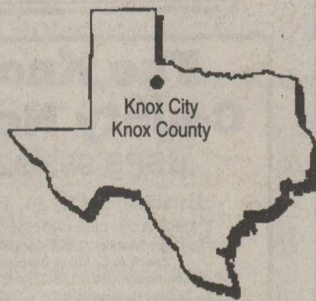


School is out, kids are playing all over town, please be extra careful and alert as you drive

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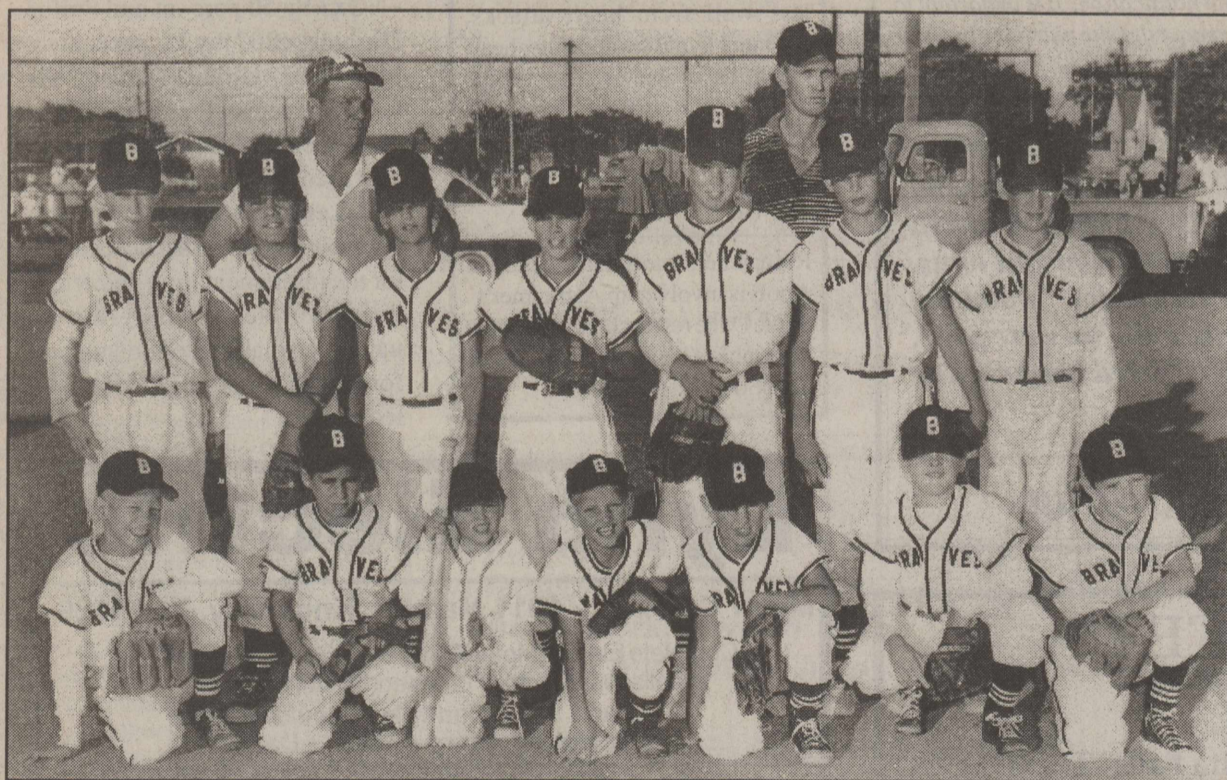
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## American Cancer Society has successful drive in Knox County, \$7,389.80 raised



THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY in Knox County held another successful crusade drive, raising a total of \$7,389.80. Valera Hertel, County Chairwoman, was pleased to present a Certificate of Appreciation to Becky Baker and others for their help in area towns. In the photo above, Becky Baker of Knox City (at right) receives the certificate of appreciation from Valera Hertel. (Courtesy Photo)



