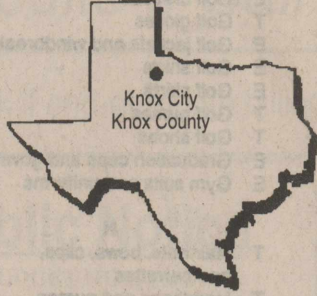


Two-a-day workouts for football, volleyball teams begin this week, school starts August 12

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Although smaller, Chamber's Watermelon Festival is a big success and enjoyed by all



WITH EVERYONE HAVING A GREAT DAY, the 11th Knox City Watermelon Festival was held last Saturday at the City Park. Shown at the right side of this photo, Leona Burkham of Knox City was decked out in watermelon accented attire and enjoying herself as both she and Sharon Cypert of Munday enjoyed eating watermelon slices. (NEWS photo)



ALL DECKED OUT FOR THE FESTIVAL and wide-eyed at all that was happening around them, this pair of sisters seemed to really be enjoying themselves as they traveled around the City Park in their double stroller. Looking for the camera is 14 month old Kylie Harrison (at left), while 2 1/2 year old Keelie Harrison is shown on the right with her sunglasses on. (NEWS photo)



LOOKING LIKE HE WAS AT THE END OF A VERY LONG DAY, 3 year old Ruger Pease of Possum Kingdom is shown here with his inflatable airplane that looked like it too had suffered in the hot sun long enough. Ruger is the nephew of Danny and Michelle Parker of Knox City and has been at the Watermelon Festival for the past 3 years. In fact, his first 'big outing' after he was born was the Knox City Watermelon Festival, so his coming to Knox City for the festivities last Saturday is now a family tradition. (NEWS photo)

Watermelon Festival golf tournament draws 22 entries

The annual Knox City Chamber of Commerce Watermelon Festival three-person golf scramble proved to be a success Saturday at the KC Country Club.

Tournament chairman Will Vacek, assisted by Sammie Offield, reported a field of 22 entries for the day. Winners by flights were:

Championship Flight

First - Weldon Skiles, Rhonda Thane, Bruce Skiles, 61;

Second - Mike Davis, Will Vacek, Sammie Offield, 62;

Third - Charles Pack, Charlie Starnes, Keith Early, 63; *

* won six hole playoff after four-way tie with teams of Scooter Thompson, Nefro Gonzales Jr. and J.J. Rios; Kim

Clonts, Greg Clonts and Anne Underwood; and a three-person out-of-town entry.

First Flight

First - Donnie Roberts, Ken Roberts, Fred McGreger, 65;

Second - Craig Wilde, Russell Wilde, Homer Rolston, 65;

Third - Tim Johnson, Glenn Pogue, Lance Hanson, 65;

Second Flight

First - David Neal, Nathan Neal, Wes Crawford, 68;

Second - Jerry Don Garcia, David Carver, Steve McNelly, 69;

Third - Mike Adkins, SuLynn Easterling, Dave Oxford, 69.

Closest to Pin

Kim Clonts

Closest to the Watermelon

Sammy B. White

4-H & FFA Show lamb and goat validation orders due August 13

By Paul Wizer,
County Extension Agent-Ag

Every year, in an attempt to ensure fair play, all 4-H and FFA show animals must be validated.

This validation is to help enforce ownership deadlines set by the Jr. Livestock shows.

In order to show a market lamb
See Lamb & goat, page 10



VISITING WITH FRIENDS goes on all day long at Knox City's annual Watermelon Festival. Shown here are (from left to right) Bobbie Harrison, State Representative David Counts and his wife, Mary.



A LARGE NUMBER of people enjoyed the many booths and activities at the 11th Annual Watermelon Festival. (NEWS photo)

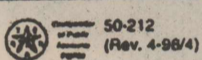
Knox City-O'Brien CISD 1999 Dress Code inside this issue on page 4

Three-day Sales Tax Holiday for Clothing and Footwear - August 6-8, 1999

Effective Date: July 5, 1999 (T = taxable; E = exempt)

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| <p>A</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> T Accessories (generally) T Barrettes T Belt buckles (sold separately) T Bobby pins T Briefcases T Elastic ponytail holders T Hair bows T Hair clips T Handbags T Handkerchiefs T Headbands T Jewelry T Key cases T Purses T Wallets T Watch bands T Watches E Adult diapers T Alterations E Antique clothing E Aprons (household) T Aprons (welders) E Athletic socks T Athletic supporters <p>B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E Baby clothes E Baby diapers E Baby diapers (cloth or disposable) E Baby bibs T Backpacks E Baseball caps T Baseball gloves T Baseball cleats E Baseball jerseys T Baseball pants T Bathing caps E Bathing suits T Belt buckles E Belts with attached buckles T Belts for weight lifting T Bicycle shoes (cleated) E Blouses E Boots (general purpose) T Climbing (cleated or spiked) E Cowboy T Fishing (waders) E Hiking T Overshoes and galoshes T Rubber work boots T Ski T Waders E Bow ties E Bowling shirts T Bowling shoes (rented and sold) E Bras | <p>C</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E Camp clothes E Caps (baseball, fishing, golf) E Chef uniforms E Children's novelty costumes T Chest protectors E Choir robes E Clerical vestments T Cloth and lace, knitting yarns, and other fabrics T Clothing repair items, such as thread, buttons, tapes, and iron-on patches E Coats and wraps T Corsages and boutonnières E Corsets E Costumes (Halloween, Santa Claus, etc. excluding rentals) E Coveralls <p>D</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E Diapers (cloth and disposable) E Dresses T Dry cleaning services <p>E</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> T Elbow pads E Employee uniforms (unless rented) <p>F</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> T Fabrics, thread, buttons, lace, patterns, knitting yarns T Fins (swim) T Fishing boots (waders) E Fishing caps E Fishing vests (nonfloatation) E Football jerseys T Football pads T Football pants E Formal clothing (unless rented) E Fur coats and stoles <p>G</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E Garters and garter belts E Girdles, bras, and corsets E Gloves (generally) T Baseball T Batting T Bicycle E Dress (unless rented) T Garden T Golf T Hockey | <p>H</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E Leather gloves T Rubber gloves T Surgical gloves T Tennis gloves T Work gloves T Goggles E Golf caps E Golf dresses E Golf gloves E Golf jackets and windbreakers E Golf shirts E Golf skirts E Golf purses T Golf shoes E Graduation caps and gowns E Gym suits and uniforms <p>I</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> T Hair nets, bows, clips, and barrettes T Handbags and purses T Handkerchiefs T Hard hats E Hats T Headbands T Helmets (bike, baseball, football, hockey, motorcycle, sports) T Hockey gloves E Hooded shirts and hooded sweatshirts E Hosiery, including support hosiery E Hunting vests <p>J</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> T Ice skates T Insoles E Jackets E Jeans T Jewelry T Jewelry tiaras E Jogging apparel, such as bras, suits, and shorts <p>K</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> T Knee pads E Knitted caps or hats <p>L</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E Lab coats T Laundering services T Leather goods, except leather belts and leather wearing apparel E Leg warmers E Leotards and tights T Life jackets and vests | <p>M</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E Men's formal wear (unless rented) <p>N</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E Neckwear and ties E Nightgowns and nightshirts E Nylons <p>O-P</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> T Overshoes and rubber shoes T Pads (football, hockey, soccer, elbow, knee, shoulder) E Painter pants T Paint or dust respirators and incidental supplies E Pajamas E Pants E Panty hose T Patterns T Personal flotation devices T Pocket squares T Protective gloves T Protective masks <p>R</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E Raincoats and ponchos E Rain hats E Religious clothing T Rented clothing (including uniforms, formal wear, and costumes) T Repair of clothing or footwear T Ribbons E Riding pants E Robes T Roller blades T Roller skates <p>S</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> T Safety clothing (normally worn in hazardous occupations) T Safety glasses (except prescription) E Safety shoes (adaptable for street wear) T Safety shoes (not adaptable for street wear) E Scarves E Scout uniforms T Sewing patterns E Shawls and wraps T Shin guards and padding E Shirts | <p>Shirts (hooded)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> T Shoe inserts T Shoelaces E Shoes (generally) T Ballet T Baseball cleats T Bicycle (cleated) E Boat T Bowling T Cleated or spiked E Cross trainers E Dress T Fishing boots (waders) E Flip-flops (rubber thongs) T Football T Golf T Jazz and dance E Jellies T Overshoes E Running (without cleats) E Safety (suitable for everyday use) E Sandals E Slippers E Sneakers and tennis T Soccer (cleated) T Spiked or cleated T Tap dance E Tennis T Track and cleats T Wading/water sport E Walking T Shoe shines T Shoe repairs T Shoulder pads (for dresses, jackets, etc.) T Shoulder pads (football, hockey, sports) E Shorts T Shower caps T Skates (ice and roller) T Ski boots (snow) T Ski vests (water) T Ski suits (snow) E Skirts E Sleepwear, nightgowns, pajamas E Slippers E Slips E Soccer socks E Socks T Sports helmets T Sports pads (football, hockey, soccer, knee, elbow, shoulder) E Suits, slacks, and jackets T Sunglasses (except prescription) E Support hosiery <p>Suspenders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E Sweatbands (arm, wrist, head) E Sweatshirts E Sweat suits E Sweaters T Swimming masks and goggles E Swim suits E Swim trunks <p>Tennis dresses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E Tennis shorts E Tennis shoes E Tennis skirts E Ties (neckties - all) E Tights T Track shoes and cleats E Trousers E Tuxedo, excluding, cufflinks, and rentals <p>Umbrellas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E Underclothes E Underpants E Undershirts E Uniforms (school, work, nurse, waitress, military, postal, police, fire) <p>Veils</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E Veils (general) T Bulletproof E Fishing (nonfloatation) T Flotation E Hunting T Scuba T Water-ski T Wallets T Watch bands T Watches T Water ski vests T Water ski vests T Weight lifting belts T Wet and dry suits E Work clothes E Work uniforms E Workout clothes T Wrist bands |
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This list is intended to provide examples; it is not intended to include all items that may qualify for exemption during the sales tax holiday. If you have questions, please contact the Comptroller's Office at 1-800-252-5555.



