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Wind farm out of action

Special to The News-Courier

Residents have noticed that the blades on the Green Pasture Wind Farm turbines, located in Baylor and Knox Counties, have been out of action for the past few weeks while connections are being made to a new substation.

The second substation will allow the wind farm to connect to the grid, according to a Capital Dynamics spokesperson.

The red flashing lights on top of the turbines, indicating that the blades are operational, are expected to be blinking again in April.

Horse Creek Wind Farm finish likely in June

Special to The News-Courier

MUNDAY - Representatives from Blattner Energy told members of the Munday Lions Club at its Tuesday luncheon that the Horse Creek Wind Farm being built east of here would likely be finished in July.

Blattner, which has a workforce of 240, has completed work on 70 of the 100 concrete bases and was preparing to start putting up the towers this week and to finish the other bases.

When the Starwood Energy project is completed, there will be 19 towers located in Knox County and 81 in Haskell County.

The Lions Club also learned that the blades being used on the towers here are larger than other models and the projected cost for each tower was about \$5 million.

Thornberry supports states' lawsuit

Special to The News-Courier

WASHINGTON - U.S. Congressman Mac Thornberry (R-Clarendon) voted last week in support of a resolution, H. Res. 639, authorizing the Speaker to file a legal brief on behalf of the House of Representatives in support of a lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of President Obama's 2014 executive actions on the deportation of some illegal immigrants.

The lawsuit was filed by the State of Texas and 25 other states and will be heard by the Supreme Court this summer. The resolution passed the House by a vote of 234-186.

"The importance of this lawsuit cannot be understated as it goes to the heart of the separation of powers in our constitutional system," Thornberry said. "The Supreme Court should recognize that no president, whether Democrat or Republican, should have the power to circumvent Congress and undermine the rule of law."

Realignment set for 2016-2017

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Realignment for the Spring extracurricular activities for the 2016-17 school years have been announced.

Munday High will be in District 9-2A along with Archer City, Electra, Olney, Petrolia, Quanah, Seymour and Windthorst.

Benjamin High and Knox City High will be in District 8-1A along with Chillicothe, Crowell, Harrold and Northside.

The Mogulettes and Moguls will compete in 8-1A along with the Mustangs and Lady Stangs this year while the Greyhounds and Houndettes are in 7-1A.

MHS, KCHS advance in one act plays

By James McAfee

The Knox County News-Courier

The one-act plays of Munday High and Knox City High advanced to the bi-district competition, scheduled Wednesday at Munday High School, during district competitions Tuesday.

Munday's "The White Snake" took top honors in the District 8-1A competition at Munday High School while Chillicothe's "Steel Magnolias" and Northside's "Now That April's Here" also earned the right to advance.

In the District 7-1A competition at Spur, Knox City and Guthrie joined the host school to advance as the only three participants, according to Bobby Robinson, who served as the manager of the

8-1A contest.

Three schools will advance to the regional event at South Plains College in Levelland from next week's competition in Munday. Both Knox County schools advanced last year.

Munday's Grace Tidwell and Cole Redwine claimed best actress and best actor honors in 8-1A, playing the parts of the Green Snake and Xu Xian, respectively.

Earning all-star cast honors for Munday were Kamille Redder, playing the White Snake, and Kale Lewis, playing Master Lin, the brother-in-law and narrator 1.

Ariana Arellano earned honorable mention for her role as Madame Lin while Cole Parton and Ayleen Arellano

did likewise for their performances in dual roles as Fa Hai and Canopus and as the citizen and the door.

Munday's Denise Araujo, Kasey Lawrence, Allison Josselet, Reagan Sanderson and Stormie Andrade were named the outstanding technical crew while Araujo, Lowrance and Josselet took lighting tech, stage manager and sound tech honors.

Directors of the MHS play were Karen Longan, Mandi Brown and Lianne Tidwell. Allana Patterson, a counselor at Irving High School, served as the judge and provided critiques for each school after the awards were handed out.

Additional details on the 7-1A competition were not made available by deadline.

Relay for Life set Sept. 17



James McAfee/The Knox County News-Courier

Planning for the Sept. 17 Knox County Relay for Life was conducted at a meeting Monday at the Munday Church of Christ.

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MUNDAY - The Knox County Relay for Life is scheduled from 4-10 p.m. Sept. 17 here at the Phillip McAfee Track.

Leann Harlan of Munday, the event chair for the American Cancer Society fundraiser, made the announcement during a meeting at the Munday Church of Christ Monday night.

Harlan also announced that Kendra Hunter would serve as co-chair. Other committee chairmen include Carla Key and Nancy Tidwell, logistics; Jara Collins and Laurie Urbanczyk, entertainment; Joel Smith, accounting; James McAfee, publicity; and Becky Offutt and Kacy Sanders, survivors and caregivers.

Just as they did two years ago, teams are being organized by various groups in the county. Others wanting

to get involved are asked to contact Harlan before April 15.

The Munday Church of Christ has already started its effort, raising \$500 with its "What's in the Freezer" at Munday Tire & Appliance.

The next meeting of the group is scheduled at 5:30 p.m. April 25.

Rachel Brown of the High Plains Division of the American Cancer Society is assisting with the fundraising effort.

Classic black plates available

Special to The News-Courier

AUSTIN - For the first time since 1968, a full black background license plate with white lettering is now available on the streets of Texas.

My Plates, the official license plate vendor for the state of Texas proposed the Classic Black plate design for TxDMV Board approval last November.

Following a unanimous approval, My Plates then had to reach 200 pre-orders in order to move the plate to production and

final release.

My Plates reached the 200 pre-orders in record time and the Classic Black plate is scheduled to have the first Classic Black plate order manufactured this week, so it will not be long before these plates are being seen on Texas roads.

"We've received over 1,400 orders for this plate, more than any other design on record, it has already proven to be very popular" said Steve Farrar, President of My Plates. "We expect this new Classic Black design to be Texas' most popular license plate," he said.

Be sure to scout for insects

Special to The News-Courier

AMARILLO - As temperatures warm up across the wheat regions of the state and the crop comes out of dormancy, a Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service entomologist said it is time to begin scouting fields for insect pests.

Dr. Ed Bynum, AgriLife Extension entomologist in Amarillo, said producers need to be scouting for greenbugs, bird cherry-oat aphids and Russian wheat aphids, especially throughout the High Plains. Those three are the most common wheat pests dealt with annually.

Bynum said a producer and Scott Strawn, AgriLife Extension agent in Ochiltree County, have also found army cutworms in a wheat field.

"While army cutworms are normally not a big problem, we do recommend treating if the pressure increases," he said.

If the wheat is in good condition, then the threshold for treating army cutworms is four or more per square foot, Bynum said. If wheat is just coming out of dormancy or under moisture

stress, the threshold is two or more larvae per square foot.