CAN ANYONE RECOGNIZE THESE little faces from the Little League 'Braves' team in the year of 1959? Edrie Barnard furnished this photo of these youngsters and coaches. Front row, from left, Stan Hansen, David DelHiero, Joe Barnard, Ronnie Hughes, Mike Hewitt, Richard Barnard and Butch Banner. Back row, from left, Donnie Johnston, Irvin Brooks, Ronnie Hodges, Jerry Thomas, Jerry Wilcox, Joe Matura and Jack McAda. Shown behind the group are coaches Buster Hodges, at left; and R.P. Barnard, right. (Courtesy Photo)

## WTU and CSW praise Electric Restructuring Bill

West Texas Utilities Company and its parent corporation Central and South West Corporation (CSW) today praised Texas Senator David Sibley and Rep. Steve Wolens for their leadership in guiding passage of Senate Bill 7 on electric utility restructuring. The Texas Senate Wednesday evening voted to concur with the version of the bill adopted by the Texas House of Representatives on May 19. The bill will now go to Gov. George W. Bush for his signature.

CSW is also the parent corporation of Central Power and Light Company (CPL), Southwestern Electric Power Company

(SWEPCO) and Public Service Company of Oklahoma (PSO).

Adoption of the bill will give Texas customers of investor-owned utilities the opportunity to choose their electric provider beginning Jan. 1, 2002. The bill also provides a rate freeze until then followed by a 6 percent rate reduction for residential and small commercial customers, additional reductions for low income customers, as well as a number of customer protections. Rural electric cooperatives and municipal electric systems will have an option of whether or not to participate in retail competition.

Some of the key provisions of

the bill include:

- Beginning Jan. 1, 2002, retail customers of investor-owned electric companies will be able to choose their electric provider. Delivery of the electricity will continue to be the responsibility of the local electric utility company at regulated prices.

- Retail electric cooperatives and municipal electric systems will have the choice of whether to participate in retail competition.

- Investor-owned utilities and others choosing to participate in retail competition will freeze their rates beginning Sept. 1, 1999 until the start of competition on Jan. 1, 2002.

See WTU, contd. on page 2

## Knox County senior citizens are ready for a busy summer of activities

The Knox County Senior Centers are gearing up for a busy summer. Senior citizens wishing to participate are welcome at each site.

The central focus is on the noon meal served at 11:30 Monday through Friday in the Knox City Center. Munday and Goree serves a meal on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Tuesday and Thursday, the van takes meals to the Benjamin and Truscott centers. For information about the noon meal call the site director. Joetta Cartwright in Benjamin, Juanita Davis of the Goree site, Louise

Fruehwirth in Munday, Joan Daniel in Truscott and Penny Winchester for the Knox City Center will be happy to assist any senior citizens.

Senior centers throughout the Knox County area have many activities planned. The Knox City Center has a game night every Thursday night. A large group gathers at 5:00 p.m. and start playing games. No reservation is needed, just bring a favorite food and join in a pot luck dinner and plenty of games. The Munday Center has a game night the first Tuesday night of each month in

the Perry Patton Community Center. In Munday, the pot luck supper begins at 6:00 p.m. and is followed by games of all types.

The Knox City Center has just completed a quilt. More than 15 quilted joined to complete the project. Interest was great and another quilt may be started in the near future.

The Knox County Executive Council met Friday, May 28, to plan additional summer activities. Many volunteers make the centers work. Volunteers keep this a valuable and unique service for the Knox County Senior Citizens.

## Texas Department of Health to host county immunization clinic in Munday on June 10

The Texas Department of Health will conduct an Immunization Clinic at the Perry Patton Community Center in Munday on Thursday, June 10, 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 immu-

nization 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.

## Two Knox County employees of Texas Department of Transportation win at district truck 'roadeo'

CHILDRESS - Leno Hernandez and Jerry Branam of the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) Childress District Knox County Maintenance Section were the top finalists in their section at the district Truck Roadeo held at the Childress

Airport.