1999 Property Tax Rates in CITY OF KNOX CITY

This notice concerns 1999 property tax rates for CITY OF KNOX CITY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

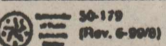
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 145,016.30
Last year's debt taxes	\$ -0-
Last year's total taxes	\$ 145,016.30
Last year's tax base	\$ 20,737,328
Last year's total tax rate	\$.6993 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 144,688.44
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 19,939,620
= This year's effective tax rate	\$.7256 /\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	\$ 144,688.44
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 19,939,620
= This year's effective operating rate	\$.7256 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.7836 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ -0- /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$.7836 /\$100



Schedule A Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
GENERAL	40,513.80

Schedule B 1999 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Interest to be Paid		Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
	Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	to be Paid from Property Taxes		
NONE				

THIS ENTITY, CITY OF KNOX CITY, DOES NOT HAVE A DEBT SECURED BY PROPERTY TAXES

Total required for 1999 debt service	\$
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$
- Excess collections last year	\$
- Total to be paid from taxes in 1999	\$
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only _____ % of its taxes in 1999	\$
= Total Debt Levy	\$

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at **KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT**. Name of person preparing this notice **STANTON BROWN**. Title **CHIEF APPRAISER & TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR**. Date prepared **AUGUST 2, 1999**

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Note: Since we are a small business with a full time staff of two, these times may vary as we cover news & sports stories, take pictures, conduct business or handle family matters. Thanks in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

FCS county agent attends College Station conference

Jane Rowan, County Extension agent for Family Consumer Sciences, was one of more than 1,000 faculty members who attended the Texas Agricultural Extension Service conference in College Station.

The three day conference was aimed at preparing faculty for a "new century of service" to the state.

"As a knowledge based organization, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service has been educating Texans for 85 years through a wide array of outreach activities, Dr. Edward A. Hiler, vice chancellor and dean for the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Texas A&M University and Extension director.

"The Extension service has brought the resources of a land-grant university to local communities in ways that had a positive impact on people's lives and communities. We have always been able to respond effectively to changing needs because we continue to listen to people, hear what they say and take action."

Participants were drawn in from across the state for the first time in 11 years.

Keynote speakers included Dr. Lowell Catlett, professor of agricultural economics and agricultural business at New Mexico State University, who spoke on "Getting Extension's Future in Focus"; Michael Boehje, professor of agricultural economics, and David King, head of the department of agricultural communications at Purdue University, who spoke on "Meeting the Private Sector Challenge"; and David Hutchens, a corporate consultant and author,

who discussed "Out-learning the Wolves: Re-imagining Your Community as a Learning System."

Extension faculty were also able to participate in continuing education sessions on topics such as mediating conflict in communities, achieving customer service excellence, creating and nurturing collaborations and partnerships, building Extension volunteer programs, interpersonal communications, and empowering team leadership.

Other sessions included biotechnology, health and water issues in the 21st century, youth assets, trends in liability and risk issues, nature tourism, attracting and retaining to-notch employees, effective teaching on the World Wide Web and learning styles and learner-centered teaching. Some faculty were able to take advantage of first aid certification as well.

The Extension Service provides a range of research-based information and education to people in every Texas county. Faculty include specialists and county agents with expertise in agriculture and natural resources, consumer and family sciences and 4-H and youth development.

Educational programs of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are open to all citizens with 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.

Controlling High Blood Pressure



High blood pressure is linked to about 200,000 deaths in the United States each year. Of the 50 million Americans with the condition:

- 32 percent are unaware they have it
- 27 percent are on medication and have it controlled
- 26 percent are on medication but do not have it controlled
- 15 percent are not on medication



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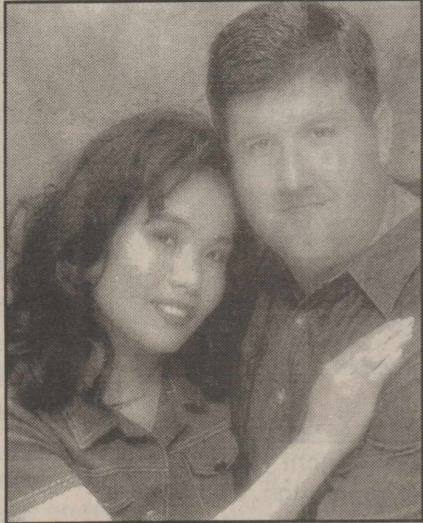
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Trabajo - Logsdon

An August 28 wedding is planned for Sandra Navarro Trabajo and Anthony Glenn Logsdon at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Rhine-land.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Atty. and Dr. Romeo Trabajo of the Philippines. She is employed as the Director of Nurses at the Brazos Valley Care Home.

The prospective bridegroom, son of Carliss Anthony Logsdon of Knox City and Walta Lopez of Spur, is employed as an agent with the American National Insurance Company.



Sandra Navarro Trabajo
Anthony Glenn Logsdon

Peggy Estrada is business school grad

Peggy Estrada graduated Thursday, July 29, from International Business School in Maryland.

Peggy had the honor of being named valedictorian of her class.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Humberto Gutierrez of O'Brien, Peggy is a graduate of Knox City High School.

First Baptist to host men's breakfast Sat.

The men of First Baptist Church will be hosts for this month's Men's Breakfast set for Saturday, August 7, at 7:00 a.m. in the church fellowship hall.

All men of the community are invited to attend.

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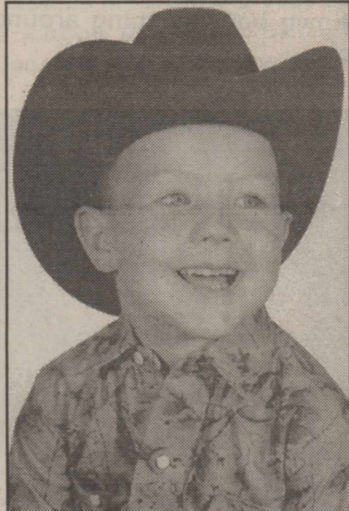
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Booster Club to organize Monday at 7:00

The Greyhound Booster Club is ready to gear up for a great year! An organizational meeting will be held Monday, August 9, at 7:00 p.m. in the high school library.

Booster Club president Dale Turner encourages all parents of athletes to be there and well as any and all Greyhound and Houndette supporters.

FROM CHILDRESS

Former residents Mr. and Mrs. George Wall of Childress visited Knox City friends Thursday of last week.

New Arrivals

It's a boy!

Jace Aaron Terry

Jace Aaron Terry was born Monday, July 26, in Pampa, Texas, to Mandy (Mongrain) and Micheal Terry of Monroe, Oklahoma.

The baby weighed seven pounds and one-half ounce.

Jace Aaron has a big brother Cody, who is almost three.

Grandparents are Rocky and Pam Mongrain of Knox City and Jackie and Emily Swafford of McLean.

Great-grandparents are Clarence and Ora Billingsley of McLean and Marie Darr of Knox City.



Mongrain obit additions

Following the obituary of Erin Mongrain in last week's *The Knox County News*, family members has asked that the following names also be included, brothers and sisters Sherry Patterson of Dallas, Jackie Dawn Bennifield of Pittsburg, Kansas, Logan, Josh and David Swafford of McLean and Crissy Simpson of McLean.

She was preceded in death by three grandparents, Shorty Bateman Mongrain, George Mongrain Sr. and Dewey Darr.

The family requests that memorials be made to the Church of Christ Building Fund.

