

WHITE'S

Wagging
Tongue

by Cynthia
White

Several area students and their parents attended the Stock Show in Fort Worth last week. One parent, Mr. Ed Murphy of Weinert, was accompanying his young son Lane, but also was exhibiting a spotted river hog that he had captured down by the Brazos River. During the week's events Mr. Murphy was interviewed by a reporter from the Fort Worth Star Telegram and explained to her how he had tamed the feral hog.

"Murphy taught the bristly beast how to snag a cookie in midair like a dog with a treat. He places the cookie on its snout, and the hog flips it into the air, catching the sweet in its mouth," quotes the article.

"Oreos," Murphy said, refusing to crack a smile. "That's the way you gentle a pig."

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My husband was counseling with our young son the other day and told him, "Son, if you want to learn anything, you have to start at the bottom. That is, unless you're trying to learn to swim."

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A gentleman came into the office a few days ago and kept referring to his old truck as his "baby."

"You must really like that truck - calling it your baby and all," I said.

"Well, I call it my "baby" because it never goes anywhere without it's rattle," he stated.

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For all the parents of young children - here's the TODDLER'S CREED:

- If I want it, it's mine.
- If I give it to you and change my mind later, it's mine.
- If I can take it away from you, it's mine.
- If I had it a little while ago, it's mine.
- If it's mine it will never belong to anyone else no matter what.
- If we are building something together, all the pieces are mine.
- If it looks like mine, it's mine!

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Classified ads can be funny - here a few that actually ran in papers across the country:

- 2 female Boston Terrier puppies, 7 wks old, Perfect markings. Leave mess.
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- Now is your chance to have your ears pierced and get an extra pair to take home, too.
- Wanted: Unmarried girls to pick fresh fruit and produce at night.
- For Sale - Eight puppies from a German Shepperd and an Alaskan Husky.

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I went for a walk in the country a few days back and was admiring a mother cow and her baby. I did think it was odd when I turned to leave and the mother cow said to the baby, "It's pasture bedtime."

Fifty years later he's still a hero!

by Joe Yates

Over fifty years late, but it finally happened, a well-deserved award has come to one who earned it.

On August 1, 1944, while serving with the 186 Infantry AT Company 41st Army Division and while taking the important Japanese-held island of Biak off the coast of New Guinea, Corporal Ralph Cypert received wounds to his head, face, and chest. An explosion from an unknown source, either an enemy land mine, booby trap, or his own demolition charges, nearly ended his life.

He was sent to a hospital ship in the Pacific. His doctors thought he would die or at least be blind and they thought he was too severely injured to be sent to a land hospital. Therefore he was sent to 127th Station Hospital in New Guinea. During the ninety-eight days he spent in the hospital he endured operations and illnesses induced by experimental treatments in an attempt to save his life and then his eyesight. Penicillin was in its experimental stages and Mr. Cypert was administered large quantities of this drug. He also received injections of Typhoid directly into his veins. After every one of these treatments Mr. Cypert would be extremely ill for thirty-six hours but then would experience a brief time of vision in his right eye. Therefore the treatments were continued and partial vision was the result.

After his recovery Cypert was inadvertently sent back into com-

bat. When released from the hospital, he was sent back to the heavy automotive ordinance. He was re-assigned to a non-combat ordinance unit and sent to occupy Manila, a Philippine island that was suppose to be secure. When

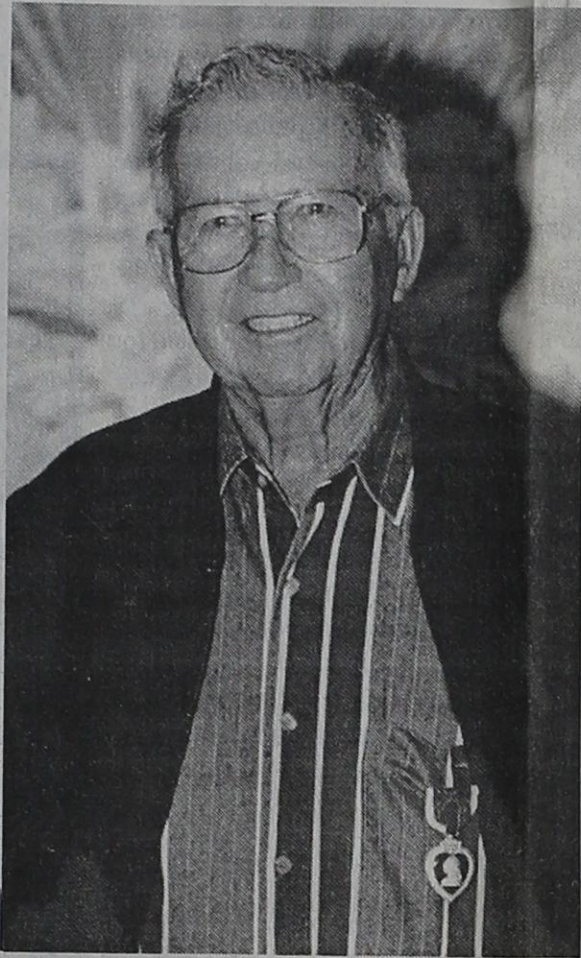
for his wounds. After his tour of duty he did receive his citation but never his medal. Cypert went on to be awarded a bronze star and a bronze star with oak cluster - but those were never received either.

