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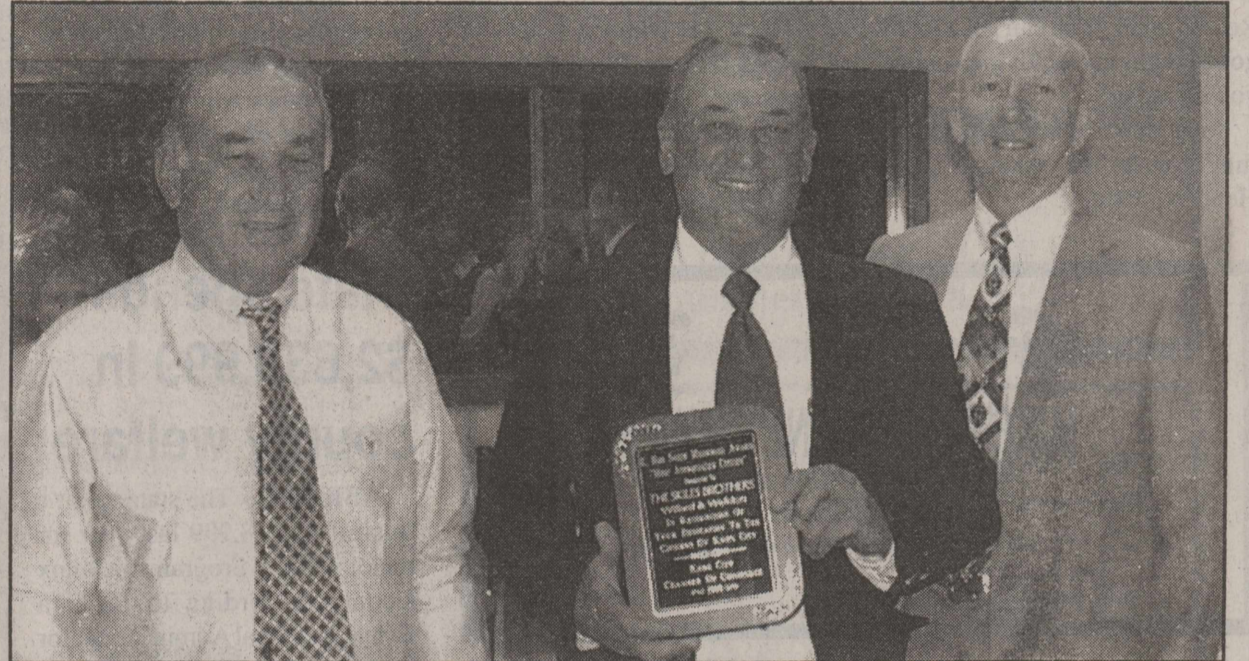


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POSING FOR A GROUP PHOTO at the end of the Chamber of Commerce Banquet, (left to right) Duckwall Vice President Chuck Herfkens, incoming Chamber President Judy Perdue, outgoing Chamber President Rita Rosencranz, Duckwall Merchandise Manager, Alan Day, Duckwall local Store Manager Julia Hardin, Duckwall District Manager Karen Walker, Chamber Executive Director Doris Crowmover, and Ray Farmer, Chief Pilot for Duckwall/ALCO Stores, Inc. of Abilene, Kansas.



ALL SMILES, Willard and Weldon Skiles are shown in this photo taken at the Knox City Chamber of Commerce's annual banquet shortly after they were announced as the recipients of the E. Hob Smith Memorial Award for Knox City's 'Most Appreciated Citizens'. Presenter Jim Dillon (shown at right) read a testimony about the brothers work and achievements throughout the community.

Chamber banquet honors brothers, Willard and Weldon Skiles

Knox City duo receive Chamber's E. Hob Smith award as 'Most Appreciated Citizens'



KNOX CITY MAYOR BUD REYNOLDS (at right), officially handed over the keys to the building for the new Duckwall's Hometown Variety Store to the new store manager, Julia Hardin, and Chuck Herfkens, Vice President of the Duckwall division of Duckwall/ALCO Stores, Inc. Mr. Herfkens was the featured speaker for the chamber's annual banquet last Thursday evening.



INCOMING Chamber of Commerce President Judy Perdue honors outgoing President Rita Rosencranz (shown left to right) for her hard work and dedication to the chamber.

The annual Chamber of Commerce banquet that was held last Thursday evening in the high school cafeteria was the setting for the presentation of the E. Hob Smith Memorial Award to Willard and Weldon Skiles, honoring the brothers as Knox City's 'Most Appreciated Citizens'. All smiles after receiving their unexpected award, Willard and Weldon were also surprised to see their combined families present to honor their lifelong achievements in the community.

Thrilled with the large turnout for the banquet, Chamber of Commerce Manager Doris Crowmover considered the event to be a total success. Setting places for 102 guests to eat, it was reported that there was only one empty seat for the annual event. Those present enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by the Knox City High School Homemaking Class, under the direction of their teacher, Shea (Stubbs) Edmonds.

Prior to the main speaker for the banquet, other activities for the evening included a brief presentation on the Duckwall Hometown Variety Store project by Dave Thompson, Project Coordinator for the Economic Development Corporation; and the official presentation of the keys to the new store by Knox City Mayor Bud Reynolds to Duckwall Vice President Chuck Herfkens and new local store manager Julia Hardin.

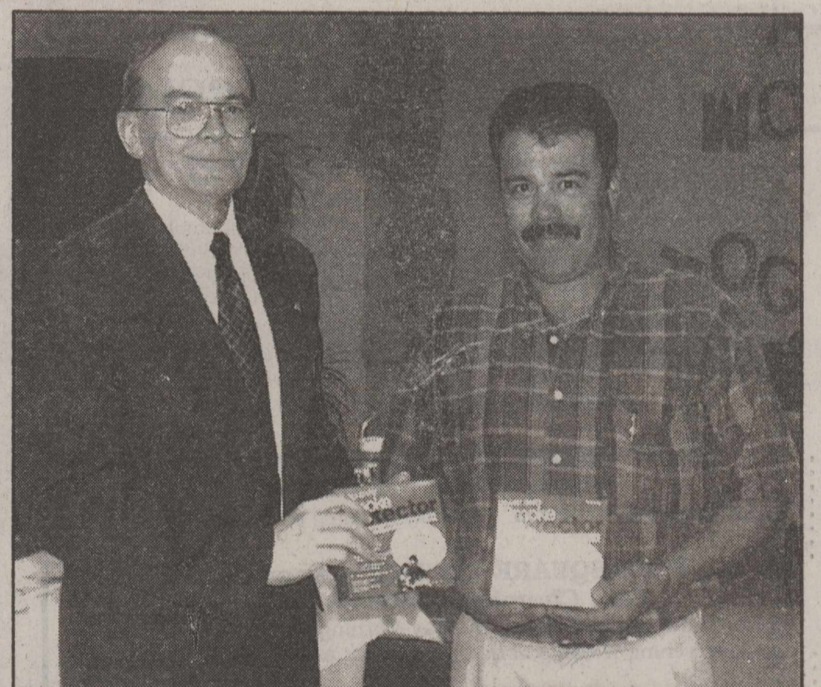
Coming to Knox City as the guest speaker for the banquet, Chuck Herfkens, Vice President

of the Duckwall division of Duckwall/ALCO Stores Inc., of Abilene, Kansas, gave a very enjoyable and informative talk that was accompanied by a slide show. Talking about the history of Duckwall/ALCO, and telling the large crowd on what they could expect from their new store here in Knox City, Herfkens stated later that he "enjoyed the banquet and all the people he had the opportunity to meet here in Knox City."

