvements: U.I.L., Athletics, Band and Cheerleading  
My claim to fame is: to be on a talk show with Adrian.  
Some people don't know that I: love playing with dolls hair.  
At a fantasy dinner I would invite: Chris Brown.



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# Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

My concern in the Knox City Cemetery. I am a past resident and my in-laws are buried in the cemetery there. Our lot is not in perpetual care, but I try to get there at least twice a year to hoe, put out roundup and fresh flowers.

This past weekend when I was there the site of the cemetery was appalling. I am well aware that a Perpetual Care Fund was set up years ago, for you to pay into for your lot to be taken care of if it needed hoeing, mowed, roundup, weed eat or whatever it took to keep it manicured. The main reason I know this is Jack and I were hired by the committee to clean the lots and was paid out of the fund. I am pretty sure the City managed the money.

I know there has been rain in your area but this in not the first time I've been there to see this unruly site.

My mother and dad are buried in Electra their lot is in Perpetual Care, the only thing we do there is to take fresh flowers. This is much better to know years from now it will always look nice.

I'll be back to Knox City soon and I'm praying this issue will have been taken care of. A thought on how you could help the image of your city is by having a community wide clean up day, with a fundraiser for the cemetery. Then keep it clean with the appropriate funds.

I was interested at one time to pay into this fund, but now I'm afraid it would just be money wasted.

Thank you for letting me ramble and state my opinion.

Sincerely,  
Betty Hamilton



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Knox County, Texas

By order of the Knox County Commissioners Court, the following property is available for sale. Sealed bids must be received in the office of the county judge, P.O. Box 77, Benjamin, Texas 79525, Before 5:00 P.M., October 10, 2008.

Surplus Property Available For Sale

- 7 wooden desk
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- 3 wooden chairs
- 1 metal chair
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- 1 wooden drafting table

Property is available for inspection at the courthouse in the assembly room in Benjamin, Texas between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. from the date of this publication until 5:00 p.m., October 10, 2008.

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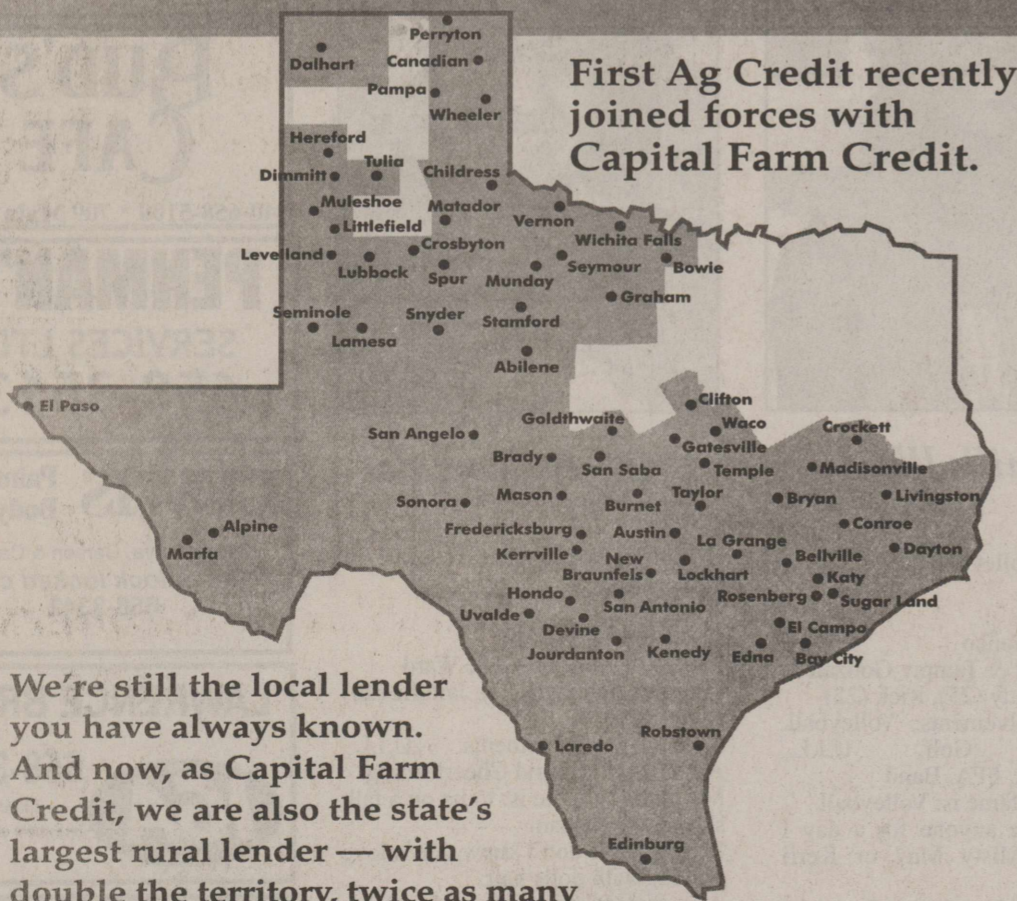
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## TRI-COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. NOTICE OF PROCEEDING TO CONSIDER PURPA EISA 2007 STANDARDS AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS IN PROJECT NO. 2008-TX101-0001

