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Make your plans now, mark your calendar for Saturday, July 29 and enjoy the Watermelon Festival!



ENJOYING THE 1999 WATERMELON FESTIVAL, State Representative David Counts and his wife Mary, are shown here visiting with Bobbie Harrison (at left) (News file photo)



REPRESENTATING THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE at the 1999 Watermelon Festival were Judy Perdue, Cathye Williams and Marla Hawkins, shown at the booth sponsored by the Knox City Post Office.



LOTS OF FOOD (above) is always on hand at the Watermelon Festival, and the rides (below) are always fun!



## Friday reception to honor and thank departing City Manager Danny Parker

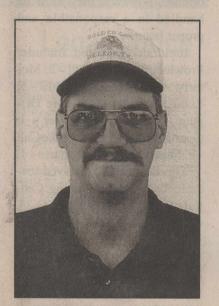
A reception will be held this Friday from 10:00 a.m. until noon at the City Hall of Knox City, and the entire community is invited!

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The reason for the reception is the departure of City Manager Danny Parker, who has accepted a job with the City of Spearman in the Texas panhandle region. Friends, co-workers and family will have this opportunity to gather together and let Danny know that he has been appreciated during his service to the city and the community.

Aside from his duties as City Manager, Danny has served the community in a variety of ways. During the time that he and his wife Michelle have lived here, he has been very active in the Knox City Volunteer Fire Department and the Knox City Little League organization. A lot of the young men now in high school, and some who have already gone off to college remember Danny as 'Coach' as he worked with Little League and All-Stars season after season.

During his time here as City Manager, Danny has held a job that is often unappreciated. Dealing with the public in a position that usually means handling complaints and dealing with irate citizens, Danny developed an ap-



Danny Parker
...leaving for Spearman

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proach to problem solving that has worked well during his tenure as City Manager. He always gathered facts from both sides of an issue, then stood his ground on what he felt was right. Doing so has not always been popular, nor has it been easy for Danny or his

family. There have often been times when Danny would have to stand his ground against citizens who overestimated their own importance, and there have been other times when what was right even went against the wishes of what individual elected members of the city council felt they wanted. In short, it has been a very tough and demanding job as City Manager of Knox City. Danny Parker should feel no regrets, he has every reason to leave here feeling proud of the job he has done.

Danny is sure to be missed, but he has accepted a job in Spearman as the Director of Public Works. His wife Michelle, son Justin, and daughter Sonny will be staying here for the first part of the upcoming school year. Current plans are for them move to Spearman following the football season. Justin will be in his eighth grade year, playing football for O'Brien Middle School and Sonny will be in 7th grade at O'Brien and will be a cheerleader and playing volleyball during the fall.

The reception being held on Friday at City Hall is to say "thank you" to Danny, be sure not to miss the opportunity. Refreshments will be served from 10:00 a.m. until noon.

### Physicals, two-a-days, band to begin

Believe it or not, with summer full speed ahead, it is time to start preparing for the school year.

Boys physicals will be Wednesday, July 26, at 1:30 p.m. at the Knox County Hospital Clinic.

Physicals for the girls will be Thursday, July 27, at 1:30 p.m. at the Hospital Clinic.

According to athletic director Lynn Lierly, these physicals are for seventh graders, incoming freshmen or anyone who was injured in a previous season and required a doctor's care.

Two-a-days for high school students will begin Monday, August

Band director Mark Tucker has announced that Tuesday, August 1, will begin band practice. These weekday practices will be from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. Band members who cannot attend are asked to contact him at 658-3181 and leave message.

## Aging Services in need of help to deliver meals

Knox County Judge David N. Perdue and site director Susan Cockerell are issuing a plea for help in assisting the local van driver with loading, transporting and delivery of daily meals.

The number of home deliveries has grown from 26 to 50, making it increasingly difficult for only one person. The site now has only one van.

Help is being solicited for school age students, ages 15 thru 18, to assist with this project until school starts.

Students are needed for two hours daily from 10:30 to 12:30 and will be paid minimum wage plus their daily meal.

Interested persons are asked to meet with Mrs. Cockerell, Friday at 1:00 p.m. at the Aging Center where applications may be picked up at this time.

The elderly look forward to their meals each day and a youthful friendly smile would help make their day even brighter.

Parents and kids, remember those wishing to participate in this summer project, report to the Aging Services, 601 North Avenue E., Friday at 1:00 p.m.

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## Labor Day marks final countdown for corrections, additions to Veterans Memorial

Labor Day marks the Knox County Veterans Memorial Committee's final countdown for corrections and additions to veterans' names (listing wars and branches of service) to be added to the memorial. An updated current list is available at the county banks and post offices. Mail any corrections and much needed tax free contributions to the Knox County Historical Commission, Benjamin, Texas. Plans are underway for the Memorial Dedication on November 11, 2000, to honor what Tom Brokaw calls THE GREATEST GENERA-TION.