D.B. Darnell

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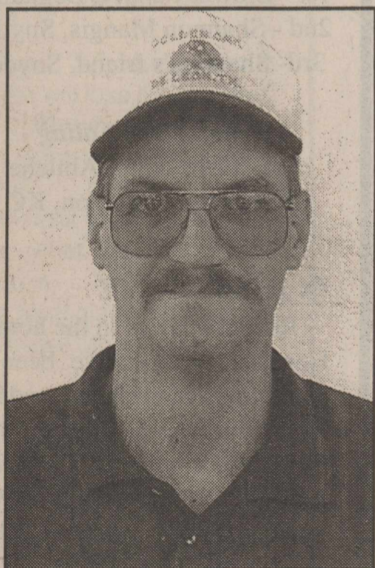
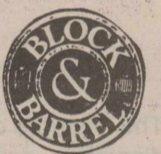
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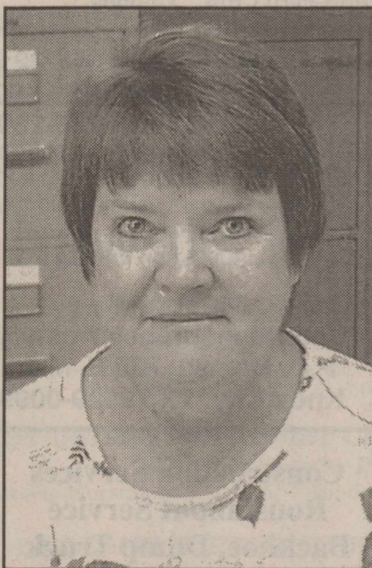
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Danny Parker
City Manager



Brenda Correll
City Secretary

From The Knox County News, we just thought it was time to say.....

THANK YOU

to each of our city employees for all you do for your community.

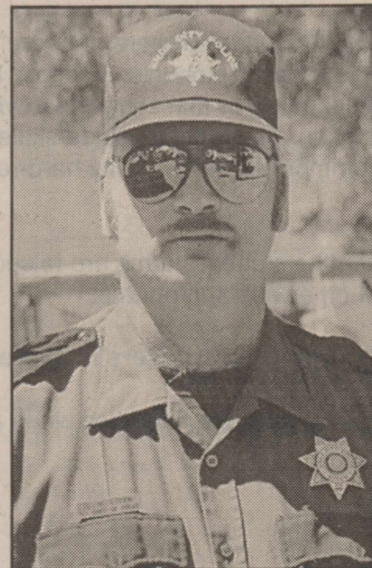
Working for the public is not easy because you can never please everyone, yet these employees do their very best each and every day to keep Knox City a great place to live, work, and raise families.

While there are those who seem to always complain and criticize, we would like to express our appreciation to each of these city workers for their hard work and dedication to the many jobs they perform throughout the city.

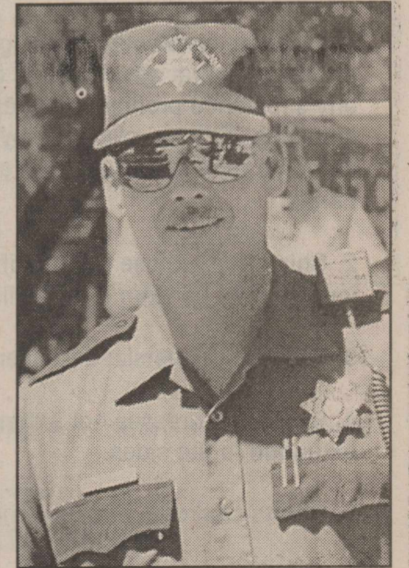
Underpaid, understaffed and often overworked, these city workers work hard to handle every routine matter or any emergency that develops.

While most never give much thought to your jobs and others only complain or take you for granted, we wanted to take this opportunity to express our gratitude for your hard work and friendly attitude.

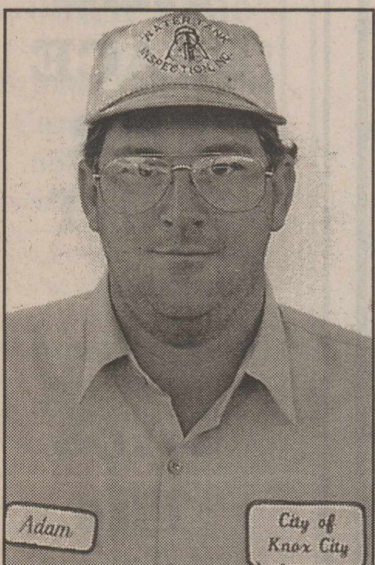
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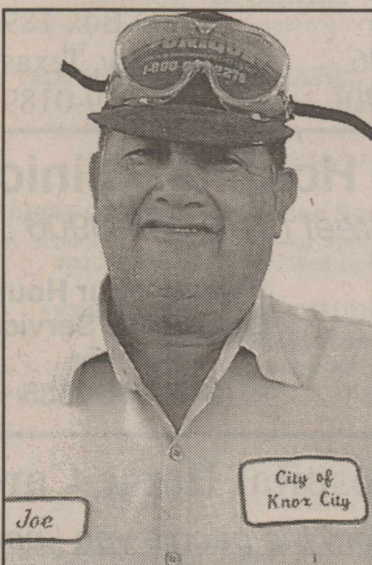
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Chief of Police



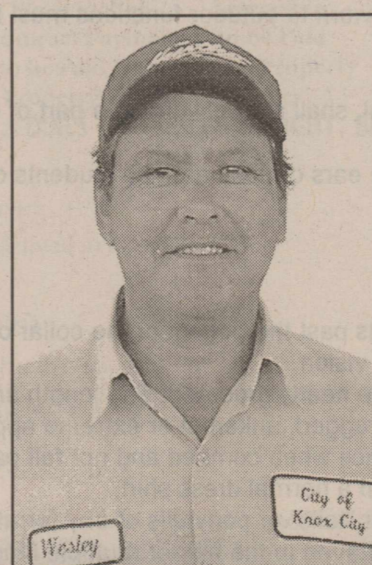
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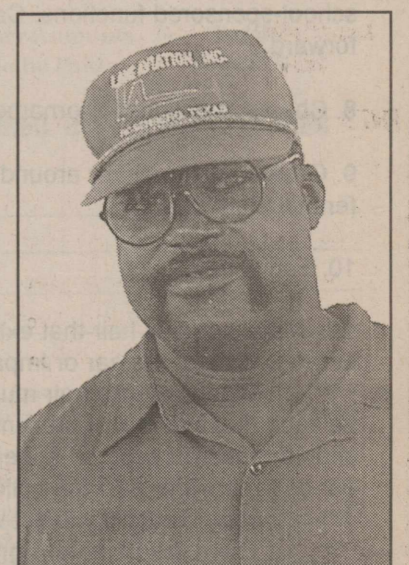
Adam Campbell
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Joe Guerrero
Maintenance Dept.



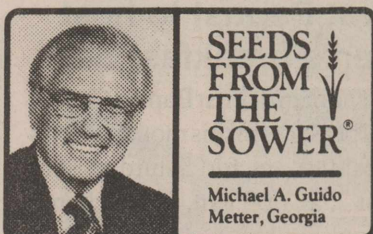
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VISITS IN NEW MEXICO
Jennifer Eaton returned home Friday after a three week visit in Roswell, New Mexico, with Rick and Jerain Spurrier.

FROM AMARILLO
J.D. and Betty Rowell of Amarillo visited during the weekend in the home of Billie and Frank McAuley.

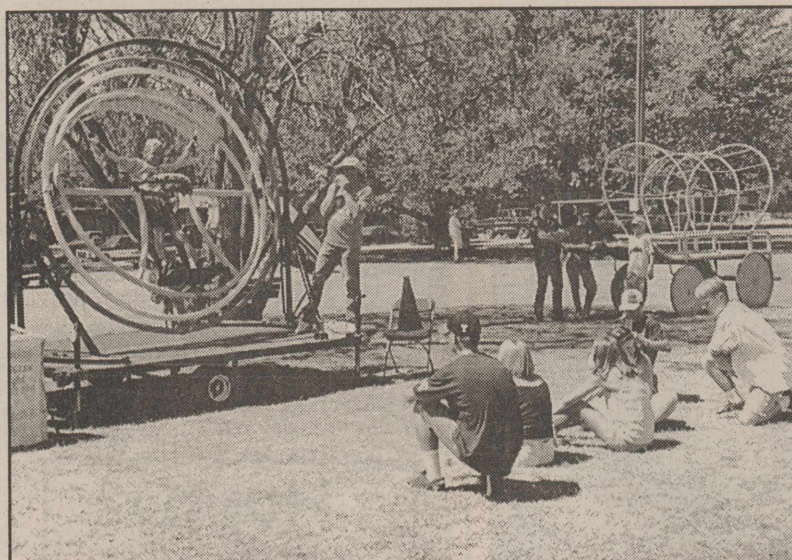


SEEDS FROM THE SOWER
Michael A. Guido
Metter, Georgia

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, the famous author of detective stories, sent a telegram to twelve outstanding men. It read: "Fly at once: all's discovered." Within twenty-four hours all twelve had left the country. Why? A guilty conscience.

