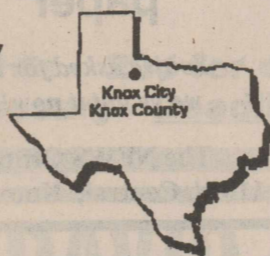


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Minors beware: new state laws in effect for tobacco and alcohol use, creating graffiti

• Knox City Police Chief warns minors and parents that laws will be enforced locally •

By Harry E. Steen
Chief of Police

Knox City Police Department
Tobacco Use & Possession

The new year will bring several law changes including more stringent laws regarding youth and the use of tobacco. Beginning January 1st, minors will be prohibited from possessing tobacco products.

The law, part of Senate Bill 55, prohibits minors from buying, using or possessing tobacco, except in the presence of an adult parent, guardian or spouse of the minor. This department has already been warning minors who have been caught either by using or possessing tobacco up to this point. However, as of January

1st, this department will be issuing citations for this offense. Parent's permission to use or possess tobacco does not exempt the minor from the law. The parent or guardian must be in the presence of the minor.

Minors who violate the tobacco law face a fine of up to \$250 and attendance in a tobacco awareness program of tobacco-related community service. In addition, the parents of a minor convicted of a violation may be required to attend the tobacco awareness program with the minor. The community service or awareness program must be completed within 90 days or the minor's drivers license may be suspended for 180 days.

Other provisions of the law:

- Require retailers and their employees to request identification from all customers under the age of 27 who try to buy cigarette or tobacco products;
- Require retailers to notify employees of the consequences of violating the tobacco law within 72 hours of when the employee begins selling tobacco products;
- Subjects retailers to random inspection by local law enforcement and state officials to ensure compliance with the tobacco law
- Prohibits the placement for vending machines in any business that is accessible to minors; and
- Prohibits retailers or anyone else from selling cigarettes, or

tobacco products in a manner that allows customers direct access to the cigarettes or tobacco products. Other provisions of the law that took effect Sept. 1, include:

- Prohibits retailers and their employees from selling or providing tobacco products, or giving coupons or tobacco purchases to any person under 18 years of age;
- Prohibits distribution of free samples of tobacco products to any person under 18 years of age;
- Allows retailers or their employees to be fined up to \$1,000 per occurrence and/or have their permit revoked or suspended for selling tobacco products to any person under 27

years of age without valid identification;

- Requires retailers to conspicuously display a sign warning employees and customers about the tobacco law and the penalties for violations of the law; and

- Prohibits sale of cigarettes in individual packages containing fewer than 20 cigarettes.

Alcohol Use

A reminder to minors and their parents that stricter alcohol laws are in effect for minors. As of Sept. 1, 1997, it is illegal for minors to consume alcohol. If an officer smells alcohol on a minor driver, they may be charged with driving under the influence of alcohol by a minor. No tests are

required to issue the ticket. It only takes an officer smelling the presence of alcohol for charges to be filed and there does not have to be alcohol in the vehicle. After two such convictions, the minor's drivers license may be suspended.

