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Basketball action gets physical at KCHS



BUSTING OUT of a tight spot, Houndette Jennifer Vacek is shown here as she maintains control of the ball despite a collision with a Rochester player who ended up on the floor. Other Houndettes in this photo taken last Friday night in the Greyhound Gym are (left to right) Sonya Contreras, Nikki Gonzales, Kevina Walton and Kayla Garcia.



GOING HIGH over an opponent from Rochester, Greyhound Jeffrey Hernandez aims for another 2 points in the KCHS Varsity game last the Steers last Friday night here in Knox City. Other 'Hounds in the photo are (from left to right) Shawn Speck, Will Grimsley, Eric Rocha, and Omard Walton.



PLAYING A TREMENDOUS GAME against the Rochester High School Junior Varsity, Ryan Burkham adds another 2 points in this photo taken last Friday night in the Greyhound Gym here in Knox City. Other identified JV players in the photo are (left to right) Domonique Collier and Sedrick Roberson.

Benjamin postmaster retires after years of service to area

By LOLA GHOLSON Area Postmaster Reporter

"Although I'm looking forward to retirement, I'm going to miss the people," W.T. (Dub) Cartwright said just a couple of days before his last day as the Benjamin, Texas, Postmaster.

Dub explained that when he said "miss the people", he meant that he would miss the very best part of being Postmaster in Benjamin, and that was that he would miss seeing his many friends that visited the post office most everyday, some just every once in a great while.

He said he enjoyed being a sounding board, an ear for folk who just needed to talk to somebody and know that what they said would go no farther.

Dub knows just about everybody in the surrounding area, their children and their grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He has heard one side, and sometimes all sides, to family squabbles. Most of the time he couldn't help solve their problems, but he knew that they felt better after getting some things off their chest.

Some of the area postmasters arranged a retirement party for their friend, Dub, to be held on Wednesday, December 1, at the Benjamin Ex-Student Building. The citizens of the Benjamin area secretly made a money tree to present to Dub at the party. There



BENJAMIN POSTMASTER W.T. (Dub) Cartwright retired December 1 and was honored by area postmasters with a retirement party. Shown with Dub is his wife Jo. (Courtesy Photo)

was over eight hundred dollars in paper money tied with colored string on the tree. Also, the citizens gave him a portable power drill. Only 80 people signed the guest book though more than 80 enjoyed the party. The presence of friends and loved ones made a great party.

Holiday Happenings

Friday, December 17

<u>BASKETBALL</u>-Junior Varsity boys, Varsity girls and boys vs. Vernon Northside, here, 2:00 p.m.; Teacher Workday - Student Holiday.

Monday, December 20

<u>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS</u> - Begin, students are out of school for the holidays. Classes resume January 3, 2000.

Tuesday, December 21

CENSUS JOB TESTING - at the Knox City Community Center on 3rd Street. Testing

begins at 12:30 p.m. <u>KC FIRE DEPARTMENT</u> - meeting and Christmas Banquet, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 22

<u>CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE</u> - Citizens Bank N.A. will be hosting a Christmas Open House on Wednesday, December 22 and Thursday, December 23, and you are invited to stop by during normal business hours and enjoy Christmas goodies, visiting, and sharing a good time with everyone!!

Thursday, December 23

<u>CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE</u> - Bill, Diann, Pat & Michelle cordially invite you to stop by Bill Stewart/Counts Insurance anytime from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. for a Christmas Open House at your hometown insurance agency.

Friday, December 24

<u>CHRISTMAS EVE</u> - This is it Kids.....head for bed early and make sure you leave chocolate chip cookies and milk out for Santa!!!

Saturday, December 25

CHRISTMAS DAY - Merry Christmas to all!

Thursday, December 30

<u>BASKETBALL</u> - Varsity at Spur, 3:00 p.m. Junior High basketball vs. Aspermont, girls at O'Brien, boys there, 5:00 p.m.

Merry Christmas from the News!

She was born June 19, 1913, to James and Pearl McMahan in O'Brien.

Mrs. Reid lived most of her life in and around Knox City. In 1983, she moved to her son's home in Dumas, Texas; and then to Nikiski in 1988 to live with her daughter.

Lavina was a member of the North Kenai Chapel and the Nikiski Senior Center.