Texas Department of Transportation sponsors the Truck Roadeo as part of the fleet safety training. Drivers are scored on two different levels. First, they identify safety defects on equipment within specific time limits.

Then, they drive through an obstacle course designed to simulate truck maneuvers encountered during a normal workday.

Hernandez and Branam will receive a special award at the Childress District Safety Awards Banquet.

## Hail, hail & more hail hits Knox County

A "double-whammy" hit Knox County last week with the first storm about 7:00 p.m. Tuesday causing some damage to crops and residences, but the storm that blew in with large hail, high winds and rain about 2:00 a.m., Wednesday destroyed almost 100% of the crops in a large area.

Cotton, wheat, and melon crops were just about wiped out. Johnson Farms, east of Knox City, reported about an 80% loss of watermelons and cantaloupe.

Replanting started early this week in fields that were not too wet.

It was described by many older residents as the worst crop disaster suffered locally in many years.

## Show steer validation is June 15

By PAUL WEISER  
County Extension Agent-Ag

4-H and FFA members wishing to show steers at all major shows in the 1999-2000 show year will be required to validate their steers. The validation process for youth in Knox County will take place on Tuesday, June 15 at the Tony Myers' pens located just south of Munday. The validation will run from 8 to 9 a.m.

The validation process this year will consist of three things - an ear tag, tattoo and a nose print. The cost for this validation will be \$3 per steer. This money is due at the time of validation. Checks will need to be made payable to the Knox County 4-H Ag Club.

All youth that will be validat-

ing steers are required to be present in order to complete all paperwork. At least one parent (or legal guardian) and supervisor must also be present at the validation.

Call the extension office in Benjamin at 940-454-2651 for questions.

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.

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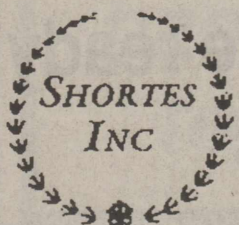


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**O'Brien happenings**

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"Don't Teach Your Wife To Drive -

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Or pitch or chip or putt. She'll have a stroke. She'll get teed off.

Her errant slice may bean you. Life's rough enough. You don't need golf

To drive a wedge between you." Here and There - Alton and LaUna Hester and granddaughter Jennifer Eaton were in Panhandle over the weekend for their grandson's, Zachary's, graduation; and they visited with their daughter Brenda Robinson and husband. Dan and Marilyn Talbot and their daughter Cathy Hughes and

son Derrick of Shallowater spent the weekend in Wimberly visiting friends and relatives.

Spending the weekend with C.H., Linda and Reed Underwood were their daughter, Becky Underwood of San Antonio, Shawn, Beth and Faith Donham of Roby.

Nancy Ellis and husband Jim of Oklahoma spent the weekend with her parents, Johnny and Jo Lippard. They all attended church Sunday and Sunday night with us,

Visiting Billie Walker over the weekend were her daughter Julie Sanders and husband Dale and Dales's mom Annie Sanders of Amarillo and Elmo Long of Paducah.

Jimmy Johnston went to Bowie Sunday to pick up his sister Shirley

Hill and daughters Jessica and Alysea and they will spent several days with Jim and his mom, Rose.

Visiting during the weekend with J.O. and Charlene Brothers and Don Brothers were Craig, Lori and Chase Brothers of Abilene. Also Jerry, Rosie and Tommy Brothers of Azle and Jeremy, Lisa, Ethan and Emily Brothers of Fort Worth.

Visiting Coy and Loretta Hewitt over the weekend was Vicki Daniel, Reece and Jerod of Abilene; and Toni Neal, Ashton, Andrea and Aubrey of Wichita Falls. They all attended the graduation of Kelli Moeller on Friday night in Haskell. Kelli is the daughter of Allen and Rhonda Moeller of Haskell.