Cypert returned home in September 1945 - after the Japanese surrender - but was still bothered by the fact that he never received the Purple Heart medal.

Years passed and when an attempt was made to secure his medal, he was told all of his service records, including the medical records of his wounds had been destroyed in a Saint Louis warehouse fire. It was questioned as to whether he had ever really been in the military service.

Cypert's family members and friends wanted him to receive the medal that he so desperately deserved so attempts were begun to prove his military service record. Government channels were slow and cumbersome but finally it was arranged that Cypert would receive that cherished medal.

At a holiday gathering on December 24, 1996, members of the extended Cypert family declared themselves in ceremonial session and representatives of the United States Government. Ralph Cypert was presented with his well-deserved, but long-denied Purple Heart medal. This presentation can be but a small token of the appreciation that American citizens have for Ralph Cypert and other individuals who suffered and sacrificed to protect our nation.



his new unit landed, it was met by Japanese soldiers in a close, fierce combat engagement. "Those Japanese soldiers came out of an old walled city and I guarantee you that they didn't know we were supposed to be a non-combat unit," he explains.

Because of his reassignment, as it turned out, to a combat unit in hostile territory, mail service was somewhat hampered. During this time he went nine months without receiving mail from home, a paycheck, or the Purple Heart medal

Child Welfare Board elects new officers

The Knox County Child Welfare Board met Tuesday night January 28, 1997 at 6:30 in the First United Methodist Church library.

Dixie Elliott, vice-president, called the meeting to order. She read Judy Lowe, president, resignation.

Four new members were recognized - Sequoyah Reynolds of

Knox City, Linda Beck of Vera, Kim Clonts of Knox City and Margaret Hill of Munday.

New officers were elected: Dixie Elliott, Goree, President; Sequoyah Reynolds, Knox City, Vice-President; Beckie Offutt, Munday, Secretary; Juanita Wilcox, Knox City, Treasurer;

Dayle Kuehler, Munday, Treasurer; Kim Clonts, Knox City, Reporter; Margaret Hill, Munday, Reporter.

The Regional Council will meet February 4 in Brownwood. Sequoyah Reynolds and Juanita Wilcox were elected as voting delegates.

GTE clarifies expanded local calling for Munday

The article published in last week's edition of The Munday Courier has been further explained by officials at GTE.

As a result of balloting which took place in the Haskell telephone service area, customers will now have the opportunity to dial Munday, Seymour and Throckmorton from Haskell as a local call. Munday will be able to call Haskell as a local call but will not have the opportunity to dial Seymour or Throckmorton as a local call.

There will be no charge to Munday customers for this service due to the fact that Munday has never voted on the issue. It was incorrectly noted in the article of last week that Munday had not voted favorably on the issue of local calling when in fact the city of Munday has never voted at all on the issue. Therefore there will not be a monthly charge to Munday residents for expanded calling to Haskell.

Munday students take first place in academic contest

Munday High School hosted a Small Schools Academic Decathlon this past Sunday, February 2, with teams from Munday High taking first and third place and tying for the fourth place position.

Teams consist of one "A" average student, one "B" average student and one "C" average student of any high school class level. The teams competed against eight

other teams from Quanah, Woodson, Rotan and Knox City in the subjects of mathematics, English, social studies, and science.

The first place team from Munday consisted of Kandis Longan, Cody Perry and Shelly Scott. The third place team was made up of Brandi Hall, JoAnn Thomas and Nicolas Lara. The fourth place team consisted of Lanasa Wilson, Kizzie Shields, and Shonda Jordan.

The state championship rounds will take place on April 6 in Brownwood at Howard-Payne University with Munday's first and third place team advancing to the rounds and competing for scholarship money.

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Benefit for Knox County Aging Service on slate for Saturday

Toes will be tapping this Saturday, February 8, at the Knox County Aging Service in Knox City when a group of local musicians combine their talents to benefit the Aging Service. Music begins at 7:00 p.m. with donations taken at the door.

The local entertainers will feature Mr. Norman Anderson on guitar and vocals, Ms. Kimi Moon on drums and vocals, Mr. Andy Charo on bass guitar, Mrs. Tamara Weeks on rhythm guitar, Mr. Jay White on guitar, fiddle and vocals, and Mrs. Cynthia White on vocals and flute.

Anderson and Moon have been playing country music together for many years in the area. They, along with other local musicians, made up the group "Country Gold" and played country music in several local establishments.

Mr. Charo has enjoyed playing the bass guitar for a number of years and is happy for the opportunity of helping with this benefit.