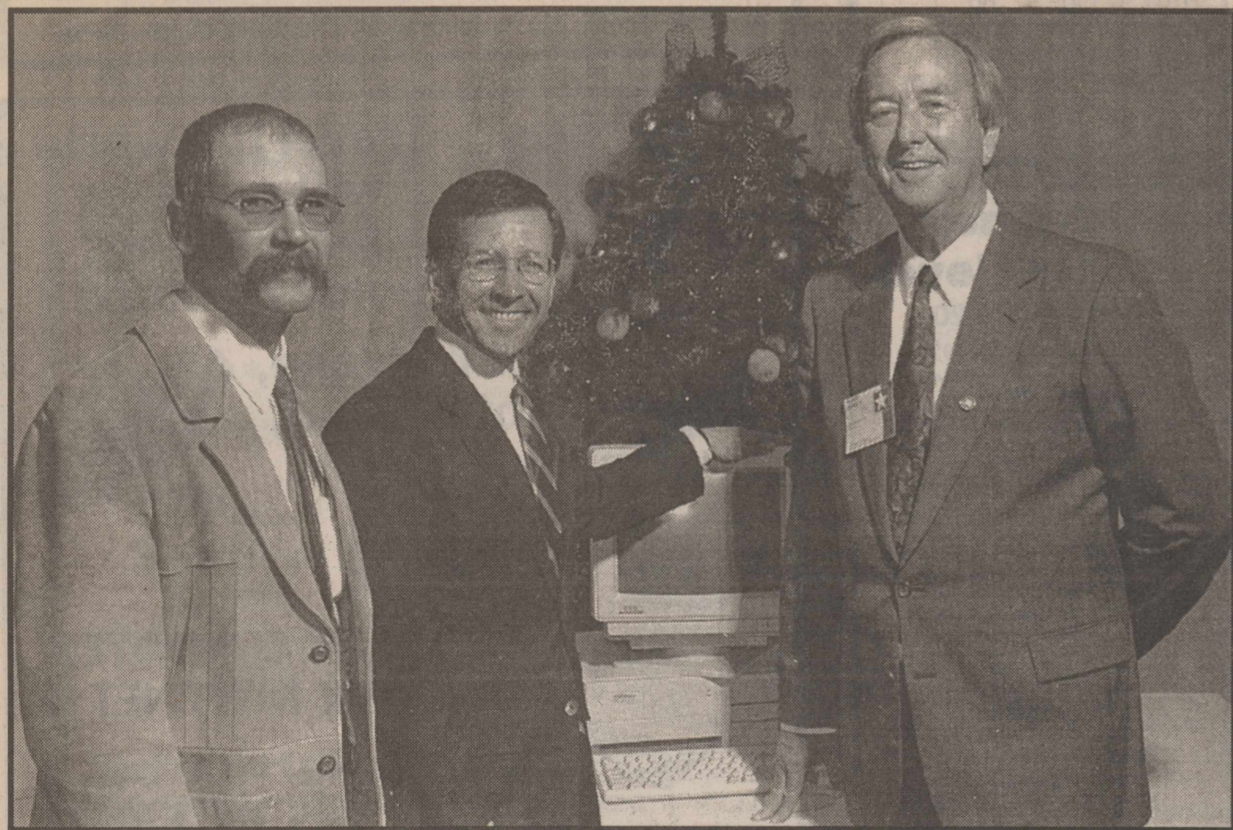
The bottom line is that if the minor wants to keep his or her drivers license, they can't be using alcohol or tobacco products.

Creating Graffiti

A recent change in the law also allows for the suspension of a minor's drivers license upon conviction of creating graffiti.

The license can be suspended until the minor is 19 years of age or for 365 days, whichever is longer

Thanking Attorney General Dan Morales



KNOX COUNTY JUDGE DAVID N. PERDUE (right) and Dan Henson (left), Executive Director of the Four Winds Resource, Conservation and Development Area, Inc., met with Texas Attorney General Dan Morales (center) in Austin recently in a meeting arranged by Judge Perdue so the pair from Knox County could personally thank the AG for his help in obtaining used government computers that were donated to local area agencies. More than 120 of the surplus computer systems, valued at more than \$100,000.00, were recently distributed to West Texas nonprofit organizations that included the Knox County Historical Commission, the City of Munday, the Munday Housing Authority, the Knox County Constable's office, Knox County Headstart, Knox County 4-H, Four Winds RC&D, and the Knox County Judge's office. (Photo courtesy of Four Winds RC&D)

Knox County Jr. Livestock Stock Show to begin day early this year, starts Thursday evening

By Paul Weiser
County Extension Agent-Ag.
Knox County

The 1998 Knox County Jr. Livestock Show will begin this Thursday, January 8 at 6:00 p.m. This year the stock show will be held in the Knox City school bus barn in Knox City.