She was preceded in death by her husband, O.D. Reid; her parents, Jim and Pearl McMahan; a brother, J.W. McMahan; and a sister, Geraldine Snodgrass.

Survivors include a sister, Gladys Wallace of Anchorage, Alaska; two daughters, Nelda Lashley of Nikiski, Alaska, and Melba Evans of Livingston; three sons, Orbie Reid of Amarillo, Jim Reid of Carrollton and Rick Reid of Knox City; 11 grandchildren,

Terminal child asks for Christmas cards

Knox City resident Michelle Esquivel heard a plea from a young girl via radio last week and is

sharing that with readers. The four year old girl from Tennessee who has terminal cancer will be home from the hospital



LAVINA REID

23 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held Friday, December 17, at 2:30 p.m. at the North Kenai Chapel. Pastor Brad Cason will officiate.

An additional memorial service will be held at a later date at First Baptist Church in Knox City. Interment will be in the Knox City Cemetery.

by Christmas. The radio announcer said that all the young girl wants for her holiday gift is Christmas cards.

The address Michelle gave for her is Paige Lane, 4538 South Creek Road, Cookville, TN 38506. Mrs. Esquivel challenged local readers to help grant this little girl's wish.

O'Brien happenings

"My husband is the conservative type who thinks women look better dressed modestly in long skirts and loose blouses. And he just about had me convinced he really believes this, until one Saturday when we drove into town and came across a group of local students running a car wash as a fundraiser. Young women were everywhere in their bikinis, waving signs and washing cars. A bit shocked at the display, I commented to my husband, "Look at those girls in their skimpy biki-

Casting an eye over at the car wash, he said nothing. But a moment later, as we pulled up to the next light, he said with a distant look, "I love summer."

Here and There - There were 10 from our church attending the "Family for the New Millenium"

program last Tuesday at the school auditorium in KC. Jane Rowan and several others arranged it. It was a wonderful program or sermon or etc. Dr, Urnosky, lecturer and professional counselor of Lubbock, was the speaker. Those attending from our church were Bro. Bill Trice, Billie Ruth Walker, Louis and Sheri Baty, Matt Harrington, Keith and Jane Rowan, Steve and Sherri Ellis and

Marilyn Talbot was in Shallowater last week to visit her daughter, Cathy Hughes and family. Marilyn and Dan left Sunday for Corsicana to visit relatives.

Clara Hanson's daughter Joanne of Mississippi came last Sunday and picked Clara up in Stamford. She had heart surgery in Abilene the week before. They're home and seems to be

doing great.

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

David Ellis of Kermit spent a couple of nights with his mom Beatrice Ellis last week.

The women's meeting last Tuesday was very good. There were 18 ladies present. The food and tall tales and then the talk by Steve Pepper was very good and enjoyed by all. Even though some were busy of the mice he distributed. The meeting was in the Baptist Church here.

Alton and LaUna Hester were in Panhandle over the weekend to visit with their daughter Brenda and husband Doyle Robinson and grandson Zach of Miami, Florida. They had an enjoyable weekend.

Eddie and Claudia Bryant were honored by having their little granddaughter of Hawley spent the weekend with them and they brought her to church Sunday.



FROM V THE SOWER Michael A. Guido

One stormy day Charles Wesley stood by a partly opened window. Suddenly a little bird flew into his room and took refuge in his coat.

Looking out of the window, he saw why the bird was hiding. There, circling overhead, was an angry hawk.

Protecting the bird, and seeing there a picture of his soul finding refuge in the Lord, he wrote the hymn, "Jesus, Lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly."

Every soul has its storms. But not every soul has this Shelter.

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KC Study Club enjoys annual Christmas party

The Knox City Study Club met Thursday, December 9, 1999, for the annual Christmas luncheon held in the home of Sammy B. and Winifred White.

Mrs. White called the meeting to order, Jean Turnbow gave the invocation and blessing of the food. Wretha Fitzgerald led in giving the Pledge to the American

A bountiful lunch to turkey and dressing, salads, vegetables and dessert were enjoyed as well as the fellowship.

The meeting continued with Winifred displaying cards and brochures from M.D. Anderson Foundation.

Federation report, "A Bundle of Joy" was given by Janoma Stephens.