Mrs. Weeks, wife of Munday City Manager John Weeks, has worked as a professional musician and has played guitar for several different groups and duos in the

resort areas of California, Florida and Santa Fe, New Mexico.

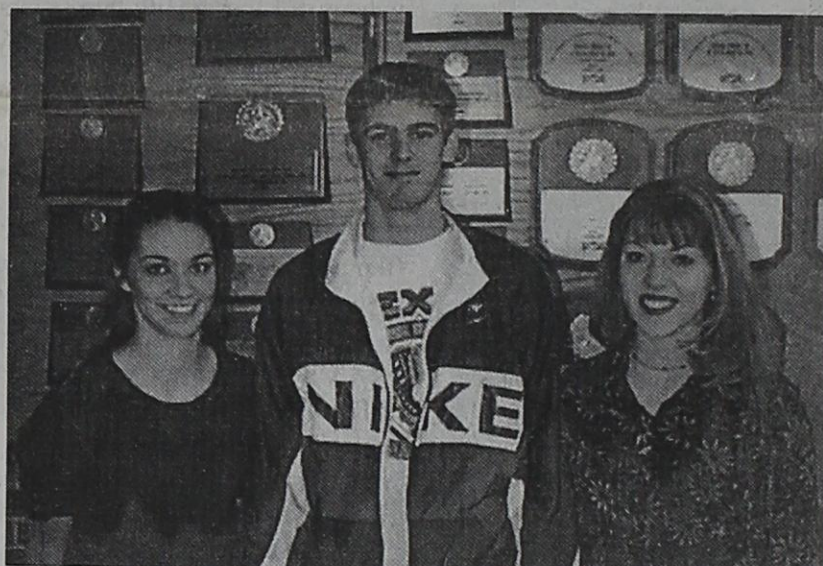
Husband and wife team, Jay and Cynthia White, have also worked as professional entertainers, singing and playing country music in 42 different states including Hawaii and Alaska.

The benefit is to aid the Knox County Aging Service who provides meals, meeting places, personal contacts and fun and games for our area's senior citizens.

All ages will enjoy the music of the evening and everyone is encouraged to come out and support this worthy organization.

Munday Little League to hold meeting

The Munday Little League will have an organizational meeting Thursday, February 6 at the First United Methodist Church at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of this meeting is to elect the board of directors and make necessary plans for the upcoming season.



TAKING FIRST PLACE HONORS at the Small Schools Academic Decathlon on Sunday were Shelly Scott, Cody Perry and Kandis Longan. They will now advance to the state level of competition where they are in hopes of earning scholarship money.



SMALL SCHOOLS ACADEMIC DECATHLON third place winners from Munday High School were Brandi Hall, Nicolas Lara and JoAnn Thomas. They will now advance to the state competition in April.



KIZZIE SHIELDS, SHONDA JORDAN AND LANESA WILSON took the fourth place spot at the Small Schools Academic Decathlon. The girls tied for fourth place with the team from Quanah.

Invitations to attend are extended to all buyer's.

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The Europeans first learned about chocolate from the Aztecs.

Of the years 2000, 2050, and 2100, only the year 2000 will be a leap year.

Local Obituaries

Schumacher, Father Bernard O.S.B.

Father Bernard Schumacher, O.S.B., a monk of Subiaco Abbey, died suddenly on February 1, 1997. He was born Robert Schumacher in Munday, Texas on January 19, 1919, the son of August and Louise Schumacher (both deceased), and grew up in Rhineland, Texas. During World War II, he served as a sergeant in the U.S. Air Force in France, participating the Adennes and Normandy Campaigns for which he earned the Campaign Medal with six Bronze Stars.

After his discharge from the military service he entered Subiaco Abbey College. In 1948 he began his novitiate, professing his vows as a monk of our monastery on September 15, 1949, receiving the name Bernard was ordained to the priesthood on May 16, 1954.

After completing his theology studies at Subiaco, he attended the Catholic University of America where he earned a master's degree in library science.

From 1956 - 62 he was librarian and seminary professor at Subiaco. He served as assistant pastor at Saint Boniface Church in Fort Smith, AR and later at Saint Edward Church in Little Rock, AR.

Other pastoral assignments in Arkansas were in Shoal Creek, Prairie View, Booneville, Clarksville and Scranton. From 1972 - 75 he was superior of Subiaco's dependent priory, Santa Familia Monastery, Belize, Central America.

For nearly ten years, up to the time of his death, Father Bernard was available at the abbey for substitution and missionary work. Through the years he was an avid writer for The Abbey Message, tempering his spiritual insights with succinct proverbs and anecdotes. Father Bernard also gave generously of his time in driving the sick and elderly for medical appointments and errands.

He is survived by three sisters, Elsie Farber, Vernon; Betty Affleck, San Angelo; and Alma Simek, Seymour.

A Christian Wake Service was held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 4, and the Liturgy of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, February 5 in Saint Benedict Church at Subiaco. Interment took place in the abbey cemetery.