On September 16, 2008, Tri-County Electric Cooperative (co-op) adopted a resolution initiating a rulemaking project to consider and determine whether to implement federal ratemaking standards under the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA), as amended by the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA), Public Law No. 110-140, 121 Stat. 1492 (2007) to: 1) integrate energy efficiency into the co-op's integrated resource plans and establish cost-effective energy efficiency as a priority resource; 2) establish electric rates to align utility incentives with the delivery of cost effective energy efficiency and to promote energy efficiency investments; 3) consider smart grid investments; and 4) give co-op members direct written or electronic access and other interested persons limited access to information on time-based electricity prices at wholesale and retail, prices and usage on at least a daily basis, and sources of power provided by the co-op. The proceeding has been designated Project No. 2008-TX101-0001, Proceeding to Consider and Determine Whether to Implement the Federal Ratemaking Standards for Integrated Resource Planning, Rate Design Modifications to Promote Energy Efficiency Investments, Consideration of Smart Grid Investments, and Smart Grid Information pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 2621(d)(16), (17), (16) and (17) as amended by Pub. L. No 110-140, 121 Stat. 1492 (2007). Persons interested in the proceeding are invited to notify the so-op of their intent to participate in the project ad to submit comments, data, views, arguments, and other evidence must include the person's name, contact information, and relationship to the co-op, reference Project No. 2008-TX101-0001 and be submitted in writing to the cooperative at 600 N.W. Parkway, Azle, TX 76020 or by e-mail to cisa.standards.comment@tccetexas.com no later than December 5, 2008. A public hearing on this project will be convened to give interested participants an opportunity to comment and ask questions about whether the co-op should implement the PUROA EISA Standards. Questions about this notice or project may be directed to Davis Moore, System Engineer, at (817)444-3201 or by e-mail at dmoore@tccetexas.com. All further information about this project, including the resolution, all comments received, and the date, time, and location of the hearing will be posted on the co-op's web site at www.tccetexas.com

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# History of Goree School

By Joyce Greenwood

As settlers moved west from east Texas and points north toward the fertile lands of what was to become Knox County, many of them settled northwest of the present town of Goree. Named Goree for one of the prominent settlers of that era, small trading posts and houses soon dotted the landscape. School trustees were appointed for the district lying south of the Brazos River in 1888, and two wagons were sent to Albany to bring back lumber to erect a small, one room school building.

When the railroad came through Knox County, old Goree was too far away to facilitate trade, so in 1906, the town, along with the school building, was moved to the present site and renamed New Goree.