Freedom is not free as shown through research by Darlene Bellinghausen's English student, Shelly Palacios in 1995, as she narrates the Marine experience of one of these 2250 veterans, John Lippard. For a moment, think of ne of this year's high graduates experiencing the following:

Just out of high school, in 1939, a mere lad, 18 years old as most of these 2250 veterans were, John Lippard joined the other 17.000 marines whose ranks climbed to 400,000 before his 23 year career was over. Shelly lists for you where 42 months of these years took this youth.

With General Wainwright, and eight to ten thousand marines on Corregidor on May 5, 1942, he was among the few who survived the Bataam Death March. MacArthur had already pulled out and was taken to New Zeeland.

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During this time, young Lippard was captured and taken to Manila by boat and put into a Philippine prison camp at Cabanatuan for six months. "The Americans were put in a small cell with an are of about 10 square feet and no furniture. It was the number of us that saved our lives, With 14 men to a cell, naked, cold and huddled together, we traded out every 15 minutes the cold wall position to the warmer middle of the huddle."

From Cabanaturan he was sent to a prisoner of war camp in Mukden, Manchuria, in China. He spent 18 months there working as slave labor, until he was moved to Rameoka on the main island of Japan. In Kameoka he spent another 18 months in a slave labor camp where he worked 720 feet underground in a lead and Zinc

"The worst thing besides the beatings was the food. For example, when we were fed fish, the Japanese actually ate the fish. The Americans ate fish-head soup. I've eaten just about everything in the world. The Japanese would take us into the woods to gather edible weeds which they called vegetables, and we would eat anything we could catch. I have eaten monkeys, mules, horses, dogs, cats, frogs and rats. Often we traded cigarette rations (10 a week)

for food."

Eighteen months after he was sent to Japan, the atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima, 120 miles away. The emperor of Japan surrendered on August 14, 1945.

"We were up in the mountains as prisoners, and it took them awhile to find us. When we got back to the states on October 2, we were welcomed by a tugboat full of girls wearing different colored dresses. The way to get on the boat was to have a dress with a color not already on the boat. These were the first girls we'd seen in a long time!"

At last on November 11, 2000, John Lippard and 2249 other Knox County veterans, most of them not with us anymore, will be memorialized by contributions of those with a vital sense of history and a realization that FREEDOM IS NOT FREE.



Theyard at Hunt Oil Company's location on East Highway 222 in Knox City has been selected by the Knox City Chamber of Commerce as this week's recipient of the Yard Of The Week.

## **Knox City Police Department responds**

The Knox City Police Department had another very busy month during June 2000, receiving a total of 519 calls and tasks which required attention. This total included 13 actual criminal offenses, of which 11 were cleared or otherwise handled.

Eleven charges were filed in regard to the above offenses, with one of the offenses involving ju-

Offenses Reported Include:

- 2, Disorderly Conduct - 1, Furnishing Tobacco to a Minor - 1, Theft (pickpocket) - 1, Reckless Driving - 1, Burglary of a Habitation - 1, City Ordinance Violation (Dangerous Building) - 1, Crimi-

Traffic Charges Filed - 5, Warn-

Other items reported to the Knox City Police Department during June are classified as inci-

These incidents were not able to be considered as a criminal

offense, however, they must be handled in a responsible and proper manner.

- 2, Funeral Escort - 1, Alarm - 1.

This department received several calls from the following: Central (911) - 52, Sheriff Office - 23,

During June, this department has seen a good response from a lot of the public cooperating with, wearing their seat belts, however, not everyone is wearing them. It is a good start, but everyone needs to be aware that this department mer.

Call in your news 658-3142

Incidents reported include:

will be making traffic stops on this. Everyone have a safe sum-

> /s/ Harry E. Steen Chief of Police

#### O'Brien happenings

They all enjoyed their trip and the

"Bob is taking a walk when his foot gets caught in some railroad tracks. He tries to pull it out, but it gets wedged in tighter. Then Bob spots a train bearing down on him. Panicking, he starts to pray, "Please, Lord. Get my foot out and I'll stop drinking." But it's still stuck. As Bob struggles to free himself, he prays again, "Please! Help me and I'll stop drinking and cussing." Still nothing.

"I'm begging you, Lord," Bob pleads "Let me live and I'll stop drinking, cussing and I'll give all my money to the poor." Suddenly, his foot slips free and Bob lunges to safety as the train thunders past. "Whew," says Bob. "Thanks anyway, God. I took care of it myself."

Here and There - Marilyn Talbot was in Shallowater over the weekend to visit her daughter Cathy and husband Gary and son Derek Hughes.

Donnie, Diane and Angelia Roberts and Jennifer Vacek have returned home after a two week vacation at Garner State Park.

different things they got to do.

Keith, Jane, Kiel and Kate Rowan spent a few days last week on vacation. They visited several places. Kate stayed awhile with friends and loved ones.