Another insect of concern, Bynum said, is winter grain mites, which were found in a field near Bushland. They can be a pest of wheat, barley, oats and rye.

He said damage symptoms begin as speckled yellow spots on the leaf similar to spider mite damage on corn leaves, but progresses; the tips of the leaves turn brown, plant stunting with a silvery-grey appearance and even plant death.

No thresholds are available for making control decisions on winter grain mites, Bynum said. Activity from these pests is expected to decline when temperatures exceed 75 degrees, so treatment will be a judgement call based on signs of damage and expected temperatures.

Please notify the News-Courier about your upcoming events. Emailed submissions to kc-newsourier@gmail.com are preferred. The deadline for inclusion will be the Friday before the following week's issue.

What's in freezer

MUNDAY - As part of its Relay for Life project, the Munday Church of Christ has started preparing cooked items and stocking them in a freezer at Munday Tire and Appliance, allowing residents to stop by and pick up a meal or dessert for a sick friend, funeral or a quick supper. A listing of what is available will be posted weekly.

Sunrise service

An Easter sunrise service is planned at 8 a.m. Sunday at the Moorhouse Ranch, located 14 miles west of Benjamin on County Road 377. Breakfast will be served at 7 a.m.

News on the go

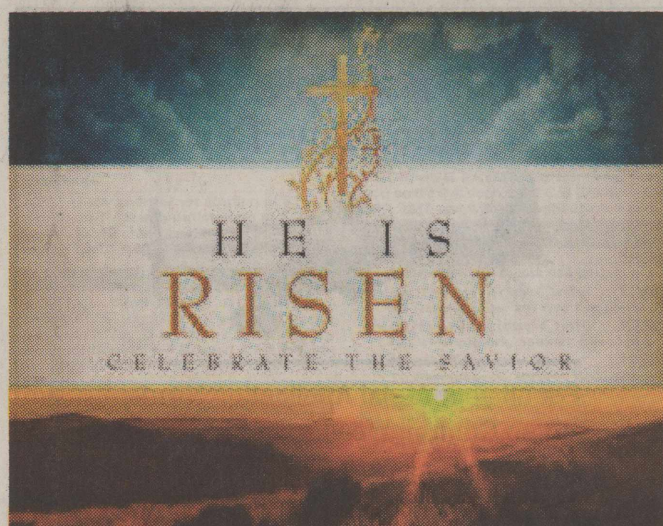


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\$36 a year in the county
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Knox County Aging Center Menus

Menus for week of March 28-April 1
Monday: Baked ham, lima beans, corn, rolls, fruit
Tuesday: Chicken spaghetti, salad, green beans, bread, cookies
Wednesday: Smothered pork chops, black eyed peas, bread, dessert
Thursday: King ranch casserole, Spanish rice, pinto beans, brownies
Friday: Hamburger, chips, salad, dessert

Area News

Ag Appreciation Day
SEYMOUR – Texas Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller will be the feature speaker at the luncheon here April 5 when the 26th annual Baylor County Ag Appreciation and Health Fair is conducted at the Cliff Styles Activity Center. Awards will be presented for the rancher/cattleman, conservationist and ag business of the year. Free blood tests are scheduled from 7-9 a.m. Then 80+ ag and health related booths will be open from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Sunrise service
QUANAH – The traditional Easter Sunrise Service will be held at 6 a.m. Sunday at the park headquarters of Copper Breaks State Park. John Spangler of Quanah's Trinity Baptist Church will lead the annual non-denominational service. Participation in the service is free and all who wish to attend are welcome.

Car show April 2
HASKELL – The fifth annual Wild Horse Prairie Car Show is scheduled here Saturday, April 2 around the square. Registration starts at 8 a.m. and runs through 11 a.m. Entry fee will be \$20. Winners will be announced in 22 different categories.

Obituary policy
The Knox County News-Courier will post an obituary in the next possible issue for \$65. If a photo is wanted, add \$10.
Death notices are free, containing name, date of death, date of service and survivors.



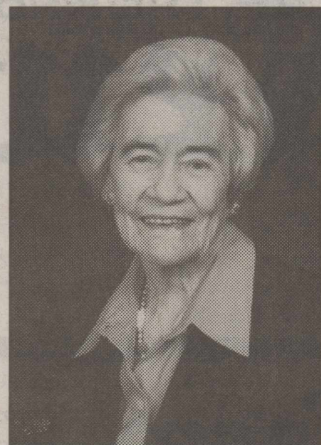
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All letters must include a first and last name, street address (no post office boxes) and a daytime phone. Please limit to 250 words or less.
Letters sent by mail should be addressed to Box 151, Munday, TX 76371, but the preferred way is by email to kcnewscourier@gmail.com.
Letters may be edited as to content and will be printed or not printed at the discretion of the editor.

Obituaries Zelma Harper

Our precious mother has gone home. Zelma Harper left this earthly life to rejoin her husband Tommie Harper and loving son Tommie B. on Monday, March 21, 2016.

Zelma was the seventh of 11 children born to Nira and Rozena Newton and was the last survivor. Our mom just celebrated her 96th birthday three weeks ago on Leap Year Day.

Harper is survived by three daughters Sandra Moeller, of Galveston, Lana Stewart and husband Bill of Emory, and Phyllis Reed and husband Floyd of Seymour. She also had eight grandchildren: Dawn Stanley, Tim Moeller, Renea Carnes, Harper Stewart, Shelly Haven, Jai Reed, Trae Reed and Brant Reed and 18 great grandchildren.



ZELMA HARPER

She was a high school English teacher in Fairy and later helped her husband open a John Deere dealership in Munday.

Pall bearers are Tim Moeller, Harper Stewart, Jai Reed, Trae Reed, Brant Reed and George Oustad. Honorary pall bearers are great grandsons: Tristan Moeller, Devin Moeller, Mi-

chael Carnes, Oliver Carnes, Landry Haven, Logan Haven, Alex Reed, Aiden Reed, Brenn Reed and Bray Reed.

Zelma was known for her beautiful yard and called working in her yard as "therapy." Her beautiful quilts were her trademark, but she was best known for her cooking – especially her cinnamon rolls, pies and peach cobbler.

A visitation was held Wednesday at the funeral home in Munday. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. today at the Munday Church of Christ. Interment will follow in Johnson Memorial Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Smith Funeral Home.

The family request donations be made to the Munday Nursing Center or Johnson Memorial Cemetery.

Mickey Vendrick

Mickey Lynn McMahon Vendrick, 58, passed away March 15, 2016 in Wichita Falls. A graveside service was held Friday at Crestview Memorial Park, 1917 Archer city Hwy. in Wichita Falls.

Mickey was born May 31, 1957 in Knox City to J.O. and Elba McMahon. She grew up in Munday and later moved to Wichita Falls. She married the late Sammy Vendrick and the two of them enjoying traveling to visit family.

