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Therwhanger Headed to Quilt Show

By Hanaba Munn Welch
The News-Courier

Ann Therwhanger has never been a quilter, and she's not about to start now. But she'll be selling an array of items at the Knox Prairie Cotton Pickin' Quilt Show this weekend in Goree. Her quilt racks, samplers, crocheted afghans and pillows were already sacked and stacked by the beginning of this week, ready for her to take to the yearly event at the old Goree School. Therwhanger, a retired schoolteacher, has found her talent is to appreciate, collect and sell the work of others instead of making things herself.

"I just strip and stain," she said, referring to the work she does to bring old items of furniture back to life. "I'm not good at the handwork."

Not that working on old furniture isn't also handwork, but it's different from sewing, quilting, crocheting

and embroidering -- the skills that will take the spotlight at the Goree event.

Therwhanger wouldn't miss the show. It's just the right kind of place for her to offer all her quilt-related items. She expects her samplers to sell well.

"I have a lot of nice samplers (needlepoint and embroidered pieces that say things like "Home Sweet Home"), really nice ones," she said. "They're homemade."

For Therwhanger, dealing in handcrafts and antiques is a second career, not that she's ever quite let go of the first. In the antiques business, her moniker is "Schoolmarm," and when she had her own store in Munday, Schoolmarm was the name of the business. (The Li'l Red Hen now occupies the spot.) Later, she and another dealer teamed up at Memories of Munday (now the clothing store Casa Blanca), but Therwhanger billed herself as

Schoolmarm there too.

Therwhanger took no breather between teaching and launching her follow-up career.

"Didn't want one," she said.

In fact, there was an overlap. She'd already established her business and was open on Saturdays during the last few months of her teaching career.

Now that she's no longer a full-time business owner, Therwhanger is dabbling in teaching once again -- not at school and not full-time but helping with a junior high-age youth group Wednesday nights at church. It's an age not everyone likes to deal with, but it's Therwhanger's favorite.

"I hope I can impress them to be careful of the choices they make because the consequences last forever," she said.

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Hanaba Munn Welch/The Knox County News-Courier
Antiques dealer Ann Therwhanger, former schoolteacher, runs a hand sander over the top of an old table, part of the refinishing process. In the background are quilt racks she'll be selling this weekend in Goree at the Knox Prairie Cotton Pickin' Quilt Show, an event that includes a fruit pie contest, a raffle for a rustic coffee table and lunch. Vendors will have booths in the "new" gym and the quilts will be on display in the school and the old gym. Activities are from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Knox Notes

Events are listed free of charge for nonprofit civic organizations, schools and community events. Submit listings at least two weeks ahead of the date. Listings will run through the date of the event. Emailed submissions are preferred to kcnewscourier@gmail.com.

Retired School Personnel

The Knox County Retired School Personnel will meet on Tuesday, February 26, at 2:30 pm in the Munday Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. The program will be given by Pastor Pam Lehman, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, Munday. All members are urged to attend.

One-Act fundy

Drama students at Knox City High School are selling handcrafted KCHS metal keychains for \$7. All proceeds benefit the One-Act Play production. For information, contact Terra Martinez at terra.martinez@esc9.net.

KCVG grant

The Knox County Visioning Group (KCVG) is looking for individuals who have an interest in pursuing a trade in Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC). The KCVG is rolling out a grant for \$1500. This grant is available to a Knox County senior in high school or a Knox County resident who is already out of high school and wishes to pursue this training. The grant will require the student to return to Knox County for one year and work in an HVAC field.

Quilt Show

The Knox County Cotton Pickin' Quilt Show and Cookin' Show will be held Saturday, Feb. 23, at the Knox Prairie Events Center in Goree (old Goree School Bldg.) The event is from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Lunch will be from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Cotton Pickin' Cafe (the cafeteria).

Hee Haw Benjamin

The Benjamin Parent-Teacher Organization is holding "Hee Haw Benjamin Style" at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 23 at Benjamin School. A dance afterward will feature the Buster Redwine Band. Redwine, an ex-student, is an accomplished Western Swing fiddle player. Tickets to the dance will be \$10. Admission to Hee Haw will be \$5. The P-TO wants to raise money, though the event and via an appeal to ex-students to help the school with funding. "Our goal for that Saturday night is \$10,000," said Janice Tolleson, who is helping promote the event. "We're going to do t-shirts."

Hee-Haw T-shirts

Support our school Hee-Haw event by purchasing a T-Shirt at BJ Country Store. For more information call 940-459-2009 or stop by the store in Benjamin. Sizes are youth XS to Med; adult SM to 3X. \$15 each. All proceeds go to the Benjamin School.

Corrections

If you spot an error of fact, contact Editor Wayne Hodgkin at kcnewscourier@gmail.com.

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Local elections Filing Deadline Upcoming

The deadline for filing for places on school boards and city councils is 5 p.m. Friday, March 1, for elections on Saturday, May 11. Also, in both Knox City and Munday, the mayor's office will be on the ballot. No fee is required to file to run for any of the school or municipal offices. Some races are already contested.

Next week's News-Courier will feature a last-minute update before the filing deadline

The election will fill the following offices:

- City of Knox City
Mayor and two places on council
- City of Munday
Mayor and two places on council
- City of Benjamin
Three places on council
- City of Goree
Three places on council
- Benjamin School
Three trustee places
- Knox City-O'Brien School
Two trustee places
- Munday Schools
Two trustee places

Several Moguls earn right to play in All-Star games; 9 earn All-State recognition

Missing football season? Two games in June will give Munday fans a chance to watch four Moguls grace the gridiron one more time before fall.

Tyrone Dockins and Roddrick Taylor will play in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes All-Star game in Abilene on Saturday, June 8. On the following Saturday, June 15, Jake Myers and Logan Groves will play in the Greenbelt Bowl in Childress.