During his presentation at the Chamber of Commerce banquet, Mr. Herfkens also included two presentations from Duckwalls. Calling EDC President Judy Perdue and EDC Project Coordinator Dave Thompson to the podium, Herfkens presented the pair with a plaque from Duckwall/ALCO Stores Inc., thanking everyone associated with EDC for all the hard work that has been involved with bringing the new Duckwall's Hometown Variety Store to Knox City.

Herfkens then called Knox City Fire Chief Domingo Garcia to the podium and presented 100 household smoke detectors to the local volunteer fire department to aid in their goal of placing a smoke detector in every home in Knox City. The Abilene, Kansas firm donated 100 detectors and sold the fire department another 400 on a cost basis.

In appreciation of his coming to Knox City as the banquet speaker, Chamber President Rita Rosencranz presented Herfkens with a Wyman Meinzer print, framed by the Art Stall.



MAKING A PRESENTATION to the Knox City Volunteer Fire Department, Duckwall Vice President Chuck Herfkens is shown here with two of the 100 Smoke Detectors he presented to Fire Chief Domingo Garcia to aid the KCFD's goal of placing a smoke detector in every home within Knox City. Duckwall's presented 100 detectors for free and sold the FD 400 more at cost.



ACCEPTING A PLAQUE on behalf of the Knox City Economic Development Corporation, EDC Project Coordinator Dave Thompson and EDC President Judy Perdue are shown with Duckwall Vice President Chuck Herfkens at the Chamber Banquet.

Baseball news: first year Knox City High School team holds lead in district action

The first year for Knox City High School baseball has been a success this far into the season as the Greyhounds are sitting on top of the district in first place. With an overall record of 3 wins and 2 losses for the season, and a district record of 3 wins and no losses, Coach Paul Starkie is mighty proud of his players and their efforts.

Standings for the district put Knox City in first place with the 3-0 record, Harrold is in second place with a record of 2-2. Third place standings are tied between Paducah and Vernon Northside, with each team having a record of 1-1. Fifth place belongs to Chillicothe with a district record of 0-3.



Aaron Large leads the Greyhounds in the home run department with out of the park hits. Jeffrey Hernandez leads in double base hits with 3, followed by Brackston Barnard with 2, and Nefro Gonzales, Aaron Large and Gilbert Trevino with 1 each. Single base hit honors go to Nefro Gonzales with 3, George Starkie with 2, and Chris Garcia, Wes Grimsley, Myles Richardson, Shawn Speck, Gilbert Trevino and Justin Vasquez all having 1 each. Nefro Gonzales, Jeffrey Hernandez, and Aaron Large all have 4 RBI's, followed by Brackston Barnard, Kevin Casillas and Gilbert Trevino with 1 RBI each. The team will play Northside next, here in Knox City on April 5 at 4:00.

O'Brien happenings

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"During the Stanley Cup play-offs, my daughter was playing hockey with her young son in the driveway. After he broke from their game for the third time to ride his bike in circles, she said to him. "We can either play hockey or you can ride your bike, but not both at the same time."

"That's not a bike," he said indignantly. "That's a Zamboni."

Here and There - Charlene brothers and her two sister, Jean and Marvalene, are spending a few days in California visiting with an aunt of theirs.

Several ones from O'Brien who attended the Hee-Haw musicals last wee in Sagerton were Norma and Delbert Hayes, Dwight Gothard, Veeta Reid, Bernice Rowan and I. You can get a lot of good laughs and enjoyment when you do attend.

John Hendrix of Gilliland had lunch with his mom, Vivian Hendrix, Sunday.

Cliff and Bobbie Banner of Hawley returned his mom, Billie Walker, home Sunday after spending several days in the hospital at Haskell.

She is recovering from pneumonia and other ailments. Her daughter, Julie of Amarillo, is with her for a few days to help her recover.

Visiting Ranzy and Adelle Herring over the weekend were Pansy Hines and Julie and Stephanie Keeling of Lubbock, Kevin Urbanczyk and Kevin Jr. of Munday, Tamara and Marsha McGaughey of Knox City and Claudia Reid of Rochester.

Janoma Stephens was in Lubbock Friday to meet Mary Beth Guy of Kirbyville, Texas. Saturday, they met with the Ladies of Caprock District. Mary Beth, the key speaker, is the president-elect of Texas Federation of Women's Club. Before lunch, they had the opportunity to meet and tal to the

current Miss Texas Tatum Hubbard. Mrs. Guy caught the plane for Houston late Saturday evening.

Saturday morning some 64 ladies enjoyed looking at nice rain, maybe 1/2 but it was great as dry as the counties are.

Bro. Bill and Evelyn Trice went to Dublin last Friday and Saturday. They met with relatives for a two day visit. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jones of Round Rock, Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Alexander from Corinth, Mississippi. Mrs. Gaye Hank from Plugerville. The group met in a beautiful room of the library. They ate together at the Buckboard Cafe. No children or grandchildren attended, they just visited without having children to attend to and enjoyed it a lot.

"God loves you and longs for you to come into His presence, so He can fill you with peace and strength. Amen." - Rick Palma

State spends \$2,638,999 in county welfare

ABILENE - The state spent a total of \$2,638,999 last year for major welfare programs in Knox County, according to Barbara Evans, Regional Administrator for the Texas Department of Human Services.

Food stamps worth \$403,842 were issued for the fiscal year which ended August 31, while Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) totaled \$80,462. Food stamps are funded entirely by the federal government, while the department determines eligibility of potential clients and non-clients and issues the Lone Star Card.

The state and federal governments share in the cost of TANF to families where needy children are deprived of support because of the absence or disability of one or both parents.

Nursing home costs of approximately \$1,718,482 were paid for aged and disabled residents. Community Care for Aged and Disabled spent \$308,525 for Medicaid related services and \$127,688 for non-Medicaid related services," Ms. Evans said.

Immunization clinic is April 1 in Munday

The Texas Department of Health will conduct an Immunization Clinic at the Perry Patton Community Center in Munday on Thursday, April 1, from 10:00-11:30 and 1:00-3:00.

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

The Hepatitis B immunization was required for kindergarten entry in the fall of 1998. This immunization series consists of three injections taking a minimum of six months to complete. The Hepatitis B immunization is also available for any child at risk or any child whose parents wish them to have for protection or prevention.

The varicella (chickenpox) vaccine has arrived and is now being given to 12 month old through 15 year olds. Those in need of this immunization they are asked to call the office,

Participants are asked to bring immunization records and social security numbers.

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 inability to pay.

For more information on any of the immunizations, call 940-574-2159.