**WTU praises bill**

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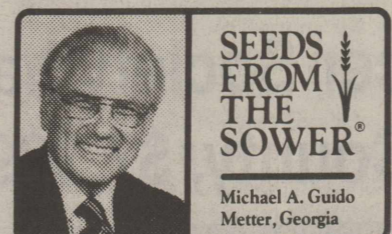
1, 2002. Investor-owned utilities and others participating will then lower the rates for residential and small commercial customers by 6 percent. This reduction will become known as the "Price to Beat", which will be available for those customer for five years.

The bill establishes a System Benefit Fund for low-income customer assistance, customer education and to offset reductions in school property tax revenues. The fund will be funded through a charge on retail electric providers that can be set by the PUCT at up to 65 cents per megawatt hour.

Electric utilities can recover PUCT-approved investments and deferred costs that may not be recoverable in the future competitive market. A majority of those costs can be recovered through securitization, a financing process similar to refinancing a home mortgage to bring down the total cost of the investment.

Grandfathered power plants, (those built or started prior to implementation of the Texas Clean Air Act of 1972) must reduce emissions of Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) by 50 percent and Sulfur Dioxide (SO2) by 25 percent by May 2003. Utilities will be allowed to recover the costs of these investments through their stranded cost recovery mechanisms.

A Legislative Oversight Committee will be established to monitor the implementation and effectiveness of electric utility restructuring and make recommendation for any necessary further legislative action.



A woman driver stalled her car at a traffic light. She tried to start the engine, but couldn't. All the while an impatient man kept honking his horn. Finally, she got out of her car and walked back to him.

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A Mayo Clinic study says that depressed people tend to recover less well from heart attacks, coronary bypasses and other heart condition problems than people without emotional problems. The study followed 310 men and 70 women entering cardiac rehabilitation programs.

Researchers know that the protein ApoE is involved in Alzheimer's. Some Duke researchers say people who inherit a variant called ApoE are at risk before age 70.

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## Misty Ham is awarded VRJC's King memorial

VERNON - Misty Ham has been named a recipient of a \$500 Dr. Thomas & Ethel King Memorial Scholarship to Vernon Regional Junior College for the 1999-2000 school year.

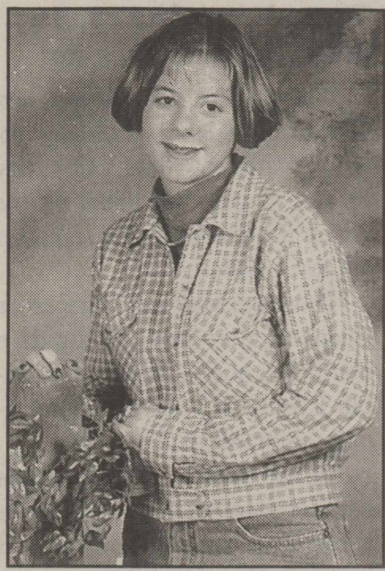
Misty is a 1999 graduate of Benjamin High School. She participated in basketball, tennis, track and golf. She was regional qualifier in cross country her junior year. She was a member of FHA, FFA and the annual staff, Miss BHS, Most School Spirit, Class Favorite, and Runner-up Most Beautiful. She plans on majoring in psychology.

The scholarship was bequeathed to VRJC in 1979. Dr. and Mrs. King were major benefactors of VRJC since the college district was established in 1970. Dr. King, a physician, built the King Hospital in Vernon in 1926. Two King memorial scholarships of \$500 are awarded annually to students who plan to attend VRJC, possess academic achievement, personal character.

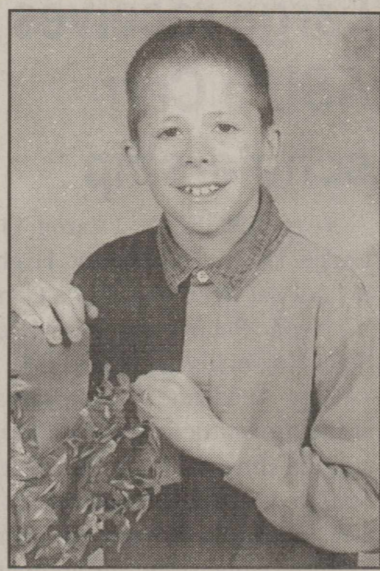
The interest earned from the investment of the principal amount in the endowment is awarded annually with a minimum scholarship award being \$500.