Visiting Jr. and Myra Reeves last week were cousins Thelma Grace and Lynn Davidson of Cedar Creek. They were on their way to Fairbanks, Alaska, for a couple of months visit with loved

Alton Hester had surgery last week in Amarillo and last report he was at his daughter's, Brenda Robinson's, after he was dismissed Sunday and seems to be doing OK. They all need our prayers.

Ranzy Herring is still in the care home at Munday and seems to be getting some better.

Rose Marie Johnston and her son Jimmy Johnston were in Abilene today for Rose's doctor's appointments.

Nettie Mae Watson and daughter Cathy are also seeing doctors pretty often and needs our prayers.

Vivian Hendrix's daughter, LeNear, is gradually getting better day by day.

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

Visiting Eddie and Claudia Bryant over the weekend were Jon Bryant and his finance, Lindsay Robertson of Levelland; Winfred and Nina Arp of Levelland, Keith, Jennifer and Cecylee Hicks of Hawley. Also, Tim and Trish Johnson and Tyler of Haskell, Donnie, Diane and Angela Roberts, Claudale and Jean Barnard, Veeta Reid, Billy and Mona Chenhall and girls, Jennie Smith and Leroy Leflar. They all enjoyed a good old fashioned fish fry Saturday night.

Among those attending the Reed-Sparks reunion at Irving were Beatrice Ellis, David Ellis, Sammie and Grady Murry of Plainview and Sandra Childress and her daughter-in-law Vicki and baby Madison, age 21/2, of Ozone and Vondell and Bill Reynolds of San Pedro, California. The reunion was sponsored by June Gothard Harris and Tommie Gothard Bates, former citizens of O'Brien.

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City Hall - 16.

**Knox City Police Department** 



A father asked his son, "Jimmy, were you a good boy in school today?"

"Well, dad," he replied, "I wasn't good or bad, just com-

Many church members practice Jimmy's philosophy in their Christian lives.

They want to be good citizens, but not godlike Christians. With them it's not a matter of being too good or too bad, just comfortable.

They confess without changing, listen without learning, profess without practicing, and worship without witnessing

Theirs is a religion of convenience, not conviction. But religion that does nothing, gives nothing, costs nothing and suffers nothing is worth nothing.

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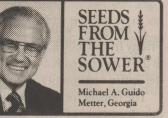
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#### Lions hold 'Wild Hog' golf scramble Saturday at KCCC By CAROL FELTS

The sixth annual "Wild Hog Golf Scramble" was held Saturday at the Knox City Country Club with 11 teams participating. We are sorry we didn't get things together for the May date when the weather was not so hot. Hopefully, the hot weather accounted for the slim turnout.

Most of the participants seemed to have an enjoyable time as the Lions furnished free cokes, bottled water and "Wild Hog" sausage.

First flight winners were the team of Anne Underwood and Mel and Brady Reed with a score of 58. Tying with a 58 but losing in the flip were Weldon and Donny Skiles and Rhonda Thane. Two other teams tied with a score of 60, Carver, Carver and Carver and Bruce Skiles, Todd Austin and Danny Grindstaff. Second flight winners were Will Vacek, Coy Hise and Andy Barnard.

Flight winners were presented Polo shirts and golfball caps embroidered with Knox City Lions and a "wild hog" embroidered on the caps. Winning caps and a dozen golf balls were Truman Dill, Esther Conn and Mat Verhalen. Third spot winning caps and balls were Charles and Betty Starnes and Charles Pack. David Carver won a \$50.00 savings bond given by Citizens Bank for longest drive for males and an Odyssey putter courtesy of The Art Stall, Bill Stewart Insurance and Knox City Florist for closest to the pin with an 8' placement.

Rhonda Thane won the ladies long drive and a \$50.00 savings bond courtesy of Citizens Insurance. A variety of prizes was donated by Duckwalls. Winning an exerciser was Bruce Skiles, Homer Rolston who won a clip

light and key chain. Betsy Allen won the flashlight, Josie Gilliam won the storage cabinet, Brian Williams won a towel and tees, Cathye Williams won a set of ankle weights and Bob Maloney won three pairs of golf socks, all courtesy of our local Duckwalls. I think everyone who played won at least a sleeve of golf balls.

Special thanks to Oscar Mangis for cooking the sausage, Charles Auburg for manning the "Coke Wagon", Sammy B. White for organizing the teams and also playing and Will Vacek for organizing the prizes and playing. Charles Pack also helped sort out the winners and prizes. Non-participating players who donated \$20.00 but chose not to play were Charles Auburg, Oscar Mangis, Orval Manning and Jack Fisher.

Lion Diana Casillas was invaluable with her West Texas Utilities water bottles and helping with all the details.

Lion Don Hawkins was the champion sausage eater followed closely by Travis Hawkins. Johnny Johnson and his son Braden also helped with the refreshments.

With only 33 players this year and expenses remaining about the same as the past we will not be able to give as much to the Texas Lions Camp for Crippled and Diabetic Children, but hope to have raised about \$500.00.

We also wish to thank the local Lawrence Brothers Grocery for helping us procure the "Coke Wagon" furnished by Southwest Coca Cola Bottlers. We would not want to leave out the Knox City Country Club and their letting us use the excellent facilities that make a tournament like this so much fun.