Mary Shahan named to all-star cast

Mary Shahan of Knox City High School was named to the All-Star Cast at last week's one-act play competition.

Spur and Munday High School advanced to the district contest held in Jayton.

Named to the all-star cast were Tandy Roberts, Erica Quintana and Amanda Espinosa.

Bulldogs track results

Munday Practice Meet
March 26, 1999

2400 - Sean Duncan 8:34;
Carlos Ruiz 9:31;
400 relay - Scooter Thompson, Dominique Collier, Kendrick Green, Gemile Roberson, 49.74;
800 - Logan Morrow 2:35; Jose Miranda 2:51;
110 hurdles - Landon Weiershausen 19.01; Ryne Burkham 19.04; Josh Warren 21.72;
100 - Gemile Roberson 12.26; Dominique Collier 12.70; John Maingot 13.56; Sedrick Roberson 13.79; Brian Homstad 14.20; Wes Parker 14.97; Matthew Garcia 15.81;
400 - Kendrick Green 58.28; John Maingot 62.16; James Huber 69.11;
300 hurdles - Ryne Burkham 46.61; Landon Weiershausen 47.94;
200 - Dominique Collier 26.29; Scooter Thompson 27.92; Sedrick Roberson 28.17; James Huber 28.79; Brian Homstad 30.29; Brad Johnson 32.49;
1200 - Sean Duncan 3:55; Carlos Ruiz 4:25; Jose Miranda 4:45;
1600 relay - Kendrick Green, Gemile Roberson, Scooter Thompson, Landon Weiershausen, 4:00.43;
Long Jump - Kendrick Green 16' 1/2"; Gemile Roberson 15' 8 1/4"; Dominique Collier 14' 6/4"; Sedrick Roberson 14' 5 1/2";
High Jump - Scooter Thompson 5' 0"; Ryne Burkham 4' 10"; Dominique Collier 4' 8";
Triple Jump - Scooter Thompson 33' 4"; Landon Weiershausen 31' 9 3/4"; Logan Morrow 29' 5";

Shot Put - Caleb Carver 29' 8"; Wes Powell 26' 7"; Nathan Lierly 27' 7 1/2"; Josh Ivie 21' 3"; Brandon Espinosa 23' 8"; Eddie Vela 20' 1/2" Amado Rodriguez 19' 10";

Discus Throw - Caleb Carver, 89' 2 1/2"; Wes Powell 68' 2"; Nathan Lierly 71' 9 1/2"; Josh Ivie 66' 6"; Brandon Espinosa 61' 11".

Junior Blackland Divide Relays
Friday, March 19, at Roscoe
2400 - Sean Duncan, 8:43.8, second;

800 - Jose Miranda, 2:44, sixth;
110 meter hurdles - Ryne Burkham, 19.17, first; Landon Weiershausen, 20.02, sixth;

100 - Gemile Roberson, 12.47, fourth;
400 - Kendrick Green, 59.59, second;

300 hurdles - Ryne Burkham, 50.51, fourth; Landon Weiershausen, 51.6, sixth;

1600 meter run - Sean Duncan, 5:33.6, second;

1600 meter relay - Scooter Thompson, Kendrick Green, Gemile Roberson, Landon Weiershausen, fourth, 4:19.5;

High Jump - Ryne Burkham, 4' 10", third; Dominique Collier, 4' 10", fifth;

Long Jump - Kendrick Green, 17' 3 3/4", second; Gemile Roberson, 16' 8", fourth;

Triple Jump - Ryne Burkham, first, 34' 7 1/2"; Scooter Thompson, third, 33' 6"; Landon Weiershausen, 31' 11 1/2", fifth.

Team totals - Roscoe, first, 155; Jim Ned, second, 112; O'Brien, third, 89.5; Coleman, fourth, 67.5; Rotan, fifth, 67; Winters, sixth, 54; Loraine, seventh, 6.

Lady Bulldogs track results

Munday Practice Meet
Friday, March 26

What a great meet! Most everyone bettered their previous times.

2400 - Martha Silva 11.22, Sophia Pedroza 15:36;
400 relay - Sondra Lankford, Ashley Garcia, Kayla DelValle, Shea Oudems, 60.5;
800 - Diana Miranda 3:08.7; Ariana Gomez 3:13.16; Jacquelyn Lerma 3:15.3;
100 hurdles - Jennifer Eaton 19.2, Daisy Martinez 24.6;
100 - Shea Oudems 14.77. Kayla DelValle 16.97, Erica Acuna 17.28, Kimberly Hawkins 16.17;
800 relay - Ashley Garcia, Samantha Gutierrez, Lezli Vailla, Shea Oudems 2:12.33;
400 - Sondra Lankford 70.1, Haleigh Chenhall 81, Samantha Gutierrez 86; Daisy Martinez 86; Diana Miranda 79;
300 hurdles - Jennifer Eaton 58.3;
200 - Jodi Chambers 33.58, Erica Acuna 37.16;
1200 - Diana Miranda 5:25, Ariana Gomez 5:39, Martha Silva 5:07;
1600 relay - Ashley Garcia, Jodi Chambers, Lezli Villa, Sondra Lankford, 5:02;
Triple Jump - Jennifer Eaton

22' 11", Sondra Lankford 249", Ashley Garcia 251", Kimberly Hawkins 246";

Shot Put - Ashley Jobe 23' 11", Ashley Harrison 20' 3"; Jennifer Eaton 26'; Anita Silva 18' 2 1/2";
Discus - Ashley Jobe 53' 2", Anita Silva 48' 5", Leah Simmons 55' 9";

Long Jump - Shea Oudems 11' 5"; Ariana Gomez 10' 2"; Ashley Turner no mark; Samantha Gutierrez no mark.

Junior Blackland Divide Relays
Friday, March 19 at Roscoe
2400 meter run - Martha Silva, 11:26.7, fifth;

100 hurdles - Savannah Gutierrez, 18.45, third;

100 meter dash - Savannah Gutierrez, 13:37, first;

300 hurdles - Savannah Gutierrez, 56.99, fourth;

1600 meter relay - Sondra Lankford, Ashley Garcia, Jodi Chambers, Lezli Villa, 5:11.2, fifth;

Long jump - Savannah Gutierrez, 14' 2", sixth;

Triple jump - Savannah Gutierrez, 31' 1/2", second;

Team totals - Coleman, first, 182; Rotan, second, 113; Roby, third, 118; Jim Ned, fourth, 58; Winters, 54, fifth; O'Brien, 35, sixth; Roscoe, 26, seventh; Loraine, eighth, 8.



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- Thursday, April 1 -

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Wednesday, March 31 - 12:00 Noon
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Thursday, April 1 - 12:00 Noon
'The Day of Action' - Vergil Ichtertz
Friday, April 2 - 12:00 Noon
'The Day of Agony' - Steve Pepper
Easter Sunday, April 4 - 11:00 A.M.
'Rise Again' - Choir Cantata
'The Day of Victory' - Vergil Ichtertz
Easter Sunday Evening - 7:00 P.M.
Community Service, Methodist Church

The Monday - Friday services will be by members of the Ministerial Alliance. These services will conclude at approximately 12:40 p.m. Everyone is welcome to any or all services.