The class of 1911 was the first graduating class, shortly before the erection of a two story building. Before the completion of the new two story building, classes were held in a large tent. In 1912, the two story structure was complete and classes were extended from Grades 1-9 to Grades 1-11. The old two story building served Goree students until 1929 when a two story brick structure was built. Hefner School, to the north of Goree, housed Grades 1-9, transferring Grades 10 and 11 to Goree High School. 1929 was also the first year that students graduated in caps and gowns.

In 1957, the top floor of the existing building was removed and a new Elementary wing and a cafeteria were added. Until the turn of the century, Goree was a thriving educational facility, excelling in athletic and academic competitions year after year. It is that Goree School that visiting alumni remember. As the economy waned and people moved away, there were fewer and fewer students until, in 2002, the last graduating class received diplomas, the Goree school song was sung for the last time and Goree School was no more. In 2003, Goree consolidated with Munday ISD, but the people's fears that hay would be stored in their beloved building were not realized when Munday moved Junior High to Goree.

October 10-12, Goree exes will return to Goree for its 18th three year Homecoming. Old friends will become reacquainted, some of the same childhood pranks will be related and---even though the sign proclaims that this is now Mogul country---the Wildcats will always be alive and well in the hearts of the former Goree students.

## 2nd Annual West Texas Cowboy Camp Meeting

Everyone is cordially invited to share in song and worship as we gather in a cowboy setting (approximately 14 miles East of Guthrie, Texas. Watch for sign on South side of highway which reads: Moorehouse Ranch Road, follow the road South approximately 2 miles to ranch headquarters and lakeside tabernacle.)

Friday, Oct. 3rd at 6:30pm, Special Music; Special Speaker: Joe Howard Williamson from Archer City, Texas.

Saturday, Oct. 4th Afternoon Service: at 2:30pm. Special Music & Message by Ron Brunson from Plainview, Texas.

Saturday, Oct. 4th Night Service at 6:30pm. Special Speaker: Singer/Songwriter and Cowboy Preacher, Shannon Hall from Duncan, Oklahoma. Evening meal will be served prior to service. Barbecue Sandwiches and Cherry Cobbler.

Sunday, Oct. 5th at 10 am. Special Music by: Jamie & Kelsey Timmons; Special Speaker: Freddie Stice Jr. from Paducah, Texas. Noon Meal: Chuckwagon Hamburgers.

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## KNOX COUNTY EXTENSION EDUCATION ASSOCIATION HONORS MEMBERS/ YOUTH



Extension Education Association members from throughout Knox County participated in their annual Achievement Fair on Monday, September 22, at the Benjamin Student's Building. The annual event provides club members and youth an opportunity to display and compete with items they have made, baked or canned during the past year.

Activities began at 5:00 p.m. when the doors were open for viewing of all entries. At 6:00 p.m. the members and guests enjoyed a meal of deluxe nachos and desserts supplied by the fair's participants.

Highlighting the evening was the presentation of awards. Jarden Home Brands, makers of Ball and Kerr Products sponsored the awards for the preserved foods division.

Club with the highest attendance (based on a percentage of membership) was announced:

- 1st - K.C. Circle Club
- 2nd - Munday Club

Club with the most entries (based on a percentage of membership) was recognized:

- 1st - K.C. Circle Club
- 2nd - Munday Club

A total of 146 entries were exhibited by the club members and county youth.

Best of show winners of each division are:

- Baked Foods- Pam Mongrain
- Preserved Foods - Sherry Hacker
- Clothing and Textiles - Vera Reid
- Quilts - Pam Mongrain

- Stitchery - Sherry Hacker
- Crafts - Vera Reid
- Painting - Vera Reid
- Photography - Jackie Lowrance
- Horticulture - Joel Smith
- Living Plants/Cut Flowers - Joel Smith
- Youth Best of Show winners for each age division are:
- K-4th grade - Elissa Hacker
- 5th-8th grade - James West
- Sr. High - Brittany Coop

The annual Sweepstakes award was presented to the member accumulating the most points on items entered. Vera Reid of Knox City Circle Club took top honors this year. In the youth division, Brittany Coop won the "Sweepstakes" award.