Scholarship recipients are selected by the VRJC Scholarship Committee in April each year. VRJC awards approximately 105 scholarships of \$500 annually.

Scholarship applications are available at the office of Financial Aid at VRJC or call (940) 552-6291 ext. 2206.



KURSTEN REYNOLDS



KEEGAN REYNOLDS

## Reynolds grandchildren excel at Hamlin high school, mid-school

Kursten Reynolds, a sophomore at Hamlin High School, received the following awards on Tuesday, May 25.

Recognized as academic all-district basketball, she was a member of the varsity basketball team that advanced to the playoffs.

Kursten also received the Outstanding Academic Award in English 2, Biology, World Studies and Algebra 2. She also received the TAAS Mastery Award.

She was recognized as an outstanding Sophomore student ranking in the Top 5 out of 40 sophomore students and received the Piper Scholar Gold Medal.

Kursten is a member of the Hamlin Marching Band and will serve as drum major for the 1999-2000 school year. She is also a member of the Hamlin High School Choir and student Council.

Keegan Reynolds, an eighth grade graduate of Hamlin Middle School, received the Outstanding Pals award, the A-B honor roll award, perfect attendance and the President's Award for Educational Excellence.

Keegan was strong safety and wide receiver for the 1998-99 district champion eighth grade Piper football team.

He was also on the eighth grade A team district runner-up basketball team.

He plays trumpet in the Sweepstakes award Piper Band and received a #1 on his solo at district. He was a member of the All-District Band and performed at ACU in Abilene. He is also a member of the Piper Jazz Band.

Kursten and Keegan are the children of Billy Bob and Cindy Reynolds and the grandchildren of Bud and Sequoyah Reynolds.

## Melody Speck Carver is Texas Tech graduate

Melody Speck Carver, daughter of Jo and the late Royce Speck and wife of Ricky J. Carver, received her bachelor of arts degree in sociology from Texas Tech University on May 15, 1999.