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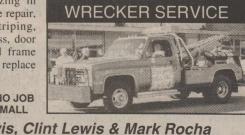
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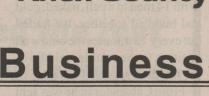
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#### Benjamin News

By Gladene Green, Correspondent

Welcome to hot weather! Remember a couple of weeks ago when I said if July and August could be like June we wouldn't have much to complain about? Well, so much for that "bit of wisdom" - "didn't happen and ain't gonna" - It's been hot, hot, hot -Unofficial report Sunday was 113 degrees over here and folks, that's a bit warm. Everything is sure showing signs of hot weather water bills and electric bills will probably run wild but we sure feel like we need to keep our yards and plants alive and also stay cool - Enough for that!

Regarding Our Ill - Barbara Pierce is reported to be somewhat improved. She has had several weeks of not doing well and about mid-week last week was admitted to ICU. And for a few days her condition was described as critical. But on Sunday she had improved enough to be put back into a private room and tho still serious, reports are beginning to be more encouraging. We continue to pray for her and her family.

Betty Lyles is a patient in a Wichita Falls (11th Street Campus) hospital undergoing some tests. On Sunday, she was resting and feeling better. If she continues to improve she will probably come home Tuesday. Best wishes

Dickie Lloyd is doing pretty well since her recent stroke. She's home now and has help during the day so that she can stay in her own place. Drop Dickie a note -I'm sure it would cheer her up.

Here 'N There - Sharon Johnson and Maretha Patterson returned home Saturday after several days in Lubbock and Seminole. They were in Lubbock to be with Sharon's daughter, Suzanne Overton of Seminole, who underwent a cornea transplant Wednesday. Suzanne is doing well with much improved eyesight. It's good to be able to report that.

Sunday and Monday guests of Sharon and Maretha were Leon Bivens and Carson Bivens of Tatum, NM. They did some mowing and cleaning up around Leon's house here.

Susan Jones of Kemp was a visitor with her dad, Butch McCanlies; her brother and family, Dicky, Laura and Gina McCanlies and her son and family, Kemp, Becky, Devin, Blake and Brooke Jones last week.

Peggy Shropshire of Lubbock was here Wednesday for the funeral of Louise Hertel. I visited with Peggy briefly and she said she had been spending a few days with family at Lake Kemp.

Keith, Pam and Casey Conner of Big Spring, Steve Conner of Colorado City and Stephanie and Bobby Brannan of Lubbock spent

#### Couple to wed August 5 in New Mexico

Ms. Judy Conner of Benjamin, Texas, and Mr. Larry Conner of Wolfforth, Texas, would like to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their son, Jim Bob Conner to Mixie Siepel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Siepel of Lordsburg, New Mexico. The wedding will take place on August 5, 2000 in Lordsburg, New Mexico.

Jim Bob is a senior at Texas Tech University where he is majoring in Agricultural Economics and will graduate in May 2001. He

is employed by Rural Community Insurance Services and is also selfemployed with Benjamin Nursery, located in Wolfforth.

MIXIE SIEPEL

JIM BOB CONNER

Mixie is a senior at Texas Tech University, majoring in Agricultural Communications, where she will graduate in December 2000. She is presently working as a coop intern at New Mexico State University as a 4-H Correspondent in the Agricultural Communications Department.

#### Melvin Ray Skidmore rites are held in Llano

Funeral services for Melvin Ray Skidmore of Llano were held Tuesday, July 18, 2000, at 10:30 a.m. at Waldrope-Hatfield-Hawthorne Funeral Home Chapel in Llano. Rev. Rick Cundieff officiated and burial was in the Llano City Cemetery.

Mr. Skidmore, 76, died Friday, July 14, in Temple.

Born November 1, 1923, in Grapeland, Texas, he married Helen Ruth Littlepage on September 8, 1945, in Houston. He was a teacher in the public schools and was a United States Army veteran, serving in World War II.

He was a teacher and resident of Llano since 1991, moving there from Alamogordo, New Mexico. He was a member of First Baptist Church, Llano; and had been a deacon of the Baptist Church since 1967. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

He was Superintendent of Schools in Benjamin from 1956 until 1962 when the family moved to Alamogordo where he taught math and coached football and basketball. He retired from teaching in 1987. His honors included being Teacher of the Year and president of the New Mexico Association of Classroom Teachers.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Leo, Russell, and Harold; and a sister, Pauline Skidmore.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Ruth Skidmore of Llano; daughters, Sharon Ruth Skidmore of Llano and Billie Marie Skidmore of Temple; a sister, Edwina Banks of Grapeland; three brothers, Calvin of Grapeland, Clyde of California and John of Houston.