Coach Patrick Corcoran, Munday High School athletic director and head football coach, also released the names of nine Munday players chosen for the Collin Street Bakery-Texas Sports Writers Class 1A All-State Team:

- Dee Paul
Defensive MVP
- 1st Team Athlete
- 1st Team Kick Returner
- 1st Team Defensive Back
 - Logan Groves
- 1st Team Offensive Tackle
 - BJ Araujo
- 1st Team Center
 - Jake Myers
- 1st Team Defensive End
 - LJ Collier
- 1st Team Defensive End
 - Tyrone Dockins
- 2nd Team Linebacker
 - Roddrick Taylor
- 2nd Team Running Back
 - Ryder Cude
- Honorable Mention Linebacker
 - Dewayne Castorena
- Honorable Mention Linebacker

Two KC Teachers Resign

By Hanaba Munn Welch
The News-Courier

Trustees of Knox City-O'Brien Independent School District accepted the resignations of two teachers Monday night.

Meeting in regular session to cover a brief agenda, the board heard letters of resignation from Ryan Faulks, teacher and coach, and Jessica Norwood, speech assistant.

Faulks' resignation was effective Feb. 15, but Norwood will finish the year.

"I have enjoyed my tenure with Knox City High School, Faulks said. "I have accepted a job in Dayton, Ohio, to be closer to family."

Faulks taught business technology courses and was assistant basketball and assistant football coach.

Norwood is taking a break from teaching to take graduate courses at Texas Tech University.

"I am satisfied that Texas Tech will help me achieve my goals," Norwood said.

Supt. Louis Baty explained that Faulks has taken a job in the corporate world but will still help Knox City High School with this year's yearbook even after his relocation.

Norwood, who works for schools in Knox City, Benjamin, Rule, Munday and Paint Creek through a shared services arrangement, will be pursuing a

master's degree, Baty said.

The board approved an item to call the May 11 election for trustees. The terms of Jarred Pepper and Dale Turner will be expiring. Both have refiled. The deadline for filing is 5 p.m. Friday, Mar. 1.

Other trustees are Jim Dillon, Scott Lynn, Cody Manning, Nick Jiminez and Jeremy Eaton.

Baty reported on plans to improve security at the O'Brien Middle School and at Knox City Elementary School per decisions made by the board in the wake of the December shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School in

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A look at Knox City Cemetery

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The Feb. 7 issue of the *News-Courier* introduced a series of local cemeteries with a story about Johnson Memorial Cemetery west of Munday on State 222. The story emphasized the history of the cemetery, telling about the pioneer family that donated the land both for the cemetery and for a church on the same property that functioned during the week as one of the county's first schools.

This week's installment focuses on Knox City Cemetery, bringing attention to one particular grave -- the final resting place of a soldier killed in France in World War I.

Every grave represents a life and a story. Brief facts carved into tombstones yield more information

through research; an astounding amount of data readily accessible via various Internet sites facilitates the process, as is evidenced by this week's story about Charles Leroy Teague, 1895-1918.

The commercial site www.findagrave.com contains information about graves and often includes obituaries and pictures of the deceased as well. The site www.ancestry.com requires a membership but offers a free trial.

The quest for information and the opportunity to view a grave and take a picture and perhaps leave flowers or take rubbings from gravestones takes some researchers on journeys across the country to locate deceased people of interest to them, usually relatives.

"Some people go just from cemetery to cemetery



Cpl. Charles Leroy Teague, 142nd Infantry Regiment, World War I.

to see if you have people by that name," said Betty Johnston, secretary for the City of Knox City. "They give me a name. We have cards."

Johnston is also able to

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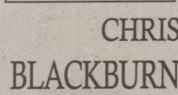
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Are we a country of politically correct sissies? Yes we are.

I'm a family man. I'm also the man of the house. Sounds a little old-fashioned doesn't it? I don't have a ton of rules in my house, but the ones I do have I'm strict with.



CHRIS BLACKBURN

My children know they are required to listen, be respectful, do their best and be honest. My wife and I place reasonable expectations on our children and we fully believe they can rise and meet those expectations every time.

The structure we try and provide is very important to their success. As a result, we very rarely have to discipline them.

We approach their teachers with a partnership in mind. We make the teachers aware that we understand that all involved have the same goal. We want to make good men and women.

Across the country I've seen stories of absurdity. Coaches fired for giving players extra physical conditioning for being late is just one example.

What message does that send? A terrible one that's what. It teaches our youth that there are no consequences for their actions.

Once upon a time, in a more strict United States, things were different. Common sense ruled the land. Students obeyed their teachers. People strived to be better. People strived to maximize their God-given abilities.

Were things perfect then. Of course not. But I'd argue that things were better as far as the average individual mentality. Humans have always had

"mommy and daddy" issues. We always will. Some are severe. I would like to think that most are not.

In my opinion, the biggest problem we have in society is lack of daddies. We have many males fathering children, but only half are daddies. The other half are little more than sperm donors.

These deadbeats have become so commonplace, they rarely get called out. That's wrong. They need to take responsibility for their actions, regardless of their "burden." Otherwise, they'll continue their pattern of irresponsibility.

Many of this country's problems can be directed to the lack of strong male influence in the lives of our children. It started in the 1970's and each decade it has become worse. It's past time to change the direction and it must start locally.

In your communities, you see what I'm describing every day. And you husbands, you good daddies, it's up to you to help change this dynamic.

I understand you're tired. I understand you work hard and you do right by your families. I also understand that we are the only people in this country that can do anything about the problem. And by our example and involvement, it becomes less of a sacrifice and more of a victory.

Men, I challenge you to become involved. Volunteer your time as a coach or a mentor. Speak to your neighborhood children, especially those in jeopardy of slipping through the cracks.

Hillary Clinton was right when she said "It takes a village." It most certainly does.

These children in our community my not be ours, but they are just as significant and will likely fail without our involvement. That's just an awful fact.

Dear reader, it's now or never. We stand as a loving community pushing our children to reach their individual potential, or we die as a fractured society.

We've had generations rise to meet the challenges facing this country. This is an occasion for my generation to rise and meet this challenge head on. It is an opportunity like no other. Are you up to it?

Christopher Blackburn is publisher of The Knox County News-Courier and CEO of Blackburn Media Group.

Deaths

Donna Marie Hardin Tyra

Donna Marie Hardin Tyra passed away peacefully in her home on February 10, 2013 in Frisco.