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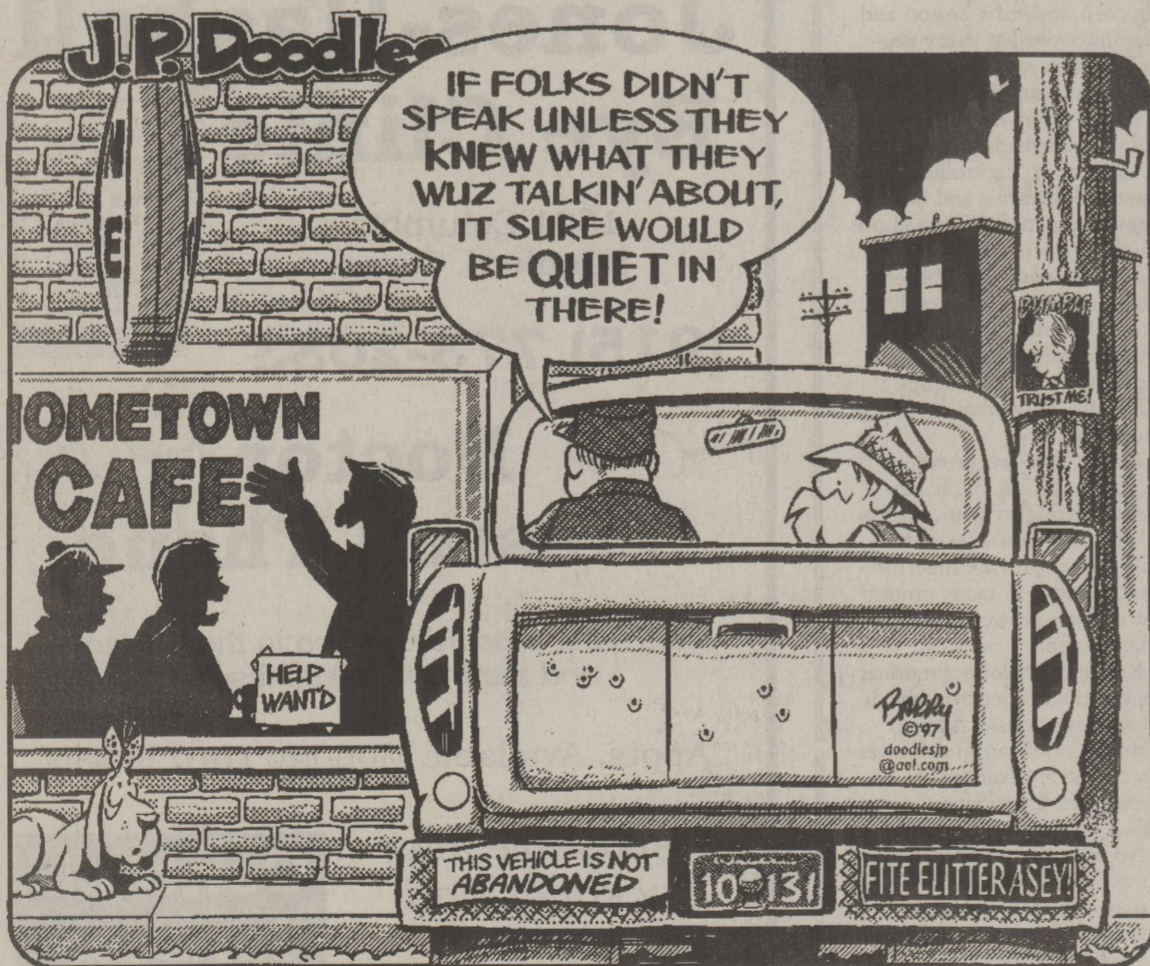
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**Large receives ASU's Carr scholarship**

SAN ANGELO - Aaron D. Large from Knox City High School has been awarded a Carr Academic Scholarship at Angelo State University for 1999-2000. Carr Academic Scholarships are being awarded for 1999-2000, ranging in value from \$1,500 to \$6,000, to qualified undergraduates. During the current year over 900 students from throughout Texas and the nation, as well as numerous foreign countries are attending Angelo State University on Carr Academic Scholarships.

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**Three Knox City grads are on ASU dean's list**

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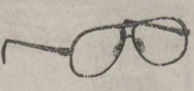
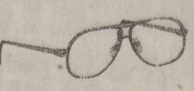

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CONTROL NUMBER: 6044-93-001 DBE/HUB GOAL: 0.0%  
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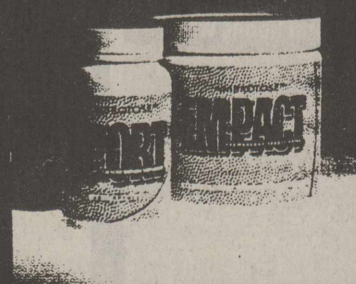
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## Benjamin news

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

The last bell of the 1998-99 school year has rung, lockers cleaned out, books and papers put away, commencements over and kids, teachers and parents are ready for a few weeks break. I hope everyone enjoys their vacation time - whether it's work or play - change in routine is always good.

The eighth grade graduation was Thursday night at the Memorial Building. The bandstand served as the stage beautifully decorated in a western motif. Lots of greenery, twinkle lights and purple and white completed the decor. The program was as follows: Processional - taped music, Invocation - Adam Welch, Class Will - Pate Meinzer and Trey Propps, Class Prophecy - John Shaw and Anthony Lamb, Salutatory Address - Lisa Siemens, Valedictory Address - Matthew Coffman, Introduction of Speaker - Robin McClellan, Address - Bob Rogers, Presentation of Awards - Ben Grill, Presentation of Diplomas - Tracy Cartwright (president of school board), Benediction - John Reed, Recessional - taped music.