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THIS SPINNING RIDE was fun to ride and to watch! Popular each year, the booth is a big hit with the younger generation. Nikke Moss is shown here spinning around while several other teenagers watch. (NEWS photo)



TAKING IN HIS FIRST WATERMELON FESTIVAL, 10 day old Tyler Glenn Johnson of Haskell showed up at the City Park on Saturday wearing a watermelon decorated outfit. Tyler is the son of Tim and Trish Johnson and enters a long family history in the watermelon business. (NEWS photo)

Immunization clinic to be in Munday on Thursday, August 12

The Texas Department of Health will conduct an Immunization Clinic at the Perry Patton Community Center in Munday on Thursday, August 12, from 10:00-11:30 and 1:00-3:00. Participants are asked to note the date change due to scheduling.

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 at the office and is now being given to 12 month old thru 15 year olds. Those interested in more information on the varicella should 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 ability to pay.

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

Watermelon festival winners in other contests

Coloring Contest

- 1st - Sydney Hedgecoke, age 5
- 2nd - Jarek Wilde, age 5
- 3rd - Josie Cantu

- 1st - Laura Vasquez, age 8
- 2nd - Edward Sanchez, age 6
- 3rd - Derrick Northrup, age 7

- 1st - Tiffany Wilde, age 10
- 2nd - Johnny (no last name), 10
- 3rd - Shannon Mangis, 10

- 1st - Erica Nevarez, 12
- 2nd - Tanisha Patel, 11
- 3rd - Dimple Patel, 12

- Sculpturing Contest**
- 1st - Clower Family, Benjamin
 - 2nd - Shannon Mangis, Snyder
 - 3rd - Shannon's friend, Snyder

- Watermelon Eating**
- 1st - Cole Ward, Abilene
 - 2nd - Jeremy Saxton, KC

IN JONES HOME

Recent visitors in the home of Henry J. Jones have been his daughters, Nancy Huber and family of Pineville, Louisiana; Sarah Roye and family of Carrollton, Adrian Cheek and family of Abilene, Emmy Jones of Lubbock and Martha Jones of Austin.

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1999 HOUNDETTE VOLLEYBALL

Pre-Season Volleyball Notes

August 4 - Two a day practice sessions begin

August Game Schedule

24	Chillicothe	JV, V	At Chillicothe	4:00 p.m.
28	Harrold/ Abilene Dual	V	At Knox City	11:00 a.m.
31	Goree	V	At Knox City	5:00 p.m.

September Game Schedule

4	Woodson	V	At Woodson	TBA
7	Rotan	JV, V	At Rotan	5:00 p.m.
11	Harrold	JV, V	At Harrold	TBA
14	Aspermont	JV, V	At Knox City	5:00 p.m.
21	Benjamin	V	At Knox City	6:00 p.m.
25	Chillicothe	JV, V	At Knox City	1:00 p.m.
28	Rochester	JV, V	At Rochester	5:00 p.m.

October Game Schedule

5	Goree	V	At Goree	5:00 p.m.
12	Rotan	JV, V	At Knox City	5:00 p.m.
19	Aspermont	JV, V	At Aspermont	5:00 p.m.
23	Benjamin	V	At Benjamin	6:00 p.m.
26	Rochester	JH, V	At Knox City	5:00 p.m.

1999-2000 School Dress Code
Knox City - O'Brien CISD

The District's dress code is established to teach grooming and hygiene, prevent disruption, and minimize safety hazards. Students and parents may determine a student's personal dress and grooming standards, provided that they comply with District guidelines.

Dress and grooming practices that create safety hazards or disruption and therefore are prohibited include the following:

1. Pictures, emblems or writing on clothing, or elsewhere, that are lewd, offensive, vulgar or obscene, that advertises or depicts tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, drugs or any substance prohibited under school policy or that suggests devil worship/occult activities, either explicitly or by innuendo. This would include skeletons, skulls or demonic representations that are commonly used by many hard-rock or other types of bands.
2. Shirts that expose the midriff when the student's arms are raised. Tank-tops and jerseys may be worn over t-shirts, if otherwise appropriate.
3. "Baggy" or oversized trousers. "Sagging" of trousers is expressly forbidden.
4. Skirts and dresses not extending to at least the fingertips when arms and fingers are extended to the sides.
5. Shorts or skorts, except during PE.
6. Clothing that is considered revealing, excessively tight, clothing with slits, splits, tears or holes, or deemed inappropriate by the building principal.
7. Hats, caps, head-dress, etc., shall not be worn in school buildings or at any indoor school-sponsored functions. Caps worn to outdoor functions must be worn with the bill forward.
8. Chains, functional or ornamental, shall not be worn as a part of clothing.
9. Ornaments in, on, or around the ears or nose of male students or nose ornaments on female students.
10. Facial hair.
11. Male students hair that extends past the bottom of the collar on a normal dress shirt or the middle of the ear or impairs vision.
 - *** Male student's hair must be neatly groomed. The length and bulk of the hair will be such that it does not present a ragged, unkempt or extreme appearance. The hair should present a tapered appearance when combed and not fall past the middle of the ear or eyebrow or past the collar on a normal dress shirt.
 - *** Male students will not wear "tails" or ponytails of any form.
 - *** There will be no designs shaved in the hair or multiple lengths of hair above the ears.
 - *** "Chili bowl", "chopped" or "cropped" cuts do not conform to the above policy.

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Rolling Plains Leadership class to begin in Sept.

The Rolling Plains Rural Leadership Class will start on September 16, 1999. The leadership class is an innovative program to train and promote a network of leaders aggressively involved in the economic and community development of Haskell, Jones and Knox Counties.

The leadership class will provide perspective into the tri-counties while helping the participants understand the assets, needs and resources of the area.

Rolling Plains Rural Leadership is a six-session commitment from September through graduation in April.

The first session will be held at Camp Tonkawa, south of Abilene. This session involves teamwork, communication, problem solving, leadership and trust in self and others. There will be four one-day sessions that meet on the second Wednesday of the month. The sixth session will be a trip to Austin for graduation.

The focus of the sessions will include communication skills, conflict management, leadership styles, problem solving, and team building.

Graduates of the Rolling Plains Leadership Class will be encouraged to use the knowledge and skills they have learned to improve their communities while assuming positions of responsibility.

The ability of Texas communities to devise and implement successful economic development strategies is influenced by the quality of leadership in each community. In recognition of this fact, more than 30 agencies, organizations, private businesses, and individuals with an interest in revitalizing rural Texas have formed an alliance to develop and deliver "Texans in Leadership" throughout the state.

Rolling Plains Rural Leadership is affiliated with the Texas Rural Leadership Program and is sponsored cooperatively by West Texas Utilities, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Four Winds RC&D and Big Country RC&D.

To apply contact West Texas Utilities, Texas Agricultural Extension Service at 915-823-2432, Four Winds RC&D at 940-658-3680 or Big Country RC&D at 915-235-4300.

Thanks for reading
The Knox County News

Hunting season around the corner

By PAUL WEISER
County Extension Agent - Ag

Hunting season is just around the corner. I have begun to hear people asking "Have you seen any birds?" Beginning September 1 the doves will start to fly high and fast. I would like to offer to every dove hunter the best of luck.

Many hunters are also starting to think about deer season. This day will come very quickly once dove season starts. Are you ready? Is your gun sighted in? Do you have an ample amount of ammunition? Have you put a fine edge on your knife? Do you have your feeder full? If you use a blind, is it free from wasps and bees? Do you have permission to hunt on the property you plan to hunt? Most people have already begun to take care of all of these items.

A deer symposium in College Station will be held on September 21-23 covering many of these topics. "Deer Management 101 - From the Ground Up!" will answer many questions that a landowner has regarding the deer herd on their property. For more information on this call Paul Weiser at the county courthouse at 454-2651.

Aging center lunch menus

August 9th thru 13th

Monday, August 9 - Salmon croquette, potato salad, Harvard beets, butter beans, cornbread, fruit pudding.

Tuesday, August 10 - Beef and macaroni casserole, green salad, seasoned hominy, green beans, hot rolls, oatmeal cookies.

Wednesday, August 11 - Chicken strips with gravy, garden salad, mashed potatoes, sweet peas, hot rolls, fruit cobbler.

Thursday, August 12 - Barbecue sandwich, sliced tomato, lettuce, pickles, onion, potato wedges, ranch style beans, fruit cobbler.