She was an excellent seamstress and loved to read. Mickey worked for Southwestern Bell for 20 years before retiring and going to



MICKEY VENDRICK

work in the hotel industry. Mickey was preceded in death by her parents J.O. and Elba McMahon, husband Sammy Vendrick and brother Joe Lynn McMahon. She is survived by sisters Dianne Bradley and husband

Michael of Leander and Cheryl Donaldson and husband Larry of Wichita Falls; brother-in-law Michael Vendrick and wife Denise of San Antonio; sister-in-law Sherri Wilson of Nocona; aunt and uncle Dorothy and Ray Bromley of Russellville, Ark; and numerous nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, great-great nieces and nephews and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice of Wichita Falls, the Humane Society or a charity of your choice. Share condolences with the family by visiting www.hampton-vaughancrestview.com.

Alvin Pittman

A Masonic service for Alvin Pittman, 82, of Earth was held along with a family service at the Beason Family Cemetery in Rochester. Alvin quietly slipped away on Wednesday, March 16, 2016 in Amherst after a long battle with Parkinsons Disease.

Pittman was born May 23, 1933 in Geary, Okla. to Denver and Alice (Evans) Pittman. He married Noel Beason in Hamlin on April 1, 1953.

Respects to the family were made at Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home in Earth on

Thursday. Among his many endeavors, Alvin was the City Marshall for the City of Earth for 21 years.

He was a former member of the Mason Lodge in Rochester.

Alvin was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers Auvis Pittman and Eugene Pittman; and one sister Mildred Stubbs.

Alvin is survived by his wife of 63 years Noel; one son Michael Pittman and his wife Carrie of Post; four daughters Sherry Kelley and

her husband Fred of Roswell, NM; Becky Vinyard and her husband Rob of Austin, Debbie Etie and her husband Rick of Petersburg, and Christie Embry and her husband Lee of Sudan; plus 11 grandchildren.

The family suggests that in lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Earth EMS, PO Box 18, Earth, Texas, 79031 or Earth Volunteer Fire Department, PO Box 274, Earth, Texas, 79031.

Online condolences may be made at www.ellisfuneral-homes.com.

The Paperboy

Fly the flag, but do it properly

Fly the flag, but do it properly

I had a veteran new to the area come and speak to me the other day about U.S. flag etiquette. While he liked the fact there were so many patriots here, he was upset at the condition of some of the flags being flown.

In this country, our flag has always been held in the highest regard by Americans. That being said, there is no doubt that we all need a reminder on how to properly handle the flag.

In speaking with the veteran, I assured him that I would remind our readers of the proper protocol concerning how to treat the flag.

The following is from usflag.org:

Flag Etiquette STANDARDS of RESPECT

The Flag Code, which formalizes and unifies the traditional ways in which we give respect to the flag, also contains specific instructions on how the flag is not to be used. They are:

- The flag should never be dipped to any person or thing. It is flown upside down only as a distress signal.
- The flag should not be used as a drapery, or for covering a speaker's desk, draping a platform, or for any decoration in general. Bunting of blue, white and red

stripes is available for these purposes. The blue stripe of the bunting should be on the top.

- The flag should never be used for any advertising purpose. It should not be embroidered, printed or otherwise impressed on such articles as cushions, handkerchiefs, napkins, boxes, or anything intended to be discarded after temporary use. Advertising signs should not be attached to the staff or halyard

- The flag should not be used as part of a costume or athletic uniform, except that a flag patch may be used on the uniform of military personnel, fireman, policeman and members of patriotic organizations.
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- The flag should never be used as a receptacle for receiving, holding, carrying, or delivering anything.

When the flag is lowered, no part of it should touch the ground or any other object; it should be received by waiting hands and arms. To store the flag, it should be folded neatly and ceremoniously.

The flag should be cleaned and mended when necessary.

When a flag is so worn it is no longer fit to serve as a symbol of our country, it should be destroyed by burning in a dignified manner.

Displaying the Flag Outdoors

When the flag is displayed from a staff projecting from a window, balcony, or a building, the union should be at the peak of the staff unless the flag is at half staff.

When it is displayed from the same flagpole with another flag of a state, community, society or Scout unit the flag of the United States must always be at the top except that the church pennant may be flown above the flag during church services for Navy personnel when conducted by a Naval chaplain on a ship at sea.

When the flag is displayed over a street, it should be hung vertically, with the union to the north or east. If the flag is suspended over a sidewalk, See PAPERBOY, Page 7



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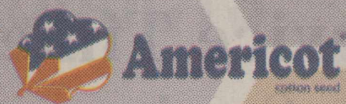
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10-run third propels Hounds past Notre Dame

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WICHITA FALLS – The Knox City Greyhounds exploded for 10 runs in the third inning en route to a 16-9 baseball win over Wichita Falls Notre Dame here Monday. “We swung the bats very well tonight and

played pretty solid defense,” said Coach Tracy Carter. “All 12 guys contributed to the win tonight. I’m proud of their effort and the progress they are making with each game.”

Notre Dame took a 3-0 lead after one inning and led 5-1 after two innings. Perry Stanfield was the winning pitcher,

going three innings and giving up only four earned runs.

He struck out five and gave up three bases on balls. Anthony Estrada came on in relief, allowing only two earned runs.

Leading the offensive effort were Estrada, Christian Abila, Elias Nevarez and Skylar

Neill. Estrada had three hits in four at bats and scored four times. Abila and Nevarez each drove in three runs while Neill was 2 for 4 at the plate.

Stolen bases were a major part of the win too. The Hounds had 17, led by Abila with 5 Nevarez with 4 and Neill with 4.

Knox City Baseball Team



Sheri Baty/The Knox County News-Courier

The Knox City Greyhounds claimed a 16-9 victory over Wichita Falls Notre Dame earlier this week.

Hounds, Houndettes track teams



Sheri Baty/The Knox County News-Courier

The Knox City Greyhounds and Houndettes took the week off during Spring break, but will return to action Friday in Jayton. Knox City will host the District 7-1A meet on April 14.

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Holy Week Schedule of Services
St. Joseph's Catholic Church/Rhineland
Santa Rosa Catholic Church/Knox City

March 24 Holy Thursday
THE EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
6:00 PM at Saint Joseph's/Rhineland
7:30 PM at Santa Rosa/Knox City
(The washing of the feet, the presentation of Holy Oils, the procession of The Blessed Sacrament to the special altar and keeping vigil in the Church until Midnight)

March 25 Good Friday
5:30 PM Stations of the Cross
6:30 PM The Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion)
7:30 PM at Santa Rosa/ Knox City

March 26 Holy Saturday
8:30 PM Easter Vigil/ St. Joseph's
(Blessing of the Fire, Procession with the Paschal Candle, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of Baptism, Renewal of the Baptismal vows, Confirmation and Liturgy of the Eucharist.)