Voyles, Edith A.

Services for Edith A. Voyles, 77, of Lubbock were held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, January 30, in Franklin-Bartley Chapel with the Reverend Tommy Weir, a Baptist minister, officiating.

Interment followed in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park.

Mrs. Voyles passed away on Monday, January 27, 1997, in Methodist Hospital.

Mrs. Voyles was born in Munday and had been a Lubbock resident since moving here from Knox City in 1952. She was a member of Temple Baptist Church. She married William Martin Voyles on December 8, 1935 in Seymour. He preceded her in death on April 5, 1981. She is survived by two sons, Roy Voyles and Buddy Voyles, both of Lubbock; three daughters, Wanda Caperton of Lubbock, Peggy Brown of Sherman and Teresa Peacock of Hobbs, NM; one brother, Arnold Kitchens of Liberty Hill; two sisters, Bonnie Sowell of Lubbock and Doris Spurlock of Roanoke; and by fourteen grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

The family has requested that memorials be made to Meals on Wheels or the American Heart Association.

Green, Ann

Temple resident, Ann Green, passed away on January 26 in a Temple Nursing Home. She was 83 years of age.

Funeral services were held on January 27 in the First United Methodist Church of Temple with burial in Hillcrest Cemetery. The Reverend Lisa Neslony officiated with Harper-Talasek Funeral Home in charge of the arrangements.

Mrs. Green was born on September 1, 1913 in Commerce to Charles K. Mosby and Ethel (Boddie) Mosby. She married Robert L. Green on December 26, 1938 in Wichita Falls. She was a resident of Temple since 1952 and was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Green is survived by two daughters, Lee Ann Walser of Dallas and Judy Nash of Garland; one son, Steve Green of Houston; four grandchildren and one sister, Mary Lane Giddings of Behel, Idaho.

Free soil testing program offered by Seymour Aquifer

The Natural Resources Conservation Service and The Texas Agricultural Extension Service are sponsoring a free soil testing program for farmers, ranchers, and gardeners in the Seymour Aquifer Water Quality Project. The free soil testing program will extend through April 15, 1997.

Since 1992 the number of soil samples submitted during the free soil sampling programs have shown a constant increase. The first year of the program 115 samples were sent in and last year 485 samples were submitted.

The soil sample should be taken from a uniform area of the field. Take 10 to 15 small sample cores to a depth of six inches for each field to be tested. Mix the samples in a clean plastic bucket, and take out about a pint of the composite sample to be sent in for analysis.

Be sure to fill out an information sheet to send in with the sample. The information sheet asks about the type of crop to be grown and your yield goal for the crop.

The soil sample will be tested for pH, nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, calcium, magnesium, sodium, sulfur, and salinity.

Soil sample bags and information sheets can be picked up at: Allison Farm Supply in Rule; Charlie Myers Grain Co. in Haskell; Farmers Gin or Lone Star Peanut in Rochester; O'Brien Coop Gin; Benjamin Fertilizer or

Terra in Knox City; Quality Implementation, Knox Prairie Coop, Farmers Grain, or Zeissel Brothers Fertilizer in Munday; or the local FSA, NRCS, or County Extension Service office.

For more information on the free soil testing program call the

Seymour Aquifer Project office at (817) 864-3334 or 864-3583.

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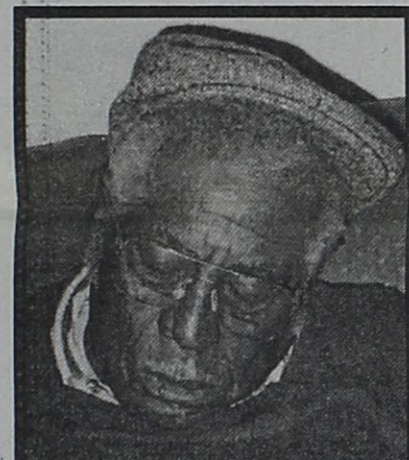
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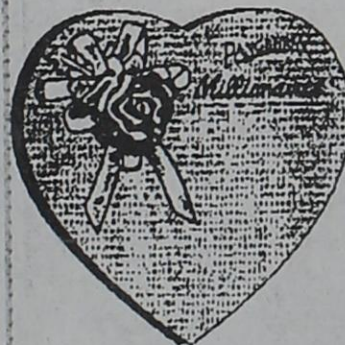
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Local Obituaries

Frazier, Ramia Lee

Ramia Lee Frazier, 83, longtime bible class teacher, civic leader, and business lady in Haskell, died Wednesday, January 29, in a local hospital. Services were conducted at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 1, at the Church of Christ in Haskell with Dale Huff, Bob Connell, and Joel Fox conducting the service. Burial followed in Willow Cemetery by the side of Barney Frazier, her husband for 42 years. Arrangement were made through Holden-McCauley Funeral Directors.

