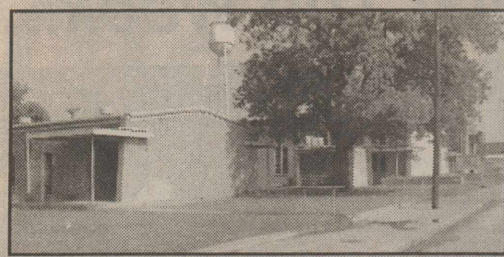


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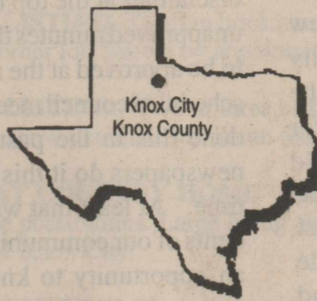
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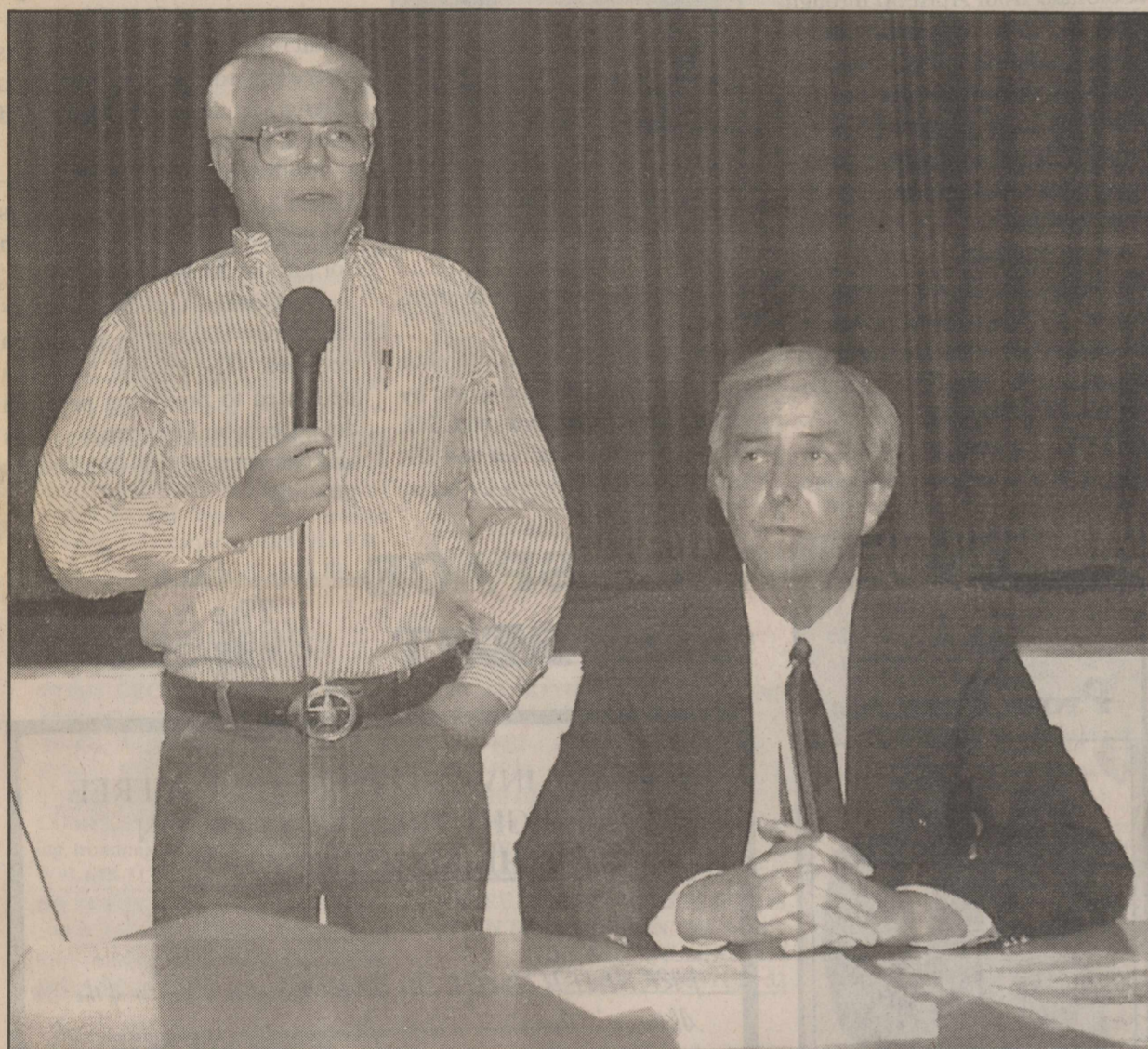
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## Knox City serves as meeting point for protest work on land tactics of F&H Santa Fe Rail, Inc.



OPENING THE MEETING held last Thursday evening in Knox City, State Representative David Counts and Knox County Judge Davie N. Perdue expressed their concern over the right of way and easement situation between landowners, government agencies, utility companies, businesses, and F & H Santa Fe Rail, Inc. in Graham. Representative Counts addressed the meeting of more than 190 interested and concerned persons, while Judge Perdue served as moderator for the meeting.

(NEWS digital photos)

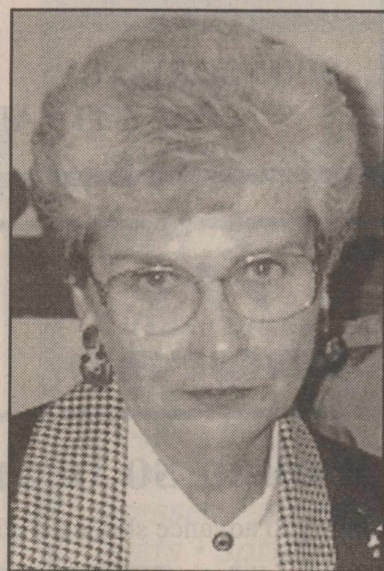
### Care Home schedules alzheimer's meeting

As a part of activities highlighting National Nursing Home Week, Brazos Valley Care Home is sponsoring a community awareness meeting on Alzheimer's Disease Tuesday, May 12, at 7:00 p.m. at the W.R. Baker Auditorium.

Speaker for the event will be Sue Davis, Executive Director of the West Central Texas Alzheimer's Association, a chapter of the national Alzheimer's Association. The West Central Texas Chater serves a 24-county area which includes Knox County. Davis also serves as an Education Coordinator for the Abilene Regional Resource Center of the Alzheimer's Disease Education Program administered by Texas Tech University's Health Sciences Center.

In Knox City, she will present an overview of Alzheimer's Disease and will provide opportunity for questions and answers concerning recent research developments, drug treatments, or any aspect of the disease.

Free literature will be available for all those attending the meeting. Special packets will be avail-



Sue Davis

able for ministers attending from local and area churches, as the emphasis of the Alzheimer's Disease Education Program is helping clergy members learn how churches can minister to families affected by Alzheimer's Disease or related disorders.