March 27 Easter Sunday-(Celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord)
9:00 AM Mass- St. Joseph's/Rhineland
11:00 AM Mass - Santa Rosa/Knox City

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Knox City Spring Sports Schedule

KCHS track
March 25: Jayton
April 1: Aspermont
April 8: Spur
April 14-District 7-1A, Knox City
April 20: Area, Hamlin
April 29-30: Region, Levelland
May 13-14: State, Austin

O'Brien track
March 31:Aspermont
April 7: District 7-A, Spur

KCHS baseball
March 28: at Jim Ned JV
April 11: Stamford

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March 28: at Wichita Falls
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From the Preacher's Desk

Convert from Islam

This past week I listened to an Indian man named Imam Sulaiman tell of his conversion from Islam to Christianity. He was raised a Muslim and dedicated by his parents to Allah. He was an Imam and was teaching Islam to many people in his home country of India.

He said one day someone in the crowd asked him “who was Jesus?” He said he told the person and the crowd, Jesus was NOT the son of God. Then he said he began to study his Koran again on the subject and found some interesting facts.

He said the Koran calls Jesus the Word of God, the Spirit of God and Jesus is the Christ! He said the Koran also says that Jesus healed a man born blind and healed a man with leprosy. He says the Koran also tells that Jesus gave life to dead people. He also said the Koran said Jesus is still alive and is in heaven and will come again!

Then he compared all these things about what the Koran says about Mohammed. He says the Koran says that Mohammed is not the Word of God, the Spirit of God, did no miracles, died and is still dead and will not return alive someday. He said all this made him realize there was a great deal of difference between the two prophets!

He then said all of this convinced him that the Koran was false and the Bible was true and that Jesus really was the Son of God and all that is told of Him in the Bible is true. It is an incredible story and I am thankful to have heard him speak all of this during an interview on a Spanish television station.

This man told of his long search for truth and even though his family tried terribly to kill him after he began to tell them of his conversion, he would not be dissuaded from his search!

The question comes to each of us: will we search until we find the truth concerning God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, the Bible, etc. or will we allow Satan to win in our lives and refuse to search for the truth?

—Wayne Speer, Munday Church of Christ

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Tidwell wins scholarship



Courtesy photo
Munday High senior Grace Tidwell received a \$1,000 scholarship from Capital Farm Credit. She's pictured with Justin Lowe and Tammie Pienaar of the Munday office. It's part of a way Capital Farm Credit is celebrating its centennial by giving a total of 100 scholarships to students here in Texas.

Growing organics? FSA can help

Special to The News-Courier

The strength of the rural economy rests upon growing, making and creating products that people want to eat, buy and use.

Over the past seven years, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Tom Vilsack has worked to enhance the range of products made in rural America, and to expand the domestic and international markets for those products.

These changes strengthen traditional agriculture, be it promoting biofuels or bio-based products, improving animal genetics or even developing more plant varieties.

Another example is the growing retail market for organic products, which in 2015 was valued at \$39.1 billion by the Organic Trade Association.

Many organic farmers and ranchers receive premium prices for organic products by following USDA-defined standards that cover the production and handling of certified organic products from farm to market.

For farmers and ranchers growing organics, the USDA Farm Service Agency offers several programs that can help, announcing recently it will be providing financial assistance to organic producers to establish up to 20,000 acres of conservation buffer zones, which are protective natural borders along fields that produce organic crops.

Through the Conservation Reserve Program, funds can be used to estab-

lish shrubs and trees, or support pollinating species that can be planted in blocks or strips, helping to improve soil and water quality while also providing more wildlife habitat.

Interested organic producers can offer eligible land for enrollment in the program at any time.

"As American agriculture keeps moving forward, FSA is working to make unprecedented investments in every farmer

and rancher so that the rural economy becomes stronger than we've ever known," said Val Dolcini.

The FSA offers risk protection for farmers along with various loans to assist.

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the Book of Matthew in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Exodus 34, who was frightened of a man who came down a mountain with a shining face? *Laban, Stephen, Aaron, Cornelius*
3. At what city's public bonfire were books worth 50,000 pieces of silver burned? *Ephesus, Derbe, Perga, Lystra*
4. From Acts 5, who fell dead after lying about a property deal? *Nehemiah, Shimei, Levi, Ananias*
5. Who lost all his horse-drawn chariots in a sea? *Ornan, Balaam, Pharaoh, Benaiah*
6. Where did Lot meet angels? *City gate, Field, Temple, Oak tree*

ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) Aaron; 3) Ephesus; 4) Ananias; 5) Pharaoh; 6) City gate

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Munday Spring Sports Schedule

MHS track	MHS golf
March 25: Jayton	March 28: Albany
April 2: Munday	April 4: District 8-1A, River Creek, Burkburnett
April 8: TBA	April 11-12: Regional girls, Resse, Lubbock
April 14: District 8-1A, Munday	April 11-12: Regional boys, Lake Ridge, Lubbock
April 20: Area, Hamlin	April 27-28: State, Lions Muny, Austin
April 29-30: Regional, Lubbock	
May 12-14: State, Austin	
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March 21: Hamlin	April 2: District 8-1A, Vernon
April 7: District, Munday	

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Benjamin News

By Gladene Green

News is in short supply this week. I guess everyone is waiting for the Easter weekend to do a little visiting. Spring break last week was enjoyed by all kids, parents, and teachers. A break from the regular routine is always good for everyone concerned.

News of the ill in the community is varied today. Fred Carver spent a day and night in the Knox Co. Hospital early last week. He's feeling much better now after a "round" of antibiotics. Bud Conner is still having problems. He was readmitted to MICU Sunday, but was feeling some better last night. He is back on a ventilator, and we'll just have to wait and see what happens next. After almost six weeks in the hospital, he is getting pretty tired of it.

The Easter Sunrise Service will be Sunday morning at the Methodist Church. The Baptist Church will be in charge, and the services are scheduled to begin at 7 a.m. That may be a little early since the time change, but in order to get the service over and breakfast following, we need to make it as early as we can. The breakfast will be potluck, so bring your breakfast food and plan to enjoy this impressive early morning event.

Here 'n there
Mike Moorhouse's mom Bobbye, who lives in Seymour, fell last Thursday night and suffered a broken hip as a result. She underwent surgery Friday morning at United Regional in Wichita Falls. She's doing well, and if progress continues, she will return to the Seymour Hospital where

she will be about 30 days and undergo physical therapy.

Cooper, Cayden and Brie Copeland of Wichita Falls spent last week with their grandparents Dicky and Laura McCanlies and other relatives.

Benjamin Vanderpol spent part of his spring break in Austin. I think he attended some kind of concert and just had a good time away from home for a few days.