Elissa Hacker, Reed Donaldson and Brittany Coop each won \$25.00, donated by the Knox 4-H and Youth Committee, for having the most entries in their respective age groups. The Viewer's Choice award is an award in which those attending the event vote on the entry they like the best.

Receiving the most votes from those attending was Pam Mongrain for her quilt entry. Vera Reid displayed her state winning entry from the annual Texas EEA convention held September 8-10 in Corpus Christi, Texas.

One member of the county Extension Education Association is recognized annually as Woman of the Year. Sherry Hacker from the KC Circle club is this year's honoree.

## Country of Origin Labeling Begins September 30, 2008 for Rolling Plains Cattle Producers

Effective September 30, 2008, retailers who sell fresh and frozen beef, pork, lamb, chicken, goat meat muscle cuts and ground meat products must notify their customers of the country of origin.

Cow-calf producers and stocker cattle operators, as indirect suppliers of animals that produce meat covered by this law are obligated to provide buyers with information to establish the origin of meat products derived from animals they sell.

Therefore, at the cow-calf level, cattle sellers must declare the origin of the animals with the implication that they have sufficient records to verify the claim if needed.

Because this law directly affects retailers and not cattle operators, little guidance from USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service was given to the cattle producers as to what information was needed to be sent up the marketing chain as the cattle moved through to the retail beef industry.

However, according to the law, a producer affidavit shall be considered acceptable evidence on which the buyer may rely to initiate the origin claim, provided it is made by someone having first-hand knowledge of the origin of the animal(s) and identifies the animal(s) unique to the transaction. In late August, a cattle industry coalition met in Kansas City to develop a universal affidavit that minimizes the burden on cattle producers and simultaneously assures animal buyers of compliance with COOL requirements. The Texas and Southwestern

Cattle Raisers Association and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association have the universal affidavits posted on their websites.

Rolling Plains cow-calf producers should be ready to complete an affidavit on the calves they intend to sell in the coming months. Being the first-hand knowledge entity as to the origin of their cattle, ranchers will be required to provide an affidavit to the buyer of the cattle.

In the case of a supply chain audit back to the rancher, the law states that records maintained in the course of the normal conduct of the business of such person, including animal birth records, animal health papers, animal inventory documents, feeding records, and other similar documents may serve as such verification. These records should be kept for one year.

For those stocker cattle operators that intend to purchase and graze cattle on small grains pastures over the winter, particular attention will need to be paid to getting a country of origin affidavit from the seller of the cattle. In cases where the cattle are from multiple locations, multiple affidavits will be required.

Those operators will need the previous affidavits as they become the next seller of the cattle. The subsequent buyer (in this case, probably a feedlot) will need to be able to identify all previous owners of the cattle in case of a supply chain audit. Contact the Knox County Extension Office at 940-459-2651 if you have any questions about COOL.

## Soil Testing Campaign

Texas AgriLife Extension Service will be conducting a Soil Testing Campaign from now through October 3rd. All basic soil analysis samples can be tested at a reduced rate for producers in Baylor, Haskell, Knox, and Throckmorton counties.

Routine analysis, which generally cost \$10.00, will be \$6.00 per sample. Sampling for micronutrients will cost \$10.00, which is a savings of \$5.00 per sample.

You must have a different soil sampling form along with the sampling bags which are available from your County Extension Agent. For more information, contact the Knox County Extension Office at 940-459-2651.