Roll call was answered by naming "their favorite Christmas food"

Director Erma Liles asked each one present to fell of the first Christmas doll they remembered receiving. These memories went back many, many years ago for

Erma then presented Janoma who spoke on Christmas in Japan. The few Christians in Japan celebrate Christmas as our country

Weldon Skiles seeking re-election as county commissioner Prec. 1

Weldon Skiles has authorized The Knox County News to announce his candidacy for re-election as Knox County Commissioner, Precinct 1, in the March 14, 2000, Democratic Primary.

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

does. Japan is basically of Buddhism religion.

Next, LaVerne Mayfield told of customs in South America. Much of this celebration is also like our country.

Erma Liles spoke on Christmas in Germany. Being of German ancestry, Erma knew of some of the customs first hand. Much of the Christmas celebration is centered around the church.

All in all, it was decided, at Christmas the United States is the greatest of gift givers even if it almost bankrupts the people. Southern Germany is mainly Lutheran while Northern Germany is Catholic.

The interesting program provided food for thought. Other countries center Christmas celebrations around church whereas it seems here in America, the concerns are of the wants of families. But, all in all, it was said, the American influence is slowly reaching other countries.

The meal, which each lady contributed to and the program, were enjoyed by Sandra Bateman, Wretha Fitzgerald, Erma Liles, Dickie Lloyd, LaVerne Mayfield, Janoma Stephens, Jean Turnbow and hostess Winifred White.

Dean W. Homstad announces for county sheriff's re-election

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Oh boy, oh boy, oh boy, oh boy! Local ladies 'great-grands' to Lubbock quintuplets

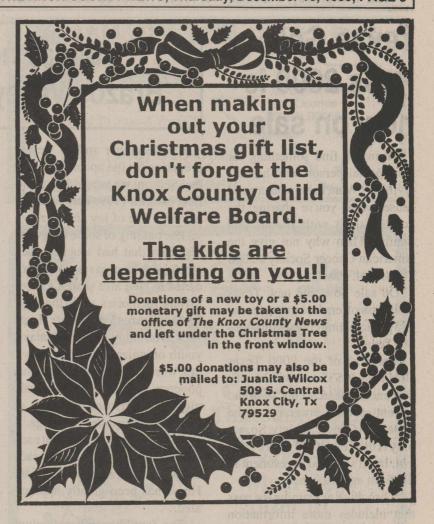
Two local ladies received an early Christmas present Tuesday morning, December 14, when their granddaughter, Jamie Wells, delivered healthy quintuplet sons at Covenant-Lakeside in Lubbock.

Proud great-grandmothers are Audie Johnston of O'Brien and Mazelle Kainer of Knox City. Maternal grandparents of the 'quints' are Tenia and Jim Johnston of Lubbock.

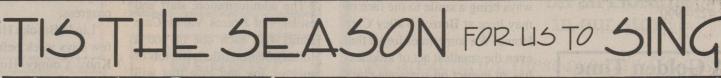
Jamie and her husband, Mike of Lubbock, are parents for the first time, but five times at once. According to grandmother Audie, the babies all weighed over two pounds each, and Jamie had been hospitalized for 75 days when the babies were born.

The new arrivals are first born, Jantzen, at 1:22 a.m., two pounds, ten and one-half ounces; three of the babies arrived at 1:23 a.m., Briley, weighing two pounds, six ounces; Zachary, two pounds, three ounces; and Landon, two pounds, five and one-half ounces; and last to arrive, Jaden at 1:24 a.m., who weighed two pounds, twelve ounces.





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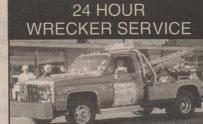
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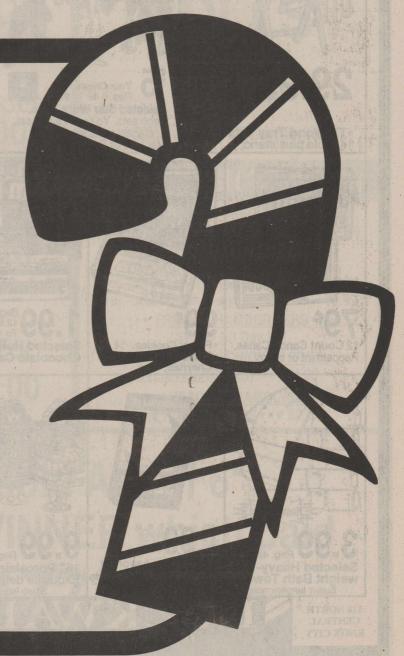
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The Journal of the Am. Medical Assn. says more than nine million people over 65 are taking medications that are potentially harmful. In appropriate use of medications is most common