Linda and Charles Griffith had a big day planned earlier this week. It was (as she put it) a marathon to get to their doctor appointments in Abilene and Lubbock. So you see there's several hours of driving time to make both of them.

There's more progress on the store and station over here this week. Several yards of concrete were poured last Tuesday, and that made a great difference in the way it looked around there. I talked to the man who is overseeing the project, and he said he thinks it will be July or August before it's completely finished. Some think it will be sooner, but we all know the "finishing up" always takes longer than we expect it to.

And out south of town a mile or so on the west side of the road, the new structure you see is the home of Pate and Brittney Meinzer. I'll have to admit I hadn't even noticed it until the other day, but it is coming along nicely, and they are very excited about it. It will be nice when it's finished and a comfortable distance from town.

I want to wish everyone a happy Easter and to remember the true meaning of the day. If you travel, be careful. There will be lots of traffic on the road.

Vonda's Recipe Corner

By Vonda Carter

This Sunday is Easter, such a special time to honor our Lord and Savior and remember what he did for us. I hope everyone has a warm and happy Easter. Traditionally ham is the dinner of choice and of course there will be deviled eggs, which is what I'll be making, but desserts are the best part. This week you get dessert recipes because you all already know how to cook your hams, and deviled eggs can be done so many ways that I know you've got it covered. So I'm honoring chocolate this week. I love chocolate. I know you do to, if you don't love chocolate there's something wrong you, just kidding.



Happy Easter my friends a neighbors. As always Jesus is the reason, the only reason.

Mini French Silk Crescent Pies

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| 1 can (8 oz.) Pillsbury™ refrigerated Crescent Dough Sheet or 1 can crescent dinner rolls | 1 cup milk |
| 1 cup frozen (thawed) whipped topping | 1 box (4-serving size) instant chocolate pudding and pie filling |
| 1 cup mini chocolate chips | |

Heat oven to 375 degrees. If using dough sheet, unroll dough on work surface. Press into 12x9 inch rectangle. If using crescent rolls, unroll dough into 1 large rectangle on work surface. Press into 12x9 inch rectangle, firmly pressing perforations to seal. Cut into 6 rows by 4 rows to make 24 squares. Gently press squares into 24 ungreased mini muffin cups. Bake six to eight minutes or until edges are golden brown. Cool completely in pans, about 10 minutes. Remove from pans. In medium bowl, beat milk and pudding mix with wire whisk until mixture begins to thicken. Fold in one cup whipped topping. Fill each cooled cup with about one tablespoon pudding mixture. Spoon a half cup whipped topping into sandwich size re-sealable food storage plastic bag; seal bag. Cut tip from one bottom corner of bag; squeeze topping onto tarts, and sprinkle each with chocolate chips. Store in refrigerator.

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Heat oven to 375 degrees. Remove wrappers from chocolates. Chop 4 chocolates into small pieces; place in small microwave-safe bowl. Set aside. Unroll dough to form eight triangles. Place one chocolate at center of wide end of each triangle. Starting at wide end, roll to opposite point; pinch edges to seal. Place rolls, pointed side down, on ungreased cookie sheet. Curve into crescent shape. Bake 10 minutes or until lightly browned; remove from cookie sheet to wire rack. Microwave reserved chopped chocolates on medium for 30 seconds; stir. Drizzle melted chocolate over warm crescents; allow to cool slightly. Serve while still slightly warm.

Groundwater Area 6 meeting scheduled

Special to The News-Courier

MUNDAY – A Groundwater Management Area 6 joint planning meeting is scheduled here at 1 p.m. today at the North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority.

Groundwater Management Area 6 consists of the following groundwater conservation districts: Clear Fork Groundwater Conservation District, Gateway Groundwater Con-

servation District, Mesquite Groundwater Conservation District, and Rolling Plains Groundwater Conservation District.

Counties within Groundwater Management Area 6 include Archer, Baylor, Childress, Clay, Collingsworth, Cottle, Dickens, Fisher, Foard, Hall, Hardeman, Haskell, Jack, Jones, Kent, King, Knox, Motley, Palo Pinto, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Throckmorton, Wichita, Wilbarger, and Young.

Sheriff's report

Feb. 19-March 15

Phillips, James, 2/22/2016, Dob 5/31/79, Theft of property, (grand jury indictment) Insufficient bond, (SJF) Knox County

Rodriguez, Marcello, 3/2/16, Dob 5/17/83, DWI 1st, (M-B) DWLI w/previous conviction (M-B) Knox County

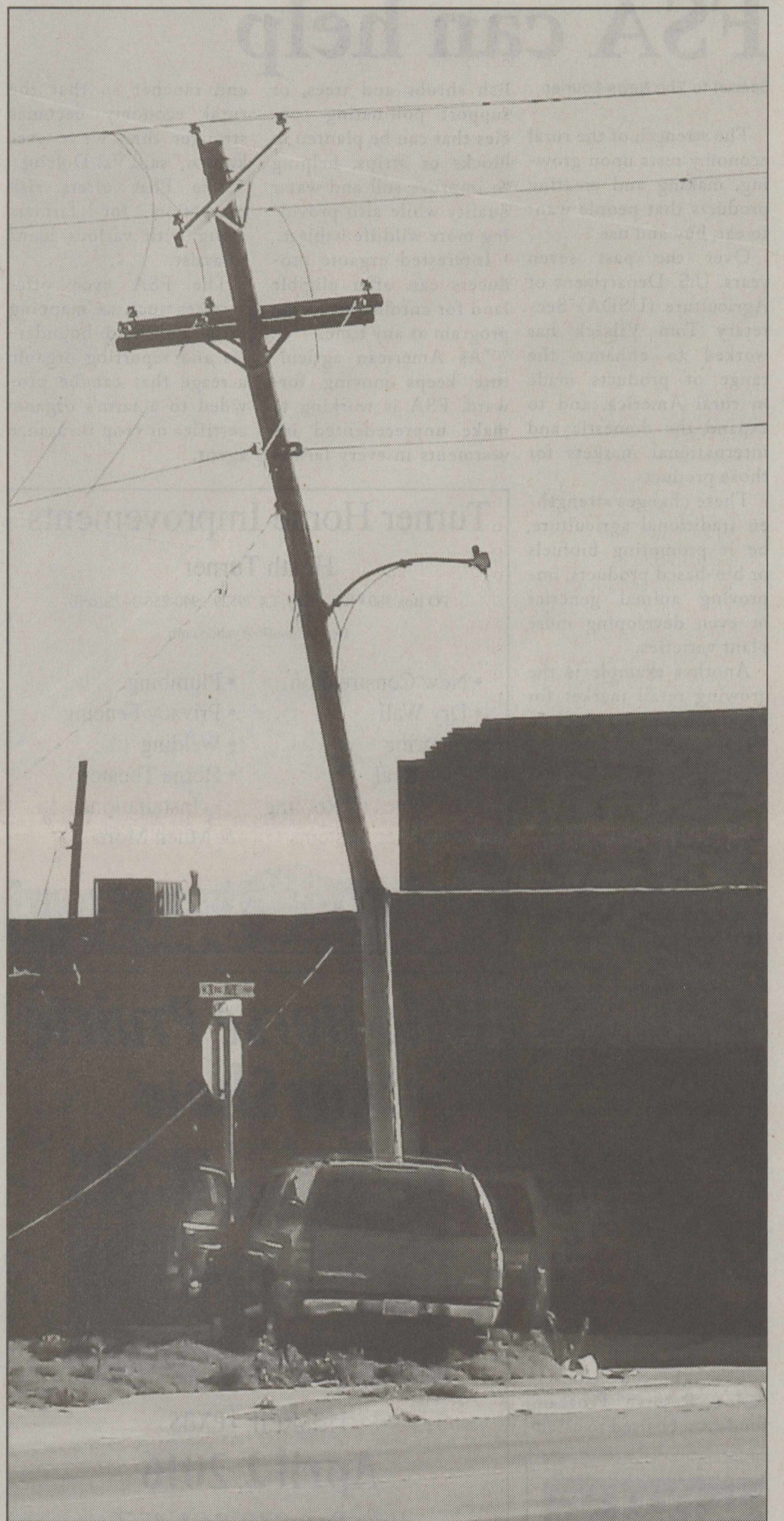
Rodriguez, Amado Jr., 3/4/16, Dob 4/27/86, Assault causing bodily injury (M-A) Knox County