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# The 501

by Hanaba Munn Welch

*Named for the historic FW&D Engine 501, The 501 is always exactly 501 words and dashes long, whatever the topic. Welch, a freelance writer for Blackburn Media Group, divides her time mostly between Abilene and the family farm north of Vernon.*

This is my brain on Avelox, Chloroseptic, Robitussin, spicy chicken ramen, Cranberry juice, Jack Daniels, nectarines, Vazobid, Cokes, vanilla ice cream and a steroid shot, not in that order. I have a sore throat. I even went to the doctor.

Whenever I catch something, I always think I'm the victim of an epidemic. The first night of this feverish illness I dreamed it was the bubonic plague happening again, stretching all over Texas. There was even a map.

So, if you've got what I've got, or if you've already had it, or if you catch it from reading about it, stick a pin in the map and accept my sympathy.

In the clutch of any illness, the sicker I get, the more willing I am to try anything it takes to get better. I mentioned that I went to the doctor. I'm not really sure. I went to a walk-in clinic. It's like getting your hair cut in a strange salon where you don't know the stylists. When you really need a haircut, you'll do it.

My experience wasn't bad. A cheerful lady treated me. She told me her first name. I only glanced at her tattoo. I'm pretty sure it wasn't a couple of snakes coiled around a winged staff. On second thought, maybe it was. Bottom line, doctor or not, she figured out I had a sore throat.

I was primed to shell out big bucks for the latest greatest antibiotic. Instead, I got samples. Surprise! Over the years, doctors have given me samples. I always thought it was because they liked me. But to get free samples from a clinic when they'd seen me only once and at my worst? Maybe I really am just their guinea pig, albeit a grateful one. I'm perfectly willing to test Avelox (which I like to think of as very expensive if you have to buy it, so if it isn't, I don't want to know).

Talk of guinea pigs brings my father's appendectomy to mind. He and mother were barely scraping by on the farm circa 1932. When appendicitis

struck, they drove to Wichita Falls for his surgery. The hospital needed grain to feed its guinea pigs. Daddy was allowed to pay with maize rather than money. Convenient. I'm not sure how much maize the hospital required, but I picture my parents hauling it to the hospital in sacks stacked on the rumble seat of their Model A. Granted, they may have made more than one delivery, but nowadays the typical cost for a run-of-the-mill appendectomy is \$15,850. Reckoned in maize, that's about 3,550 50-pound sacks of grain. No way could Daddy have grown that much maize and delivered it himself. And no way could the hospital have had that many guinea pigs.

So, there you have it. Proof that medical costs have gone up more than farm products since 1932.

That's hardly news, but I'm on Avelox. That makes you all my guinea pigs.

Thanks. We will survive.

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Commissioner Robert Scott of Texas Education Agency met with area superintendents at Region 9 Education Service Center in Wichita Falls on Wednesday, September 17, 2008. Commissioner Scott, who oversees, 1,222 public schools and charters in the State of Texas spoke to area educators about their needs and new initiatives on the horizon for public school children. While meeting with area superintendents, Commissioner Scott made a special presentation to Ms. Olivia Del Hierro Gloria of Benjamin ISD in honor of the district's Recognized rating in 2007-2008 State Accountability System.

### Pandemic Flu Threat Nothing To Sneeze At

COLLEGE STATION – It happened three times in the 20th century, and health officials believe history could repeat any time – pandemic flu. An outbreak of a new viral disease spreading quickly around the globe would have a huge impact on society. “Seasonal flu occurs from October to May annually, peaking from December to March,” said Josefa Pena, Texas AgriLife Extension Service health program specialist. “Seasonal flu overwhelms the health care system every year. Therefore, in the event of a pandemic flu, for sure the health care system will be overloaded.”