Holiday news from **Brazos Valley Care Home**

It's December and as we are preparing for the upcoming Holiwith each resident through cards, gifts, baked goods and yourselves. The residents especially love to see the youth of our community. Your children through trick or treating, caroling, bringing cards, decorating doors for Christmas (8th grade girls - O'Brien Middle School), bring such joy into lives of the residents here at Brazos Valley Care Home and in some way your children have experienced a blessing that they will remember for a lifetime. It is through acts of love and kindness that YOU make them feel a part of this community.

It is time for our annual Resident Christmas Party. It will be held on December 23, at 3:00 p.m. We will have refreshments and distribute gifts to the residents at this time. We would like to invite family members and friends to come and share this time of love and joy with our Care Home fam-

The administration, staff and residents of Brazos Valley Care Home wish each one of you a Holiday Season filled with lots of laughter, joy and love that will last throughout the New Year.

Benjamin news

This week and next - that's how much time we have til Christmas and people are busy! As for myself, I may be ready by the 25th and I may not, but regardless of what I get done, come Christ-

mas weekend I'll be through!!

How about you?

In ball news there were games several nights last week. Monday night, the Junior High teams played at Rule. The boys won but the girls lost. I believe that's their first loss of the year. Tuesday night, we were hosts to the Harrold teams and split the games. The girls won and the boys lost. And on Friday night, Guthrie came here and when the final buzzer sounded in both games, Benjamin was on the low side of the scoring. This week's high school games are Newcastle, there Tuesday and Megargel here on Friday. Think that "winds it up" til after the holidays.

Not much new news regarding the ill of the community. Dutch Young is continuing to recuperate since his shoulder surgery. Still having to take it "mighty easy" but at least is making some progress.

Linda Brooke Hudson spent a few days week before last in the Knox County Hospital. She's home now and seems to be feeling pretty well.

There's colds, some "flu", lots of allergies and some stomach virus going around but it seems there's no real problem right now. It's good to give this kind of a report.

Here 'N There - Sharon Johnson and Maretha Patterson returned home Saturday after several days visit with Sharon's daughter and her family in Arizona. Enroute home they visited Leon Bivens and Carson Bivens in Tatum, New Mexico. Leon had had a little "flare-up" and had been taken to the emergency room but was feeling better when they left.

Barbara Pierce said Sammy is feeling better. Still has a good way to go before he's able to get out and work again but they know he's extremely fortunate to have been hurt no worse than he was.

Had a Christmas card and note from Peggy Nolan Dillard last week. She sends her best to all her friends in Benjamin and Knox City. Says she recently retired from dining services at Texas Tech and received the Quality Service Award from Chancellor Montford. She was employed there 20 years. Peggy visited often before her mom, Audrey Nolan and sister, Virginia Griffith, passed away.

The annual Christmas program will be Sunday night, the 19th, at the Baptist Church. Refreshments

will follow, so plan and be there. It starts at 6:00 p.m. Then on Monday night, the 20th, weather permitting, the young folks are going "caroling". So keep these two "happenings" in mind.

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

Sorosis Club Party - The Sorosis Club of Benjamin had their annual Christmas party Saturday night. Held in the beautifully decorated fellowship hall of the Methodist Church, the members and their guests enjoyed a delicious meal of ham and all the trimmings with a variety of desserts. Following the meal, games were played in which everyone had a part and the evening ended with the group singing Christmas cards accompanied by Debbie Clower at the

Attending were Kenneth and Jessie Roberts, Troy and Mary Powell, Bea Parks, Lucy Mings, Dorothy Word, Lucille Moorhouse, Dorothy Spikes, Reba Morrill, Larry and Glenda Bearly, Jonnie Williams, Mary Bohannon, Dub and Jo Cartwright, Don and Louise Hertel. Jack and Mary Young, Debbie Clower, Dickie Lloyd, Ann and Danny Allen and Gladene Green.