Loyd, Sherri, 3/8/16, Dob 6/30/89, Probation violation/theft, (Felony), Theft (M-A) Missouri warrants (Baylor County)

Shepherd, Richard Sterling, 3/14/16, Dob 11/08/85, Possess dangerous drug (Felony) DWUI of drugs (M-B), Possess drug paraphernalia (M-C), DWLI (M-C), Foard County

Montgomery, William Eugene, 3/15/2016, Dob 2/25/69, Parole violation/sexual assault/fail to register (F-3) Baylor County

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Weather Whys

It seems like Texas always has some parts of the state that get snow this time of year. When is usually the last snowfall in Texas? Snow can fall in Texas later than you think, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. The Amarillo area has received about 5 inches of snow several times in the month of May. “The latest snowfall in Texas is believed to have occurred May 6-7 in 1917,” McRoberts explains. “That’s when over 9 inches of snow fell in the Amarillo and Panhandle areas. The two longest snow seasons have occurred in recent years. The longest was from Sept. 29, 1984, to March 30, 1985, a 183-day period. The most recent one lasted from Nov. 2, 2004 to May 2, 2005, a 182-day period.”

What about other cities?
Late-season snowstorms are common in other parts of the United States, McRoberts says. “Denver is notorious for getting very late snowfalls,” he adds. “The latest snowfall for the Denver area was June 12, 1947. On April 30, 1960 the Kansas City area had a large snowfall late in the year. Back in Texas, an April 6, 1996 snowstorm hit the Abilene area with a whopping 9-inch snow total that really caught residents off guard. And on April 7-8 of 2007, much of Central Texas got a surprise snowfall when 3-5 inches blanketed the area from Comanche to Waco and Killeen, and since bluebonnets were already out at that time, it made for some interesting photos. The old saying is true – you never know what the weather is going to do in Texas.”

The 501 When Plans Get Stuck

Life is what happens while you're planning it.

I may not have quoted that axiom perfectly, but you get my drift.

Add another line:

The best laid plans of mice and men are the ones that go the most haywire. I know I got that one right.

Add one more line:

Roll with the punches, especially if you're dealing with a 9-year-old.



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My best laid plans for entertaining and edifying grandson Cutter on his spring break visit to the farm didn't take long to go astray. The defining moment of our so-called historic cemetery tour was when it disintegrated. We got stuck and had to call Granddad to rescue us. Who knew that road was so muddy and slick? Obviously, not me.

We were only on the second leg of our tour when it happened, having just viewed the hill where trail drive cowboys are buried near the river crossing. I could hardly have planned a more exciting event than almost running off a remote rural road, especially since it was the ditch on Cutter's side where we would have landed, as he was quick to point out.

Who knew there were so many interesting rocks in that ditch? And in the opposite ditch? When you're waiting for roadside assistance, it's nice to have rocks.

We found sparkly gypsum and petrified wood (it looked like petrified wood) and ev-

erthing in between. We collected clay too. It stuck to our shoes. Cutter fashioned the clay into balls and threw them. Then Granddad arrived. Cutter and his mother got to ride all the way back to the farm in the back of the pickup. I followed ignominiously in the un-stuck car.

Meanwhile back at the farm, no one mentioned the unfinished well-planned cemetery tour. Instead Cutter piled his sizable rock collection in my little red wagon (yes, I still have it) and washed each rock.

Hadn't I hoped he'd take an interest in rocks and also in my wagon? I couldn't have made it happen if I'd planned it. I slowly let go of the cemetery tour. It was hard.

Next we all worked on the construction of our new shop building. Granddad put Cutter to work pulling nails out of old lumber. I remembered when my grandmother put me to work pulling nails out of old lumber. It's something I would have planned if I'd thought of it.

Then Granddad happened to find the vintage jack my father always used under the house for floor leveling when doors weren't shutting smoothly enough for my mother. It so happens we need it now.

But the old jack was stuck. Cutter helped me disassemble it. We cleaned it with diesel. We greased it. Cutter's eyes were good enough to read the almost illegible "Walker" and "3-Ton" on the old metal label. Once we got it reassembled, it worked.

Guess who remembered where all the parts fit? Not me.

That boy has an amazing aptitude for mechanics. I'm planning on him becoming an engineer.

ered. No other flag should be placed above it. The other flags may be smaller but none may be larger.

When flown with the national banner of other countries, each flag must be displayed from a separate pole of the same height. Each flag should be the same size. They should be raised and lowered simultaneously. The flag of one nation may not be displayed above that of another nation.

Note: Most American Legion Posts regularly conduct

a dignified flag burning ceremony, often on Flag Day, June 14th. Many Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops, and Girl Scout Troops retire flags regularly as well. Contact your local American Legion Hall or Scout Troop to inquire about the availability of this service.

Etiquette regarding raising, lowering and flying the flag indoors can be found at usflag.org.

If you have a flag that is ready to be retired, you can drop it off at your newspaper

Pet Talk Tips on caring for older pets

Pets are more than just our companions — they are a part of the family. As your pet ages, it is important to consult your veterinarian for help providing the proper care for your senior pet's changing needs.