Nephews served as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers were deacons of First Baptist Church.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, Llano.

and Caleb of Lubbock were here

for a weekend visit with

homefolks. Blaine Conner re-

turned home with them because

she has to be there from Tuesday

on through the rest of the week

preparing for the all-star game

which will be played on Friday

night. She will be playing for the

east and the game starts at 7:00

Sean and Mary Widmer and

Hannah of Argyle were weekend

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Barrientez as were the Jimmy

Barrientez family of Lubbock.

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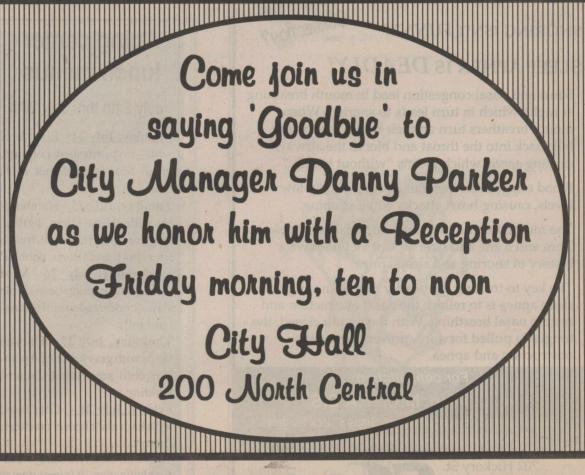


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Sinus and nasal congestion lead to mouth breathing at night, which in turn leads to snoring. When mouth breathers turn on their backs, the tongue falls back into the throat and blocks the airway, causing apnea, which means "without breath."

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The key to treating the deadly duo of snoring and sleep apnea is to relieve the nasal obstruction and restore nasal breathing. With the mouth closed, the tongue is pulled forward, preventing airway obstruction and apnea.

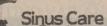
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## Fund started for Justin Baty, age 13

A fund for Justin Baty of Rochester, age 13, has been established at Citizens Bank in Knox City.

Justin, the son of Beverly and Willie Strickland of Rochester and Allan and Lisa Baty of Oklahoma, is in critical condition in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit at Cook Children's Hospital in Fort Worth. He has been diagnosed with bacterial meningitis.

Correspondence may be addressed to him in care of Cook Children's Hospital, 801 7th Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76104.

The account number for the Justin Baty Fund is 1832190-700238

Call in your NEWS... 658-3142

## Aging center lunch menus

July 24th thru July 28th

Monday, July 24 - Roast beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad, hot rolls, cake.

Tuesday, July 25 - Hamburgers with cheese slices, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onion, french fries, pork and beans, cobbler.

Wednesday, July 26 - Meat loaf, spinach, pinto beans, cole slaw, cornbread, mini cinnamon rolls.

Thursday, July 27 - Chicken strips with gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, green salad, biscuits, pudding

Friday, July 28 - Chef salad with ham and cheese, crackers, dessert.

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



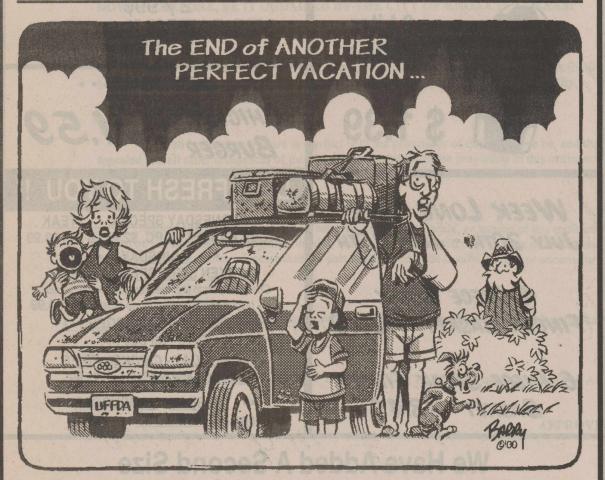
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### 2000 GREYHOUND FOOTBALL SCHEDULE



Aug. 7 Two-A-Day Workouts Begin at 8:00 a.m.

August Scrimmage Schedule							
Aug. 19	Crosbyton	At Knox City	TBA				
Aug. 25	Seymour	At Seymour	TBA				
September Game Schedule							
Sept. 1	Rotan	At Knox City	8:00 p.m.				
Sept. 8	Anson	At Anson	8:00 p.m.				
Sept. 15	Perrin-Whit	At Knox City	8:00 p.m.				
Sept. 22	Spur	At Spur	8:00 p.m.				
Sept. 29	Roby	At Roby	8:00 p.m.				
October Game Schedule							
Oct. 6	Open Date						
Oct 13	Aspermont	At Knox City	7:30 p.m.*				
Oct. 20	Crowell	At Crowell	7:30 p.m.*				
Oct. 27	Munday	At Knox City	7:30 p.m.*				
November Game Schedule							
Nov. 3	Motley Co.	At Knox City	7:30 p.m.*				
Nov. 10	Paducah	At Paducah	7:30 p.m.*				