Alzheimer's Disease is a progressive, degenerative disease of the brain and the most common form of dementia. Approximately four million Americans have Alzheimer's, and this figure is

expected to grow to 14 million by the middle of the next century unless a cure or prevention is found. The estimated number of patients in Knox County alone is 151. The number of patients in the state of Texas is estimated to be 265,000. Half of all nursing home patients suffer from Alzheimer's Disease or a related disorder.

Nineteen million Americans say they have a family member with Alzheimer's Disease, and 37 million know someone with Alzheimer's. It is the fourth leading cause of death among adults and the third most expensive disease in the U.S., with the average lifetime cost per patient estimated at \$174,000. A person with Alzheimer's Disease can live from three to 20 years or more from the onset of symptoms.

All local and area residents are invited to attend the May 12 presentation.

The information is designed to be helpful to family members of patients, healthcare professionals, clergy, and all those interested in helping families affected by Alzheimer's Disease or related disorders.

In a meeting held at the W.R. Baker Auditorium in Knox City last Wednesday evening, more than 190 concerned individuals from all over the Big Country area discussed ways to band together and fight the actions of a company known as Santa Fe Rail, Inc. of Graham.

Representing concerned land owners, irate business owners, utility companies, city governments, county governments, and the State of Texas, the group's agenda for the evening was to protest and legally fight the recent actions taken by the Graham firm to sell high priced easement and land rights to land that used to be railway right of way in an area that stretches from Chillicothe to the North, and Sweetwater to the South.

Recently sending out letters to land owners, business owners, utility companies and city and county governmental agencies whose personal property, business property, or utility lines cross over on to former RR right of way property purchased by the Graham firm, Santa Fe Rail, Inc. appears to have made many people mad enough to fight with whatever means are possible.

Speaking to the group, Bill Parks, President of Home State Bank in Rochester, stated, "One of the main purposes of this meeting tonight is for everyone to get an understanding of how far reaching the effect of the F&H Rail, Inc. requests are!! Utility companies are being asked to pay \$2,500 per easement crossing the railroad property. This right was paid for in the past, but now they are being asked to do it again at up to 20 times the original costs. This cost will be passed on through rate increases to each and every consumer in their area, not just those people who happen to live along the line.

Cities and counties are being requested to pay for easements to properties, they have previously paid for. This will be passed on to each and every individual in these areas in the form of higher rates and taxes. The majority of communities and many of the counties effected by the requests do not have any surplus for such money demands. This is going to be a problem for everyone.

Landowners that have been farming and ranching the land along the railroad have been requested to give in excess of \$1,300 per acre. Outstanding irrigated farmland that has irrigation wells and is ready to farm does not bring over \$500/acre and this land is covered in creosote and gravel. It is not productive land and it cannot be used in this manner.

The owners of the property along the railroad line that built improvements on their land are being asked to repurchase the assets they have been struggling to pay for since they built them. Some of these people are still trying to pay for the assets the first time. If they are required to pay for them again, they could be forced out of business. If they are no longer in business, then they no longer pay taxes, they no longer pay salaries and they no longer can support the communities they are involved in. When this happens, the rest of the community, homeowners, landowners, citizens and business owners are required to pick up the difference. The majority of these businesses are ag related and everyone knows the problems and downturns there have been in anything ag related.

F&H Santa Fe Rail, Inc. has spent money to acquire this property. I will not suggest that they do not deserve to make a profit from their investment, but the overpricing they have requested on this property and the manner they have gone about trying to force people to give in to them is not acceptable. As you see every dollar that is paid out to this group will be money taken from every community and from every citizen involved. We must unite together and work together to find a solution to our problem.

Now they are wanting to compromise and talk. We need to join together."

During the meeting, several individual, representing many different interests along the former rail line, all spoke and expressed basically the same sentiments as Bill Parks. There was an overwhelming agreement that all persons involved need to band together, hire tough legal representation, and begin to research each individual deed along the right of way to determine not only how F&H acquired the land, but how the land was deeded to the rail companies in the first place.

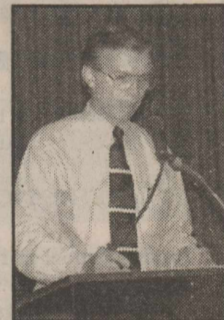
Following the strong presentation by Bill Parks, he was named the group's temporary chairman. Other presentations were made by State Representatives David Counts (District 70) and Charles Finnell (District 68). Several land owners and business owners stood and talked about the threatening tactics being used by F&H Santa Fe Rail, Inc.

Representatives from the offices of Texas State Senator Tom Haywood, and U.S. Congressman Charlie Stenholm were also on hand at the meeting. Media representatives from the *Wichita Falls Times and Record News*, the *Abilene Reporter News*, the *Knox County News*, and KTXS (ABC-12) television in Abilene were also at the meeting.

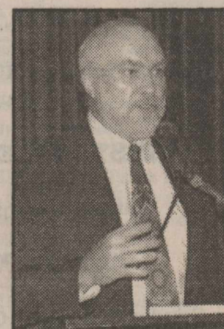
The group will meet again on Wednesday, May 6 to discuss the next steps to be taken, including fundraising for a legal defense fund.



BILL PARKS, President of Home State Bank in Rochester, is shown here presenting his remarks during the meeting here in KC last Thursday night.



STATE REPRESENTATIVE CHARLES FINNELL also addressed the Thursday night meeting in Knox City, expressing his concern to those in attendance.



SPEAKING FROM A LEGAL POINT OF VIEW, Monty Acres, Director of Legal Services from the Texas Municipal League in Austin is shown here addressing the large crowd that assembled together to fight F&H Santa Fe Rail, Inc. in the firm's attempt to charge exuberant prices for easement rights on former railroad land.

### Don't forget to treat 'Mom' to a brisket dinner and concert on Mother's Day

The Knox City Band Boosters are planning a Brisket Dinner and Spring Fling for Mother's Day, Sunday, May 10. Beginning at 11:00 a.m. and continuing until 2:00 p.m., a brisket lunch will be served in the Knox City school cafeteria. Following the lunch, band students from grades five through twelve will perform in concert in the school auditorium, under the direction of Band Director Mark Tucker.

This is the perfect opportunity to treat Mom to something extra special on Mother's Day. She won't have to cook - and entertainment is provided!

## The condensed version.....

By Dave Thompson



This column is written with a different and somewhat personal perspective about what is happening around the area.

### A little known secret

Last week I was dismayed when I discovered that the lock on my garage door was not working, it appears that after 14 years, the tumblers inside had ceased to function. In calling around to several places to try and find a replacement, the end result was equally dismaying. No luck, as the lock was too old. And to top things off, a newer type of lock wouldn't even fit the same mounting holes.

I was just about to give up all hope when I was told that I should try Johnny Melton at P-M auto Supply in Munday. While not many people over on this side of the county know it, it seems that Johnny is a locksmith and can fix just about anything.