Ramia Lee was born in Montague County, Texas on February 19, 1913, the daughter of Arthur Meeds Moore and Nancy Lorado Hester. She had three older sisters, one older brother, and three younger sisters. She moved to Knox County with her family at a young age, excelled in volleyball and basketball at Sunset School, and graduated there in 1931. She married Stallard Harris Bradford on August 8, 1933 and he was later killed in a truck accident in February of 1936. After graduating from nursing school in Wichita Falls, she went to work as the first surgical nurse of the Knox County Hospital in 1938. She then moved to Haskell in early 1940 as the first surgical nurse when the new Haskell County Memorial Hospital opened. This is where she met and married Barney Frazier on October 24, 1941. He preceded her in death on December 11, 1983.

Ramia Lee had been a member of the Haskell Church of Christ since 1940, where she taught 4th, 5th, and sixth grade bible classes for many years. She and Barney always kept several young boys in the home each year during the Haskell Singing School. She and Barney started their own business in 1947. However she loved nursing and was instrumental in the formation of the Haskell County Hospital Auxiliary, Pink Ladies, and served as its first President in 1963. She loved Haskell and was a charter member of the Business and Professional Womens Club, holding several offices over its many years of its existence.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Stallard Wayne Bradford and Britta Kaye Bradford of Haskell; two granddaughters, Bronwyn Bradford of Wichita Falls and Tiffany Leslie of San Antonio; one grandson, Sterling Bradford of Jacksonville, North Carolina; four great grandchildren; four sisters, Opal Brewer of Munday, Clorene Moore of Tampa, Darlene Harris of Hillsboro, Oregon and Francis Strickland of Canyon Lake; five sister-in-laws; four brother-in-laws; numerous nieces and nephews; and numerous great nieces or nephews.

If you wish to honor this great lady, the family suggests memorials be made to the "Singing School Fund" % Church of Christ, 510 N. Ave E., Haskell, Texas 79521; or Haskell County Hospital Auxiliary, P.O. Box 1117, Haskell, Texas 79521.

Munday students show live stock at Fort Worth show

Munday 4-H and FFA students traveled to Fort Worth last week where they participated in the Stock Show.

Results for Munday students were:

Light Weight Chester: Jayla Decker - 12th and 15th.

Light Weight Duroc: Daniel Earle - 18th and Toni Tidwell - 14th.

Mid Weight Duroc: Kandis Brown - 18th.

Heavy Weight Duroc: Lynn Caldwell - 6th.

Light Weight Hampshire - Jessie Carlson - 8th.

Mid Weight Hampshire: Melinda Latham - 2nd, Tiffanie Myers - 21st.

Heavy Weight Hampshire: Chris Bibb - 19th.

Spot/Poland: Light Weight - Torey James - 16th; Mid Weight - Jeremy Lowe - 13th; Heavy Weight - Jennifer Carlson - 18th.

4-H Valentine Dance scheduled for members

All Knox County 4-H members are reminded of the annual Valentine Dance to be held Saturday, February 8 from 7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. at the Benjamin Ex-Students Building. The evening will include a dance, games, bingo, and refreshments.

4-H'ers and their guests are asked to bring: 2-liter bottle of soft drink and/or plate of snacks, a prize for bingo, and your favorite cassette or C.D. to dance to.

The 4-H and Youth Committee is sponsor for the dance and reminds youth, as in the past, that you will be asked to sign in and once you leave you may not return.

Put on your dancing shoes and come out for a fun evening as we celebrate Valentine's the 4-H way.

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Vera News

by Mrs. Thelma Coulston

Mrs. LaGayle Stevenson and daughter, Jamie of Levelland were week end visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gaylon Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morton of Kress were week end visitors with their daughter, the Randal Kinnibrough family and attended the Junior Livestock Show in the Baylor County Ag-Pavillion in Seymour, Friday and Saturday.

Billy Jo Hooser Hurley of Burleson, Texas died Saturday, January 19, 1997 in the Hughesley Hospital in Fort Worth following a long illness. Memorial services were held at the Catholic Church in Burle, Wednesday, January 22. She was born August 2, 1928 in Seymour, the daughter of Effie King House and Gene Hooser. She married Major John Hurley August 12, 1950 at the Methodist Church in Seymour. She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers. Billie is survived by her husband, John of the home, two daughters, Becky Greenwood of Burleson and Susan Cogswell of Columbus, Ohio, one son, Phillip Hurley of Bedford, Texas, one sister, and brother-in-law, Juanita and Chuck Jordon of Burleson and a host of neices, nephews, cousins and friends. Billy had a loving, caring and out-

going personality and will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Mrs. Violet Patterson visited her mother, Mrs. Tom King and a sister, Tommie and Sonny Crawford in Munday on Monday and Tuesday of last week. Wednesday Violet and Tommie attended the memorial service for their cousin, Mrs. Billie Jo Hooser Hurley in Burleson. Violet also visited her sister-in-law, Mrs. Reba Nix before returning home Thursday.