Awards given were the trophy for salutatorian that went to Lisa Siemens, daughter of Jacob and Tina Siemens. Lisa's average was 94.07.

The valedictorian award went to Matthew Coffman, son of Robert and Marilyn Coffman. His average was 96.07.

Special recognition was given to Kenneth Carroll, who has volunteered for lots of things around school this year, the main thing being volunteering to drive the bus on all those school trips - ballgames, judging contests, field trips, etc. Kenneth didn't get a certificate, trophy or ribbon but a miniature bus signed by all the students to show their gratitude. Everyone thanks Kenneth for his endeavors.

A reception honoring the graduates followed the program.

Graduates were Gloria Barraza, Billy (Bubba) Benson, Matthew Coffman, Robin McClellan, Pate Meinzer, Trapper Meinzer, Criselda Nunez, Trey Propps, John Reed, Lisa Siemens and Adam Welch.

Stage attendants were Brittany Sheedy and Tyler Collins and programs were handed out by Lindsey Penman, Ashley Bufkin and Mary Siemens.

High School Commencement - In the same setting as the Junior High, the High School graduation was Friday night. The program was Processional - Judy Ichertz, Invocation - Clint Home, Salutatory Address - Gina Bolanos, Valedictory Address - Hardy Coffman, Introduction of

Speaker - Tyler Carroll, Address - Kent Josselet (former teacher and coach at BHS), Presentation of Awards - Supt. Ben Grill, Presentation of Diplomas - Tracy Cartwright, assisted by Dick McCanlies, vice-president of school board, Benediction - Lacy Mayo, Recessional - Judy Ichertz.

Ushers, stage attendants and handing out programs were J.J. Rios, Justin Waldron, Carmen Acevedo, Mica Larned, Elizabeth Hostas and Lynne Moorhouse.

Awards presented for perfect attendance went to Jesse Grimaldo from 12th grade, 11th - Carmen Acevedo, 9th - Sandra Acevedo, 5th - Tomas Acevedo, 3rd - Lucas Cartwright, Judith Acevedo, Judit Acevedo, 1st - Roberto Acevedo, Mitchell Ham. These students were neither absent nor tardy the whole school year.

Students maintaining a 90 or above average for the year and receiving an award were 1st - Dillon Benson, Will Moorhouse, 2nd - Devin Jones, Gage Moorhouse, Colton Porter, 3rd - Judith Acevedo, Judit Acevedo, Samantha Brown, Joseph Bufkin, Lucas Cartwright, Nafeesa Ebraheim, Tina Siemens, 4th - Sadie Benson, Joshua Bufkin, Brittany Kuehler, Jenna McCanlies, Kaitlyn Kuehler, 5th - Kevin Porter, 6th - Maria Acevedo, Matthew Cartwright, Jessica Moorhouse, Chance Propps, 7th - Enrique Acevedo, Ashley Bufkin, Jonathan Shaw, 8th - Matthew Coffman, Lisa Siemens, 9th - Sandra Acevedo, Ashley Cartwright, Elizabeth Moorhouse, 10th - Toby Rainwater, 11th - Carmen Acevedo, Elizabeth Hostas, Lynne Moorhouse, 12th - Gina Bolanos, Misty Ham, Hardy Coffman, Lacy Mayo.

For a school the size of Benjamin (ADA) that's a pretty good percentage for an "A" average - Says quite a bit for our teachers and our school, doesn't it?