Every animal is different, so the senior life stage occurs at different ages in different pets. For instance, dogs are typically considered seniors at seven years old, but older dogs age more quickly than smaller dogs. Cats can be considered mature at 7 years and seniors at 11 years old. Breed and species aside, your pet's genetics, nutrition, health and environment will ultimately determine when your pet is considered a senior.

One of the telltale signs of increasing age in pets is a decline in physical activity. For instance, previously active pets may not play as much, and both dogs and cats may need assistance climbing on and off the bed or couch. Dr. Stacy Eckman, clinical assistant professor at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences (CVM), explained when pet owners can expect

office and we will get them to an organization who will properly destroy it.

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this transition into senior pet behavior. "A decrease in physical activity depends on the breed, size and genetics of the pet," she said. "However, some older pets are still quite active in their senior years."

In addition to a decrease in physical activity, older cats and dogs tend to develop more degenerative health problems. "Chronic degenerative disorders like heart and kidney disease are common in older pets, and so is cancer," Eckman said. "In cats, kidney, heart and thyroid disease are the most common aging conditions. In dogs, different breeds are more prone to certain conditions. For example, some breeds are more likely to see a dramatic increase in cancers as they age." A visit to the veterinarian every six months can help determine what is normal for your pet so that any changes in behavior or health can be detected early.

Aging cats and dogs are also prone to arthritis, dental disease, loss of sight and hearing, and a decrease in mobility.

Just like humans, pets may need more assistance getting around and taking care of themselves. Despite this change in mobility and physical activity, it is important to keep your dog and cat active to slow the progression of joint pain and arthritis. In addition, a healthy diet that adequately nourishes your pet is also key in reducing your pet's risk for obesity, which can also contribute to joint pain. "The single most important aspect in helping your pet stay as happy and healthy for as long as possi-

ble is maintaining a healthy weight throughout their lifetime," Eckman said. "A healthy weight should be coupled with regular exercise and activity."

Perhaps the hardest part about having an aging furry best friend is accepting when they are no longer happy in everyday life. It is never easy to let go of a pet, but in some cases, euthanasia is the most humane option. "Making the decision to euthanize a pet is a personal and difficult decision," Eckman said. "The decision is dependent on what signs and symptoms the pet is showing or what disorder the pet is experiencing. When owners are questioning if they should euthanize their pet, they should discuss it with their veterinarian to help guide the decision-making process. At the CVM, we typically have owners think of three-to-five specific characteristics of their pet, and when the pet stops doing these things, then it may be time to consider euthanasia.

For example, my dog loves to play ball. When he stops playing or does not get joy out of this any longer, that would raise concerns for me."

As much as we would love our pets to live forever, they grow old and need special care.

To ensure your pet lives a long, healthy life, be sure to visit your veterinarian regularly to discuss your pet's diet, exercise habits and overall health.

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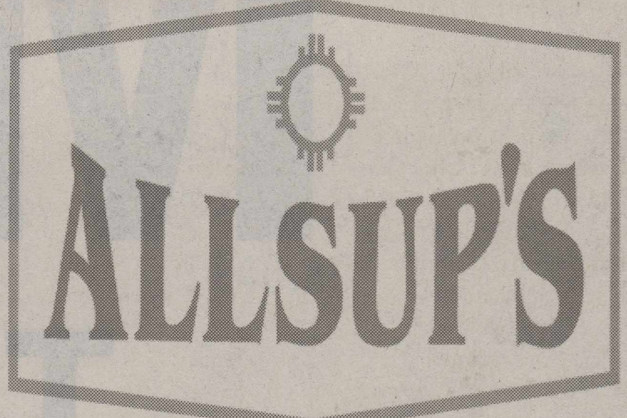
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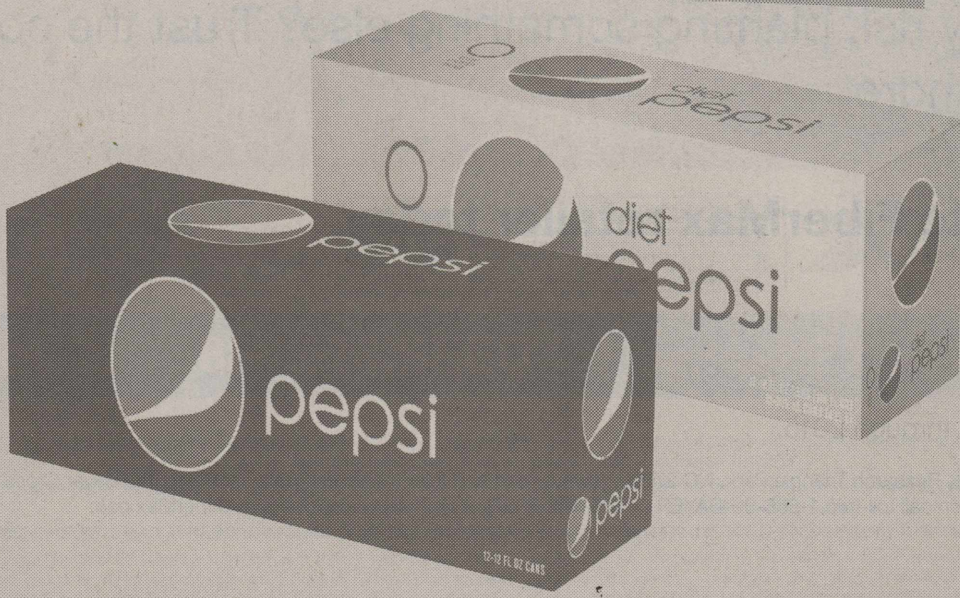
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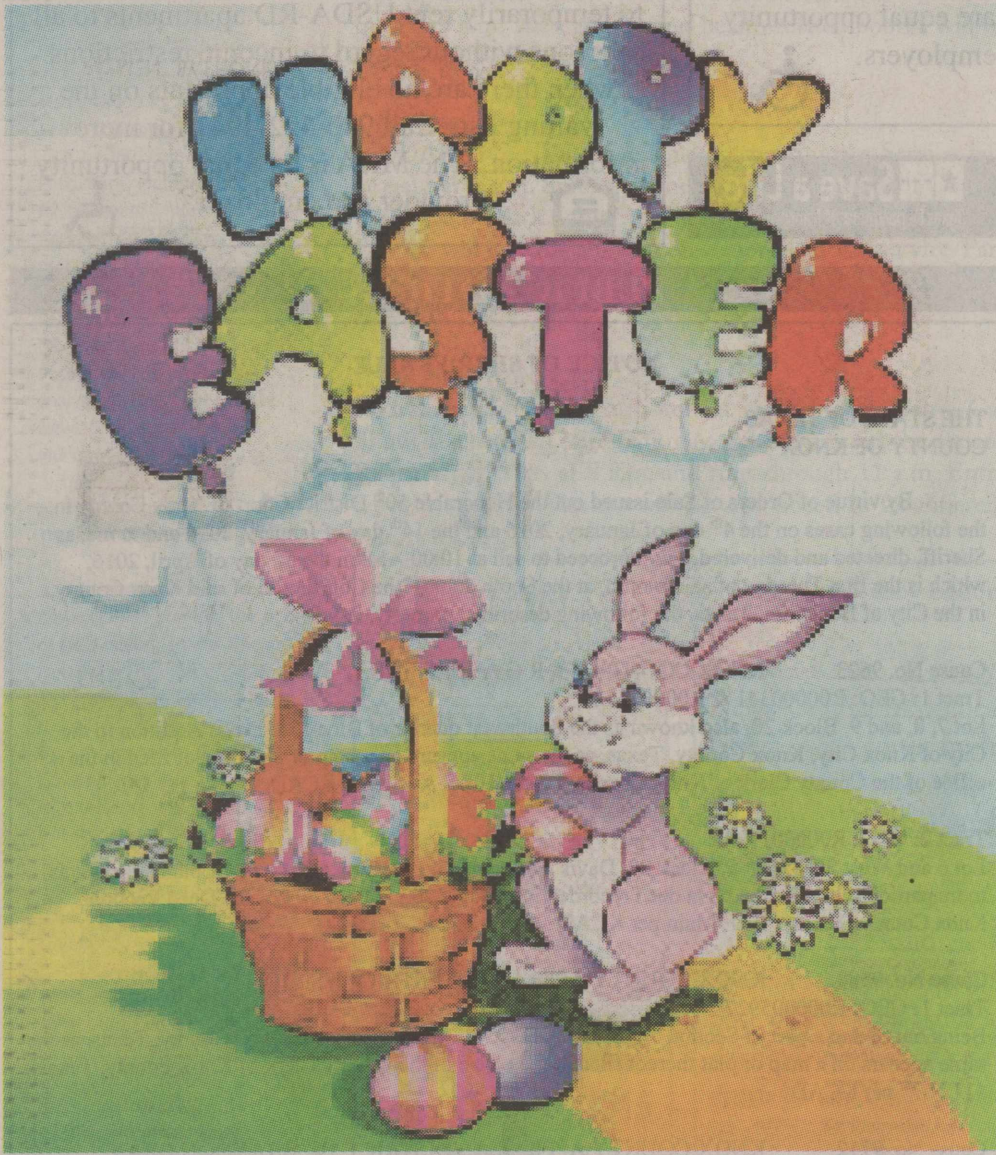
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Enjoying Sunday dinner