Mrs. Maurine Parris was in Vernon Monday and Tuesday where she visited in the home of her friends, Jett and Mildred Thomas. Mildred is the former Mildred McReynolds and a former teacher in the Vera School.

Harold and Edith Beck were recent visitors with a daughter, Debrah Beck in Houston

Claudell and Mary Bratcher were business visitors in Wichita Falls, Wednesday.

Jerrell and June Trainham and Jerrell Wendell visited with Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Trainham and Stony in Moran on Friday evening and attended the Moran-Trent Basketball game Friday night.

Mrs. Maurine Parris and Mrs. Aline McCauley and Mrs. Essie Mae Moore of Seymour were in Megargel Saturday afternoon where they attended memorial services for Mrs. Leola Hardin's sister, Mrs. Audrey Talbott at The First United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Corinne Parrish of Franklin has been visiting with her brother, Clyde Feemster who is a patient in the Seymour Hospital and with Mrs. Robbie Feemster.

Card of Thanks

Sudden illness and distress in a person's life can be a time that produces a response from his friends and neighbors that is quite overwhelming. Such was my situation that began Sunday morning, January 26th. The immediate and massive outpouring of prayers and love for me and Brenda was super-typical of how so many of you have responded to needs of others in the past, and this time it happened to me, in my distress. I am convinced that I received a miracle of healing because of your prayers to the Father in my behalf. Thank you for your prayers for me, and for every way that you reached out to us, to help us, to comfort us, to be there for us. The ambulance and medical care I was provided was great! Thank you all. We love you more than words can express.

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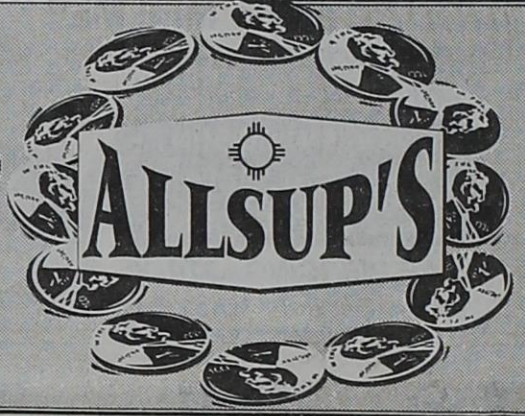


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PTO's Elementary School Teacher of the Week

Mrs. Mary Murphy, wife of Ed Murphy, is a graduate of Weinert High School and has lived in the area all her life. She and Ed have two children, Shanna White and Lane Murphy, and one grandson, Bracken White. She graduated from Hardin-Simmons University in 1972 with a Bachelor's of Science degree and earned her Master of Education in Weinert from Hardin-Simmons in 1980.

Mrs. Murphy has taught Kindergarten in Munday for seven years and taught first and second grade and special education in Weinert for eighteen years. She also spent one year teaching in Goree and one year teaching in Rotan.

Mrs. Murphy is very active in her church, Weinert Baptist Church, where she is assistant pianist and enjoys singing special music with her family. She also serves on several committees. Mrs. Murphy is also a professional photographer and enjoy collecting antiques with her husband.

Mrs. Murphy says, "Teaching has changed in a lot of ways during my career. Everything is a lot more legalistic than it used to be but the goal for me is still the same - to instill in my students a love for learning that will last a lifetime. To see a child's realization that all those letters and sounds really do go together to make words and to watch that child sound out those letters to read his or her first work - that light in the eyes - is my reward," expresses Mrs. Murphy. She goes on to say, "A big hug and an "I love you, Mrs. Murphy!" - that's what it's all about for me. If I can help to unlock the secrets of the printed word and instill a love of learning, the whole world is opened to that child. His potential is unlimited."



Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo announces entertainment schedule

Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo officials have announced a phenomenal star one-up featuring 30 top-notch entertainers for the 1997 event.

Each of the twenty rodeo performances features PRCA rodeo action, the world's largest calf scramble, chuck wagon races and concert entertainment. Kicking off the incredible star line-up on Friday, February 14, at 7:00 p.m. are Alan Jackson and LeAnn Rimes. On Saturday, February 15 at 11:00 a.m., the Houston Rodeo welcomes Neal McCoy and Bryan

White to the Astrodome. Collin Raye, Trace Adkins and Gary Allan headline the 7:00 p.m. performance on February 15. The first Sunday twilight performance at 4:00 p.m., February 16, features Tim McGraw and Chris LeDoux.

The week continues with 7 p.m. performances: George Strait performing both Monday and Tuesday, February 17 and 18; Brooks and Dunn performing both Wednesday and Thursday, February 19 and February 20; and Mary Chapin Carpenter, Patty Loveless and Kathy Mattea on Friday, Feb-

ruary 21. On Saturday, February 22, the Show celebrates Black Heritage Day featuring a matinee performance beginning at 11 a.m. with Earth, Wind and Fire. The Saturday 7 p.m. performance brings Tracy Lawrence and Rick Trevino to the Astrodome.