Activities scheduled for Thursday evening include weigh in of market lambs, market goats and market rabbits at 6:00 p.m. The market broiler show will also begin at 6:00 p.m. This will be followed by the breeding rabbit show and the market rabbit show.

On Friday, January 9, the schedule of activities will include weigh

in of market swine at 8:00 a.m. The market lamb show will begin at 10:00 a.m. followed immediately by the market goat show. Market steers will be weighed on Friday from noon to 2:00 p.m.

The market swine show will begin the activities on Saturday. This event will begin at 8:00 a.m. The breeding heifer show will begin at noon, followed by the market steer show.

The premium auction is scheduled to begin at 3:00 p.m. (or as soon as the sale order is completed following the steer show).

This year will prove to be a bigger show than last year. Lambs increased from fifteen in 1997 to

thirty this year. Market goats increased from forty nine last year to eighty this year. In 1997, approximately 230 market swine were exhibited at the Knox County Jr. Livestock Show. This year there will be 250 or more.

For more information about the schedule of events, please contact one of the Knox County Jr. Livestock Show Board of Directors, any high school Ag. Science Instructor or the Knox County Extension office.

Everyone is invited to attend the 1998 Knox County Jr. Livestock Show.

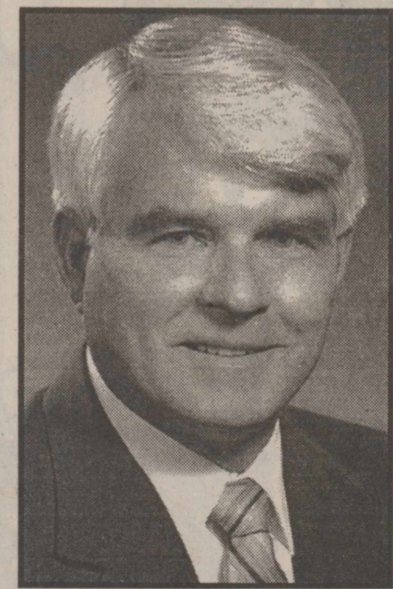
Please come out and support our local youth.

Counts announces re-election plans for office of state representative, District 70

Knox City -- State Representative David Counts, a businessman and farmer from Knox County, has officially filed for a sixth full term. Counts is chairman of the Texas House Natural Resources Committee and a member of the Texas Conservative Coalition.

He cited this year's property tax relief initiatives, his work on rural water conservation reforms, his track record of constituents service including landing the new Veterans Retirement Facility in Big Spring, and his strong support for continuing the reforms of Governor George W. Bush as reasons for his re-election.

"I am extremely proud to have worked closely with both Democrat Texas House Speaker Pete Laney and Republican Governor Bush this past session on school property tax relief and the Property Taxpayers Appraisal Reform



State Rep. David Counts
(D) - Knox City

Bill of Rights," Counts said, "We increased the homestead exemption, dedicated lottery profits to public education, created portability of senior citizen tax freezes, and capped annual tax appraisal

increases on individual residences."

Counts also cited his mother, who in her 80s still owns and operates the Counts Beauty Shop in Rule, as a reason for his reelection. "My mother and her continued involvement in her business in a role model and inspiration for me," Counts said. "I have always approached issues in the legislature in terms of what's good for the working families of our rural communities, not in terms of partisanship."

Locally, Counts also noted that the state's new Veterans' Retirement facility in Big Spring will add 165 new jobs and will add an overall \$3.5 million annually to the West Texas economy.

Counts also authored and passed a measure this past session

See Counts files,
Contd. on page 3

Speck files for re-election as county & district clerk

Danny Speck of Knox County has authorized *The Knox County News* to announce that he has filed for re-election as Knox County and District Clerk in the March 10 Democratic primary election.

His formal statement will appear in a future edition of the *News*.

Andrade announces as county sheriff candidate

Johnny M. Andrade of Munday has authorized *The Knox County News* that he has filed for the office of Knox County Sheriff, announcing his candidacy in the March 10 Democratic primary.