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Studies in the Am. Journal of the Am. Medical Assn. found that the 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.

Large crowd attends March 23 Parenting Fair

The Knox County Family & Consumer Sciences Committee were sponsors of a very successful Parenting Fair on March 23 at the High School Gym in Knox City. The two hour fair had 275 individuals register and view approximately 35 exhibits relating to a variety of educational topics for parents, families, youth and educators.

Exhibitors participating were: Abilene Regional Medical Center, American Cancer Society - Knox Unit, American Red Cross, American Heart Association, Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc., Citizens' Bank, Jeremy Lowe - Food Guide Pyramid, Knox City 4-H Club, Knox City Child Development Center, Knox City Elementary School, Knox City Girl Scouts, Knox City Lions Club, Knox City/O'Brien School Cafeteria, Knox City/O'Brien Middle School, Knox City Post Office, Knox County Child Welfare Board, Little Lives ECI, Knox County FCE Association, Knox County Historical Commission, Knox County Hospital District (Knox County Home Care), Knox County Hospital District, Knox County Sheriff's Department, Munday Child Development Center, Noah Project - North, Outreach Health Services - WIC, Outreach Health Services, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Health Steps, Texas Department of Human Services - Career Stop, Turning Point - North Texas Council on Substance Abuse, and West Texas Legal Services.

Participants received free information regarding services, ideas, and products available for use in raising children. Both adults and youth enjoyed balloons, door prizes, demonstrations, and other goodies given by the sponsors of the various booths. The Knox County Child Welfare Board also put on puppet shows during the two hour period.

The Knox County Family & Consumer Sciences Committee is a part of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service located on the first floor of the courthouse at Benjamin.

Photos show large crowd enjoying booths



For more information regarding the Parent Fair contact Jane Rowan, Extension Agent for Family & Consumer Sciences at 940/454-2651.

Educational programs of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin. Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in a meeting or program are encouraged to contact the Knox County Extension office at (940)454-2651.

home while he was away on a business trip, using a key she had kept from the marriage and stole cash and other items of personal property.

The defendant took the stand and denied committing the burglary and introduced evidence tending to prove that she was elsewhere during the time of the burglary. The State was represented

by Bill Neal, District Attorney and the defendant was represented by Sam Smith, attorney from Fort Worth.

Also, last Tuesday, Rohn Kingston, 27, of Abilene, plead guilty to the felony offense of Injury to a Child and according to a plea bargain agreement, he was given a five year probated sentence by the District Judge.

New Arrivals It's a girl!

Elizabeth Marie Proffitt Norma and Casey Proffitt of Jacksonville, Florida, are the proud parents of a baby girl born February 15, 1999, at 4:59 p.m. at JAX Medical Center.

The baby has been named Elizabeth Marie and she weighed seven pounds, ten ounces, and measured 19 1/4 inches.

Elizabeth Marie has a big brother, Ryan, age two.

Maternal grandparents are Margarita Mateos of San Marcos and Ignacia Mateos of Goree.

Paternal grandparents are Gary and Kay Fannin of Chico and Cecil and Ruthann Proffitt of Racine, Virginia.

Great-grandparents are Chock and Lea Reeves of Knox City, Estefana Banda of Sequin and Andrea and Robert Mateos of Mexico.

Kay was in Florida from February 1 through February 23 for Elizabeth's birth.

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District court cases heard in Knox County, woman accused of burglary found not guilty

(Submitted by Bill Neal, District Attorney)
A six-man, six-woman Knox County Jury last week found Zila Sami Nicholson, 51, of Keller, "not guilty" of the February 25, 1998 burglary of her ex-husband's home near Vera.

The State introduced evidence tending to prove that the defendant had entered Jerry Massey's

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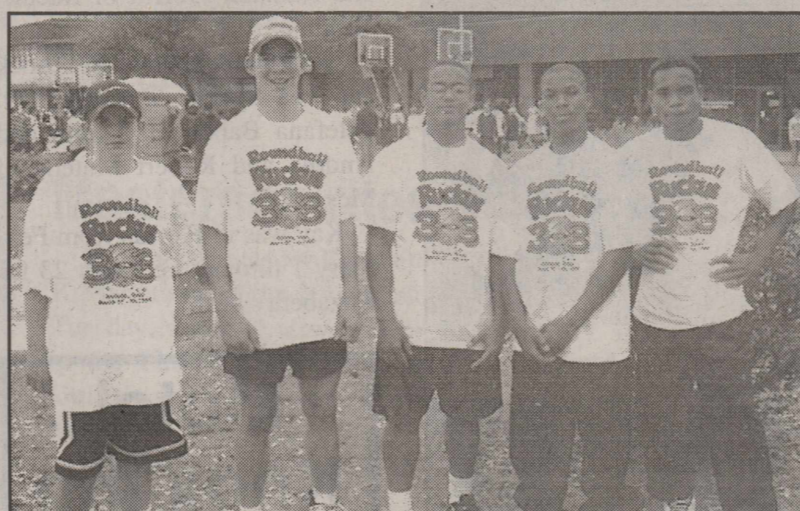
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1999 Rainfall - 8.32

Knox City youth are Roundball Ruckus Champions in Abilene



ROUNDBALL RUCKUS CHAMPIONS - Undefeated champions in the 11 and 12 year old age division of the 3 on 3 Roundball Ruckus held in Abilene, March 27 and 28, were from left, Quentin Spells, Riley Spells, Dustin Johnson and Justin Parker. Their winnings qualified them to participate in the national finals that will be held in Boulder, Colorado, on September 4 and 5. (Courtesy Photo)



PLACING FOURTH IN the 3 on 3 Roundball Ruckus in the 14-15 year old age division held in Abilene last weekend were from left, Brad Johnson, Landon Weiershausen, Gemile Roberson, Sedrick Roberson and Kendrick Green. (Courtesy Photo)

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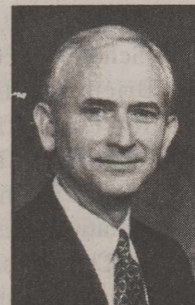
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GRADUATING FROM THE Abilene Police Academy on March 8 at the Abilene Civic Center was Cody Josselet, shown with his grandparents Norma and Vic Lowry of Knox City. Cody will be in a field-training program for 14 weeks prior to his Abilene assignment. He is the son of Vickie and Danny Josselet of Haskell. Cody, his wife Michele and daughter Bethany, live in Abilene. (Courtesy Photo)

**SMALL BUSINESS
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BY JACK FARIS

The Tax Day Cometh

You know it's coming. You might be in denial, you might be procrastinating... but you know it's coming.

April 15th. Tax day. The IRS deadline that all Americans know so well and dread so much.

There are a number of ways to get ready for the big deadline. As I mentioned before, you might be using the denial method or the procrastination method... both preferred by anyone who is worried about a homework-like assignment from America's most feared agency. I guess many Americans think that it might go away if they put it off long enough.

But I think we all know that's not going to happen. Because the old saying is true about death and taxes. Both are 100 percent certain.