Sure enough, Johnny took the lock apart, manufactured a new piece, filed down another, put it back together..... and it works better than it did when it was brand new!!! But, as Paul Harvey is so famous for saying, here is the rest of the story: To do everything he did, Johnny only charged me a total of \$7.50!! During his work on the lock, Johnny told me about old locks and how people just throw them away whenever they don't work just right. He has taken fifty year old locks and made

them work like new, and he seems to have a genuine fondness for his work.

So, if you have a lock that does not work just right, don't get frustrated like I did, just call Johnny. It's my guess that he can repair just about any type of lock, and save you a lot of money in the process!!

### The election is over, but the public still needs to be kept informed

This past Saturday, three new faces were elected to the City Council of Knox City. While the pressure of an election is over for Charles Lankford, Jeff Stanfield and Tommy Mangis, it is my hope that their 'real pressure' is just beginning. We are in the middle of tough economic times, and tough solutions will be needed for the problems that face our community now and in the future. Input from the citizens will be valuable, but the citizens do have to be kept informed so everyone knows what's going on. Charles Lankford came by the NEWS office on Monday morning and wanted to know if it would be possible to put the minutes from City Council meetings in the paper so the citizens of Knox City would know what is going on. I took his question as a very positive first step. This newspaper has been trying for years to put minutes in the paper, but we have been stonewalled in every way known to man. My belief has always been that the more information is put out to the residents of our community, the citizens will have an opportunity to become better informed and more involved. Information also helps

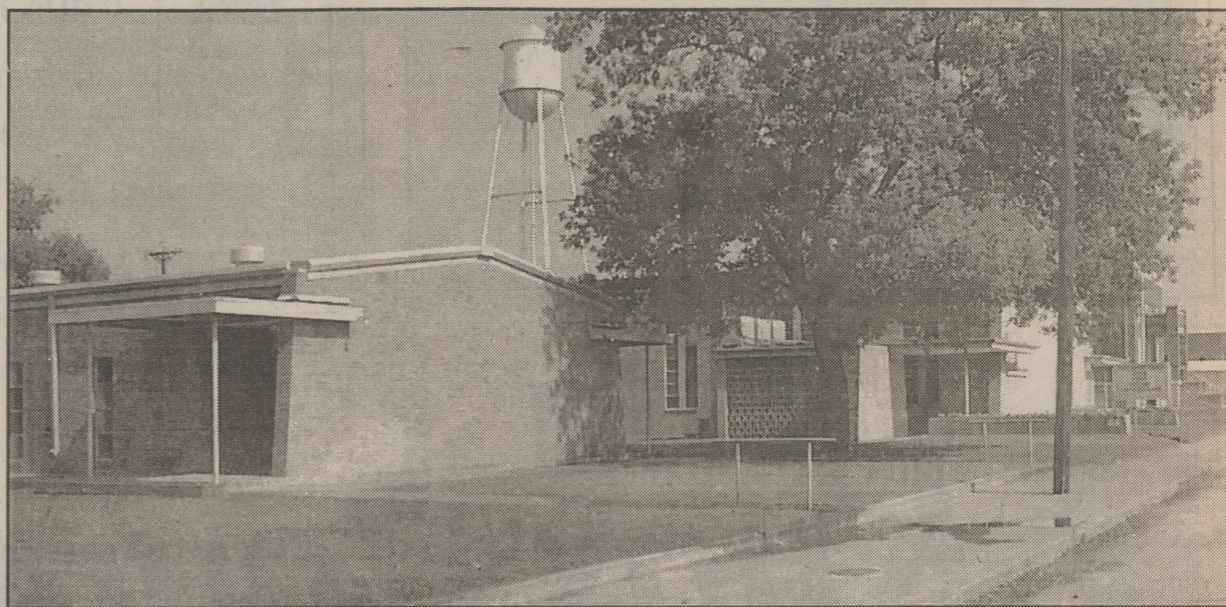
to put a stop to Knox City's most famous product - the rumor and gossip factories.

Yes, this newspaper will be more than happy to publish the minutes - as long as they are received in a timely fashion. Minutes that are delivered two or three months late are not considered timely for publication! Even though minutes have to be approved, we can run them right after any meeting by just using a disclaimer at the top that they are unapproved minutes that still have to be approved at the next regular scheduled council meeting. We've done this in the past, and other newspapers do it this way all the time. At least that way, the residents of our community will have an opportunity to know what is going on before something's a 'done deal' and nobody knew about it.

That also goes true for minutes and financial statements from the School Board, the Hospital Board, and the Commissioner's Court. A few of these items are required by Texas law to be printed, and we still do not get some of them, or don't get them in a timely fashion.

My answer to Charles Lankford (and all other elected officials) is YES! We will be happy to print minutes and financial statements from all the governmental agencies that our newspaper serves, as long as we receive them on a timely basis. And - as is often the case with a small newspaper..... space permitting.

## KC Chamber's Yard Of The Week....



The Chamber of Commerce sponsored Yard Of The Week for this week belongs to the First Baptist Church, located on the West side of the 200 block of South Central. The yard features a well manicured lawn taken care of by Carol and Zoanne Felts, and flower beds tended by Pam Bloxham. The Knox City Chamber of Commerce will select a Yard Of The Week each week throughout the summer. (NEWS digital photo)

## Judy Perdue attends national Girl Scout conference

Judy Perdue, President and Barbara Brock, Executive Director, both top leaders of the NorCenTex Girl Scout Council attended the 1998 Girl Scout National Meeting of Presidents and Executive Directors in Denver, Colorado from April 30 through May 3, 1998. This policy-influencing meeting brought together 750 key volunteers and staff of the Girl Scout movement in the United States to develop strategies to take Girl Scouting into the 21st century.

"Girl Scouting's Core Values: Strategies for Success" was the theme for this triennial meeting. Marsha Johnson Evans, the newly appointed National Executive Director of Girl Scouts of the U.S.A., said "this meeting provided opportunities to inspire, challenge,



Judy Perdue

and motivate everyone in attendance."

Highlights of the conference included keynote speeches by Betty Beene, President and CEO, United Way of America and Dr. Maria Guajardo-Lucero, Director,

Assets for Colorado Youth/Search Institute. Major presentations were given by Community Counseling Services, a nationally recognized fund raising consulting organization, and by Siegel & Gale, an international strategic marketing and brand management firm retained by Girl Scouts of the United States of America to strengthen the brand identity of Girl Scouting.

With over 3.5 million members, Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. is the largest voluntary organization for girls in the world.

NorCenTex Girl Scout Council serves 1000 girls in eleven counties. The council has been dedicated to providing program activities to build leadership skills and character in girls of all backgrounds.

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### FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH ~ Knox City

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### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ~ Benjamin

John Gillispie, Pastor  
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Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m.