Families and friends gathered in Rhineland last Sunday to take part in the annual St. Joseph's Catholic Church sausage and fried chicken dinner.

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Mac's Views Is a golf cart a vehicle?

Is a golf cart a vehicle?

It certainly would appear so here in Knox County as a lot of residents use them to get around. I even saw one recently out on the bridge on Hwy. 267 with grandparents showing off the Brazos River, a few miles north of Rhineland.



JAMES MCAFEE

Reading the Dallas Morning News recently, I found that an opinion from the Texas attorney general from 2006 and a ruling by the Texas Supreme Court does declare a golf cart to be a motor vehicle in the case of an accident using it.

However, it seems one of the major administrators of claims for accidents involving school districts does not go along with either, refusing to pay a teacher for damages to his car while it was parked at the school's bus barn.

It seems a trailer hitched to a golf cart had hit his car while he was driving kids home from school.

The teacher's plight got the attention of a Watchdog group that was able to convince the school district to agree to pay for the damages if it can't get the insurance carrier to pay it.

Insurance carriers never like to pay all claims, but it would appear that they should do so in this case.

Hats off to the teacher for standing up for his rights!

I've found it pays to complain sometimes and others go even further by filing class action suits when they believe they have been shortchanged.

Subway was recently sued because some of its foot-long sandwiches weren't actually 12

inches long. Now, according to a worker in the Seymour store, he has a way of measuring the bread to ensure a customer gets what he pays for.

Just last week, I also noticed that someone in California filed a class action suit against Starbucks, claiming that baristas were under filling their lattes by about 25 per cent. When you pay \$3.95 or more, you should get full cups.

I filed a claim last October to get \$25 back from StarKist, but like others, including Vonda Carter, have never gotten anything back. Five months seems like plenty of time for the settlement to arrive. StarKist didn't fill cans with the five ounces listed on the cans, but settled with promises of cash back or free cans of tuna.

Let me address another matter that my daughter Lorri brought to my attention.

There are a lot of worthwhile charity projects, but at the same time we all need to be aware that a lot of the dollars raised go to overhead expenses instead of being used for their stated purposes.

A recent series of CBS News revealed massive over spending and waste by the Wounded Warriors Project, showing 40 per cent was used on expenses that included \$26 million for staff conferences and meetings in luxurious settings in addition to high salaries for the top staff members.

As a result, the charity's board of directors fired CEO Steve Nardizzi and COO Al Giordano. Nardizzi was being paid \$496,000 and Giordano \$397,000.

In closing, it was certainly nice to see that new flags had been installed at Centennial Park in Munday this week after I mentioned that the old one was tattered.

Be sure to read Paperboy elsewhere in this issue about how to fly the flag properly

United acquires seven Lawrence Bros. stores

Special to The News-Courier

SEYMOUR – The Lawrence Bros. store here will soon become a United Supermarket location after United Supermarkets, LLC, dba as The United Family, announced a purchase of seven of the Lawrence stores recently.

Stores in Abilene, Breck-

enridge and Clyde will also carry the United Supermarkets banner, a store in Seminole will revert to a Super Saver Food store while New Mexico stores in Roswell and Ruidoso will adapt the Albertsons Market banner.

The conversions and remodeling of these stores are expected to be completed by early summer.

The United Family is a wholly owned subsidiary of Albertson's, LLC.

Lawrence Bros. Supermarkets will continue to operate stores in 17 other markets, including the ones here in Knox County at Knox City and Munday, under the Lawrence Bros. and CashSaver Cost-Plus banners.

Work begins on US 82 in King

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CHILDRESS – The Texas Department of Transportation began a project this week to rehabilitate US 82 in King County.

This project will consist of milling out 10 inches of the existing roadway surface, stabilizing and replacing with a hot mix overlay.

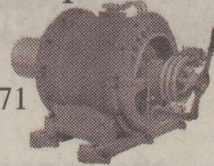
This \$5.9 million project, awarded to Duinink, Inc., begins 1.2 miles east of US

82 near Guthrie to .599 mile west of SH 222, a distance of approximately 12 miles. Weather permitting, the completion date is set for the end of July.

Motorists may encounter delays while this project is underway, due to temporary lane closures. TxDOT officials urge drivers to pay special attention to all signs and traffic controls, and to reduce their speed as they travel through this area when work zones are present.

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