Others are preparing for April 15th by calling their accountants or getting in line at H&R Block. Young people are calling their parents for help. And their parents are, in turn, calling their accountants.

And all of that is just for personal income taxes. What about the millions of people who are self-employed or run a small business? That is when things get *really* complicated. That's when Uncle Sam really becomes a part of your life, and that is when your taxes become something that even CPAs are stumped by.

So this year, small-business owners across America are adding one more task to the April 15th deadline. After they meet with their accountant, write their check to the IRS, and so on. After they have complied with the current laws, they're going to request - loudly and clearly - that Congress and the president make a real change when it comes to our tax system.

Small-business owners are going to call, as they've done before, for the end of our current tax code so that it may be replaced with one that is simpler and fairer. A code that encourages work and savings, not fancy side-stepping and searching for loopholes.

"It's our money, not the IRS!" they will cry. They will talk to friends and neighbors. Some will carry a picketing sign to their local post office on the 15th as part of a nationwide event called "Taxpayer Pain Relief," organized by the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB). NFIB has chosen 30 cities around the country where representatives of small business will gather at post offices to "protest" the flaws of the current tax code, and to tell Congress and the president that the time has come for a new one.

The bottom line is that small business has really had it with our current tax code, and they won't be silent about it any more. And they are right to be fed-up, don't you think? After all, small-business owners are burdened by the endless complexity of tax regulations, the chokehold of high tax rates, and by a federal agency that all too often uses its power to bully and devastate small firms. This abuse - in its direct and its more subtle forms - is handed out to the very same folks, our friends and neighbors, who create the majority of our country's new jobs. It just is not right.

It's not just small-business that is hurt, of course. Because every time the government burdens small-business, our overall economy is injured. For example, the excess time and money spent on tax payment and compliance is a drag on small business's natural ability to create jobs. Each year, American business spends 3.4 billion hours, and individuals spend 1.7 billion hours, simply trying to comply with the tax code. That's equivalent to a "staff" of 3 million people working full-time, year-round, just on taxes.

This year, after you've filled out your forms, after you've paid an accountant and paid the IRS... you might want to consider joining the small-business community in their crusade (you can do so by calling 1-888-not4IRS). After all, tax day is never going to change, but the way we pay our taxes certainly could, and that would be good for us all.

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The Knox City Fire Dept. wants to know: Do you have a smoke alarm in your home?

By Domingo Garcia
Knox City Fire Chief

Sign-up sheets for the installation of smoke detectors by the Knox City Fire Department are now in various locations in Knox City for those residents interested in having a new smoke detector placed in their home by members of the fire department. Our volunteer firemen will be installing smoke detectors free of charge in the Knox City and O'Brien area.

Chuck Herfkens, vice-president of the Duckwall Division of Duckwall/ALCO Corporation in Abilene, Kansas, helped the Knox City Volunteer Fire Department in our goal to obtain 500 smoke detectors to be placed in homes without detectors, in order for people in a burning structure to have a warning of immediate fire or smoke danger.

On behalf of their new store that will soon be opening in Knox City, the Duckwall Corporation

donated (free of charge) 100 detectors, and sold the fire department the remaining 400 at cost, with no profit. The Knox City Fire Department has asked for help from the Lions Club, other businesses in town, and/or individual people to help pay for these 400 smoke detectors on a donation basis, with donations made to the department. Any donation is greatly appreciated, and your generosity might help to save someone's life in the future.

The smoke detectors were presented to the department at the Chamber of Commerce banquet last Thursday and the volunteer members of the fire department are looking forward to installing a smoke detector in every Knox City residence.

Those interested in having a smoke detector are asked to please sign up so we can schedule a time to come to your home and install a new unit.

Wadzeck rites are held Sunday

Funeral services for Dan M. Wadzeck of Rochester were held Sunday, March 28, at 2:00 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church in Rochester.

The Rev. Dolan Brinson and the Rev. James Patterson officiated. Burial followed in the Rochester Cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Wadzeck, 72, died Friday morning, March 26, at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene after suffering a heart attack.

Born January 25, 1927, in Rochester, his parents were the late Willis Zed and Jessie Pearl Wadzeck.

He was a farmer and lived his entire life in Rochester. He graduated from Rochester High School.

He married Wynell Lowrey on March 12, 1948, in Knox City.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Knox City, and served on the following boards, Rochester School Board, Meth-

odist Church Board, FHA Board and Committee, Soil Conservation Board for Haskell County.

He served during World War II in the United States Navy.

He was an active member of the First United Methodist Church in Rochester and had been a Sunday School teacher.

He was preceded in death by his parents and five brothers, J.P., Woodrow, Mark, Comer and Murry Wadzeck.

Survivors include his wife, Wynell of the home; a son, Larry of Rochester; a brother, Troy of Fredericksburg; and two sisters, Dalhia Dean Johnson of Centre, Alabama; and Hellen Cox of Haskell.

Pallbearers were Randall Murray, Phillip Newton, Clifford Byrd, Bill Penman, Bobby Joe Helton and Billy Wayne Hester.

Honorary pallbearers were L.O. Newton, Kenneth Roberts, E.R. Ulmer, R.V. Earls and Bobby Waddell.

Graveside services set here Thursday for J. Michael Hewitt, 50

Graveside committal services for J. Michael Hewitt of Plano, 50, are set for Thursday, April 1, at 2:00 p.m. in the Knox City Cemetery.

The Rev. Bill Trice will officiate. Local arrangements are by Smith Funeral Home of Knox City.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 31, at 2:00 p.m. at Sparkman-Dickey Funeral Home in Dallas.

Mr. Hewitt died Sunday, March 28, from an apparent heart attack.

Born September 17, 1948, in Knox City, to James and LaVerne Hewitt, he spent 27 years as a real estate broker and home builder, having achieved the GRI, CRS, CRB and CCIM designations. He had lived in Lubbock and was leasing manager for South Plains Mall prior to moving to Dallas. He was a veteran of the Army National Guard. He was married to the former Lisa Ann Griffin.

Michael graduated from O'Brien High School in 1967.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors are his wife, Lisa; two daughters, Michelle Barker of Mesquite and Lauren of the home; two brothers, David Hewitt of Clifton Park, NY; and Gary Hewitt of Tyler; a sister, Melinda Hensley of Lubbock; and several nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to the Michelle Barker and Lauren Hewitt Special Fund.

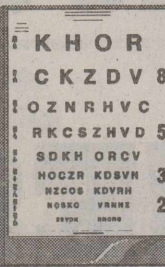
Viewing will be from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Thursday at Smith Funeral Home in Knox City.

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Masterson rites held in Guthrie

Funeral services for Elizabeth K. Masterson of Guthrie were held Tuesday, March 30, at two o'clock in the First Baptist Church in Guthrie with the Rev. Chris McCauley officiating.

Private interment was on the JY Ranch.

Mrs. Masterson died Saturday, March 27, at Covenant Medical Center, Lubbock.

Born in Plano to Robert L. and Eva Louise King, she was educated at schools in Plano and Fort Worth. She was married to R.B. Masterson III in Fort Worth in 1959. He died in 1978.

She was married to Bill Whitehead in Fort Worth in October 1998.