2000 KCHS JUNIOR VARSITY



\* Indicates District Games that begin a half hour earlier

## & O'BRIEN JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL SCHEDULES

Two-A-Day Workouts Begin at 8:00 a.m. For JV Aug. 7 September Game Schedule At Perrin-Whit Sept. 14 **Perrin-Whit** 5:00 p.m. At O'Brien 5:00 p.m. Sept. 21 Spur At O'Brien Sept. 28 5:00 p.m. Roby October Game Schedule Oct. 5 **Open Date** 5:00 p.m. At Aspermont Oct 12 **Aspermont** Crowell At O'Brien 5:00 p.m. Oct. 19 Munday At Munday 5:00 p.m. Oct. 26 November Game Schedule

#### 2000 KNOX CITY HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

**At Motley County** 

At O'Brien

5:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

Aug. 7 Two-A-Day Workouts Begin

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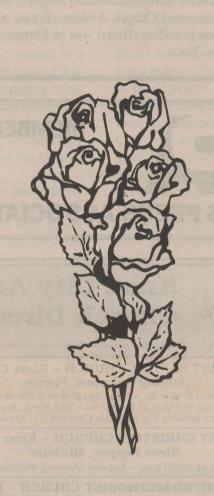
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	Aug, 19	Northside	V, JV	At Knox City	11:00 a.m.	
	Aug. 22	Woodson	V, JV	At Woodson	5:00 p.m.	
	Aug. 26	Dual - Harrold	V	At Knox City	11:00 a.m.	
	Aug. 26	Dual - Albany	V, JV	At Knox City	11:00 a.m.	
	Aug. 29	Aspermont	V, JV	At Aspermont	5:00 p.m.	
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	Sept. 5	Aspermont	V, JV	At Knox City	5:00 p.m.	
	Sept. 12	City View	V, JV	At Knox City	5:00 p.m.	
	Sept. 19	Benjamin*	V	At Knox City	6:30 p.m.	
	Sept. 26	Rochester*	V, JV	At Knox City	5:30 p.m.	
	Sept. 30	Albany	V, JV, 9	At Albany	10:00 a.m.	
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	Oct. 10	Benjamin*	V	At Benjamin	6:30 p.m.	
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\* District Games

I would like to express my heartfelt thanks and gratitude to all my friends,

my patients and all those who gave me their moral support.







To all of you who signed the letter of support in my behalf, I appreciate your efforts.

Thanks also to the

Knox County Hospital Board.

I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Shirley Barretto, M.D.

## Dewhurst announces more than \$4.8 million earned for Texas public schoolchildren

AUSTIN - Texas Land Commissioner David Dewhurst has announced more than \$4.8 million was earned for the Permanent School Fund (PSF) in lease sales and land sales approved by the Texas School Land Board. Dewhurst, who chairs the board, sail oil and gas firms paid more than \$4 million to lease 17, 945 acres of PSF lands, and more than

\$800,000 was earned from the sale of 6,802 acres of PSF lands. Dewhurst said the \$226 average bid per acre for oil and gas leases is the highest in two years.

"This bonus is a welcome addition to the Permanent School Fund, which benefits the public schoolchildren of Texas," Dewhurst said. "A quality education is the birthright of all Texans,

and it takes a lot of resources to do the job properly. I will continue to work hard to boost earnings from our state lands."

Dewhurst said royalties earned from oil and gas produced on state lands accrue to the PSF, which earns money for Texas public schoolchildren from kindergarten through the 12th grade. The PSF has approximately \$22 billion in assets and contributed about \$662 million to Texas public schools last year.

Sealed bids from oil and gas companies were opened at Tuesday's public meeting of the School Land Board in Austin, with Dewhurst presiding. A total of 57 tracts out of 256 offered were awarded. About \$20 million has been earned for the PSF since Dewhurst doubled lease sales to four per year in 1999.

Dewhurst said the three highest bids Tuesday were \$204,530 from Union Oil Co. of California, \$200,067 from Juneau Explora-

tion Co., and \$196,826 from H.D. O'Neill. Dewhurst said Independent Land Services had the largest dollar amount in total bids, more than \$481,000, while Cockrell Oil & Gas had the second highest total, about \$412,000, and Michael Dixon was third highest at \$343,040.

#### Weather

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07/13	77	102	A STATE
07/14	73	104	
07/15	68	109	
07/16	75	113	
07/17	80	108	

2000 Rainfall - 11.34

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### 'A Message From Our Hearts - '

Danny Lain, We love you and miss you! Get Well Soon. Our prayers are with you and your beautiful family.

From:

Abundant Life Zion Full Gospel Church Pastors: Rich Palma and Mary Ann Palma and Congregation

## Marguerite Dean Wright dies in Sublette, Kansas

Marguerite Dean Wright, 76, of Sublette, Kansas and former Knox City, Texas, resident, died Wednesday morning, July 12, 2000, in Sublette, Kansas, at her daughter's home.

The daughter of Walter J. and Maggie (Love) Cagle, she was born December 11, 1923, at Knox City, Texas.