Though medical researchers develop shots to prevent common flu that cycles each year, it is possible that a new strain of flu virus could develop, spread and have a wide-reaching impact before a vaccine for it could be created. That is what happened in 1918,

1957 and 1968, according to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. As many as 50 million people in the world died from what was called Spanish flu in 1918. About 675,000 of those were in the U.S. The department estimates 70,000 deaths nationwide in the 1957 Asian flu epidemic and about 34,000 U.S. deaths in the 1968 Hong Kong flu outbreak. By comparison, the seasonal outbreaks of flu in the U.S. cause from 30,000-50,000 deaths each year. But a pandemic outbreak of a new strain could result in 900,000-2 million deaths nationwide and tens of millions more worldwide, according to AgriLife Extension's health specialists. Pena said people can learn how to be more prepared and possibly prevent pandemic flu from infecting themselves. She said comprehensive information and planning checklists can be found

at the Texas Extension Disaster Education Network web site at <http://texashelp.tamu.edu/004-natural/disease-and-epidemic.php>. Information includes a checklist for individuals and families, and preparedness ideas for businesses and for faith-based organizations. There also is information on flu symptoms, flu shots and what to do if you or a loved one gets sick. The site uses information compiled from the U.S. health department, and includes what the nation is doing to prepare for such an outbreak, as well as efforts planned by the Red Cross and the Centers for Disease Control. Individuals and groups interested in learning more about preparing for pandemic flu can contact their county AgriLife Extension office or Pena at 979-845-8954, or JBPena@ag.tamu.edu.

### Input Sought at Community Natural Resource Conservation

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and the Wichita-Brazos Soil and Water Conservation District invite the public and any agencies with an interest in conservation issues to participate in a Local Work Group meeting to be held at USDA Service Center in Knox City. This meeting will be on October 16, at 1:00 PM. The purpose of this meeting is to receive input from a broad range of local agencies, organizations, businesses, and individuals that have an interest in natural resource conditions and needs in Knox County. Input received will allow the Local Work Group to make recommendations on resource concerns to be addressed for county-based funding. These recommendations will be used in implementing the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and other conservation programs offered by NRCS. The 2008 Farm Bill stipu-

lates that conservation programs must continue to be locally led. Through stake holder meetings, the public is given an opportunity to help local conservation leaders set program priorities. These meetings are open to the public. For more information, call the USDA Service Center office in Knox City at (940) 658-3526 X3. Service center locations and program information can be found on the NRCS Texas Web site at [www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov)

### 2ND ANNUAL MACKENZIE TRAIL FESTIVAL A SUCCESS

The “2nd Annual MacKenzie Trail Festival” was an overall success. The “Duggan's Parts Plus Annual Car Show” had fifty-eight (58) entries from Stamford, Abilene, Hamlin, Avoca, Knox City, Anson, Sylvester, Merkel, Clyde, Baird, Buffalo Gap, Breckenridge, Vernon, Sweetwater and Hamlin. Each class awarded 1st and 2nd Place trophies to the following consecutively: Pre-49 Street Rod – Eddie Baugh of Clyde, 1934 Chevrolet 5-window coupe, Wes Morris of Clyde, 1938 Chevy 2-door sedan; Pre-49 Antique – Gladys Patterson of Breckenridge, 1926 Chevrolet 2-door coupe, Richard Seals of Baird, 1941 Ford Coupe; Classic Auto 1950-1959 – Kyle Coker of Abilene, 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air, Robert Spalding of Hamlin, 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air 2-door hardtop; Classic Auto 1960-1979 – Bobby Don Wood of Sweetwater, 1972 Chevy Malibu, Laura McLean of Vernon, 1969 Pontiac Firebird Convertible; Car 1980 to Present – Kenneth Lancaster of Abilene, 2002 Chevrolet Camaro, Cathy Lancaster of Abilene, 2007 Chevrolet Corvette; Ford Muscle Car – Terry Steele of Abilene, 1962 Ford Galaxie, Roy Rice of Stamford, 2001 Ford Mustang GT Bullet; GM Muscle Car – Lloyd Wingrove of Avoca, 1970 Chevy Chevelle, Tevin Giles of Abilene, 1979 Oldsmobile Hurst Olds; Pro-Street – Joe Parsons of Abilene, 1972 Chevy Pick-up, Rocky Wyatt