Andrade was named acting sheriff on August 2 following the resignation of Mike Carlson. Dean Homstad was appointed to the sheriff's position on October 15, 1997. Andrade is currently serving as Chief Deputy.

His formal statement will appear in a later issue of the *News*.

Rob Harrison announces candidacy for JP office

Robert (Rob) Harrison of Knox County has authorized *The Knox County News* to announce his candidacy for Justice of the Peace, Precincts 1 and 2 in the March 10 Democratic primary.

His formal statement will appear in a future issue of the *News*.

Clodell Duke announces candidacy for JP position

Clodell Duke of Benjamin has authorized *The Knox County News* to announce her candidacy for Justice of the Peace, Precincts 1 and 2, in the March 10 Democratic primary election.

Her formal statement will appear in a later issue of the *News*.

Parker announces for commissioner re-election

Jerry Parker of Benjamin has authorized *The Knox County News* to announce that he has filed for re-election as Knox County Commissioner, Precinct Two, in the March 10 Democratic primary.

Parker's formal statement will be in a later issue of the *News*.

David Perdue files for county judge re-election

David Perdue of Knox County has authorized *The Knox County News* that he has filed for re-election to the office of Knox County Judge in the Tuesday, March 10, Democratic primary.

A formal statement will appear in a later issue of the *News*.

Penman Convenience store to open Friday

After months of hectic construction often delayed because of bad weather, Penman's Convenience Store at 609 E. Main is set to open on Friday. An advertisement on the back page of this issue gives more details, and a complete story will follow next week as time permits.

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1998 elections should be interesting as large number of incumbents and candidates file

The March Democratic Primary election in Knox County have drawn a lot of attention, more so than in many years past. The interest being generated in the local elections is due largely in part to the number of interested persons and incumbents filing for the various offices that will be on the March 10 primary election ballots and November General Election ballots.

Knox County Judge
Incumbent David N. Perdue (D) has filed for re-election to the office he has held since January 1 of 1985.

Knox County Treasurer
Since incumbent Evelyn Balis is not running for re-election, Penny (Parks) Goodwin (D) of Munday will be unopposed on the ballot for the office. Former Treasurer Evelyn Balis was appointed by the Commissioners Court to fill the unexpired term of Judy Whitten, who resigned in 1997.

Knox County Clerk & District Clerk
Incumbent Danny Speck (D) of Knox City is seeking re-election to the office that he has held for one full term. Also filing to be placed on the ballot for this office is Ronnie Verhalen (D) of Knox City.

Knox County Sheriff
Incumbent Dean Homstad (D) of Knox City has filed to be on the ballot to be elected for a full term to the office that he has held since being appointed by the Commissioners in 1997 to fill the un-

expired term of former Sheriff Mike Carlson, who resigned in 1997. Sheriff's Deputy Johnny Andrade (D) of Munday has also filed the necessary paperwork to have his name placed on the ballot for the office of Sheriff.

Knox County Commissioner Precinct Two
Incumbent Jerry Parker (D) of Benjamin is seeking re-election to the office that he has held for one full term.

Justice of the Peace Combined Precincts 1 & 2
Incumbent JP Imagean Young (D) of Benjamin has filed for re-election to the office she currently holds. She will be opposed by Clodell Duke (D) of Benjamin and Robert (Rob) Harrison of Knox City.

Editor's Note - In listening to local talk about the upcoming Democratic Primary, it's interesting that this election is bringing out some very solid people to run for the various political offices. Without a lot of 'political axes to grind', most candidates all seem to have a genuine interest in the respective office they are seeking. This is the first election in recent memory when this number of interested persons have filed to be placed on the ballots. We just hope that the voters of Knox County show the same amount of interest and show up at the polls to support the candidates of their choice.