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### GILLESPIE BAPTIST CHURCH ~ Gillespie

Ross Anderson, Pastor  
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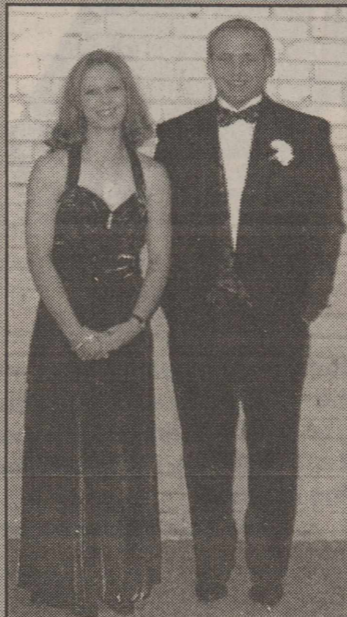
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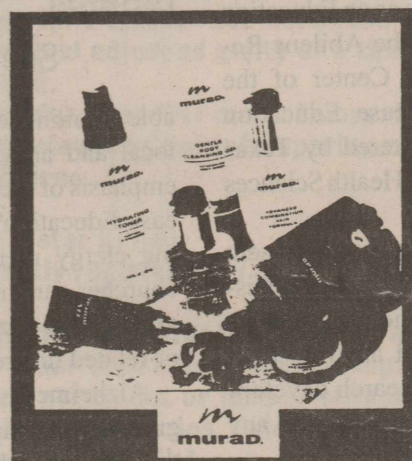
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## Citizens Bank honors Trudy Hunt as Employee of the Quarter

President Mark Hogan of Citizens Bank announced early this week that Trudy Hunt has been honored by the bank as the Employee of the Quarter for the first quarter of 1998.

Mrs. Hunt has been employed by Citizens Bank since January 3, 1994. During her years of service, she has served in the operations department of the bank, working as both a teller and as assistant computer operator.

In making his announcement, Mr. Hogan said, "In addition to being an outstanding employee, Trudy is a great customer service representative for the bank, always placing the customer first. We are very fortunate to have her as a member of our team."

Mrs. Hunt is the wife of David Hunt, who is employed by Lynn Electric of Knox City. The couple has three children, Amy, who will graduate from Knox City High School with the Class of 1998, and Crystal and Joshua.



## Greyhounds represented well at Regional Track Meet

By Lynn Lierly  
Athletic Director

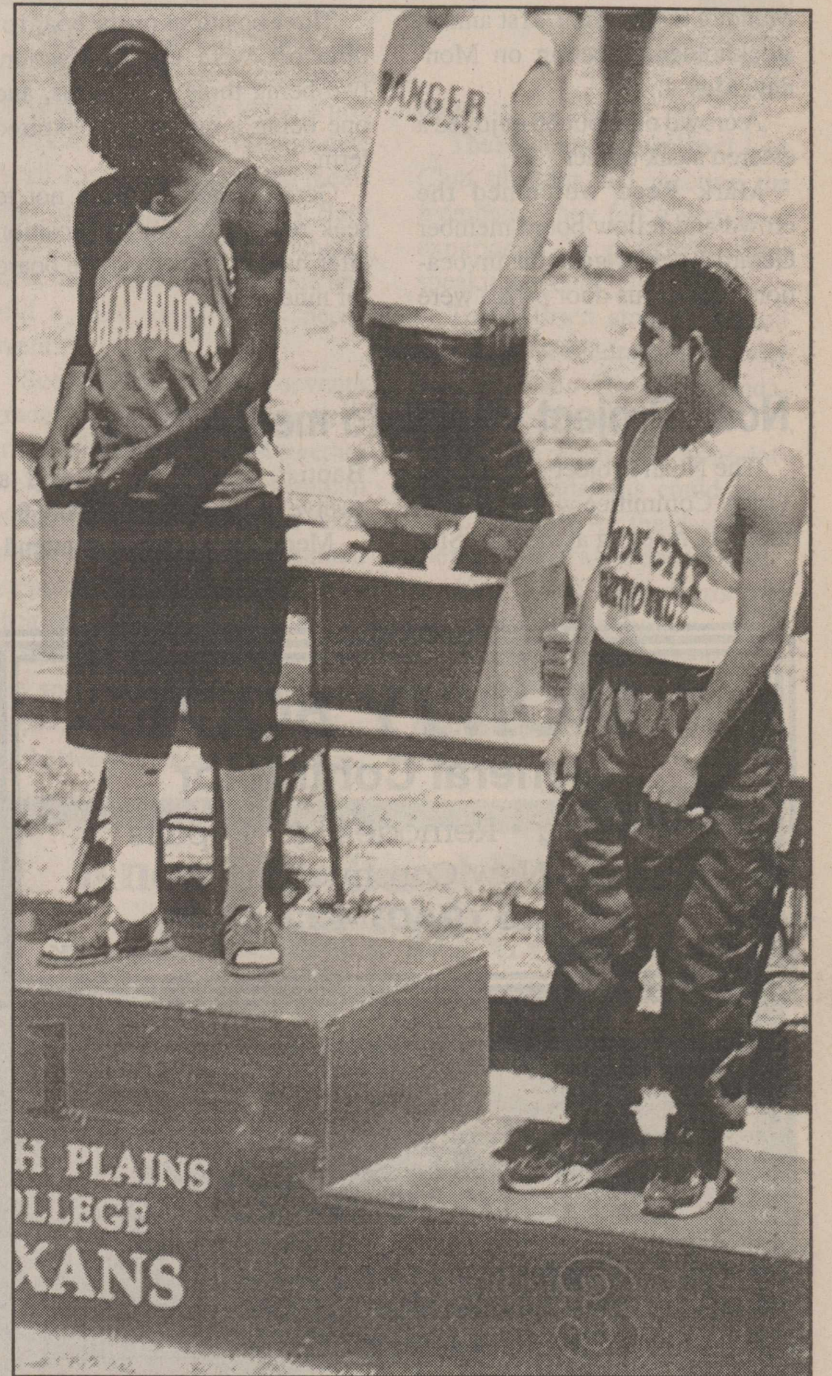
Two of our Knox City Greyhounds represented their school at the Regional Track meet in Levelland last weekend.

Placing 3rd in the long jump was Brandon Gutierrez. Brandon had a personal best jump of 20 feet, 11 1/2 inches.

Jeffrey Hernandez placed 6th in the 3200 meter run with a time of 11 minutes, 16 seconds.

Both Brandon and Jeffrey should be congratulated for their efforts.

Brandon is a sophomore and Jeffrey is a freshman.



STANDING PROUD ON THE WINNERS STAND, Brandon Gutierrez from Knox City High School earned third place honors in the Long Jump event last Saturday at the Regional Track Meet held at South Plains College in Levelland. (Munday Courier photos)



DISPLAYING HIS WINNING FORM at the Regional Track Meet in Levelland last Saturday, Brandon Gutierrez from Knox City High School earned third place in the Long Jump.

## Band Boosters brisket dinner is set for this Sunday

The Knox City Band Boosters are planning a Brisket Dinner and Spring Fling for Mother's Day, Sunday, May 10.

Beginning at 11:00 a.m. and continuing until 2:00 p.m., a brisket lunch will be served in the Knox City school cafeteria. Brisket, as well as sausage and all the

trimmings, will be available in the serving line. Carryouts are also available, but no deliveries will be made, according to Sherry Speck, band booster president.

Following the lunch, bands from grades five through twelve will perform in concert in the school auditorium.