Each person attending brought a gift to present to the Child Welfare Board to give to less fortunate children in the area. Everyone had a good time.

News from your Volunteer Fire Department



Domingo Garcia Fire Chief

Last Sunday, Knox County Commissioner Jerry

Parker was very alert and called in a fire he observed North of Knox

While traveling on Highway 6 early in the morning, Jerry noticed a fire coming from a storage shed at the Hacker residence located 2 and a half miles North of Knox City.

Using his mobile phone, Jerry called the Knox County Sheriff's Office in Benjamin and reported the fire.

While waiting for the Knox

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City Fire Department to arrive on the scene, Jerry opened the door to the storage shed and discovered a puppy in the smoke filled

Arriving on the scene with a quick response time, the firemen from Knox City put the fire out within a matter of minutes. The fire's cause was discovered to be an extension cord that the puppy had apparently being playing with. The fire started when the cord fell across the puppy's bed, causing the bedding material and the floor underneath to catch fire.

Thanks to the quick action of Jerry Parker, the puppy will live another day and the storage shed was not a total loss.

Michael Moore

(940) 422-4436

Red Cross to offer disaster classes beginning Jan. 8

By Jackie Birkett

Service Delivery Coordinator for Baylor, Knox and Wilbarger Counties - American Red Cross

Do you want to help if a disaster strikes Knox County? Are you ready to volunteer your

services to help your neighbor?

The North Central Texas Chapter of the American Red Cross is going to conduct, free to the public, volunteer disaster classes. On January 8, 2000, from 8:00

a.m. to 6:00 p.m., introduction to disasters, damage assessment and mass care will be presented.

On January 15, 2000, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., emergency assistance will be presented.

These classes will be held at the Knox City Community Cen-

ter at 212 South Third Street. After completing these four

classes, participants will be able to work as a disaster volunteer locally and nationally.

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Tuesday, December 21 - Roast beef and gravy, mashed potatoes, green salad, corn, cobbler, hot rolls.

Wednesday, December 22 -Baked ham, cranberry sauce, fruit salad, green beans, hot rolls, pumpkin pie.

Thursday, December 23 - Peppered steak, buttered noddles, salad, glazed carrots, salad, hot rolls, cookies.

Friday, December 24 - Holiday. Christmas Eve.

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



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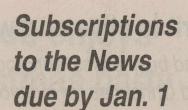
Monday, December 13, 1999 Place: O'Brien Gym

It was another exciting night of basketball for the Lady Bulldogs. The girls were battling Aspermont. Both seventh and eighth grade teams were victorious. A nice way to end 1999.

In the seventh grade game, we thought we had met our match. The Lady Stingers were as quick as we were. The teams played even thought the third quarter. The Lady Bulldogs gathered up their determination and outscored the Stingers 12-2 in the fourth quarter. The final score was 34-22. Individual scoring was Dimple Patel 2 pts., Kaylie Billington 8 pts., Sophia Gutierrez 22 pts., and Shanna Reed 2 pts. The team was also 100% from the free throw line. Good job ladies.

The eighth grade girls wanted to see if Coach Chappell really could have a heart attack on the bench. They pulled out another one point victory tonight 28-27 against a tough Lady Stinger team. It really was an exciting game. The two teams exchanged baskets throughout the whole game. I was very proud of how we stayed tough and kept working hard. I also was proud that Jodi Beth made that basket with a few seconds left on the clock. Individual scoring was Ashley Garcia 2 pts., Ariana Gomez 2 pts., Martha Silva 6 pts., Sondra Lankford 6 pts., Jodi Chambers 4 pts., Samantha Gutierrez 2 pts., and Haleigh Chenhall 6 pts. Haleigh Chenhall had a good defensive game. The victory truly as a team effort.