Donna fought a courageous year long battle with cancer and inspired many of us who knew and loved her. Her loving companion and best friend, Samuel Tyra, was by her side and cared for her during her most difficult months. Donna was 57-years-old and leaves behind two children, Danyelle Tyra, 22, and Sam Tyra, 20. Other survivors include her mother, Marjorie Hardin of Plano, her brother, Ronnie Hardin and wife Shirley of Breckenridge, her sister, Judy Floyd and husband Elton of Lone Oak, Danyelle and



DONNA MARIE HARDIN TYRA

Sam's father, Samuel Tyra, and numerous friends and other family members. Donna was preceded in death by her father, Ray L. Hardin.

In her life Donna had a dynamic variety of careers. She worked as a prison guard in Benjamin, owned a restaurant in Goree, a lab technician in Dallas, a hair stylist in Plano, worked at the cotton gin in Munday and ultimately completed her career as a Senior Right of Way agent with State-side in the Dallas area.

Donna was born with an artistic spirit about her. She loved to cook, paint and draw, create beautiful flower arrangements, garden, spend hours fishing, and spend special times with family and friends. Her quiet presence, wit, sense of humor and contagious laughter will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Crash leaves one dead, three injured

ABILENE – The Texas Department of Public Safety was called to the scene of a fatal crash at 10 p.m., Saturday in Haskell County. The crash was located on U.S. Highway 277, four miles north of Weinert.

Jesus Ortiz, 51, from Weinert, was driving a 2001 Ford Mustang southbound in the northbound lane. James Alan Carpenter, 58, from Nocona, was driving a 2003 GMC LL northbound. Ortiz drove the Mustang head on into Carpenter's GMC.

DECEASED:
Dawn Ann Carpenter W/F, 49 years of age from Nocona, was traveling in the GMC, was pronounced dead at 10:10 p.m. at the scene by Judge Dodson. The body was taken to Smith Family Funeral Home in Haskell.

INJURED:
James Alan Carpenter (driver of the GMC) was taken to Knox County Hospital with incapacitating injuries.

Jesus Ortiz (driver of the Mustang) was taken to Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene, Texas with incapacitating injuries.

Della Plumlee Ritchie, 71, a passenger in the GMC, from Nocona, was taken to Knox County Hospital with Incapacitating injuries.

All occupants were wearing seatbelts. The weather was clear and the roadway was dry.

Trooper L.P. Adams is investigating this crash.

Prado leaves KCPD

Hanaba Munn Welch
News-Courier

The Knox County News-Courier Michael Prado is no longer employed by Knox City as a police officer.

"We are one officer short," Chad Roberts, city manager, said Tuesday.

Roberts offered no other comment.

When asked whether Prado's leaving the force was cause for a special council session, Roberts

said it was not. "Personnel matters go through the city manager," he said.

Prado had been employed in Knox City since 2011. He is from Grapevine.

The Knox City City Council will meet today at 5 p.m. at City Hall. Normally the council meets on the third Tuesday of the month, but the session was delayed to avoid a conflict with the Knox City-Paducah playoff basketball game Tuesday night at Hamlin.

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TxDOT photo for the News-Courier Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) recently presented service awards to employees in Knox County. Kamela Bonham received an award for 10 years of service and Gary Mizer received an award for 30 years of service. From left are: Marty Smith, Childress District Engineer, Kamela Bonham, Gene Ward, Knox County Maintenance Supervisor and Gary Mizer, Munday Area Engineer.

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The boys in particular are pulled both directions, Therwhanger said -- told they're too young to do some things and told the next minute they're too old to do other things.

If they're like many of Therwhanger's other students, they'll grow up but won't outgrow her. Therwhanger stays in touch with many of her former pupils and counts on them to help her with different aspects of her antiques business, whether it's loading up items purchased at an estate sale or unloading furniture at her house, where she works on various pieces in her carport.

"They're so good to help me if they see I need help," she said. "Or I can pick up the phone and call them. That was one of the benefits of teaching."

Anson Antique Mall is one place Therwhanger sells some of her furniture and other items. She works three days a month at the business, a place where several dealers rent space and share the responsibilities of selling.

She's also a regular exhibitor at Munday Trade Days, a monthly event at the Munday Events Center that will resume in the spring.

Auctions, flea markets and garage sales are the places Therwhanger finds most of her items for resale. She also deals in some new merchandise.

Therwhanger collects some things just for herself -- spiritual figurines and, not surprisingly, school memorabilia.

"I have seven desks and seven bells," she said.

Bob Therwhanger, her late husband, taught school for ten years before he switched to farming. He died in 2010.

"Bob was a really good teacher," she said.

The couple's two sons live out of state -- Barry Therwhanger in Illinois, where he works for Menards, a lumber company, and Bobby Therwhanger in Alabama, where he works for Smith & Sons Feed.

Daughter Teresa Tollett teaches math at Cooper High School in Abilene.

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Newtown, Conn.

During spring break, new exterior doors will be installed in the elementary wing buildings, and the entrance to O'Brien School will be enhanced to function as a security vestibule, Baty said.

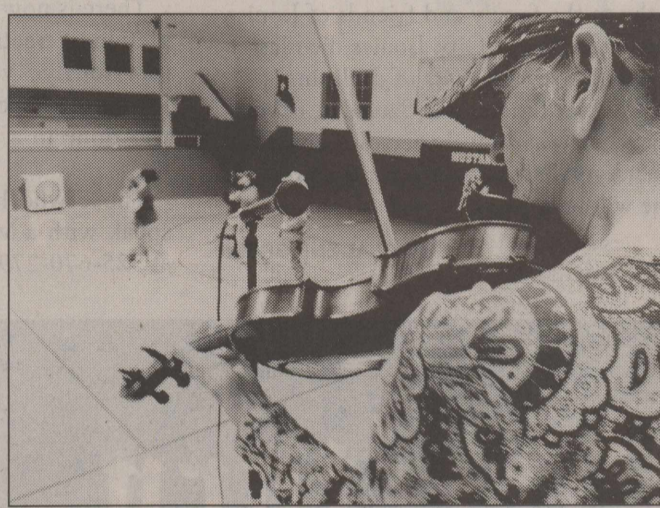
The board accepted a \$300 bid from Daniel Aguilar Torres for two tax lots in O'Brien -- block 81, lot 1 and lot 2.