Mrs. Speck also noted that band students are in the process of selling calendars and listings of birthdays and anniversaries. Dinner tickets are also available from band students, she said.

Prices for meal tickets, band calendars and listings are noted elsewhere in this week's News.

## Student Council goes to Austin

By AMBER COLLINS

The Student Council of Knox City High School attended a state conference in Austin on April 30 through May 2.

The people attending were Anthony Ainsworth, Heath Turner, Tamara McGaughey, Roni Morrow, Myles Richardson, Amber Collins and Jennifer Vacek. The sponsors who went were Mark Tucker, Bob Collins

and Niki Collins.

The meetings we attended on Thursday and Friday had guest speaker George Bush. Friday night we went to a dance, and on Saturday, we had a private tour of the Capitol arranged by David Counts.

The students learned about leadership and had a wonderful time. We are looking forward to a successful upcoming year.

## Retired school personnel to meet here May 12

The Knox County Retired School Personnel will meet Tuesday, May 12, at twelve noon for a luncheon at the First United Methodist Church in Knox City.

Each member is asked to bring their favorite dish.

### BAKE SALE

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### Farmers Grain hosts 31st annual stockholders' meeting

Farmer's Grain Coop of Munday hosted their 31st annual stockholders' meeting on Monday, May 4.

A crowd of about 60 enjoyed a catered steak dinner.

Mark Reed welcomed the crowd and fellow board member Gerard Kuehler gave the invocation. Numerous door prizes were

awarded throughout the eventing.

Three positions on the board of directors were up for election, two being three year terms, and one being a one-year unexpired term.

Gerard Kuehler chose not to seek re-election for his position after having served on the board for nine years.

Current board member Robert Elliott chose to run again and was joined on the board by newcomer Mike Urbanczyk.

Elected to the one-year unexpired term was Bryan Kuehler.

These three will join current board members Dwayne Johnson of Knox City and Doug Tidwell and Mark Reed of Munday.

### Noah Project - North to meet Friday

The Noah Project - North Advisory Committee will have their monthly meeting at the East Side

Baptist Church in Haskell at twelve noon on Friday, May 8. Members are urged to attend.

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### News from Knox City high School

*'No rest for the weary'*

By Mack Lowe Principal, KCHS

quet and Prom  
May 17 - Baccalaureate Services, 6:00 p.m., W.R. Baker Auditorium  
May 23 - Graduation Services, 7:00 p.m., W.R. Baker Auditorium

The Knox City-O'Brien CISD Health Advisory Committee met on April 16 to discuss the Sex Education Seminar that David Gordon conducted at the schools in March. Packets of questions that were submitted by the students to Gordon were distributed and discussed by the Committee members. Gordon offered to come back to Knox City and do a Parent Seminar concerning how parents can answer questions about or how to approach their children on sensitive issues. The District hopes that our parents will take advan-

tage of this excellent resource. Parents will be receiving a mailout in the near future concerning their attendance at this seminar and we hope that many of you will respond favorably.

As always, let me encourage you, as parents, to feel free to call or come by the office with any questions concerning your children's education.

I am pleased to announce our TAAS scores for this spring are in and they are excellent! The Sophomore Class scored 100% in Writing, 95% in Math and 100% in Reading!

These numbers could enable our school to qualify for the Exemplary rating from TEA. If you get a chance, pat these students and their teachers on the back for a job - WELL DONE !

The year is basically gone and I honestly don't know where it went! It seems like we have been on a dead run since August and it does not look good for "no rest for the weary" from now till May 23! I would like to list some important date for the last three weeks of school:

- May 4 - 8 - Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 11 - UIL Awards banquet
- May 14 - Parent Seminar - "Talking to Your Child About Sensitive Issues", David Gordon, Region IX Service Center
- May 16 - Junior - Senior Ban-

### Graveside rites set for Weaver

Rev. Daniel Boone Weaver, 88, of San Luis Obispo, California, died May 1, 1998. Funeral services were held May 4 at Southern Baptist Church in San Luis Obispo.

Graveside services will be held Wednesday, May 6, at 3:00 p.m. in the Knox City Cemetery with the Rev. Johnny Johnson officiating. Smith Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Rev. Weaver was born in Quail, Texas, on August 23, 1909. He grew up in Knox County, Munday, Texas. He married Doris Eulee Tidwell on July 5, 1929. He graduated valedictorian from Wayland Baptist in 1934, from Baylor University in 1936 and from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Texas, in 1947, TH.M. Degree.

He pastored for over 60 years.

He first retired in 1972 and sailed for nine months in Europe in his 31 foot sloop.

After this time, he built and pastored First Baptist Church of the Valley, Los Osos, California, from 1973 until 1982.

He also did sacred music concert ministry. He sang 89 concerts through California, Colorado, Missouri and the Bahama Islands. He also served as a chaplain in World War II, the Korean War and the Pacific Area.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Marthella Dianne Kennard of Austin in 1994.

Survivors include his wife, Doris of the home in California; a son, James Dewit of Hazelton, Idaho; a daughter, Marian Doreece Earwood of Austin; 12 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

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Studies in the Am. Journal of the Am. Medical Assn. found that the new Alzheimer's Disease drug tacrine does indeed foster cognitive improvements in many patients. However, about 28% of patients taking the drug suffer serious but reversible liver toxicity.

A 1992 study found that seven percent of workers are also caring for an elderly family member at home. Of these, 56% are women and 44% are men.


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## Tankersley granddaughter honored at SHSU

Jamie Daniel, granddaughter of June and Sammy Tankersley of Knoxville, was named outstanding sophomore student leader for 1997-98 at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville.

She was recognized during "The Sammy Awards", a presentation patterned after the Grammy awards, called "The Sammys".

Jamie was selected from 11 nominees at the ceremony held at the University Theatre Center on April 20.

As she was recognized and received her trophy for this accomplishment, the following was read: "Jamie Daniel is a sophomore majoring in journalism. She is active in Chi Omega Sorority,



**JAMIE DANIEL**  
... outstanding sophomore at SHSU

American Advertising Federation, Baptist Student Ministry and Program Council. Jamie looks at her campus activities as opportunities to learn skills that will aid her in her future career. She says that being active on campus has helped her to learn how to work with others, how to delegate, how to include others and help them fit in, and how to manage her time. Jamie's favorite memory from this past year is when Chi Omega won the Homecoming spirit competition."

An advertising sales representative on the school newspaper, *The Houstonian*, Jamie is the daughter of Gayle and Mark Daniel of Sugarland.

## Benjamin grad receives \$500 VRJC scholarship

VERNON - Catherine Sue Rainwater, 1998 salutatorian of Benjamin High School, has been awarded a \$500 academic scholarship from Vernon Regional Junior College.

Cathy has served as class vice-president for four years, school mascot, student council and was involved with a youth group during high school. She was volleyball all-district her sophomore and senior years; volleyball honorable mention her junior year; and basketball all-district during sophomore, junior and senior years.

In her junior and senior years, she was tennis regional qualifier and regional track qualifier as a senior.