The second week of entertainment kicks off with Go Tejano Day and a 4 p.m. twilight performance on Sunday, February 23, featuring Emilio and Grupo Limite.

The premier concerts continue during the week beginning at 7 p.m. with Clay Walker on Monday, February 24. Reba McEntire performs both Tuesday and Wednesday, February 25 and February 26; and Wynonna returns to the Astrodome stage on Thursday, February 27. The Friday, February 28 performance features entertainment from Hank Williams Jr., Charlie Daniels and the Marshall Tucker Band, and is highlighted by special guest Bo Diddley. John Michael Montgomery performs at the 11 a.m. matinee on Saturday,

March 1, while the evening performance features Mark Chesnutt and Terri Clark. Vince Gill closes out the Show at the final 4 p.m. rodeo performance, Sunday, March 2.

Jane's News Notes

by Jane Rowan
Knox County Extension Agent

Do you have more stuff than you know what to do with? Has it gotten so bad that you're now afraid to open closet doors? Well, take heart. The following tips we've put together will help you get the upper hand on all that clutter:

*Be realistic. Don't expect to get everything under control in a day. Instead, set aside an hour once a week or every two weeks to tackle one closet or cabinet. You'll dread it less, and probably get more done in the long run.

*Unruly closets are typically caused by keeping things long past their usefulness. So as you pull things out of the closet, take a real look at them. How long has it been since you used the item? If it's been six months or a year, you'll probably never need it again. Throw it

out or give it away.

*If an item has sentimental value - your child's first bat and ball or your grandmother's wedding dress - by all means, keep it. The best bet, though, is to store it in a dry basement or attic where it will be less in the way. But remember, you'll eventually have to clean out those places as well. Don't get caught in the clutter shuffle trap.

*Does it need to be cleaned or repaired? If it's something you still want or need, don't put it back in the closet. Often times clothing will hang unused simply because it needs a button sewed on or a he tacked up. If you can, do those fix-it chores right then and there. If not, set the time aside and promise yourself you'll take it to be repaired that week.

*Finally, don't store off-season items in an everyday closet. Instead, store them in out-of-the-way places such as under the bed, in the basement or in the attic.

The Food Allergy Network has a monthly newsletter that addresses all types of issues from coping with food allergies, to children's issues, to alerts about potential allergens in products. They also have other resources that may be of help to you. For more information call 1-800-929-4040.

Social Security opens fraud hotline

The Social Security Administration (SSA) Office of Inspector General (OIG) has established a fraud hotline. The fraud hotline is for use by the public and Social Security employees who want to report instances of suspected fraud, waste, abuse, or mismanagement in Social Security programs. The hotline telephone number is 1-800-269-0271. Social Security Commissioner Shirley S. Chater stated "the availability of the hotline should serve as further evidence to those who violate the laws of this country that SSA will vigorously pursue them and that they will be brought to justice."

4-H parents/leaders/youth committee schedule meeting

A meeting will be held on Saturday, February 8, 1997 for 4-H parents, leaders and members of the 4-H & Youth Committee. The meeting will begin at 8:00 p.m. during the 4-H Valentine Dance at the Benjamin Ex-Students building. This will be a short meeting to select dates for upcoming activities. Everyone is reminded to bring their school and activity calendars.

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Moguls beat Knox City and Spur face Roby Friday

Munday hosted Knox City last Tuesday and defeated the Greyhounds 60 to 44. The Moguls led 19 - 11 at the end of the first and increased their lead 33 to 20. Munday scored 15 and 12 in the second half to KC's 11 and 13.

Jonathan Reagins scored 20 points, Eric Beaty 17, Ricky Serrato 7, Robby Vaughn and Wesley Spells 5 each, Donald King 4, and Cody Perry 2.

The Mogul JV squad lost to Knox City 33-54. Justin Gray scored 18, Jason Key 7, BJ Brown 6 and Andy Anderson 2.

Munday traveled to Spur last Friday and came home with a 48 to 31 victory. Score by quarters for Munday 12-13-13-10; for Spur 8-10-5-8. Eric Beaty was high point with 12, Jonathan Reagins scored 10, Robby Vaughn 9, Wesley Spells 8, Ricky Serrato 5, Donald King and Cody Perry 2 each.

The JV Moguls also defeated the Spur Bulldogs. Munday was behind 6 to 8 in the first but came back with 17 in the second to Spur's 11 for a 23-19 lead at the half. With 17 more points in the third and fourth quarters to their opponents 10 and 6 the JV won 57 to 35.

Scoring: Justing Gray 14, Lane

Murphy 13, Jason Key 11, BJ Brown and Andy Anderson 6 each, Chris Rocha, Adam Garza and Mario Aquayo 2 each.

Junior High boys basketball nears end of season

The Munday High School 8th grade boys team defeated the Spur Junior High team by the score of 40 - 15. The Braves took command from the opening tipoff and never looked back.