"This will let it get back on the tax roll," Baty said.

Baty reported to the board on property value studies that determine whether state values correspond to local values, analyses that can create difficulties when values vary too much. A state vs. local variance tied to the per-acre cost of fertilizer for agricultural property in Haskell County has come under scrutiny, an issue that affects the school district because of the O'Brien School and the Haskell County part of the district.

"Haskell County Appraisal District is appealing that study," Baty said, predicting a resolution that will not adversely affect the district.

Hee Haw Benjamin Style



Hanaba Munn Welch/The Knox County News-Courier
Jo Ann Albus plays a tune on her fiddle Monday night while some of her fellow-participants in the upcoming Hee Haw Benjamin Style fundraising event dance for the fun of it on the gym floor. The Benjamin version of Hee Haw's "Kornfield Kountry" will start at 7 p.m. in the school gymnasium, admission prices \$5 and \$3 for adults and students, respectively, and the Buster Redwine Band will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. for a dance at the Benjamin Ex-Students Building, admission \$10 with free admission for ages 12 and under and a \$2 charge for coolers, no glass bottles allowed. Proceeds will benefit Benjamin School.

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The 501
Seeing Labradors and elephants

Three skinny new baby calves. They're running around like they own the world and have a future in rodeo.

From a distance yesterday my husband thought Labradors were zipping through the herd until he realized he was seeing the three new calves.

They illustrate George Bernard Shaw's observation that youth is wasted on the young. They run, they buck, they cavort -- burning off calories to no good end while my husband and I toil mightily, exhausting ourselves pulling up an old property-line barbed-wire fence bulldozed years ago to make way for a replacement fence, the route between rows of trees, everything enhanced by wild animal dens. Picture tigers. Think packrats.

Anyway, when that old fence was going down, I wanted to dismantle it ahead of the bulldozer, but then I was a single woman, overruled by advisors and caught in a time crunch. In retrospect, I was right to question the sloppy burial of a barbed-wire fence. Don't ever do it. But it does me no good to whine now. What we need is an elephant.

You've seen them in movies, haven't you, trudging along moving logs and stuff? You just say

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"ongawa," and they do whatever. That's what Tarzan said, although he was typically getting elephants to do more important stuff, like maybe whisk Jane away to safety somewhere. What do I remember? Mainly just "Ongawa!"

INTERNET PAUSE.
The Urban Dictionary says "Ongawa!" means "Shut up!" Hmmm.

Here's my theory. Tarzan's director asked the native extras for a word in their language for dealing with elephants. "Ongawa!" they replied, smiling at their inside joke. So that's what the director told Johnny Weissmuller to say to the elephants. Tarzan said it to Cheetah too.

Legend has it that American Indians have played the same language joke on moviemakers. When the movies come out, the Indians laugh in odd places, and everyone else thinks they don't get it. Ha.

ANOTHER INTERNET PAUSE.

The more I pursue the meaning of "ongawa" the less I know. Forget "Shut up!" Would you believe "wait until later this afternoon, son" in the language

of the Ekyps?

The Ekyps?
If there's a tribe called the Ekyps, even National Geographic hasn't found them. Somebody out there is littering the venerable Information Highway with misinformation. Shame.

What's worse, if "ongawa" turns out to be a nonsense word, how much of Tarzan can we believe? It's enough to shake my confidence in the whole scenario, except for the elephants and guys getting killed with curare blow darts.

For that matter, how much of what you're reading now can you believe?

All of it, more or less.
Try digging up an old barbed wire fence twisted through trees as dense as a jungle and you'll likely wish for an elephant too. Keep your eyes peeled for stray dogs in a herd of cattle, and you'll see them when they aren't there.

If nothing else, believe this: You and I are greater than the Internet. "Ongawa" means whatever we want it to.

Hanaba Munn Welch is a contributor and columnist for The Knox County News-Courier.

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Benjamin News

First order of business this week is an apology for not having any news last week. But sometimes there are just not enough hours in the day to get everything done. Maybe I can catch two weeks into one this week.

It's a blustery Sunday afternoon, but the temperature is not too bad. Makes one realize March is just around the corner, and probably several days of wind are right at hand. Maybe some rain will blow in with some of it. We hope so.

Regarding Our Ill

Corrine Parrish was able to come home Friday after several weeks' hospital stay both in Abilene and also in Knox City following a fall (which resulted in a broken hip) and surgery following. She's doing pretty well, is walking with a walker and hopefully it won't be long until she is back "good as new." I'm sure she would appreciate a card or note of encouragement as she continues to recuperate. Being confined is something she's not accustomed to as she is always out and about when she feels well.

Bud Conner has also been pretty well "housed in" since surgery on his wrist and upper arm last Monday. He had pinched nerves which were causing severe numbness in his hand. That was pretty well making that hand useless. After the surgery and the stitches are out, he's sure hoping for relief from that problem. He goes back on Monday the 25th to get the stitches out, which will make him feel a

lot better. He, like Corrine, is not used to being in so much, but if this surgery is successful, it will be worth it.

Bud's son, Keith, underwent hip replacement surgery Tuesday in a Midland hospital. He was able to go home Thursday and is doing ok. It will just be a while before he's back to normal activity.

Here 'N There

Kim Lyles of Amistad, NM, and Shelby Russell of Midwestern University in Wichita Falls spent last weekend with home folks.

Roger Bohannon told me last week that his brother, Sammy, is very ill. Sammy lives in Arizona and has been in failing health for quite sometime, but his condition has worsened the past four weeks. Please remember him and his family in prayer.

Lisa Siemens and Anthony Ainsworth were married Saturday evening at the Wooden Nickel in Knox City. The ceremony took place at 6 pm with family and close friends in attendance. Anthony's Uncle, Joe Ainsworth, performed the exchange of vows. The young couple will continue to make their home in Knox City. Many good wishes go out to the newlyweds.