of Buffalo Gap, 1967 Chevy Camaro; Truck 1967-1987 – Charles Patterson of Breckenridge, 1970 Chevrolet Pick-up, Mario Rodriguez of Anson, 1968 Chevy Pick-up; Import – Jill Swenson of Stamford, 1976 Porsche 912E, Phil Swenson of Stamford, 1956 Austin Healey 2100; Unfinished – Larry Musick of Clyde, 1947 Ford Coupe, Allen Moffett of Sylvester, 1951 Chevy 3100; Speciality – Johnny Anders of Stamford, 1997 Chevrolet Pick-up, Glen Snow of Stamford, 1988 Chevy S10, Motorcycle – Ben Littlejohn of Stamford, 2005 Harley-Davidson with sidecar, Chico Underwood of Stamford, 1999 Kawasaki Volken Drifter. People's Choice trophy was awarded to Robert Spalding of Hamlin with his 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air 2-door hardtop. Winner of the Best of Show trophy and \$200.00 cash went to Kyle Coker of Abilene with his 1957 Chevrolet Bel Air. The Lone Star Barbecue Society sanctioned “Hell or High Water BBQ for Bucks Cook-Off” had ten (10) entries from Rising Star, Stamford, Rule, Springtown, and Wichita Falls in the following categories: beans, chicken, ribs and brisket. Cash awards for three (3) places were awarded in the beans category: James Evans of Rising Star, Debbie Kendrick of Stamford and Randy Denson of Stamford. Cash awards for five (5) places were awarded in the following categories:

Chicken – Walker Keeney of Springtown, Danny Kendrick of Stamford, Roddy Kuentler of Stamford, Raydon Campbell of Rule and Mike Powell of Stamford; Ribs – Walker Keeney of Springtown, Raydon Campbell of Rule, Roddy Kuentler of Stamford, Mike Powell of Stamford and Larry Moreno of Stamford; Brisket – Ky Kuentler of Stamford, James Evans of Rising Star, Walker Keeney of Springtown, Mike Powell of Stamford and Larry Moreno of Stamford. Grand Champion was Walker Keeney of Springtown. The Horseshoe Tournament held at the TCR grounds had fifteen (15) two-person teams entered. Cash awards were awarded to the following: 1st Place – Noel Macias and Cato Macias, 2nd Place – J. J. Guzman and Jody Lopez and 3rd Place – Raymond Villanueva and Michael Villanueva. On the Square, we had eighteen food and trade show vendors with a variety of food and merchandise to sell. The Stamford Chamber of Commerce would like to thank all of the sponsors and volunteers, without you these events could not be possible. A special thank you to The Stamford Star Newspaper, Western Observer Newspaper and Big Country 97.1 KVRP radio for all of their media coverage prior and the day of the events.

### Darlene Burson of Haskell Wins the Noah Project Beef Raffle

Winner of the drawing for a custom processed side of beef was Darlene Burson of Haskell. Raffle tickets were sold during July and August by members of the Noah Project advisory committee, and the drawing occurred at the Noah Project North's supper held at the Haskell High School Cafeteria on August 29. Mrs. Burson's name was announced at the season's first Haskell Indian football game. The cost of the beef and the processing were donated by Dennis Braden of Swenson Land and Cattle Company of Stamford. Proceeds raised from sale of raffle tickets totaled over \$2,000. This money will be used by Noah Project North to help victims of family violence in our 5 area counties- Throckmorton, Jones, Knox, Stonewall, and Haskell, Donna Sue Anders, Noah Project service area director, wishes to thank those who supported this worthy cause and to Mr. Braden of Swenson Land and Cattle Company for his very generous donation of both the sides of beef and the processing fee. The local office of Noah is Located on the third floor of the Haskell County Courthouse, and Mrs. Anders may be reached at 940-864-2551.

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