Other awards and recognition were a certificate of congratulations for their achievement of graduation from high school presented by the State of Texas and signed by our State Rep. David Counts given to each graduate, the UIL Scholarship Award given to top ranking student in high school - that went to Hardy Coffman. Misty Ham, daughter of Mitzi, received a \$500.00 memorial scholarship to VRJC. Honor graduates, Hardy Coffman, valedictorian with a four year average of 97.0 and Gina Bolanos, daughter of Joel and Hope, with an average of 90.61 were each presented a trophy. Trophies were also given to the Junior High and High School students who had the highest average for the year - the

Coffman brothers, Hardy and Matthew, sons of Marilyn and Robert, received those awards. Two other high school students, Lynne Moorhouse and Ashley Cartwright, received special recognition as they have an average of 96. They are the children of Mike and Debra Moorhouse and Tracy and Susan Cartwright.

And one more graduation was held Thursday night before the eighth grade program - that of kindergarten. Three little pupils, Lance Green, Crystal Baldwin and Cody Propps have now entered first grade. They gave a short program, led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and Texas Flag. And concluded the program by declaring "We are ready for first grade, but, is first grade ready for us?" Ready or not, they will be there come the start of school again!! Carol Dickson is kindergarten teacher and presented their "diplomas".

Party Honors Students - Friday night, following commencement, "Project Graduation" was held in the gym. Games, contests and just a lot of fun was enjoyed by a number of students and their guests. Prizes, cash and food were donated by various businesses and individuals from Benjamin, Knox City, Munday, Seymour, Haskell, Gilliland and Goree. These prizes made the evening much more pleasant. Each student (not guests) went home with at least two prizes. The "lock-in" lasted until about 3:00 a.m. Several adults stayed with them to insure a good time for all.

Not much change in the conditions of our friends who are not feeling too well these days. Bill and Pearl Ryder, Debra Moorhouse and Ruth Idol continue in need of your prayers.

Here 'N There - Wade Pierce of South Plains College in Levelland was here Friday night to visit relatives and friends and to attend the high school graduation.

Kathy Zapata and children of Wichita Falls and Ricky Trepanier and his friend, Jennifer of Abilene, visited Joe and Julia Trepanier during the weekend.

Jeremy Amburgy of TSTI in Sweetwater visited his parents, Gary and Joann Hamilton, Thursday.

Blaine Conner has returned to Benjamin to finish her school days. She'll be a senior in the fall. Blaine lived in Colorado City the last semester of her junior year. Glad to have her back home - where she belongs!

Joy and Charles Jones were in Wichita Falls Saturday for commencement of Rider High School at D.L. Ligon Coliseum. Their granddaughter, Jessica Jones, daughter of David, was a member of the graduating class.

Clodell Duke was in Wichita Falls one day last week to be with her son-in-law, Denny McCarthy of Iowa Park, who underwent some back surgery. Denny is doing fine. He is Sue's husband.

Carla Porter (Alan's mom - not his wife) underwent surgery in Waxahachie Tuesday. She's back home now and doing well. Still a little uncomfortable but that will be better in a few days.

Sharon Johnson and Maretha Patterson spent the weekend in Seminole with Sharon's daughter, Suzanne Overton and family.

Christi and Ryan Ross and little daughter, Kate of Mill Creek, Oklahoma, and Rhonda Sheldon of Sidney, Iowa, visited their parents, Jack and Judie Whitten and other relatives and friends several days last week.

Weekend guests of Don and Louise Hertel were their son Craig and his wife Donna of Gainesville.

Trevor Neil and Dustin Collins of Haltom City are here for an extended visit with their grandparents, Jack and Mary Young.

Weekend guests of Weldon Gideon and Jane Gideon were their daughters, Sue Terry of Dallas and Lana Mendoza of Seymour and their families and Jane's sister Joy Yancey of Lakeside City.

Summer school starts Tuesday, June 1, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Belle Grill, Nancy McGreger and Jimmie Ryder will be handling those classes.

And the seniors leave the last of the week for a trip the Bahamas. This will likely be their last "outing" as a group. Have fun, y'all!!

Robert Coffman, the class sponsor and his wife will make the trip with them.

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