Friday, August 13 - Hamburger steak with mushroom sauce, buttered noodles, carrots, hot rolls with peanut butter whip, cake.

(All menus subject to change without notification. It is important to contact the site manager in order that meals can be prepared.)

Bud Hicks rites held July 29

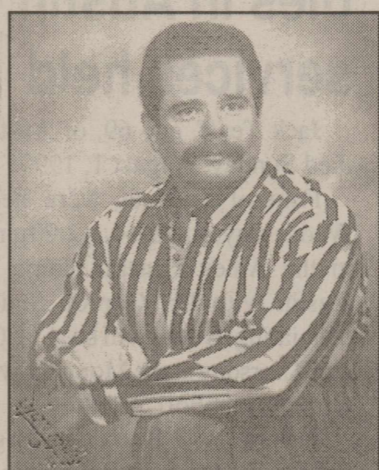
Bud Hicks passed from this earthly life on Tuesday, July 27, 1999. He enjoyed 45 years and two months with his family and friends. Bud was born Marion H. Hicks Jr. in Knox City on his father's birthday, May 27, 1954. He was the son of Lillian and Dee Hicks of Rochester.

He attended Rochester schools, graduating from Rochester High School in 1972. After graduation from Texas Tech University, he went to work for the Texas Department of Human Services and the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services. He had completed 22 years with the state agency in June of this year in the Haskell County Office working in the Adult Protective Services Program.

Bud had served on various local boards such as MHMR, the American Heart Association and the Rochester City Council. Bud had an engaging and compassionate manner with people and did not find it easy to say no to his many clients. He will be sorely missed by his co-workers who eagerly anticipated his next practical joke in the office.

Bud had farmed in Haskell County since the death of his father in 1985 and always enjoyed being outdoors. He especially enjoyed annual fishing trips to the Gulf of Mexico with friends. Bud had a calm, quiet and relaxed approach to life.

Bud is survived by his mother,



MARION H. HICKS JR.
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Lillian Hicks of Rochester; his brother and sister-in-law John Hicks and Suzanne McGuire, also of Rochester. He is also survived by his sister and brother-in-law, Ann and Pat McDaniel of Midland. He is also survived by his nephews, Chance and Morgen McGuire and Jeff Webb.

Services were held at the First Baptist Church in Rochester on July 29, 1999, with Rev. Truett Kuentler officiating assisted by Rev. Ed Buerkle and Sister Kathryn Byrd. Susan Turner, Bobby O'Neal and W.R. Elmore provided the music.

Pallbearers were Eddie Bland, Kenny Cockerell, Tommy English, David Epley, John Hudspeeth, Clint Jones and Bill Roberson.

Interment was in the Rochester Cemetery under the direction of Smith Funeral Home.

Carver rites are held Tuesday

Funeral services for Bud Carver of Knox City were held Tuesday, August 3, at 10:30 a.m. at First Baptist Church in Knox City. The Rev. John Gillespie and the Rev. Johnny Johnson officiated. Burial was in the Rochester Cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Carver, 86, died at his residence Sunday, August 1, following a lengthy illness.

Born July 2, 1913, in Comanche County, his parents were the late John Will and Lydia John Carver. He was a lifetime resident of Knox County.

He married Stella Rex on November 22, 1934, in Knox City. He farmed and ranched and had served as a Knox County Commissioner over Precinct 1 for 16 years.

Mr. Carver served on the Knox County Appraisal Board, was an Honorary Chapter Farmer of FFA, a Charter Member of the Knox City Little League, was on the Farmers Home Administration Board, the Brazos Valley Care Home Board of Directors, an American Legion Member, Carpenter Post; and a founding member of the Brazos Valley Rodeo Association.

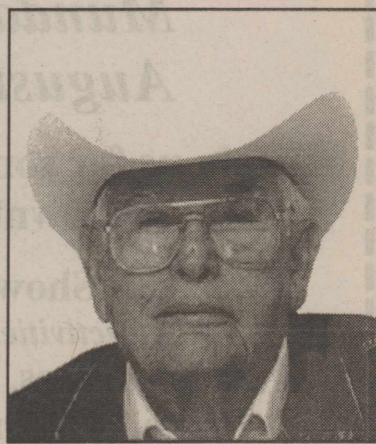
He served in the National Guard during World War II and was a member of the First Baptist Church in Knox City.

Survivors include his wife, Stella of the home; a daughter, Barbara Beaver of Lubbock; a sister, Olean Williams of Imperial, California; three granddaughters, Kecia Griggs of Lubbock, Kelly McCormick of Floydada and Wendy Rasberry of Denver, Colorado; and six great-grandchildren, Holli Elizabeth Griggs and Austin Carver Griggs of Lubbock; McCrae Allen Carver McCormick and Madolyn Keelee McCormick of Floydada; and Kaitlyn Ann Beaver and Carver Andrew Rasberry of Denver, Colorado.

He was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Shirley Joyce Carver; three brothers and five sisters.

Pallbearers were Charlie Lankford, Fred Carver, Craig Carver, Jerry Carver, Clifford Cornett, Don Ross Malone, Guy Todd Jr. and Cyle Carver.

Honorary pallbearers were members of the Witness Men's Sunday School Class, First Baptist Church; and Bobby Roberson, Lee Patterson, Vic Lowry, Weldon Skiles and Willard Skiles.



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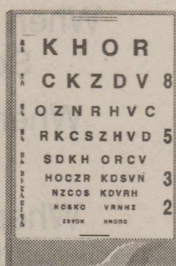
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Munday Trade Days - August 6, 7, 8

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Jack Teaff dies in Austin, services held

Jack Teaff, age 69, of Austin died Sunday, August 1, 1999.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 4, at 2:00 p.m. in the Amey Funeral Home in Austin with Dr. Gordon Smith officiating. Burial will be at 11:00 a.m. Thursday at the Mount Olivet Cemetery in Fort Worth.

Jack, a 1947 Knox City High School graduate, was a member of Riverbend Church. He played college football and boxed in the Golden Gloves.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest and Olie Teaff; his brother, Burriss Teaff; and a son, Sam Teaff.

Survivors include his wife, Kaye; sons, Paul Teaff of Austin and Allen Teaff of North Bend, Washington; two sisters, Ernestine Sellers of Lubbock and Tomi Jane May of Rule; and two grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Knox County American Heart Association, c/o Frankie Baker, P.O. Box 309, Knox City, TX 79529.

Benjamin news

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

With August now here, we continue to face very warm days - matter of fact, it's downright hot!! All the vegetation that's not being watered is dying fast. Do hear of a slight promise of some moisture next week - let's hope!

Took in the watermelon festival Saturday saw lots of folks and heard lots of good music. Made for a good day of entertainment. And a little cloud formed late in the p.m. and cooled things down a little. Think it was meant to let us know that regardless of how hot it gets, it can get a little more pleasant.

I extend sympathy to the family of Bud Carver today. Bud died early today (Sunday). He has been in failing health for some time but never lost his sense of humor and friendliness every time you would see him. He will be missed.

Also sympathy to Butch McCanlies and family. Butch's sister, Aleene Taylor, passed away early last week. She too had not been real well for quite a while. Her funeral was Thursday in Lubbock where she has resided for several years.

Shower Honors Young Mother-To-Be - Misty Ham was honored Sunday afternoon with a baby shower held in First United Methodist Church from 3 until 4. Misty received a big "assortment of goodies" for her little one.

The serving table from which cookies, punch, nuts and mints were served, was covered with a cloth of shades of pastel. Pastel cups, napkins and plates were used and a mesquite branch laden with baby needs (rattles, pacifiers, etc.) and money completed the decor. Hostesses were Carol Dickson,

Stacia Propps, Jimmie Kay Ryder, Judie Whitten, Pam Duke, Nancy McGreger, Betty Bohannon, Gaye Neal, Brenda Larned, Jan Carver, Joy Lynn Ledesma, Valerie Reed, Shannon Propps, Belle Grill and Marilyn Coffman. Their gift to the honoree was a swing.

Here 'N There - Joe and Julia Trepanier were in Abilene Saturday to visit their son and his wife, Ricky and Jennifer. Ricky had to spend a day at the hospital late in the week for a series of tests. No real problems, so far and Rick is feeling better after being put on some medication. We ask your prayers for Ricky.

Clay Conner was in San Antonio week before last to visit his uncle and family. Clay made the trip to San Antonio with his grandmother, Edith Broach of Lubbock.

Jacob and Tina Siemens and children and a friend of their girls from Rotan spent the weekend at Six Flags. They said despite the large crowd, they had a good time.

Charlie Barker of Austin visited his aunt and cousin, Jonnie Williams and Mary Bohannon, one night last week.

Charles Hertel of Midland is here for a few days to visit friends and relatives and his mom in the nursing center in Munday.

Tiffany DeLosSantos of Vernon is spending this week with her grandparents, Charles and Joy Jones.