Cathy Tomlinson of Denton spent the weekend with her mom, Gloria West, Gloria's son, Robert Clower of Electra, also visited his mom earlier in the week.

Nathan and Nancy Beavers of Wichita Falls spent the weekend with family here

and attended the wedding of Lisa and Anthony. Nancy is Lisa's sister.

Junior High has finished their basketball season and did so on a pretty positive note. They were entered in a tournament last weekend at Knox City, and although there were no real winners--(1st, 2nd, 3rd place, etc.) our kids won both games they played. I understand each team entered played only 2 games. Then on Monday night they played Knox City and I believe won that game as well, so maybe next year when several of those kids will be in high school, we will hear good things from them. We hope so.

The Hee Haw rehearsals are going "great guns." I understand and I am told this is going to be a hilarious presentation. It begins at 7 p.m. on Saturday the 23rd and afterwards the gang will go to the Ex-Student Building for music and a dance - music by the Buster Redwine band. You don't have to dance. Just go in and listen to some good country music and help a good cause. The event is PTO sponsored, and the proceeds will go to the school.

I extend a belated expression of sympathy to the family and friends of Louise Kemletz of Knox City. Louise died last week after several years of declining health. Her funeral was Saturday, February 9. She was a lovely person - always friendly with kind words for everyone. She will be missed.

BY GLADENE GREEN

Blood drive in Knox City Feb. 27

Recent changes have lifted restrictions, streamlined donation process

The Meek Blood Center bloodmobile will be at Knox County Hospital on Wednesday, February 27 from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. "One hundred eight pints of lifesaving blood were donated at community blood drives at the hospital in 2012," said Frances Baker, donor recruiter for Meek Blood Center.

"I would like to extend my heartfelt appreciation to the donors on behalf of those whose lives were saved or improved as a result of their willingness to give blood," Baker continued.

Recent changes have been made that will streamline the donation process. There are now thirteen fewer screening questions and there are only eighteen medications that will temporarily or permanently defer a donor. Donors do not have to bring a list of medications, since there is no longer a need for documentation.

There is now a two year deferral after completion of treatment for most types of cancer (previously 5 years). There is no deferral following a tattoo or piercing if the procedure was done in a State of Texas licensed facility.