The girls are improving with each game they play. I am very proud of all the girls. This was the last ballgame until we return from the holidays. If you want to see some great games in 2000, come out, and support the Lady Bulldogs



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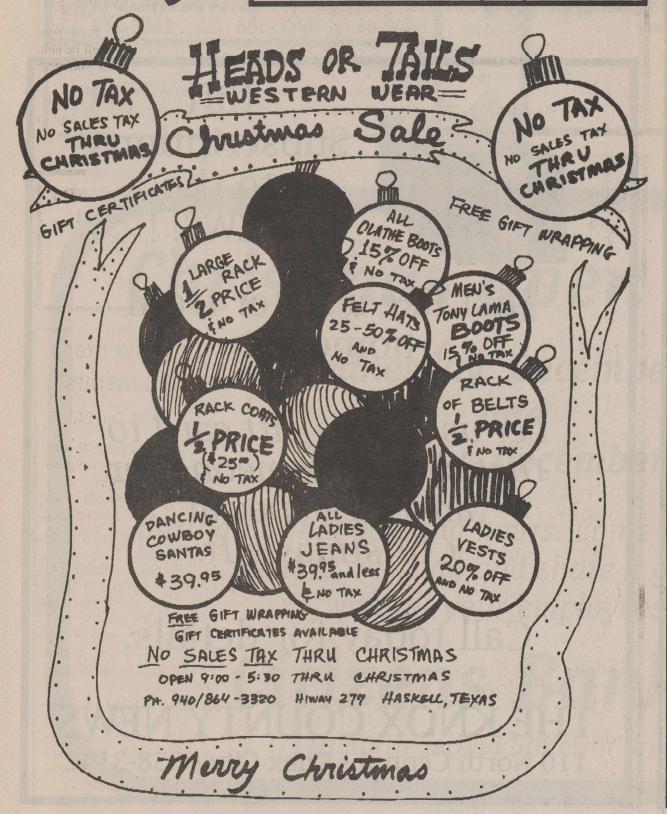
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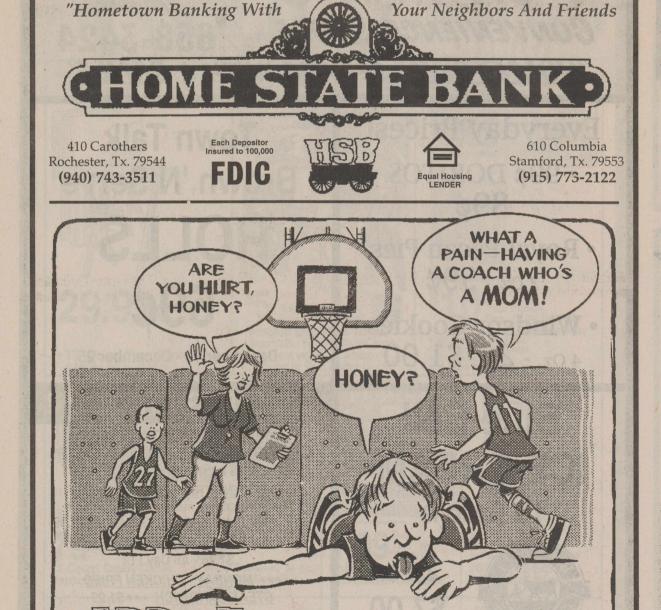
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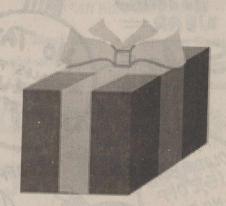
People, groups and businesses work together to insure a good Christmas for everyone



REPRESENTING THE KNOX COUNTY AGING CENTER, (left to right) James and Charlotte Patterson, and Charles and Marie Auburg are shown here as they unload a large box of new toys donated by the center's members to aid the Knox County Child Welfare Board's toy drive to insure that every child has a present for Christmas. The project is an annual event for it's members and they respond every year with an enthusiasm that many younger people can only dream of!



COLLECTING OVER NINE HUNDRED canned good items to help feed needy families in our community, these members of the student Council of Knox City High School are all smiles and obviously very proud of the tremendous effort of KCHS students. Shown from left to right are Student Council Sponsor Shea Stubbs Edmonds, Matt Lowe, Tandy Roberts, Casey Carver, Kevin Casillas, Kayla Moss, Ashley Harrison, and KCHS Principal Mack Lowe. This year the classes competed against each other in the food drive, with the Senior Class winning easily after collecting 393 canned good items. The Junior Class collected 252 items, the Freshman Class collected 87 canned good items, and the Sophomore Class collected 84 items. The efforts of our students at Knox City High School will be fondly remembered and sincerely appreciated by the many families who will benefit from the generosity and hard work of these young men and women at this very special time of the year.



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