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DHC sets grand opening for new TWC in Knox City

By Joanne Meyer, Business Service Coordinator

Along with the staff of the Department of Human Services in Haskell and Knox City, I'd like to invite you to the kickoff of our newest Branch Office, as CareerStop opens eight new sites to better serve citizens in our nineteen county service delivery area. Our grand opening for the Knox City Branch Office at 606 East Main Street will be this Thursday, January 8, at 2:00 p.m., and the public is cordially invited for the festivities.

Clients can access a wide array of services for job search and career exploration, including TWC's Job Express, the Governor's Job Bank and even, America's Job Bank, a national listing of openings, through the resources at our Branch Office.

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We hope you can join us for this special event and learn more about this important expansion of services; reservations are not necessary. Please feel free to contact me at 915-672-5633 (Fax: 915-672-5691), Jo Scott, Texas Department of Human Services in Knox City, at 940-658-3524, or the Haskell DHS office at 940-864-2694, if you have any questions concerning services available through the CareerStop's Branch Offices in Haskell and Knox City.

Hope to see you on January 8th!

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O'Brien News

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"A customer called my father's auto parts store to request a new belt for her pickup truck. 'What kind of engine does it have?' one of Dad's employees asked. 'A diesel,' she replied. 'Ma'am,' he continued, 'would that be turbocharged?' 'No,' she responded, 'I'll just pay when I get there.'"

Here And There - Paul and Nila Sanchez and children Rey, Aaron, Felipe, Pablo and a friend Jasmine all spent a few days visiting relatives in different parts of Mexico over the holidays. Paul saw a sister he hadn't seen in 30 years.

The director of missions in our area filled our pulpit Sunday and Sunday night for our pastor Bro. Bill Trice. Bro. Bill and Evelyn

spent the weekend with their family in several different places. Bro. Jack Nivens did a good job filling in for Bro. Bill.

Evelyn Underwood was dismissed from the Rice Springs Care Home and returned to her home after spending a few days in the hospital and the care home. It's always good to see people get to return to their home. The other people in our area who have been ill seem to be doing good. Coy Hewitt is doing great and is up and around. Roy Stewart is doing good. There's lots of colds, flu and other ailments that's just keeping people at home.

Sandra Childress of Ozona has been staying with her mother Beatrice Ellis. Sandra has an ail-

ment that takes lots of rest and only a mother can see to that and she seems to be some better.

Julie and Dale Sanders of Amarillo visited Julie's mother, Billie Walker, over the weekend. They enjoyed steaks at The Branding Iron Saturday night after gathering pecans. They also visited with Evelyn Underwood.

Jan Frost and Billie Walker took Evelyn Underwood to Abilene Friday to be fitted with a knee brace. Evelyn is able to be home, thanks to the use of a walker and home health care.

Jim and Rose Johnston traveled to Bowie Saturday to help celebrate Jennifer Hill's birthday. Jennifer is Rose's granddaughter, Jim's niece.

Counts files


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that will use unclaimed state surplus fund to provide scholarships and economic development funding for rural communities in West Texas.

"In addition to helping West Texas protect its rural jobs and water needs, I also stand firmly for continuing the bipartisan reforms which increase our personal freedoms, local community decision-making, and added accountability in the way our state government serves the people of Texas," Counts said.

District 70 includes Borden, Fisher, Garza, Howard, Jones, Kent, King, Knox, Lynn, Nolan, Scurry and Stonewall counties.

Counts and his wife, Mary, have been married 41 years. They have two children and five grandchildren. Counts' other past and present community service includes the Texas Army National Guard, Lions Club, past President of the Knox City Chamber of Commerce, 32nd Mason K.C.C.H., and service in other community groups. The Counts family attends the First Baptist Church of Knox City.