Cathy plans to attend VRJC to receive an associate degree and then transfer to a four-year college to become an elementary school teacher.

Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. William Max Rainwater.

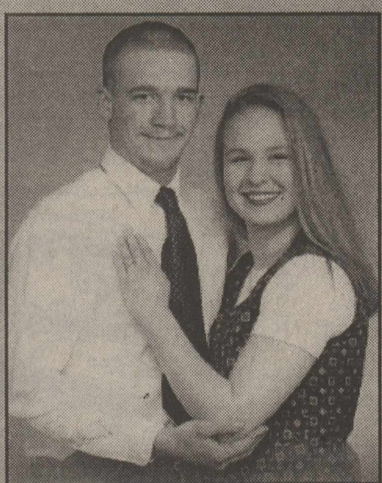
## Engagement Announced

Together with their parents, Kristi Marie Gossett and William Jackson Curd II, announce their engagement.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of William J. (Buddy) and Rita Curd of Knoxville.

Parents of the bride-elect are Al and Bevi Childress and Tommy and Dorothy Gossett.

The couple will be married Saturday, June 6, at 3:00 p.m. in Trinity Lutheran Church in Wichita Falls.



Billy Curd and Kristi Gossett

## Immunization clinic is May 14

The Texas Department of Health will conduct an immunization clinic at the Doug Meinzer Community Center in Knoxville on Thursday, May 14 from 10:00 to 11:30 and 1:00 to 3:00.

Immunizations offered include DTaP, Hib, Polio, Measles, Mumps and Rubella and Hepatitis B for infants as well as all school immunizations. The Td immunization is available for all adults not having one in ten years.

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 are asked to check their child's immunization record for this series. Even though it is 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.

The varicella (chickenpox) vaccine is available to anyone age one through age 15 that has not had the chickenpox. If a child is in need of this immunization, call the office to reserve a dose as only the reserved amount is brought.

Parents are asked to bring immunization records with them to the clinic. A parent, adult family member 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 info on any immunizations, call 940-574-2159.

## Patel dies April 12 in Shreveport

J.R. Patel, 71, of Shreveport, Louisiana, and father of B.J. Patel of Knoxville, died Sunday, April 12, in a Shreveport hospital.

He was cremated on Wednesday, April 15.

Born November 12, 1926, in India, he lived in Tanzania, England and then moved to Knoxville

in 1982. In 1986, he moved to Nashville and from there, he moved to Shreveport in 1994.

Survivors include his wife; a son, B.J. of Knoxville; a brother, M.R. Patel of India; two sisters, Mrs. S.T. Patel of Baltimore and Mrs. U.N. Patel of Houston; and three grandchildren.

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**New 'Grass Roots' cartoon featured**

A new cartoon series begins with this edition of *The Knox County News*, replacing the 'J.P. Doodles' cartoon series that has been sponsored each week by Home State Bank in Rochester.

The new series is titled 'grass roots', with a theme more geared towards this part of the country and the way of life known by so many ranchers and farmers in this area. Also sponsored by the 'down home folks' at Rochester's Home State Bank, the cartoon will be featured in the bank's ad each week.

Cartoonist and author Stan Lynde is returning to his roots - more specifically to his grass roots. Beginning in May, Lynde's cartoon panel *Grass Roots* - all new and updated - will once again appear in daily and weekly newspapers across Texas and the western states.

Lynde is no stranger to newspaper readers; his comic strips Rick O 'Shay and Latigo were syndicated world-wide over a period of nearly 25 years—from 1958 to 1983 - and were followed daily by a readership that numbered in the millions.

The original *Grass Roots* cartoons were carried by weekly newspapers during 1984 and 1985 and offered commentary on inflation, politics, religion, agriculture, social issues, and other topics - from a "grass roots" point of view. The cartoons featured ranch hands Billy and Shag, homespun characters who expressed through humor and country wisdom the

common-sense values of small town and rural America.

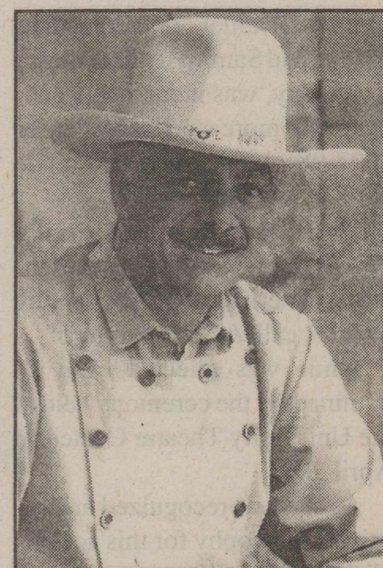
"Two factors led me to revive the feature," Lynde said, "the health, growth, and viability of weekly newspapers, and the



country's return to 'grass roots' values."

"It has long been my belief," Lynde said, "that the national media, for a variety of reasons, seldom reflects the views, values, and concerns of people in the heartland. My cartoon series *Grass Roots* is designed to do just that."

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Stan Lynde

Publishing, Inc., of Helena, Montana, *Grass Roots* will begin during May in newspapers all across the state of Texas.

**GRASS ROOTS** by Stan Lynde

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**Guthrie grad's work in HSU student magazine**

ABILENE - Poetry by Caryn Cave of Guthrie is included in the 1998 edition of *Corral*, Hardin-Simmons University's student art and literary magazine.

Her poem "Painting in the Argyll Hotel: Iona, Scotland" was chosen for inclusion in this year's *Corral*.

Caryn is a senior English major at HSU.

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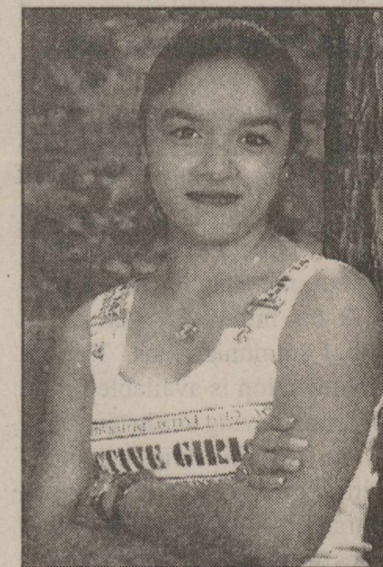
**Gloria Nevarez is triple winner**

The United States Achievement Academy has announced that Gloria Nevarez has been named a United States National Award winner in cheerleading, English and Science.

This award is a prestigious honor few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes less than 10% of all American high school students.

Gloria, who attends Knox City High School, was nominated for these awards by Melissa Espinosa, Pat Risinger and Bob Collins.

She will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.



GLORIA NEVAREZ

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy, said.

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### Couple wed in Las Vegas rites

Karomy NaShae Sloan and R. Daren Harmel were married August 2 at the Excalibur Hotel in Las Vegas.

Parents of the bride are Tommy and Carolyn Sloan, former Knox City resident. The bridegroom's parents are Dr. Bob Harmel of Wichita Falls and James and Mary Ellen Adams of Archer City. Karomy is the granddaughter of Loree Bean of Haskell and Daren is the grandson of Robert Harmel of Olney.