Omitene Barnett and the Jarrel Barnetts of Baytown attended a family reunion in Elk City, Oklahoma, weekend before last. Jarrel and his wife returned to their home Monday morning.

Bob and Stephanie Brannan of Lubbock spent the weekend with their families there.

Stephen and Sheila Kuehler and family who recently moved to Shamrock were here for a week-end visit with her mom Pat Benson, his family at Rhineland and other relatives and friends. I saw Seth on Wednesday and he says he's liking his new home fine and is already making new friends. We miss them but glad they are re-adjusting.

Joe and Louise Leathers and family have moved to the 4 Six Ranch near Guthrie after living here several years where they were employed by Moorhouse Ranch.

Debbie Clower spent a few days last week in the Dallas area.

Bill and Jeri Loper of Lubbock visited his aunt, Hazel Stockton on Sunday.

Blaine Conner accompanied her friend, Alicia Petiet and Alicia's mom Karen, to the Dallas area the first of last week and "took in" 6 Flags, the Wax Museum and other places of interest.

Leroy and Gloria West are in Abilene today for Leroy to see his doctor.

Has a nice visit with former Benjamin residents, Betty and Jack Hamilton who now reside in Idalou, where they have lived since leaving here. They told me that 3 of their four children live in and around Idalou. Noel and his family live out of Denver, Colorado. Good to hear about them.

Weekend guests of Jane Gideon and Weldon Gideon were their children, Lana Mendoza and family of Seymour and Sue Terry and Summer of Dallas. Jane's brother, Joe Nunley, was a patient in the Knox County Hospital a couple of days last week but went back to the Brazos Valley Care Home Saturday and is feeling better.

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1999 Property Tax Rates in KNOX COUNTY

This notice concerns 1999 property tax rates for KNOX COUNTY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	General Fund	Jury Fund	Special Road/Bridge Fund
Last year's tax rate:			
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 697,577.27	\$ 23,546.91	\$ 139,368.51
Last year's debt taxes	\$ - 0 -	\$ - 0 -	\$ - 0 -
Last year's total taxes	\$ 697,577.27	\$ 23,546.91	\$ 139,368.51
Last year's tax base	\$ 117,734,561	\$ 117,734,561	\$ 113,770,211
Last year's total tax rate	\$.5925 /\$100	\$.2000 /\$100	\$.1225 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:			
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 697,577.27	\$ 23,546.91	\$ 139,368.51
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 117,068,356	\$ 117,068,356	\$ 113,362,456
- This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$.5957 /\$100	\$.0201 /\$100	\$.1229 /\$100
Total effective tax rate	\$.7387 /\$100		

This year's rollback tax rate:			
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and including taxes for state criminal justice mandate)	\$ 697,577.27	\$ 23,546.91	\$ 138,368.51
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 117,068,356	\$ 117,068,356	\$ 113,362,456
- This year's effective operating rate	\$.5957 /\$100	\$.0201 /\$100	\$.1229 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.6433 /\$100	\$.0217 /\$100	\$.1339 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ - 0 - /\$100	\$ - 0 - /\$100	\$ - 0 - /\$100
- This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$.6433 /\$100	\$.0217 /\$100	\$.1339 /\$100
This year's total rollback rate	\$.7989 /\$100		

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
GENERAL	\$468,201.49
SPECIAL	\$111,094.99

Schedule B 1999 Debt Service
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
THIS ENTITY, KNOX COUNTY, DOES NOT HAVE A DEBT SECURED BY PROPERTY TAXES				
Total required for 1999 debt service	\$	\$	\$	\$
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	\$	\$	\$	\$
- Excess collections last year	\$	\$	\$	\$
- Total to be paid from taxes in 1999	\$	\$	\$	\$
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only _____ % of its taxes in 1999	\$	\$	\$	\$
- Total Debt Levy	\$	\$	\$	\$

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at **KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT**
Name of person preparing this notice **STANTON BROWN**
Title **Chief Appraiser & Tax Assessor/Collector**
Date prepared **August 2, 1999**



Thanks to all our
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during our time of grief.
The food, flowers,
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FOOD BOOTHS were busy all day Saturday, this booth ran out of several menu items before the day ended. (NEWS photo)



PROBABLY THE HOTTEST PERSON at the Watermelon Festival was Monica Magana, the 1999 Greyhound 'Mascot' for Knox City High School. Attired in the school's brand new Greyhound outfit, Monica visited with quite a few of the youngsters at the City Park. (NEWS photo)



TAKING A MOMENT TO POSE FOR THE CAMERA, these 3 ladies were among many with the Chamber of Commerce who worked hard to make the event a success. Shown are (from left to right) Chamber President Judy Perdue, Knox City Postmaster Cathye Williams, and Chamber Director Marla Hawkins. Each year, our Knox City Post Office features a booth at the festival that offers hand stamped Water Festival cancellations on outgoing mail. (NEWS photo)



TAKING THE CHILDREN around the Watermelon Festival in the Chamber's 'Watermelon Train' was Jeffrey Acree. (NEWS photo)



THE HORSESHOE PITCHING TOURNAMENT held as a part of the Watermelon Festival drew many entrants, including City Manager Danny Parker (shown here at right), who was also the organizer for the event. (NEWS photo)

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He loves you, and gave Himself for you. You will thank Him and give your life to Him, won't you?

A prodigal had been arrested again, and his mother cried, "He's not a bad boy. He's just full of himself."

"That's his trouble," said a neighbor. "Self is all he thinks about."

Most people are full of themselves. They shout, "Every man for himself, and the devil take the hindmost." But the devil takes the whole.

Jesus said, "Whoever wants to save his life will lose it." You don't save your life when you live for self. You want to, but you don't. You lose it.

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A USC researcher is working with a gene that he says can transform other body cells into muscle cells. The gene has possible implications for heart attack victims. The gene might be able to change some dead heart muscle into new healthy muscle.

A survey reported in The ElderLaw Report says a third of law schools are now offering courses on law and aging. About 30 schools have added aging programs in the past five years.

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Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m.
- FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH ~ Knox City**
Steve Pepper, Minister
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.
- FOUR SQUARE CHURCH ~ Knox City**
Paul Chambers, Interim Pastor
Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship at 6:30 p.m. ~ Mid Week, Wed. at 7:00 p.m.
- SANTA ROSA CATHOLIC CHURCH ~ Knox City**
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- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ~ Benjamin**
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Sunday Evening at 6:00 p.m.
- FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ~ Benjamin**
Vergil Ichtertz, Pastor
Sunday Worship at 9:30 a.m. ~ Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.
- GILLESPIE BAPTIST CHURCH ~ Gillespie**
Ross Anderson, Pastor
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Sunday Evening Worship at 7:00 p.m. ~ Mid Week, Wed. at 7:00 p.m.
- CHURCH OF CHRIST ~ Benjamin**
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- THE BELIEVERS' CHAPEL ~ Highway 222**
W.O. Smith, Pastor
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Mid Week, Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.
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- O'BRIEN BAPTIST CHURCH ~ O'Brien**
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1999 **Property Tax Rates in BENJAMIN CITY**

This notice concerns 1999 property tax rates for BENJAMIN CITY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 16,952.04
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 0
Last year's total taxes	\$ 16,952.04
Last year's tax base	\$ 2,610,415
Last year's total tax rate	\$.6494 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$ 16,900.79
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$ 2,902,805
= This year's effective tax rate	\$.5828 /\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	\$ 16,902.28
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 2,902,805
= This year's effective operating rate	\$.5828 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.6294 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ 0 /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$.6294 /\$100

50-179 (Rev. 6-99/8)

Schedule A
Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
M&O	\$17,956.39

Schedule B
1999 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Interest to be Paid		Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
	Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	to be Paid from Property Taxes		
THIS ENTITY, BENJAMIN CITY, DOES NOT HAVE A DEBT SECURED BY PROPERTY TAXES				
Total required for 1999 debt service		\$		
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A		\$		
- Excess collections last year		\$		
- Total to be paid from taxes in 1999		\$		
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only _____ % of its taxes in 1999		\$		
= Total Debt Levy		\$		

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Name of person preparing this notice: **STANTON BROWN**
Title: **CHIEF APPRAISER & TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR**
Date prepared: **JULY 30, 1999**

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Nursing Entrance Exam
for Fall 1999**

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Seymour LVN Program

Testing Dates:

August 9, 8:30 a.m. in Vernon
August 10, 8:30 a.m. in Seymour

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We wish to thank everyone for all of the support extended to our family at the time of Bud's death. Your concern, as expressed through the words of support, flowers, cards, memorials and food has been a great source of comfort to us. We would especially like to thank Dr. J.F. Cadenhead, the staff of the Haskell Clinic and the responding EMT's for their efforts. Once again, thank you.