She was a rancher, owning the JY Ranch near Guthrie.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in

Paducah, a former member of the President's Council at Texas Tech University and a former board member of the Ranching Heritage Center.

A sister, Mary Sanders, preceded her in death in 1997.

Survivors include her husband, Bill; a son, William A. Masterson of Guthrie; two sisters, Opal Koslow of Amarillo and Nellie Kirkpatrick of Granbury; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Hector Contreras, Ralph Mote, Bobby Richardson, Jerry Crane, Robert Masterson and Tadd Knight.

Memorials are to be made to the Ranching Heritage Center, 3121 4th Street, Lubbock, TX 79409 or to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo, TX 79105-9985.



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11-7 tfc 26

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3-11 tfc 32

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3-25 tfc 36

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4-1 2tc 14

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LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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Legal Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Hunt Oil Company, Fountain Place, 1445 Ross at Field, Dallas, Texas 75202-2785 has applied to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Canyon Sand and Twin Peaks formations in the S.B. Burnett Estate "NB" Lease Well Number NB-50. The proposed injection well is located 15 miles southeast of Guthrie, Texas in the Big-N- (Twin Peaks) Fields in King County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4045' to 5254.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or request for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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Legal Notice

LEGAL NOTICE - THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 30.05 OF THE PENAL CODE OF TEXAS - (CRIMINAL TRESPASS SENATE BILL III LEGISLATURE), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL LANDS OF THE W.T. WAGGONER ESTATE ARE POSTED - SAVE AND EXCEPT WHERE WRITTEN PERMISSION IS GIVEN TO COME UPON THE SAME.

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MIKE SHEEDY
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Notice

NOTICE - This is to give notice of intent to introduce in the 76th Legislature, regular session, a bill to be entitled an act, "Relating to the County Judge of this county to receive and enter guilty pleas in misdemeanor cases." Additional information may be obtained from the Knox County Judge's office.

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Bid Notice

THE CITY OF BENJAMIN will open bids for the purchase of a used John Deere 310 D 4 WD Extend A Hoe or an equivalent make and model on April 12, 1999 at 7:30 p.m., City Hall, Benjamin, TX. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Send bids to the City of Benjamin, P.O. Box 287, Benjamin, TX 79505, 940-454-3130, FAX 940-454-2017.

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THE CITY OF BENJAMIN will open bids for the sale of a 1975 John Deere 310 Backhoe / Loader on April 12, 1999 at 7:30 p.m., City Hall, Benjamin, TX. Minimum bid is \$6,000.00. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Send bids to the City of Benjamin, P.O. Box 287, Benjamin, TX 79505-940-454-3130, FAX 940-454-2017.

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Public Notice

AS AUTHORIZED AND REQUIRED BY LAW Knox County Commissioners Court will be receiving applications for designation as depository of Knox County for years 1999 and 2000. Any bank desiring appointment as a depository bank must file their application with Knox County Commissioners Court before 10:00 a.m. April 12, 1999. Applications will be opened at this regular Commissioners Court meeting. The county has the right to reject any or all applications. This is for county funds only.

David N. Perdue
Knox County Judge
Box 77
Benjamin, TX 79505
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PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF KNOX CITY

TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

City of Knox City is giving notice of the city's intent to submit a Community Development Fund application for a grant from the Texas Community Development Program. The grant application request is \$250,000.00 for water system improvements citywide and in the northern section of the City of Knox City. The application is available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.

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Benjamin news

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

After a week away, it's good to be back home. Enjoyed being with family in Fort Worth and Denton and am glad to report that my sister, Maxine Nelson, is doing pretty well. Of course, some days are better than others but, generally speaking, right now she's holding her own. Came home Saturday in rain all the way and was glad to have another 1/2 inch here. Every bit is appreciated.

Report on our ill - Debra and Mike Moorhouse left Sunday for a week in Houston for Debra's tests and evaluation at M.D. Anderson. After several chemo treatments, it is hoped that she will bring us back an encouraging report. They should be gone the bigger part of the week.

Mabel Moorhouse continues to improve each day. She doesn't have to go back to her heart doctor for a good while and her report last week was very favorable.

Ruth Idol has been admitted to the Munday Nursing Center after suffering a stroke at her home a couple of weeks ago. So far her progress has been pretty slow but it's hard to tell about those kinds of things from one day to the next.

Nora Duke is in critical condition at Knox County Hospital. She's been there a couple of weeks but her condition has worsened. I urge you to remember Nora and her family at this time with your prayers. Also the others mentioned here and also those I may have missed.

Sunrise Services Scheduled - The regular Easter sunrise service will be again at the brush arbor on the Moorhouse Ranch west of Benjamin. In case of rain, it will be at the Memorial Building here in town. The service will be preceded as always by a "cowboy" breakfast. The Church of Christ will be in charge and Hank Wagner, pastor, told me it will be an "old fashioned sunrise service" with congregational singing and he will be bringing the message. And remember that's the day the time changes - (so don't be late - or early!) Just plan to be there - It's always worth getting up early

to attend.

Clean-Up Day Saturday - The annual clean-up day was held Saturday. Not the most pleasant day for it but a lot got done and it was completed before the heavy rain started. I hated to be gone and miss it but am very glad as much got done as it did. This is the time of year we like to "spruce things up a bit". A meal was held at the memorial building. That's a good time to visit while you rest!

Here 'N There - Sue and Dave Terry and Summer of Dallas and Lana and Carlos Mendoza, Colton, Valerie and Sydney of Seymour spent last weekend with their parents, Jane Gideon and Weldon Gideon.

Sue and Charles Flanary of Alvin and Jeannette Jacobs of Munday visited Earlene Meiner one day last week.

Jack and Mary Young visited their daughter, Debbie Neil and family in Haltom City, last weekend and their son Jack and his wife in Palestine this week. They were accompanied on their trip this week by his sister, Pat Benson, who along with them visited their sister, Billie Faye Cummings and family at Henderson.

Bobby and Stephanie Brannan of Lubbock visited their family her last weekend.

Raul and Reyes Barrientez spent last weekend with their son, Jimmy in Lubbock.

Omitene Barnett returned home last week after an extended stay with family in Baytown. She made the trip to be with her brother, Howard Barnett, who was critically ill and who passed away while she was there.

Recent visitors of Don and Louise Hertel and Nora Hertel at the Munday Nursing Center were Daniel and Rosellen Albus of Lubbock and Laurie Fisher and children, Alexandria and Sydney of Williamsburg, Virginia.

Charles Hertel and a friend, Mary Lou McCoy of Midland, are here for a few days visit with Charles' relatives and friends.

H.C. Stone, former Knox County Sheriff, who now resides

in Farmersville visited friends here on Sunday. They report that he's doing well and would like to have visited longer and more but time didn't permit.

Betty and Jamie Bohannon spent the weekend in Amarillo and attended a style show for cosmetologists. They also visited Betty's parents at Dumas.

Gary and JoAnn Hamilton and Don and Marilyn Ervin attended an assembly for Jehovah's Witnesses in Denton Saturday.