KC 4-H NEWS
By Roni Morrow

The Knox City 4-H Club will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, January 12, 1998 at the Knox City Community Center. Scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m.,

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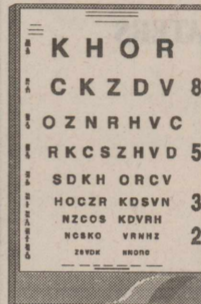
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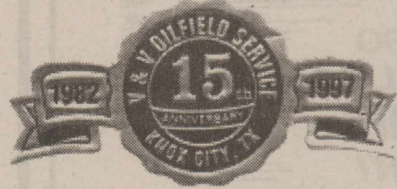


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Benjamin News

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

It's the first week of a brand new year and I hope yours is starting off well. So far -- so good for me -- I can remember when nearing

the year 2000 seemed so far off and certainly a time I would never see or even come close to, but now with it only two years away, it

seems it could get here in my lifetime. Anyway, we did make it to '98, didn't we?

About the only illnesses to report is the flu. Lots have had it and say it sure does make one feel horrible. So far, I've missed it and am keeping my fingers crossed that I will continue to escape it. Seems when it takes hold, it's hard to get over. So let's first hope we can all miss it or anyway, a bad case of it.

Locals' Grandson Studies at South Pole - Bill and Dorothy Spikes related the following story on their grandson's recent adventure to the South Pole. Blue Spikes, the son of Ty and Sue Spikes of Garden City, Kansas, graduated from Garden City High School in 1993 and is a student at Ohio State University. After his five week

trip to Antarctica to participate in a glacier study program, Spikes has begun his work toward a master's degree in glaciology (scientific study of glaciers).

The trip to Antarctica was supported by a scholarship awarded him by Ohio State.

Spikes graduated from Emporia State University last spring with a degree in earth science and is now associated with Byrd Polar Research Center based at Ohio State.

He and four other students and one professor left for the South Pole October 31. It was his first time out of the U.S. After several days of training in New Zealand and McMurdo Bay, the group headed to the South Pole to begin their research. The big picture for the research was global warming - which is occurring, according to Spikes.

The group stayed in tents on ice and operated under a strict regime to keep their icy surroundings

clean, leaving no track or pollutants behind.

After Spikes completes the second quarter of school, he expects to spend the third quarter of the year in Greenland getting back to classes for the fourth.

The three year master's program in glaciology goes four quarters a year, two on campus and two off.

Before leaving for Antarctica, Spikes attended a conference of glacial scientists from throughout the world in Washington, D.C.

His options for the future are open but says he may go for his doctorate in glaciology and join the Byrd Polar Research Center.

Has Poem Published - Jamie Bohannon, daughter of Roger and Betty Bohannon, has had a poem she wrote, "World's Apart" printed in the 1997 edition, Volume 11, of "The Teachers Selection, Anthology of Poetry". The poems in this book are top honors from 11th grade classrooms from across the U.S. Jamie was nominated last year by her English teacher, Carolyn Koepf. Of all the entries from each school, only some received nomination for publication by the teachers.

This is quite an honor for all these students and we congratulate Jamie. I had the opportunity to read her poem and it is very good and worthy of his special recognition.

Jamie is a senior this year at BHS.

Here 'N There - More Christmas and New Year's news that failed to get in last week.

Joe and Julia Trepanier had as their guest, their daughter Kim of Wichita Falls.

I was in Childress Saturday to visit my girls and enjoy yet "another Christmas" gathering. Other than my family, my son-in-law Gordon's family was there for a day of visiting, to celebrate the Taylor Christmas and also his mom's 81st birthday. Those present were Gordon's mom and sister and brother-in-law, Eula Taylor and Joe and Freda Province of Plainview and a brother and his family, Jimmy, Donna and Dallas Taylor of Amarillo. Also, Wayne Taylor and Courtney of Canyon, Scott, Sabra and Lucas Taylor of Paducah, and the Childress "kin" Kelly Taylor and Ty Zooker, Beckie Johnson and family, Cody and Paula Taylor, Diane Bell and family and Gordon and Debby. Quite a houseful and a good time was had by all. And ole' Santa again was very, very good to me. Spending Christmas with Bar-

bara, Sammy and Wade Pierce were Jeff and Misty Pierce and family of Snyder and Barbie Alderson and a friend of Lubbock. Also having lunch on Christmas Eve with the Pierces were Pat Perry of Knox City and Ruth Idol and Lynda Brooke Hudson.