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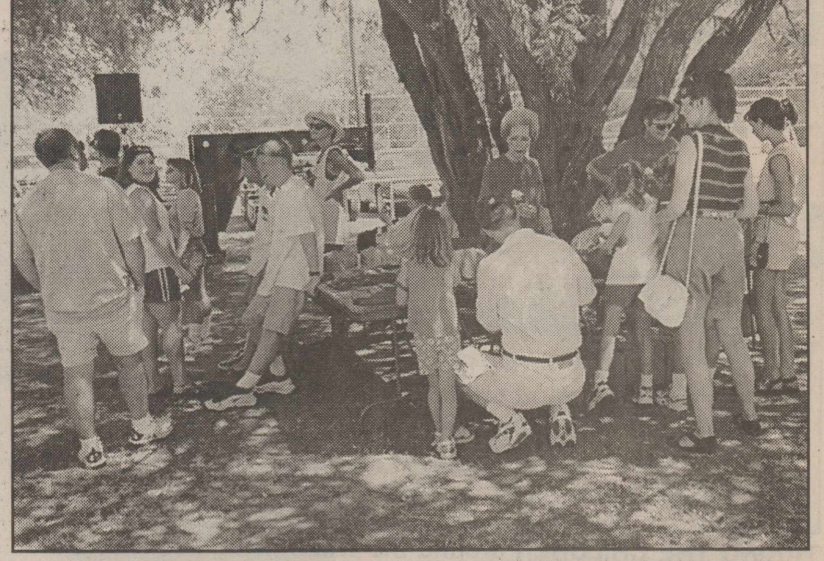
HOT AND SANDY, the volleyball tournament is always a well attended event at the Knox City Watermelon Festival. (NEWS photo)



KEEPING EVERYONE COOL with cold drinks, the Knox City High School Cheerleaders worked the Coca-Cola booth as a fundraiser project for their activities. (NEWS photo)



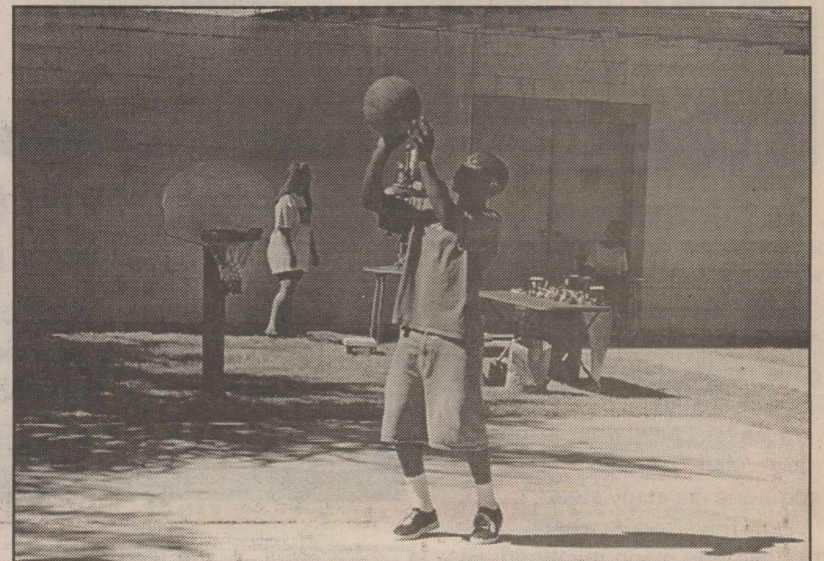
DESPITE TEMPERATURES over 100 degrees, vendors at the Watermelon Festival enjoyed a brisk business. (NEWS photo)



THE KNOX CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE manned a booth to sell chances on prizes and to sell t-shirts that commemorated the festival. Shown behind the table are Chamber Manager Doris Crownover and Chamber Director Maria Hawkins. (NEWS photo)



FREE WATERMELON SLICES are always a big hit at the Watermelon Festival, held for the past 11 years as a way to celebrate the watermelon industry in Knox County. (NEWS photo)



TRYING HIS SKILL in the Lions Club Basketball booth was Sederick Roberson of Knox City. Maybe it was the camera and a little pressure, but Sederick reported not having much luck at the event. (NEWS photo)

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A bus in Canada is testing a computerized sign. It changes its destination as the bus goes from stop to stop.

It also flashes a call for help. In yellow letters it reads: "Emergency. Call Police!"

In life we can always signal an emergency. Peter did. He was drowning. He flashed: "Lord save me!" Immediately He stretched forth His hand and saved Peter.

Got an emergency? Pray. God will always hear indeed the one who calls on Him in need. He specializes in the impossible.

**HOW SMALL TOWNS
FADE AWAY.....**

The men were quite cocky as they stood in the sun.
"Let's go to the city, stock up and have fun;
"We'll buy by the case all under one roof"
"And save lots, too, of that we have proof."
So they did that for many a year.....
And from the results, never took any fear;
Until one day they met once again
Standing uptown just out of the rain.
"What's happened here," cried one in dismay;
Their faces were ashen, they had much to say.
Then one scratched his head, the other said loud;
"There's no lunch and no coffee, not even a crowd;
"My wife's real sick and right off her feet.
"So I came up for some drugs, some milk and some meat.
The hospital is closed, the grocery stores too,
"What in the world are we going to do?
"My furnace is shot and the plumbing is broken."
The other one gasped, I thought he was chokin' ...
"My car's a wreck, and the tires are low,
"I need nails and lumber, but there's no place to go."
His friend had his head right down to his chest.
"We're to blame," he muttered. "On our heads it does rest.
"We passed this town for the glimmer of lights,
"Bought stuff by the carload and took in the sights.
"The City is bustling and bursting with pride,
"While our town merchants just up and died.
"The houses are empty, the bank's repossessed.
"I'll tell you old boy, we're in for a test.
"We should have been smarter and wiser," they said.
"Then the town would be bustling, not half so dead."
"It's never too late, we've learned," someone said.
But for the foolishness of many, they'd all have to pay.
-Anonymous

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GARAGE SALE - Saturday, 8:00 to 3:00. 910 South Third. King size waterbed with storage, washer and dryer, furniture, clothes, dishes and many other items. Great prices.

8-5 ttp

GARAGE SALE - Saturday, 8 to 12, 406 South Ave. A. Lots of stuff - clothes, baby stuff, toys, misc. items.

8-5 ttc 19

YARD SALE - 1001 South Fourth. Friday, 8 to 4; Saturday, 8 to 4. Clothes, dishes, furniture, etc.

8-5 ttc 16

GARAGE SALE - Saturday, August 7, 8 a.m. till ? Chest of drawers, night stand, dishes, toys, sewing notions, lots of stuff.

8-5 ttc 26

AFTER HOURS Yard Sale - Friday, August 6, 5-7 P.M., Saturday, August 7, 9-12. Comforters, shoes, clothes, toys, fishing boxes, school supplies, bicycle, etc. 304 S. 2nd, June Moss.

8-5 ttc 31

THREE FAMILY Garage Sale - Friday only, 111 SW 9th, Debbie Sandusky. All sizes boys clothes, also women's clothes, misc. items.

8-5 ttp

GARAGE SALE - Thursday only, 806 South Third St., 8:00 til ?

8-5 ttp

Help Wanted

KNOX COUNTY EMS is accepting applications for full and part-time positions. Applicants are required to have current EMS certification. Contact Joel or Lissa for more information at 940-422-4929.

7-29 2tc 32

KNOX CITY-O'BRIEN CISD is accepting applications for employment of a library aide. Applications will be accepted through August 12, 1999.

8-5 2tc 24

HELP WANTED - Outreach Health Services seeking Registered Nurse (or NP) to perform well child exams on a contracted basis in clinic setting. Support staff available, flexible schedule, intensive pediatric assessment training preferred. Training potentially available. Immediate opening. Fax resume to 940-574-2514; attn: Loyce Huffman.

8-5 1tp

Public Notice

BUDGET HEARING

The Knox City-O'Brien Board of Education of the Knox City-O'Brien CISD will meet Tuesday, August 17, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Office, 606 East Main, Knox City, Texas. Purpose of the meeting is to hold a public hearing on the proposed school budget for 1999-2000.

8-5 1tc 60

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING The O'Brien City Council will meet in regular business session on Thursday, August 12, 1999, at 7:00 p.m. in the O'Brien City Hall. The first item of business is a public hearing on the proposed city budget for 1999-2000. All interested citizens are invited to attend.

8-5 1tc 52

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7-29 2tp

Bid Notice

THE KNOX CITY-O'BRIEN CISD is accepting proposals for roofing. Specifications and forms can be obtained from Louis Baty at the School Administration Office located at 606 East Main Street. All proposals must be submitted by 12:00 noon on August 20, 1999.

8-5 2tc 45

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
10-29 1tc 52

Obituary policy

The policy of The Knox County News has always been to print obituaries in a standard format.