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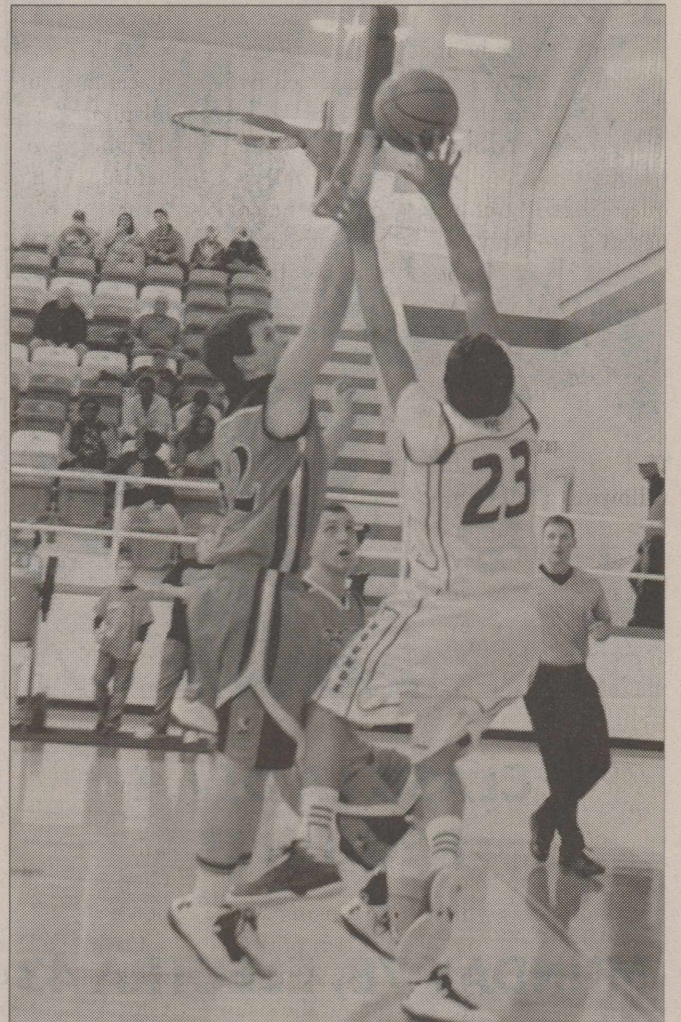
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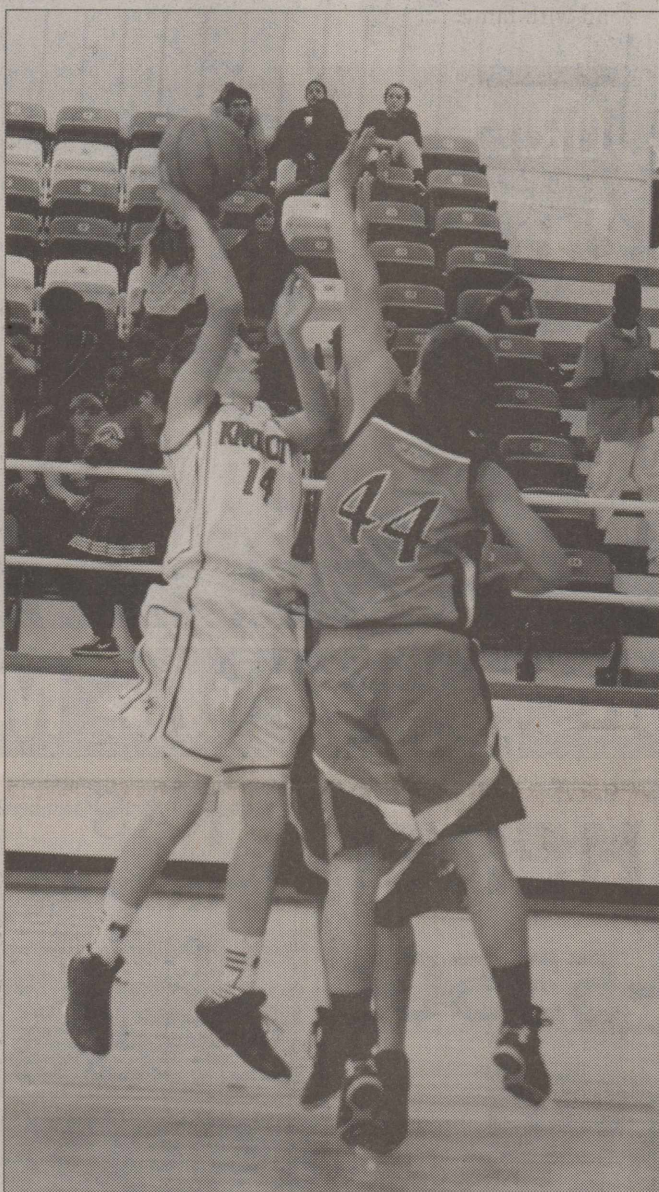
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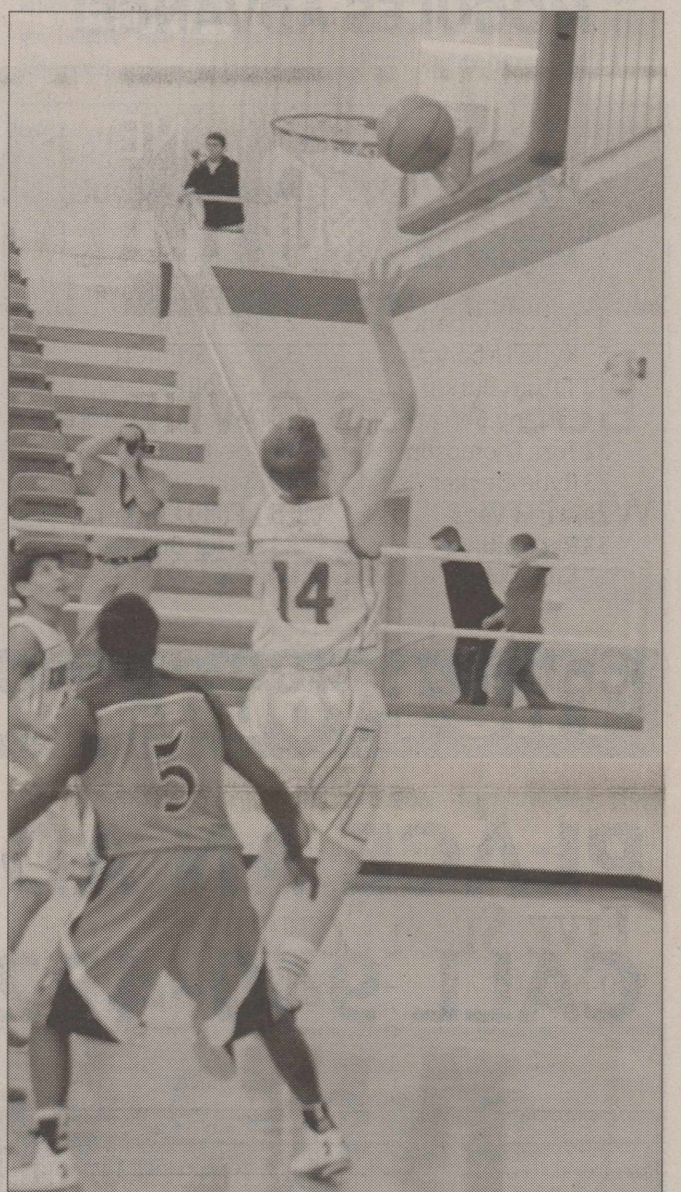
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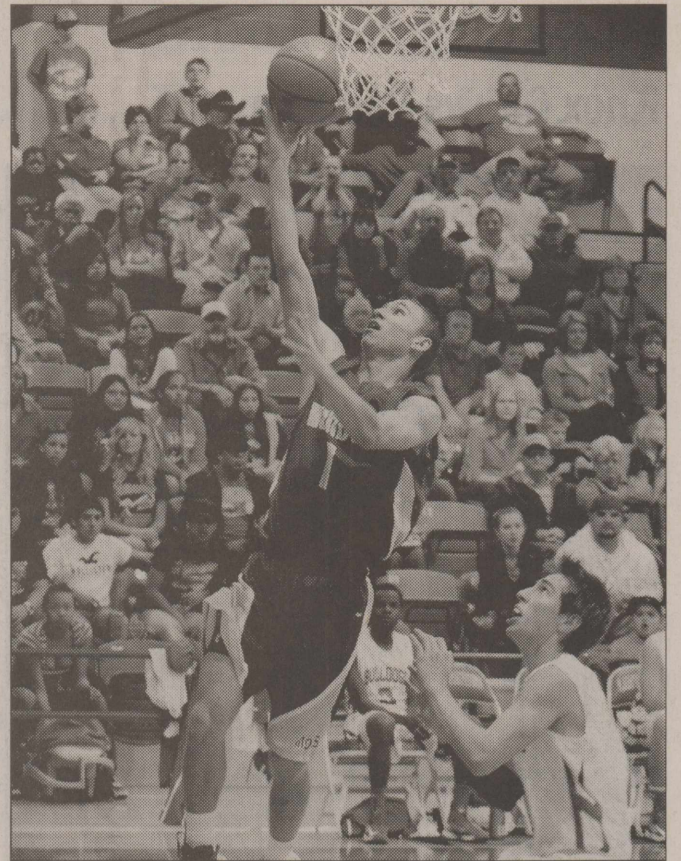
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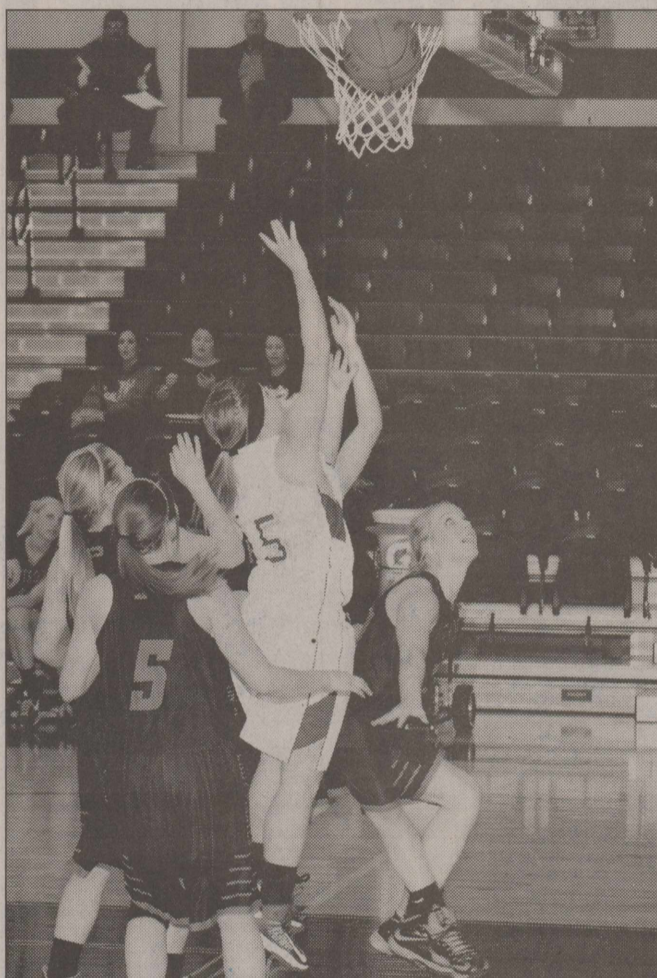
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LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed bid offer: Two wheat farms (surface only) for lease:

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Both farms available July 1, 2013. Owner will consider cash lease or crop-share lease on one or both farms. If interested send terms of offer identifying which farm you are bidding on to: **CDMD Farms, LLC, 4245 Kemp Blvd, #800, Wichita Falls, TX, 76308**

Deadline for bids: March 15, 2013. Owner reserves right to reject any and all bids.

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Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code that an incorporated association known as Knox City Country Club, Inc. has applied for renewal of the Private Club Registration Permit Number N106836 and Beverage Cartage Permit Number PE106837. Doing business as Knox City Country Club, Inc. to be located at 13030 State Hwy 6 South, Knox City, Texas 79529. The officers are: Cody Manning, President- Homer Rolston, Vice-President- Pat Gonzales, Secretary/Treasurer. (0228)

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NOTICE

The Knox City EDC & CDC boards are accepting bids for repairs to the City swimming pool. Information about the bid process and specification sheets is available by contacting Chad Roberts, City Administrator at KC City Hall 902 E Main St. Bids are accepted until March 1, 2013 at 10:00am

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Suit No.: 9254

Style: KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS. MATTHEW BAXTER ET AL

Judgment: \$ 15,307.77 (plus interest & costs)

Property: A 100' X 150' tract of land, more or less, out of Block 46, Davis Addition, City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas, as more particularly described in Volume 276 at Page 133 of the Official Public Records of Knox County, Texas;

Suit No.: 9061

Style: KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS. LARRY D STRICKLAND ET AL

Judgment: \$ 3,755.74 (plus interest & costs)

Property: Lot 5, Block 33, Davis Addition, City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 304, Page 1031 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas;

Suit No.: 8934

Style: KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS. ROBERT KAY HENSON ET AL

Judgment: \$ 1,650.46 (plus interest & costs)

Property: All of Lots 5 & 6, Block 21, Original Townsite of the City of Goree, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 293, Page 423 of the Official Public Records, Knox County, Texas Geo # R000003513

All the property sold will be subject to the owner's right of redemption. The redemption period is two years for homestead, minerals and agricultural use property and six months for all other property. Purchasers shall receive a Sheriff's Deed that is without warranty. Bidders should satisfy themselves concerning title and location of the property and improvements on the property prior to sale.

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An Election is hereby ordered to be held on May 11, 2013 for the purpose of:

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Applications for a place on the ballot shall be filed by March 1, 2013.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at

Knox County Clerk's Office -- 100 W. Cedar -- Benjamin, Texas between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and

5:00 p.m. beginning on April 29, 2013 and ending on May 7, 2013.

Application for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

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Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 3, 2013.

Issued this the 14th day of February, 2013.

Sylvia Munger
Signature of Mayor

Signature of Council Member

Greg Paul
Signature of Council Member

Keith...
Signature of Council Member

Sebastian...
Signature of Council Member

Tom...
Signature of Council Member

Youth Valentine's dance



Photo by Janet Dillard for the News-Courier

A youth Valentine's dance was held recently at held at the Rhineland Gym. The Roaring 20's was theme.

Alzheimer's support group meeting, February 25

The Haskell County Alzheimer's Support Group will meet on Monday, February 25 at the Haskell County Extension Office located at 101 S. Avenue D in Haskell.

The one hour meeting will begin at 3 p.m. Caregivers, family members and friends of individuals with Alzheimer's or a related dementia, should consider attending this meeting that is open to anyone in Haskell County or the surrounding area.

The support group meets the 4th Monday of ev-

ery month from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The monthly meetings offer a confidential environment where participants can share their concerns, support each other, and learn ways to cope with the challenges associated with long-term caregiving.

For more information you may contact Jane Rowan, County Extension Agent/FCS at (940) 864-2546 or Alzheimer's Association North Central Texas Chapter at (325) 672-2907 or 1-800-272-3900.

Last Chance CEU program

Many individuals will have their TDA pesticide license expire on Feb 28th if they do not obtain a total of 15 CEU credit hours within 5 years for private applicator license renewal. The 15 total hours must be in Laws and Regulations (2 hrs), IPM or Integrated Pest Management (2 hrs) and any mix of General hours. Commercial and Non-Commercial license applicators must obtain 5 credits every year to renew their license.