Shawnee Flynn was maid of honor and Jeremy Harmel, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Kandon Sloan, brother of the bride, was the usher.

Tommy and Carolyn Sloan and

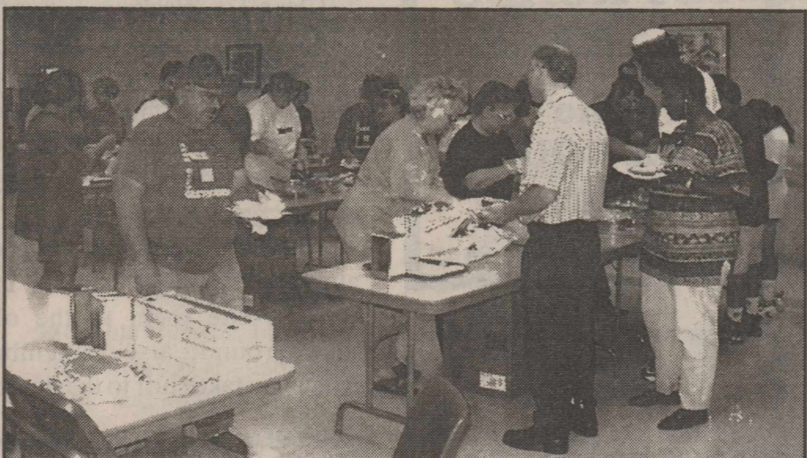
Dr. Bob Harmel were hosts for the reception dinner following the ceremony held at The Sir Galahad Restaurant in the Excalibur Hotel. The three-tiered wedding cake consisted of Bavarian creme filling with ivory icing and black accents. Following the reception dinner, they spent their honeymoon in Las Vegas.

Daren recently received his PhD from Oklahoma State University in Ag Engineering and Biosystems. He is an Environmental Specialist for the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission and Karomy is a teacher for the Round Rock ISD.

They are residing in Round Rock.



WHILE EVERYONE HAD A CHANCE to eat free hamburgers, the supper sponsored by the schools on Monday evening was also a good opportunity for everyone to enjoy the weather and visit with friends and neighbors. Family members in this group appear to be having a great time visiting, while students play a quick game of football in the background. The event was held as a way for the school and community to come together and honor those students who participated in recent UIL activities. (NEWS digital photo)



SEVERAL HUNDRED family members, students, and school personnel attended the free hamburger supper sponsored by the schools on Monday evening to honor UIL participants. With the food serving line set up inside, the cafeteria was a busy place for awhile! (NEWS digital photo)

*Thank You . . .*  
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## Mid-school news



By Chere' Pierce  
Reporter

This year, the first place winners of two UIL speaking events presented a program to the Knox City Lions Club on Wednesday, April 15. At the scheduled meeting, Superintendent Louis Baty introduced Mrs. Burnett, who in turn, introduced the speakers and told a little about each speech event.

Scooter Thompson, a seventh grader, spoke first with his modern oratory on the topic of whether the United States would remain in the space station project. Sixth grader Jodi Chambers presented her poem, "Boys Are Awful". The program concluded with eighth grader Chere' Pierce's modern oratory speech as whether the armed forces should have separate training between men and women re-

cruits.

The students enjoyed the Lions Club meeting and meeting the members. They felt it was good experience for practicing their speaking events.

The O'Brien student council sponsored a fundraising activity for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation on Wednesday, May 6.

With the purchase of a one dollar sticker, students could wear caps in school for the day. With the purchase of a two dollar sticker, students could wear shorts that met school guidelines.

All proceeds will be sent to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation to aid their efforts in research of this disease.

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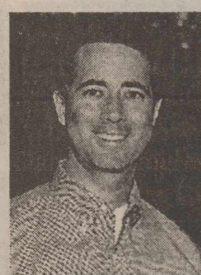
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## ISSUE UPDATE

with  
**Mac Thornberry**

*Mac*

### Is It Really the Federal Government's Role to Help Catch People Running Red Lights?

Just when we thought the federal government couldn't get any more involved in our lives, along comes the Secretary of Transportation with a federal plan to crack down on people who run red lights across the country.

His plan essentially would form a public-private partnership between Washington, businesses, and local communities to educate people about the dangers of running red lights. The program will include such measures as increased police enforcement and putting cameras up at stoplights to take pictures of those who break the law.

Now, people who run red lights are a problem. And having Washington work with local communities is a lot better than having them come in and tell people what to do -- as has happened so often in the past. But somehow I question whether the Founding Fathers would have envisioned traffic enforcement as a federal responsibility when they drafted the Constitution in 1789. And while you can argue that the world has changed a great deal since then, you can also make the case that the need for limited government is as great now as it was 200 years ago.

The federal government is bigger than it's ever been in our

history. In 1996 alone, the bureaucracy issued nearly 5,000 new rules and regulations -- the highest ever. Federal regulations cost the typical family nearly \$7,000 each year.

There's been a lot of talk about making the federal government smaller and smarter. But smart government doesn't just mean trying to do everything better. It also means not trying to do everything.

When it comes to putting cameras in traffic lights, I'm afraid that's what the Secretary of Transportation is trying to do.

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OFFERING FREE SOFT DRINKS as part of the hamburger dinner sponsored by the schools on Monday night to honor UIL participants, High School Principal Mack Lowe, School Superintendent Louis Baty, and High School Science Teacher Bob Collins are shown here reaching into the ice filled tub to serve the drinks. (News digital photo)

**FCE to meet Tuesday at Knox County Aging Center**

The Family and Community Education Club will meet at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 12 at the Knox County Aging Center. Hostesses will be April and Janice.

The program will be "First on the Scene", and will be presented by EMT personnel. Guests are invited to come learn what to do in a crisis situation.

For fun, the group will make hats and try on a selection of antique hats.

Tip for the month: 'Rub a slice of raw potato on hives or mosquito bites to relieve itching.'

**O'Brien happenings**

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"In Italy, a man went to a priest and confessed. 'Forgive me, Father,' he said, sobbing. 'During World War II, I hid a refugee in my attic.'

'Well,' the priest replied, 'that's not a sin.'

'But,' the man admitted, 'I made him pay rent.'

'That wasn't very nice,' the priest said, 'but you put yourself at risk.'

'Oh, thank you, Father,' the man said. 'But I have one more question.'

'What is it?'

'Do you think I have to tell him the war is over?'

Clean-Up Week - - Just a reminder this is clean-up week in O'Brien. There is a trailer north of the gin for anything that won't burn or you can't put in your dumpster (washers, dryer, refrigerators, etc.)

Please don't put your limbs or anything that will burn in the trailer, take them to the old dumpground; also remember when you take stuff to the dump -

please dump it as close to the pile as possible.

Here And There - Visiting Ranzy and Adelle Herring over the weekend was their great-grandson Kevin Urbanczyk of Lubbock and a girlfriend.