For those wishing to place obituaries that contain information other than standard, being that of a picture of the deceased, or the names of children's spouses, listing of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, in-laws, or nieces and nephews of the deceased, it will be placed in a display format and charged accordingly.

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According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the demand of licensed vocational nurses in Texas is projected to grow by 24 percent, with 13,600 new job openings from 1998 to 2005 due to the aging population.

The Texas State Occupational Information Coordinating Committee and the Texas Workforce Commission's data for 1992 shows that LVN's earn an average of \$8.50 an hour (\$1,450 monthly, \$17,500 yearly) in Texas.

Most LVN's provide basic bedside care to patients such as taking vital signs, applying dressings, helping patients with bathing and personal hygiene and administering prescribed medications.

Licensed vocational nurses work in hospitals, nursing homes, doctors' offices, private homes, health departments and other settings. They generally work 40 hour weeks.

Many graduates of the Seymour LVN Program have continued their education for an additional 12 to 18 months to obtain their associates degree to become a registered nurse.

Those interested should call 940-552-6291 ext. 2268. The testing deadline has been extended to August 10. This will be the last test date for entry into the Seymour fall program.

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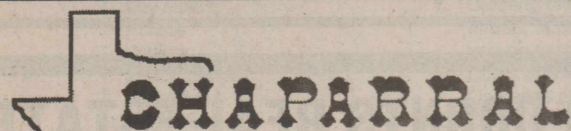
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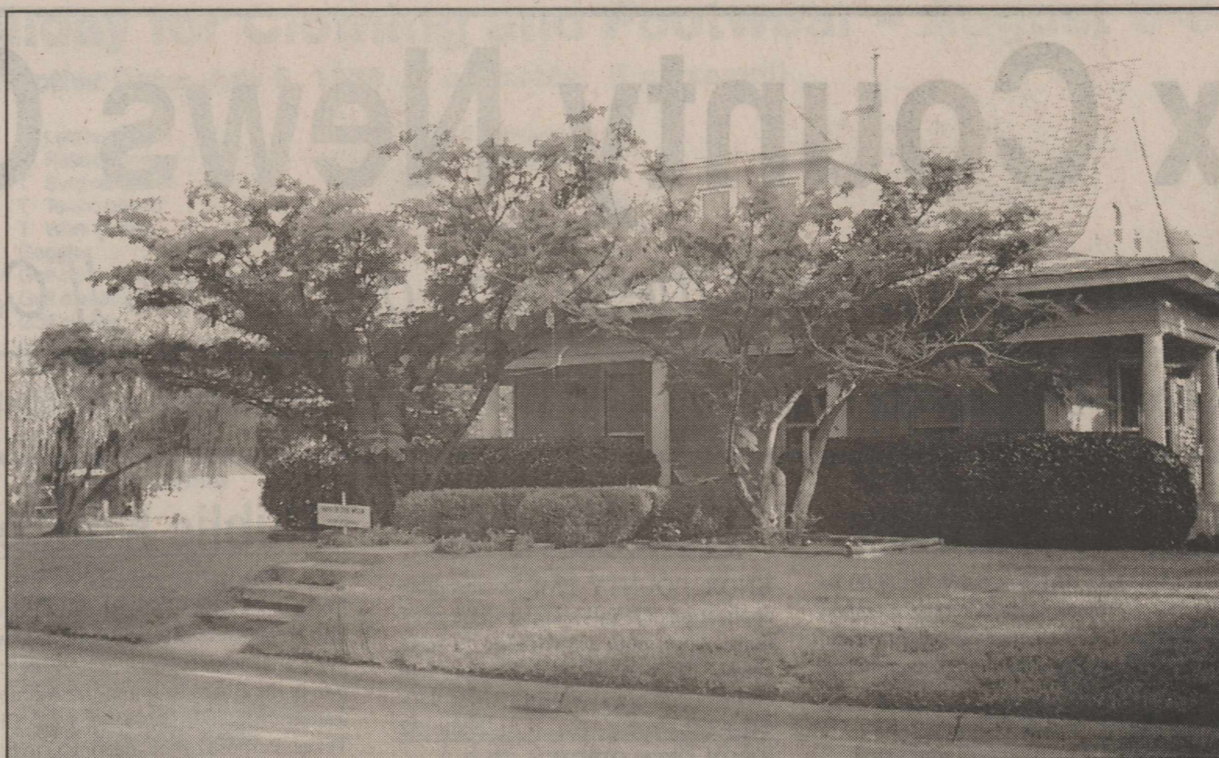
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THE KNOX CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE has selected the yard of Charles, Faye, and Kevin Reed as the 'Yard of the Week' for this week. Located at 801 South 4th Street in the South East part of Knox City, the yard features a beautiful green yard with stately trees and lots of color with hedges and flowers. (NEWS digital photo)

Lamb & goat validations

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at a major livestock show the lamb must undergo a three step validation in October. The three steps include taking a nose print, attaching an ear tag and placing a tattoo in the ear. Knox County youth will validate their lambs and goats on Wednesday, October 13. Cost per lamb will be \$2.50 (this covers the cost of an ear tag, nose print ink and tattoo ink).

Market goats show at the major livestock shows are not currently under a state-wide validation program. However, all goats to be shown in Knox County must be validated. This process will consist of attaching an ear tag. The goat validation will take place on October 13 same time as the lamb validation. Hi-Pro Animal Health has been sponsoring these ear tags. If they continue this support, the goat validation will be free.

One of the most difficult parts of the validation process is ordering enough ear tags. To assure that all animals will have an ear tag, and be eligible for the stock shows, an accurate number of ear tags must be ordered. Any youth that plans to show a market lamb or market goat should contact their Ag. Science Instructor or the Knox County Extension office with an animal county by Friday August 13, 1999.

There are a few items to remember when placing your orders: 1) number of goats to be validated, 2) number of lambs to be validated- 3) name(s) of youth that will be showing (this is to avoid duplications. Be sure to separate the number of goats from the number of lambs - ear tags are ordered separately.

For those who show market swine, validation tags will ordered later this year. As soon as you know how many pigs you plan to buy for show please notify your supervisor so that enough ear tags may be ordered. Please note how many will be barrows and how many will be gilts each require a different ear tag.

Anyone with questions or concerns should contact Paul Weiser in the Knox County Extension office in Benjamin at 940/454-2651 or you local Ag. Science instructor. 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 454-2651.

O'Brien happenings

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"Having lost weight over the past few years, I was discarding things from my wardrobe that no longer fit. My seven-year-old niece was watching as I held up a huge pair of slacks. "Wow," I said. "I must have worn these when I was 183." My niece looked puzzled, then asked, "How old are you now?"

Here and There - Clara Hanson's daughter, Joanne of Alabama, flew into Abilene last Friday and is spending some time with her. They were in San Angelo Saturday to visit Clara's son, Ronny Hodges, who is seriously ill in his home there and needs our prayers. Clara and Joanne were in Graham Sunday to visit her son Jerry and wife Lou Hodges and family.

Erin Frost of Fort Worth has been visiting her parents. Her father, James, was in Abilene for

heart surgery last week and returned home Saturday. He seems to be real good but needs our prayers.

Demp Emerson was rushed to Haskell hospital last week after he had worked in the yard and got too hot. He returned home Saturday and needs our prayers.

Ranzy Herring returned home last Wednesday after spending a few days in the hospital at Abilene and seems to be improving and he needs our prayers.

We're happy to have new residents in O'Brien, Jerry McCown and son Cole, will be living here and we're happy to have them.

Mutt and Bertie Ivie and Kay Stewart were in Cisco Saturday and Sunday to attend the Stewart family reunion. There was a good crowd attending and all enjoyed visiting and eating lots of good food.

Visiting with Orval and Helen Manning last Saturday were several of Orval's relatives from various places. From Lindsey, California, were Waymon and Linda Roberson, Orval's nephew and wife and their daughter, LeAnn Hughes and children, Lindsey and Hunter; from Boyd, Texas, were Brad and Susan Roberson, Waymon's son and wife and Charlene Brothers of O'Brien. They all visited with Marvin Manning in the Brazos Valley Care Home.

Julie Sanders, Billie Walker's daughter; her husband Dale and his mother Annie Sanders, all of Amarillo, visited in O'Brien over the weekend and attended the watermelon festival. They also visited with Dempsey Emerson and Evelyn Underwood. Cordie Jackson and Jim Johnston visited Joe Banner and the Sanders family at Billie's home.

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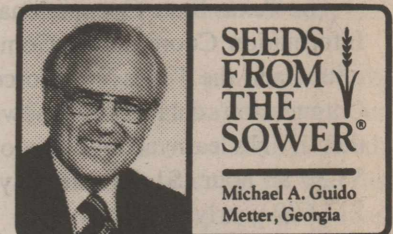
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