Judy Conner spent the weekend with her sons, Jeff and family and Jim Bob in Lubbock.

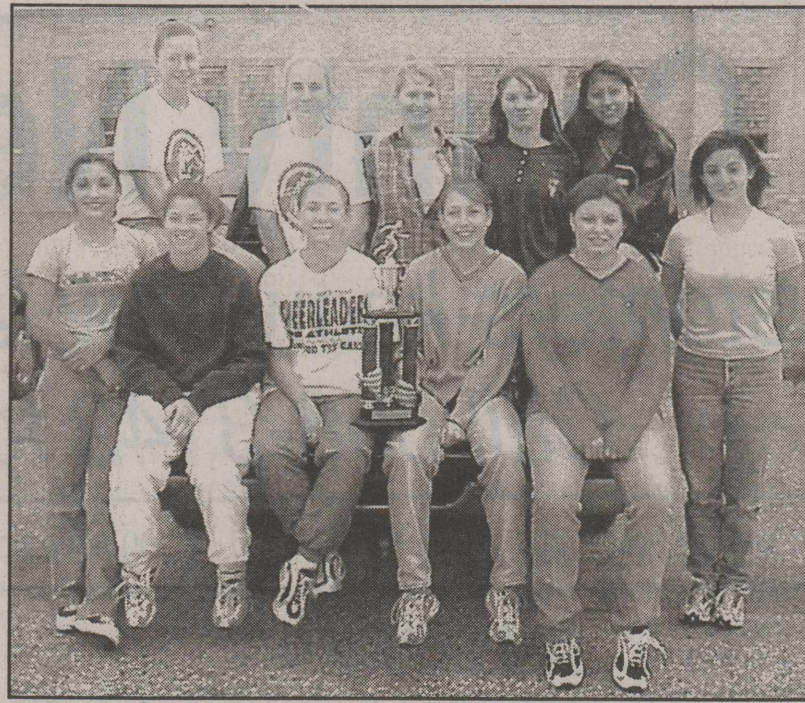
Recent visitors of Dorothy Spikes have been her son and family, Guy, Donna, Christopher and Sara of Seymour. Dorothy told me Sara had been in bible knowledge competition at Olney and had won and would be going on to the next level of competition in Abilene within the next few weeks. I think that's great for the young folks to be in that sort of thing. Sara is about 10 or 12 years old. Also visiting Dorothy last week were Jack and Marie Loftin of Archer City. Marie was a childhood pal of Dorothy's.

We are getting new residents. E.O. and Irene Reed are moving back. They lived here briefly several months ago and when housing became available again, decided to move back. They have purchased the Lois Golden home near the school (Lois moved to Haskell). We're glad to have the Reeds back and hope they stay!!

And one more thing - I saw more traffic, cars, pickups, motor homes, the whole works, this past weekend than I cared too. Was by that Texas Motor Speedway several times when all that racing "stuff" was going on. Never saw such a "mess" in my life. So needless to say, Benjamin and home sure looked good to me.

Remember the fireman's Easter Egg hunt Sunday in the park about 2:00. Kids wanting to ride the fire truck be at the fire station about 1:30 and you can get a ride to the "hunt site".

Happy Easter everyone -



BENJAMIN GIRLS TRACK TEAM (left to right) front row: Sandra Acevedo, Toby Rainwater, Lynne Moorhouse, Mica Larned, Christi Phillips and Carmen Acevedo. Back row: Jessica Shaw, Elizabeth Moorhouse, Jull Larned, Ashley Cartwright, and Monica Zavala. Not pictured is Elizabeth Hostas. (BHS digital photo)

Benjamin girls take sports honors

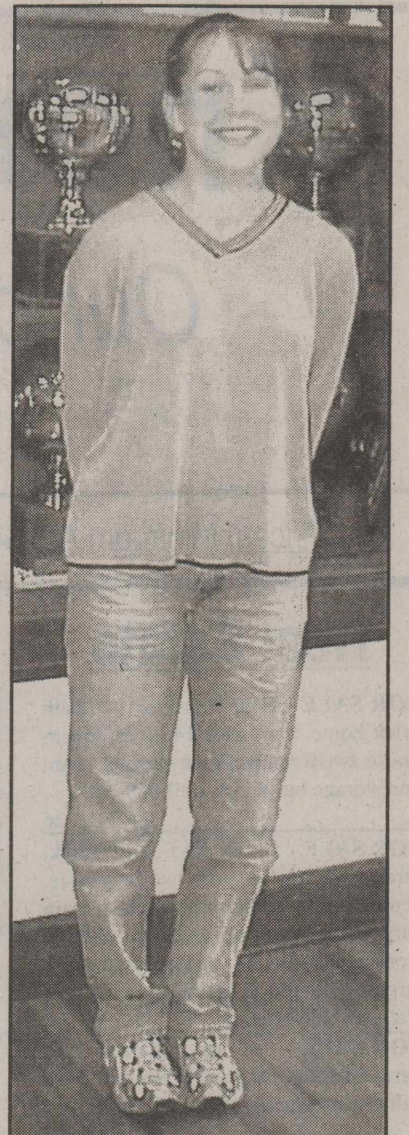
These girls from Benjamin High School are putting their names out before the big country by capturing track and basketball honors and being honored for their accomplishments in the *Abilene Reporter News*.

Track honors

In the photo above, members of the girls track team are shown after capturing the first place honors during the recent Rolling Plains Relays in Jayton. These girls finished second in the 1,600

relay and those 16 points helped them to win the title over Crowell by a score of 86-85 total points.

The winning points for first place in the tournament were accumulated as follows - **Shot Put:** Hostas, 3rd, 29'9". **3200:** Larned, 3rd, 14:03.09. **800:** Acevedo, 2:38.34. **100 Hurdles:** L. Moorhouse, 1st, 17.89. E. Moorhouse, 2nd, 18:69. **300 Hurdles:** E. Moorhouse, 1st, 53.13:2, L. Moorhouse, 3rd, 54.59. **1,600 Relay,** Benjamin, 2nd, 4:42.18.



Mica Larned, All Big Country Class A Second Team honors. (BHS digital photo)

Basketball honors

In the *Abilene Reporter News* All Big Country Class A Basketball listings, Mica Larned, 5'8, of Benjamin High School was named to the Second Team.

News from Knox City's Economic Development Corporation

EDC Project Coordinator Dave Thompson gave a presentation on the Duckwall Hometown Variety Store project at the Chamber of Commerce Banquet last Thursday. The presentation is being reprinted here so that those who were not at the banquet can keep up with news of the project.

On behalf of the Economic Development Corporation of Knox City, I would like to take just a few moments to share with you some of the information relating to our brand new Duckwall's Hometown Variety Store that is scheduled to open in just 42 days, on May 6.

The former Perry's building was acquired by EDC when the owner gave EDC a choice to either buy it or he was going to gut the building and leave us with an empty shell in the downtown area.