I had some visitors last week from Lubbock. Cody and Brandi Manning and new baby girl Shailee Brook and Pearce and Christi Manning of Knox City. They were my neighbors at one time and I do miss them. My son Jim Johnston of Lubbock visited with me a while Sunday afternoon after a weekend attending an anniversary party in Panhandle for his mother-in-law, Maizie Kainer's sister and husband.

Visiting Mutt and Bertie Ivie and Roy and Kay Stewart over the weekend was Roy and Bertie's sister, Mary Sue. They all attended church together Sunday at O'Brien.

Marvelene Lancaster of Springtown visited her father Marvin Manning in the Brazos Valley Care Home over the week-

end. She also visited with her brother James Manning and family and her sister Charlene Brothers and husband J.O.

Alan and Jennifer and Ileta Holmes were all in Sonora last week to attend the funeral services for Jackie Holmes. Jackie was the brother of the late Grady Holmes and he finished high school here in O'Brien. He was survived by four children and a host of other relatives.

Wayne and Corrine McKinney spent sometime in their house here last week and mowed and cleaned around their home while here.

Scott Stephens, student at Tech in Lubbock, is home for summer and will be involved in many different jobs throughout the summer.

Trish Roberts is also home from college and preparing for her wedding in June.

Beatrice Ellis is in the Rehab Center in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. She is going through a lot of pain at this time and needs our prayers.

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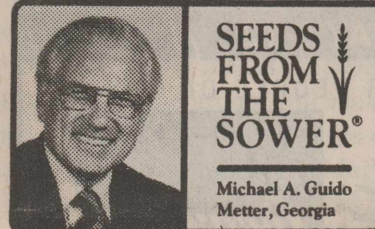
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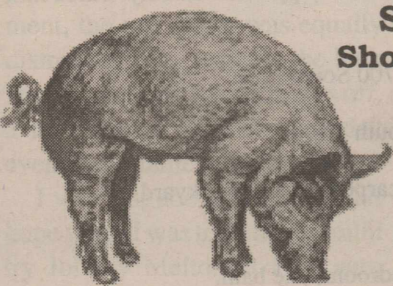
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**Tuesday, May 12** - Meat loaf, tossed green salad, butter beans, turnip greens, jello with fruit, cornbread.

**Wednesday, May 13** - Chicken fried steak with gravy, garden salad, green beans, mashed potatoes, fruit cobbler, hot rolls.

**Thursday, May 14** - Roast beef with gravy, salad, mashed potatoes, peas with carrots, hot rolls, fruit cobbler.

**Friday, May 15** - Fish with tartar sauce, cole slaw, cheesy potatoes, blackeyed peas, sliced bread, cake.

(All menus subject to change without notification due to conditions beyond the control of the staff at the Knox County Center. It is very important to notify the site manager in advance so that the visit will be on record and meals will arrive from the central kitchen.)

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THESE STUDENTS APPEARED TO BE HAVING A GREAT TIME during the free hamburger supper held in their behalf on Monday night. Members of the faculty and school board served the community free hamburgers and soft drinks after honoring students from all three campuses who participated in recent UIL events. A good size crowd turned out for the event that was held on the practice field across from the elementary school here in Knox City. More related photos inside this edition.

(NEWS digital photo)

## Benjamin news

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

It's another beautiful day dawning here. The birds are singing and the fragrance of the early spring flowers surely does invite one to stay outside. This is a beautiful time of the year when the winds are calm and the thunderstorms are at rest. A prelude to the hot summer days ahead.

I'm happy to be able to report that news of our ill this week in encouraging. Clodell Duke returned home Tuesday and is out and about and doing great after her knee surgery three weeks ago. Says she has a little discomfort - but for the most part is doing real well.

Debra Moorhouse continues to improve daily. Will begin chemo on May 11 having a week of treatment, then be off the treatment for three weeks. That will continue for six months.

Hazel Stockton had cataract surgery last Tuesday. She had one eye operated on in January and hopes after this most recent surgery her eyesight will be much better. She's doing pretty well.

Betty Bohannon received word that her mom fell the last of the week and broke her hip. At last report, she was still in the hospital and no word on when she may be able to return home.

Janice Tolson's brother, Ed Daniel of Knox City, has been quite ill after suffering a stroke at his home last Wednesday. He's in a Lubbock hospital but late reports are that he is improved.

Mabel Moorhouse continues to improve since she broke her hip a couple of weeks ago. She's still in the hospital but hopefully can return home soon.

And I ask your prayers in behalf of my sister-in-law, Elizabeth Yeager of Weatherford. She's quite ill in the Weatherford Hospital and when her condition improves she will go into a rest home there in Weatherford.

Florence Ray of Seymour, who lived in Benjamin, several years ago underwent surgery last Wednesday in Seymour. She's home now and is doing well. She's a sister-in-law of Nora Duke and Clodell Duke.

Dennis Duke was in Wichita Falls Friday for some tests. So far all his reports have been pretty good and that is good to report.

Then we still are plagued by allergies, hay fever, an occasional virus and all the usual "stuff". We just ask your prayers for all in need, regardless of the needs.

Here 'N There - Several parents accompanied the kids to Levelland last Friday for the regional track meet. Our kids didn't advance but were winners by making it that far. Kids qualifying for regional were Tyler Carroll, Jacy Collins, Lynne Moorhouse, Mica and Juli Larned, Lacy Carver and Cathy Rainwater.

Billy Trainham of Lubbock visited Joy and Charles Jones a couple of days last week.

Jack and Mary Young were in Childress Saturday to see the "Indian show". Can't recall exactly what it was called but do know there was much Indian "goings-on". Also a parade, dances, etc. According to Mary Jane (and my kids) it was a fun time.

Dutch and Imagean Young, Deann and Anthony Lamb and Jane Gideon joined Joe Nunley

and his daughter Janet who lives in Arizona for a family gathering at Joe's home in Seymour Sunday. Also enjoying the day with them were Joy Yancey of Lakeside City and Mike Young and family, also of Seymour.

Rachel Duke of Texas Tech was home for the weekend, as was Audra Neal, student at HSU.

Louise Hertel and Nora Duke visited Nora Hertel in Leisure Lodge in Munday on Sunday. Said Nora is doing fine. Louise's mom, Leola Isbell, in the Brazos Valley Care Home is about as she has been for awhile. Doesn't make much change but does rest and lot and that is very good for her.

Word was received here this past weekend of the death of former resident Chip Smith and his wife who were killed in an automobile accident. No details were readily available but certainly our condolences to the families of this young couple.

Also I received the news of the recent death of Dean Dukes, also a former resident. The youngest son of Juanita and the late Howard Dykes, Dean was a resident of Fort Worth. He was the grandson of the late Bill and Mildred Hamilton and nephew of Gary Hamilton.

Homecoming 1998 is fast approaching and we hope everyone is making plans to be here. We're gonna try to make it a good one.

And it's congratulations to new school board members, Mitzi Ham, Randy Reed and Shana Heard, who was already serving an unexpired term; and the incumbent Wyman Meinzer.

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- (1) Diverting electricity from passing through a meter device.
- (2) Preventing electric service from being correctly registered by a meter device.
- (3) Unauthorized activation of service.

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