She and Novell L. Wright were married May 10, 1939, in Knox City, Texas. They moved to Sublette in 1968 and 1973, moving from Knox City, Texas, where she spent most of her life.

They moved back to Knox City, Texas. Her husband preceded her in death, August 12, 1984. She moved back to Sublette in April of 2000, due to ill health to be close to her daughter.

She was a homemaker. She was a bookkeeper for agriculture business.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church, Sublette, Kansas.

Survivors include three sons, Larry Wright, Sublette, KS; Rodney Wright and wife Kittie, Abilene, TX, Arlis Wright and wife Terri, Abilene, TX; two daughters, Beverly Hall and husband Larry, Sublette, KS; Tammya Bowzer, Rockledge, FL; two sisters, Pauline Marion, Knox City, TX, Stella Curd and husband William, Knox City, TX; 11 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband.

Memorials have been established for either the St. Catherine's Hospice, Garden City, Kansas or the United Methodist Church, Sublette, Kansas. Memorials may be mailed to Haskell County Funeral Home, Box 607, Sublette, KS 67877.

Haskell County Funeral Home, Sublette, was in charge of local arrangements.

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 15, 2000, at 10:00 a.m. at the Elmwood Chapel, Abilene, Texas, with minister Derrell Marion presiding. Burial was in Elmwood Memorial Park, Abilene, Texas.

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## CITY OF KNOX CITY DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN

ARTICLE NO. 11.700

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KNOX CITY, TEXAS, ADOPTING A DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN, ESTABLISHING CRITERIA FOR THE INITIATION AND TERMINATION OF DROUGHT RESPONSE STAGES, ESTABLISHING RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN WATER USES, ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF AND PROVISIONS FOR ENFORCEMENT OF THESE RESTRICTIONS, ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR GRANTING VARIANCES, AND PROVIDING SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Knox City, Texas recognizes that the amount of water available to the City and its water utility customers is limited and subject to depletion during periods of extended drought;

WHEREAS, the City recognizes that natural limitations due to drought conditions and other acts of God cannot guarantee an uninterrupted water supply for all purposes;

WHEREAS, Section 12.1272 of the Texas Water Code and applicable rules of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission require all public water supply systems in Texas to prepare a drought contingency plan; and

WHEREAS, as authorized under law, and in the best interests of the citizens of Knox City, Texas, the City Council deems it expedient and necessary to establish certain rules and policies for the orderly and efficient management of limited water supplies during drought and other water supply emergencies;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF KNOX CITY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1.

That the City of Knox City, Texas Drought Contingency Plan attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made part hereof for all purposes be, and the same is hereby, adopted as the official policy of the City.

SECTION 2.

That all ordinances that are in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance be, and the same are hereby, repealed and all other ordinances of the City not in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3.

Should any paragraph, sentence, subdivision, clause, phrase, or section of this ordinance be adjudged or held to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any part or provision thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid, illegal, or unconstitutional.

SECTION 4.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and the publication of the caption, as the law in such cases provided.

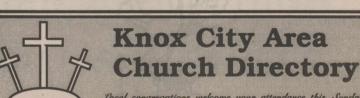
DULY PASSED BY THE CITY OF KNOX CITY, TEXAS, on the first day of August, 2000.

APPROVED:

Jonie Pegroll MAYOR

Plan will be available at City Hall, 200 North Central, Monday - Friday from 8:00 to 5:00 for viewing.





FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ~ Knox City
Johnny Johnson, Pastor

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Vergil Ichtertz, Pastor
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Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m.

FOURSQUARE CHURCH ~ Knox City
Paul Chambers, Interim Pastor

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SANTA ROSA CATHOLIC CHURCH ~ Knox City Father Leo Schloemer ~ Deacon Julian Estrada Sunday Bilingual Mass at 11:00 a.m.

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH ~ Benjamin John Gillispie, Pastor Sunday School at 10:00 a.m., Sunday Morning at 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening at 6:00 p.m.

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GILLESPIE BAPTIST CHURCH ~ Gillespie
Ross Anderson, Pastor
Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.

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

Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m. Mid Week, Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

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7-13 6tc 28 HOUSE FOR SALE - Four miles east of Knox City on Hwy. 222. 940-852-5615.

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### Local women enjoy Alaskan cruise with friends from Munday and Rule

Oleta Cornelius of Rule, Margaret Hill of Munday and Polly Marion and Wanda Phipps of Knox City left on Sunday, June 4, for DFW to spend the night before leaving for an Alaskan Cruise.

Monday morning at 9:00 o'clock, they boarded an airplane for Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada where they began their seven-night cruise of the Gulf of Alaska. Arriving in Vancouver at 11:40 a.m., they were bused to the docks to board the Dawn Princess. Getting on board about one o'clock, they had time to explore the ship before they began sailing. They were on deck to see the ship depart at 6:00 p.m.