After Christmas, Wade spent a few days with his dad, Keith and family in Joshua, and Barbara and Sammy took a little time off and went to Las Vegas. That was their Christmas gift to each other and Barbara said they thoroughly enjoyed just being away for a while. They returned home Friday night.

Deann Lamb spent the weekend with her sister, Brenda Gollaber in Wichita Falls.

Bobby and Stephanie Brannan of Lubbock spent Christmas with his mom, Gertrude Brannan.

Barbara Kilgore of Los Angeles, California, visited her brother, Galen, during the Christmas holidays.

Maretha Patterson and Sharon Johnson spent Christmas with Carson Bivens and Leon Bivens in Tatum, New Mexico.

Lauren Reed, who is in the Army and stationed in Kentucky, was a Benjamin visitor last week.

Child Welfare Donations

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IN REEVES HOME

Enjoying a late Christmas over the weekend in the home of Lea and Chock Reeves were Linda and Charles Reeves of Harper, Kansas, Kay and Gary Fannin of Chico, Cathy, Bobby and Courtney Reeves of Lubbock, Chris Reeves of Killeen, Norma, Casey and Ryan Proffitt of Jacksonville, Florida, and Betty Warren of Abilene.

VISITS FAMILY

Florita Lemley spent several days during the Christmas holidays with her daughter and son-in-law, grand and great-grandchildren, the Searceys.

She returned home just in time for the New Year weekend.

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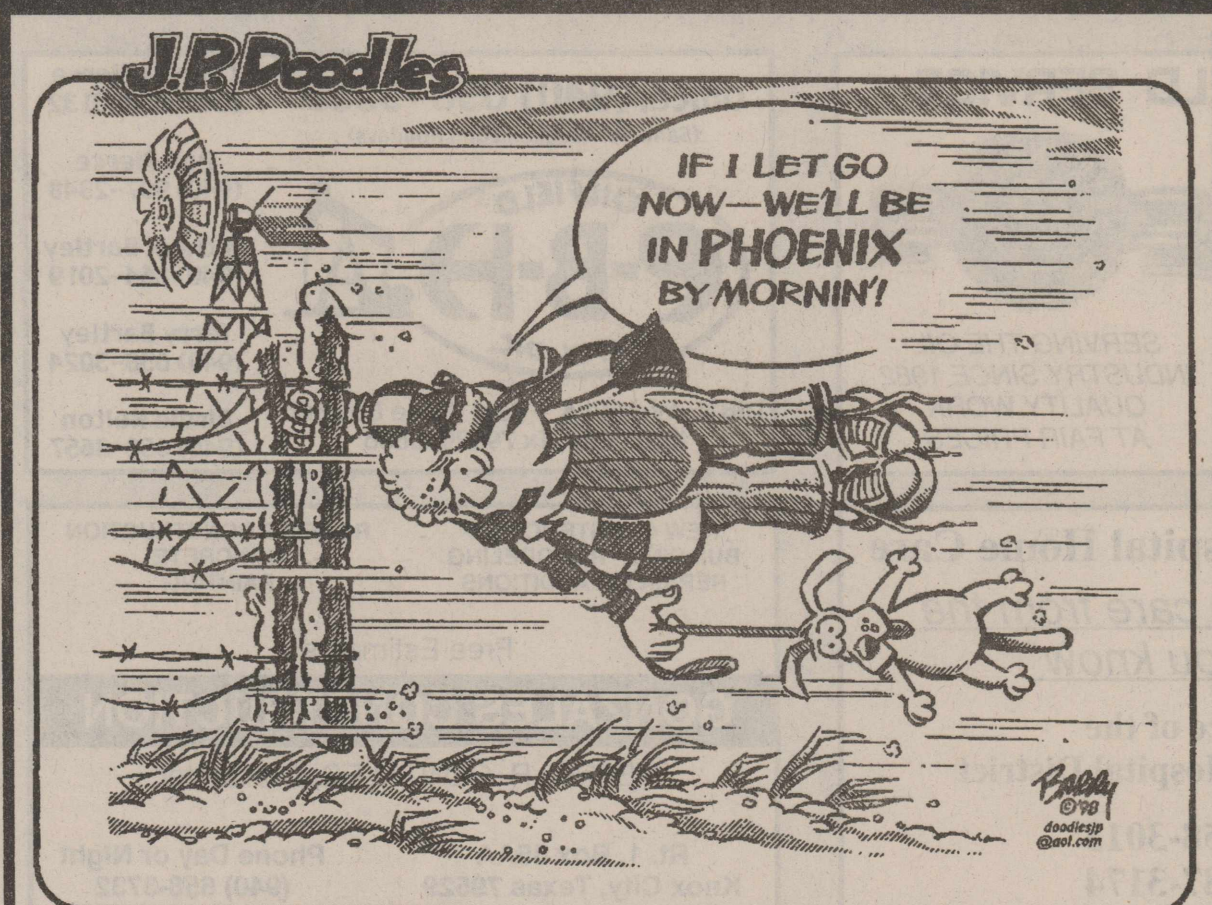
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12-11 tfc