On February 25-26, persons with pesticide applicator license will have the op-

portunity to obtain 5 CEU hours by attending the "Last Chance CEU Program." The program is set to be held at the Knox County Extension Office. There will be two sessions you can attend: Session One will be from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on February 25 and will offer 1.5 Laws and Regulations and .5 General and 1 IPM credit hour (total 3 credit hours). Session Two will be held on February 26 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and offer 1 hour IPM and 1 hour General (total 2 credit hours). Cost to attend one or both days is \$20.

Please contact the Knox County Extension office ASAP to pre-register as space is limited by calling 940-459-2651.

Educational programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin. Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service, or accommodation in order to participate in a meeting or program are encouraged to contact the Knox County Extension Office.

CEMETERY

From Page 1

hand out charts that show the location of plots by number -- more a diagram than a map but with directions and entrances marked. For the last several years the city has maintained

cemeter records. For the older part of the cemetery, the records aren't perfect. "Some were lost years ago," Johnston said. The city itself handles the sale of plots only in the

newer part of the cemetery. Only if a family already has property in the older section or buys a plot in the old section from someone do burials occur in the older part of the cemetery.

Soldier's Epitaph Rich in History

The impression made upon the hard-pressed French by this seemingly inexhaustible flood of gleaming youth in its first maturity of health and vigour was prodigious. None were under 20, and few over 30. As crammed in their lorries they clattered along the roads, singing the songs of a new world at the tops of their voices, burning to reach the bloody field, the French Headquarters were thrilled with the impulse of new life.... Half trained, half organized, with only their courage, their numbers and their magnificent youth behind their weapons, they were to buy their experience at a bitter price. But this they were quite ready to do.

From Winston Churchill's World War I memoirs, drawing on observations made by Jean de Pierrefeu.

A military motif -- crossed rifles -- and a brief epitaph on a tall gray granite marker in the Knox City Cemetery say very little and very much at the same time.

IN MEMORY
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FELL AT ST. ETIENNE
FRANCE

Close by are the graves of his parents and some of his siblings, including Edgar H. Teague and Loyce C. Teague, who also served in World War I but, unlike their brother, survived.

Teague's marker recalls a time when many young American farm boys fought and died in France. Incongruously, the line from a lighthearted war era song

comes to mind: "How ya gonna keep 'em down on the farm after they've seen Pa-ree?"

Teague himself didn't see peacetime Paris after the signing of the Armistice on Nov. 11, 1918. He'd fallen in battle a month before in little St. Etienne. Someone familiar with World War I might remember that St. Etienne refers not to the city in Central France but rather to the small town on the south bank of a rivulet name Ames and that the taking of nearby Blanc Mont Ridge was one of the bloodiest battles of the war, with over 4,000 men killed or wounded in the hard-fought attack against the long-entrenched German forces. Accounts of the battle from many sources are posted on various Internet sites, putting the information at everyone's fingertips.

Dusting off a scholarly tome at the library is still a way to delve deep into history, but the Internet makes the research process swifter, pulling together various sources on any topic, including everything happening on Oct. 8, the day Teague died in the battle at St. Etienne a Ames, when young soldiers from Texas and Oklahoma -- called "cowboys and Indians" by some -- routed the Germans at great cost.

Teague's gravestone identifies him as a member of Company K of the 142nd Infantry. Research into the history of the 142nd Infantry Regiment reveals that the insignia of the 142nd is a fragmented church steeple -- the one that belongs to

the church at St. Etienne a Armes. The Allies fired on the steeple to eliminate a German machine gunner who was firing with great effectiveness from the vantage point.

The steeple today? The easy answer comes from the Internet. A virtual tour of St. Etienne a Ames via Google Earth shows the steeple with no damage and the church in good shape, apparently restored after World War I, when peace returned to the war-torn town.

What happened in St. Etienne on Oct. 8, 1918, the strategic importance of the battle, the story behind the 142nd Infantry Regiment and its insignia -- all the accounts and images fit together to provide a context for the day when Charles Leroy Teague fell in battle. It's information that expands the few words carved into granite in the Knox City Cemetery.

A picture of Teague in his doughboy uniform is posted on www.ancestry.com, a genealogy website.

There he stands, a young man from Knox County, bound for his rendezvous with death at age 23 at St. Etienne, France, a place to be recorded on his gravestone as if everyone should remember the battle.

The tall grave marker is tangible and the epitaph succinct; the Internet is cloud-like, anything but succinct and not necessarily accurate. But for anyone who wants to interpret the minimal information on Teague's gravestone and others like it, cyberspace holds many stories -- information that gives meaning to hyphens between dates and sheds light on far-away places like St. Etienne on the Ames.

Corrections

Last week's *News-Courier* erroneously reported that the terms of city council members Ryan Cottingham and Trey Singleton are expiring. They are not. Instead, the terms of Traci Blair and Keith Kuehler are expiring. Places held by Cottingham, Singleton and Charles Grisham will expire next year. As reported, the term of Mayor Robert Bowen is expiring. Anyone, incumbent or challenger, who wishes to file for either place on the council or to run for the mayor's office must file an application before the 5 p.m., March 1 deadline. There is no filing fee.

The election is slated for Saturday, May 11. School board elections will be the same day. The same filing deadline applies.

Reporter's note: The byline on the story about the city council meeting was also in error. The meeting was covered by me, Hanaba Munn Welch -- not Wayne Hodgins, editor. The above-mentioned error was mine. Not only do I sometimes make mistakes, but it also should be said that the best way to know what goes on in city council meetings is to attend. Rick Ake, city manager, would agree. "The more there, the better," he said. "It allows everyone to know what is going on and what does take place."

As a reporter, I try to be accurate and to report items of business that are of most interest and importance. But never is there enough space to fully report every action taken and every topic discussed. For a greater understanding of what it takes to run a small city, sit in on a city council meeting. It's your privilege.

School board meetings are also open to the public.



Photo by Hanaba Munn Welch/The News-Courier

An American flag waves in the breeze Monday at the grave of Charles Leroy Teague, a Knox County soldier who died in France in World War I. Another flag marks the grave of one of his brothers who also fought in the Great War. The adjacent monument marks the grave of his parents, Elizabeth and Charles Teague. The young Teague died a little over a month before the war's end in one of the most significant battles in the region.

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