Sailing Monday night and all day Tuesday, they awoke docked in Ketchikan, Southeast Alaska's "First City". At 9:00 a.m., they left the ship for a tour of Ketchikan's most historic areas by horse-drawn trolley. Seeing many flights of stairs leading to apartments was common for residents there. The town is located between beautiful mountains. After their tour of the historic areas they had time for shopping before boarding the ship. At 6:00 p.m., they began sailing for Juneau, Alaska's capitol. They saw beautiful mountains and scenic sights as they sailed.

Waking up Wednesday at the dock in Juneau was a wonderful sight, they reported. They began their day with a Princess bus tour to the Mendenhall Glacier which

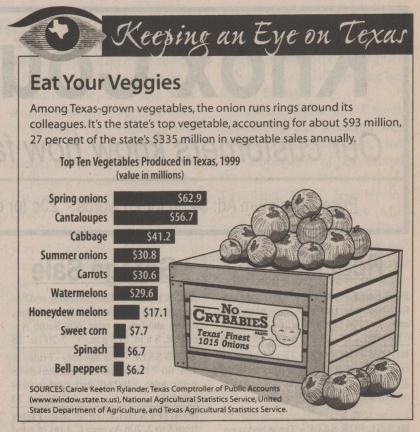
is one-and-a-half miles wide, hundreds of feet thick and fed by the 1,500 square mile Juneau Icefield. This meandering river of compressed blue ice ranks is the largest glacier accessible by road. On the way back to Juneau, they visited the Chapel by the Lake, a quaint log church with an inspirational view of Auke Lake and Mendenhall Glacier. They also toured a Salmon Hatchery which was very interesting. After returning from their bus tour they went into town to visit the shops.

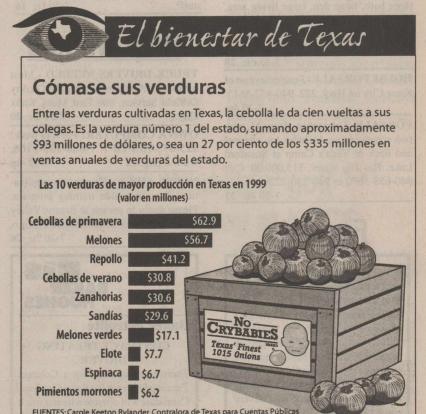
Sailing at eight o'clock, they headed for Skagway. Walking to see a mountain and railroad in front of the ship. Skagway was the gateway to the gold fields and is a very unique town, it has only

one long street with wood sidewalks and old fashioned stores. After lunch they boarded the train for an unforgettable journey to the White Pass Summit. This iron trail was built through some of the North's most rugged terrain so people would have transportation to the gold fields. One hundred years later this narrow-gauge railroad is still in operation. Riding up the narrow-gauge railroad to the Summit of the mountain seeing the beautiful mountains, waterfalls, valleys and imagining it years ago was awesome.

At eight o'clock they left Skagway and continued sailing for two days across the Gulf where they had the opportunity to view the glaciers of College Fjord. Words barely describe the great land of Alaska where they saw glaciers calve, bald eagles soar high above the trees, and the sun set over a mountain range that filled up half the sky. Whales were sighted by their blows and seeing their tails flop in the water. Seals and otters were also spotted. Besides the beauty of the country side, life on the ship was very busy. There were lots of activities, all kinds of exercise equipment, swimming, hot tubs, games, bingo and shows each night. They also enjoyed church services on Sunday morning. They reported the food as wonderful with a buffet being served 24 hours a day and a fabulous dining room that served twice a day.

They arrived in Seward on Monday, June 12, where they disembarked. There they boarded a bus for a 127 mile scenic drive into Anchorage for their flight to Seattle with a two hour layover. Then on to DFW and back home, arriving home around noon on Tuesday.





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#### **VRJC** increases enrollment due to nursing shortage

VERNON-"A registered nursing shortage exists both in Texas and nationwide." Cathy Bolton. Vernon Regional Junior College's Director of Health Sciences, said. Pointing to a recently released estimates from the Texas Nurses Foundation, Bolton notes that the state needs about 40,000 more registered nurses with rural Texas accounting for 25 percent of this shortage. Nationwide, the U.S. Labor Department predicts that an additional 450,000 nurses will be needed by 2008.

"VRJC is trying to do its part in addressing the need for nurses. The College has increased the enrollment limit in the nursing program by 18 percent beginning this fall," Bolton said.

The registered nursing program, also called Association Degree in Nursing (ADN), includes a generic track (for students who have no previous nursing experience) and a licensed vocational nursing track (for students who are licensed vocational

The College also has a vocational nursing program. The application deadline for the Vernon campus program is August 1.

Physical Therapist Assistant is another health-related program available on the Vernon campus. The lectures come through interactive television from Amarillo College to a VRJC classroom, and the labs are also held on the VRJC campus. The PTA program may be completed in two years. Upon graduation, students are eligible to take the state licensing exami-

Early registration will be held on August 8, and regular registration is set for August 21 at Osborne Administration Building on the Vernon campus. Fall classes begin on August 23.

For additional information on the programs, students should contact a VRJC counselor at 940-552-6291, ext. 2250.



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