EDC purchased the building, then set about on the task of trying to find a tenant. When Duckwall/ALCO was contacted, we were first informed that the building was too small to fit their needs. When we offered to expand as well as remodel, a talking dialogue developed and we finally reached the stage where a representative from Duckwalls agreed to come and look at the building and listen to our ideas. That very important first meeting was well attended by representatives of both EDC, the City of Knox City and the Chamber of Commerce. When Mr. Billy Woodruff from Duckwall's real estate division arrived, we realized that we had a friend when he told us he used to be the district manager for Perry's and knew the building well. During his walk through inspection, we quickly realized that this project would be a huge undertaking, with us having to expand with a whole new building on the rear to accommodate a 5,000 square foot showroom floor and totally remodel the existing structure.

We also realized that we were dealing with a nationally known company that wanted to come into Knox City and work with, not against our other local merchants, a company that was also interested in being a good neighbor in our community. Once an agreement was reached between Duckwalls and EDC, the matter went to the city council for their blessing. Once all the formalities were in order, the actual project began with engineers drawings, plans, specifications, a formal contract, and finally bids.

When the construction bid was awarded to Sid Richardson, there were a few who had reservations about a single, small town independent contractor being able to tackle this big of a job. Putting all those fears to rest, not only did Sid finish the job in superb fashion, he added a lot of extras that were not in the original contract, and turned the finished product over to us a full two weeks earlier than the contract called for. I would like to recognize Sid, who is accompanied by his wife, Rosa, for the wonderful job he has done in turning the old, rundown Perry's building into our brand new Duckwall's Hometown Variety Store.

Sid.....This new store will stand as a testament to the quality of your hard work.

From the outset of this project, a lot of people have become involved, and we quickly learned that everyone concerned was willing to come together and work for one common goal. From the 4A and 4B EDC boards, the City Council and City of Knox City employees, we asked a lot, and received a lot in return in order to accomplish this task.

Under the direction of Board President Judy Perdue, EDC 4A members Bill Baker, Greg Clonts, Cathye Williams, Danny Parker and Chamber Representative Doris Crownover met for many, many meetings to discuss, decide on and approve the various stages of the project. As Project Coordinator, it was my responsibility to bring news on the project to the board, and it was not always good news. Anytime you go to remodeling a building as old as this one,

the unexpected will happen, and changes have to be made. I would like to personally express my thanks and gratitude to each of the board members, and especially to Judy for a devotion to the task that made my job, and Sid's a whole lot easier.

Also helping with this project were members of the 4B Board of EDC. By pledging 4B funds to the project, board members Bill Baker, Danny Parker, Rob Harrison, Stan Wojcik, Raul Espinosa, Lewis Baty, and Tommy Reynolds helped us to achieve the goal we have reached in making this new store a first class facility.

With their vote of approval of the project, City Council Members Cathye Williams, Jerry Curd, Charles Lankford, Tommy Mangis, and Jeff Stanfield assured that the proposed project would become a reality.

There is another group of dedicated people in our community who were a tremendous help with just about every step of this project. Led by Mayor Tommy Reynolds, the city employees of Knox City deserve a big thank you for all their efforts. City Manager Danny Parker spent about as much time on site as I did, and City Secretary Brenda Correll always took every "hurried" request for paperwork - or checks - with a smile, and never seemed to tire of me walking in the front door of city hall with another request! City Maintenance Supervisor Adam Campbell has also been there for us every step of the way, giving us whatever help we needed at the time.

Thanks to the efforts of so many, this new Duckwall's Hometown Variety Store in Knox City will be open for business in a very short time. By bringing more shoppers into our community, all of us at EDC are convinced that this is the first step, and a big step, towards an economy that will benefit all the retail merchants.

By the completion of this project that is bringing in a new business that will work hand in hand with existing businesses, EDC is indeed "Working for the future of Knox City."

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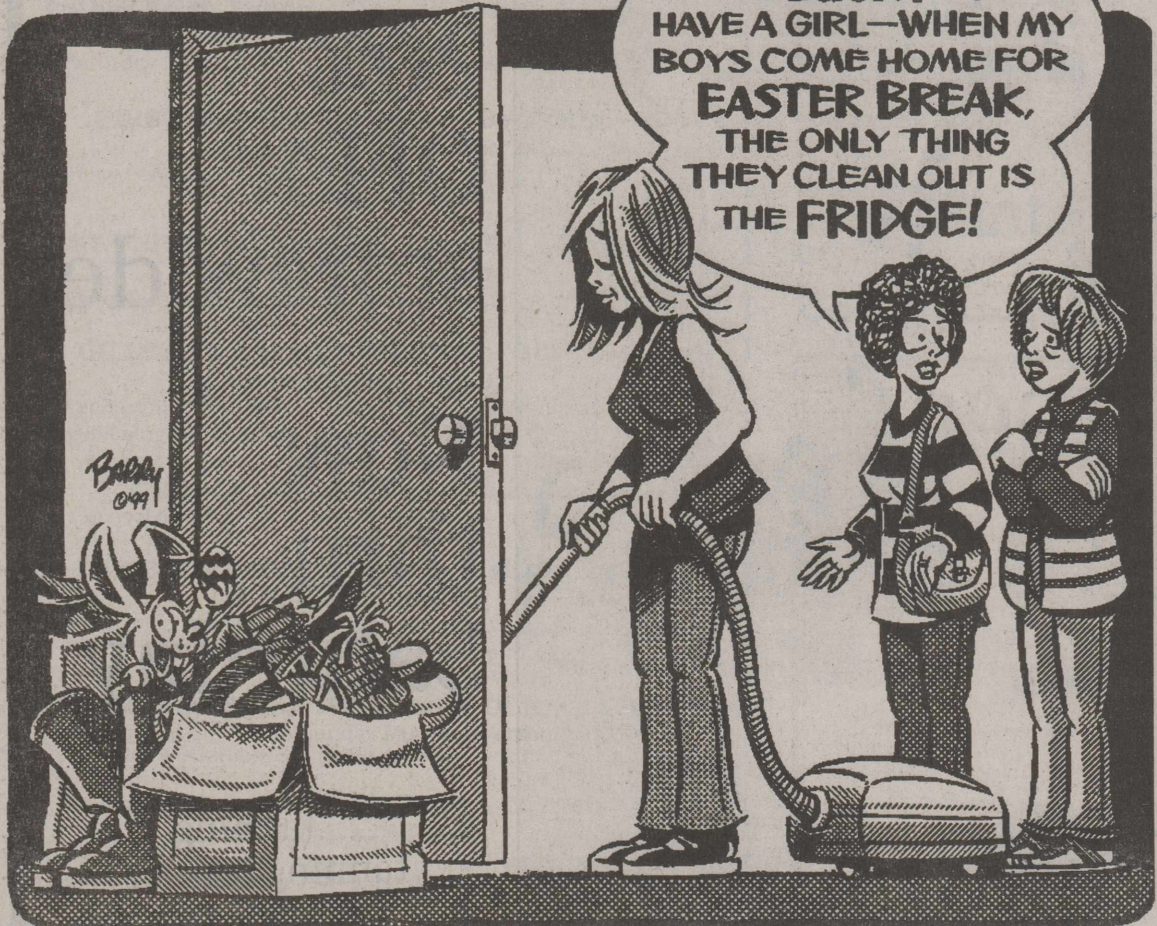
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