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Immunizations offered include DTaP, Hib, Polio, Measles, Mumps, and Rubella and Hepatitis B for infants as well as all school immunizations.

The Hepatitis series will be required for Kindergarten entry in the fall of 1998. The Hepatitis B series (three immunizations) takes a minimum of six months to complete. Parents should check their child's immunization record for this series. Though not a school requirement, the Hepatitis B series is available for all school age children through the age of 19, if they or their parents want it for prevention or the child is at risk. For more information on the immunization or the disease, call the Texas Department of Health or talk to a health care provider.

Participants are asked to bring immunization records to the clinic. A parent or legal guardian must accompany a minor. All services provided by the Texas Department of Health are provided on a sliding fee scale but no one is denied services due to an ability to pay. For more information on any of the immunizations, call 940-574-2159.

Spring TASS/TEAMS Exit Test to be given locally on April 28, 29 & 30

The spring TAAS/TEAMS Exit Test will be given April 28 writing, April 29-math, and April 30-reading. During each regular exit level test administration, individuals who are no longer enrolled in school and who have not previously met minimum expectations on all sections of the TAAS test, but have met all other graduation requirements, may retake the necessary sections.

Individuals who are no longer enrolled in a Texas public school and who wish to register to retake the exit level TAAS/TEAMS test may pick up a registration packet at the high school principal's office in the Munday High School, Goree School, Benjamin School

or Knox City High School. The test registration form must be completed and returned in the pre-addressed envelope and must be received in Iowa City, Iowa, no later than 5:00 P.M., January 30, 1998.

The Texas Education Agency and National Computer Systems will not be responsible for registration forms that are delayed or lost in the mail. To insure that individuals are registered, forms should be sent either by registered mail or certified mail.

Questions concerning the spring exit test should be directed to the Texas Education Agency, Student Assessment Division, (512) 463-936.

Job search skills workshop set here Jan. 9

A Job Search Skills Workshop is scheduled in Knox City for Friday, January 9, at the Texas Department of Human Services, 606 East Main in Knox City.

Peggy Cummings of Career Stop in Abilene will deliver the workshop.

Interested parties should contact the local Department of Human Services in Knox City at 940-658-3524

FCE to meet January 13, to work stock show stand

The Munday and Knox City members of the Texas Association for Family and Community Education will meet January 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the home of Pam Monrain.

The program will be the reports from state conference delegates and a simple craft.

The FCE will be responsible for the concession stand at the Knox County Junior Livestock Show, January 9 and 10 at Knox City. Proceeds from the sales will be used for a college scholarship.

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