Scoring for the team were: Brian Urbanczyk - 11, Alan Albus - 10, Tony Tomlinson - 6, Will Longan - 4, Johnny Dockins - 4, Nathan Neal - 2, Eric Hager - 2, and Jeremy Lowe - 1.

It was a pretty good night for the eighth grade boys.

The seventh graders didn't fare as well as they dropped a 47 - 35 decision to the Goree Wildcat Junior High. Although they lost, Chris Bibb came out of the game with a season high total of 19 pints. Others that scored were: Chance Myers - 7, Oscar Nunez - 4, Jared Groves and Erik Sosolik - 2 each, and Justin King - 1.

Both the 8th and 7th grade will return to action February 3rd against Rotan at Rotan and then conclude their seasons at home against Roby on the 10th of February here in Munday.

Mogulettes boast 5 - 3 record in district play

On Tuesday night the Munday Mogulettes defeated Knox City 60 - 49.

The Mogulettes exploded for twenty-one second quarter points to break the game open. The Houndettes were never able to pull closer than eight points as the Mogulettes improved their district record to 5 - 2.

Scoring for the Mogulettes was Kizzie Shields and Erica Gray - 2 each, Ambra Welch - 15, Laci Myers - 12, Briana Alexander - 6, Andrea Brown - 18, Brandi Hall - 5.

On Friday the Mogulettes traveled to Spur to challenge the eighth ranked team in the state. Spur jumped out to a big lead in the first quarter and the Mogulettes were never able to recover. "The first four minutes was like somebody knocked the wind out of us and then we settled down and outscored them the last twelve minutes of the half. Spur played extremely well and our girls battled the entire game. I thought our half court offense in this game was vastly improved over the last time we played Spur. It was their press and offense rebounds that were the major difference in the game," explained Coach Curtis Goforth.

Scoring for the Mogulettes was

Ambra Welch - 19, Laci Myers - 5, Briana Alexander - 2, Andrea Brown - 7, and Brandi Hall - 4.

The loss puts the Mogulettes at 5 - 3 in district play. Spur has clinched first place. The second playoff spot will either go to the Munday Mogulettes or Rotan Yellowhammers who also have a 5 - 3 district record, including a 45 - 42 OT win over the Mogulettes. The two teams will play in Munday on Tuesday night, Feb. 4.

Retired School Personnel enjoy January meeting

The Knox County Retired School Personnel met Tuesday, January 28, 1996 at 2:30 p.m. in the Benjamin First United Methodist Church with fifteen members present.

Dan Sloan, president, welcomed the members and Nell Sloan gave the invocation.

During the short business meeting, an update was given on the T.R.T.A. Building Fund Trust. Nell Sloan gave a report on the nominating committee.

After a discussion on legislative updates led by Dan Sloan, the group was served delicious refreshments by the Benjamin and Gilliland members.

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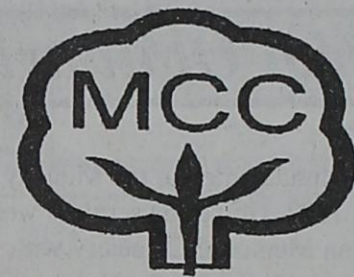
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JV girls hold on to winning basketball season

The Munday Mogulettes JV team posted two more wins last week. On Tuesday the JV squad raced by Knox City 58 - 25.

Nicole Urbanczyk and Kandis Brown scored ten points each while Miranda Zeissel put in seven pints. Other scorers for the Munday JV were Laura Agauyo - 5, Angela Albus, Crystal Zeissel, Taneka Hamilton, Anna Waldrip, Mandy Myers and Julie Clairday with 4 each, and Amber Reed with 2.

On Friday night the JV girls outscored Spur 44 - 38.

Scoring for the Mogulettes was Angela Albus - 9, Miranda Zeissel - 5, Nicole Urbanczyk - 6, Anna Waldrip - 14, Julie Clairday - 7, and Kandis Brown - 3.

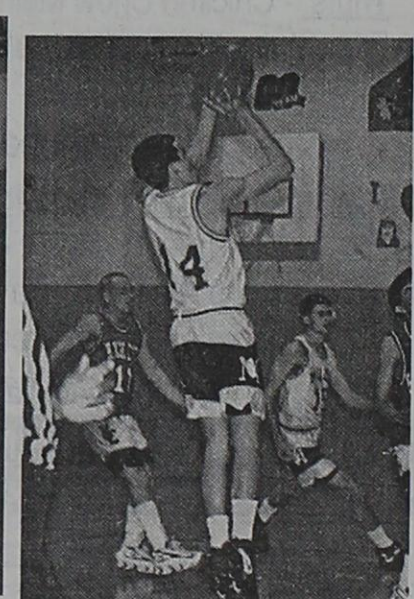
The two victories improved their record to 14 - 4 on the year and 6 - 0 in district.

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February 4	Rotan	JV/Varsity Girls & Boys	Here	4:00 p.m.
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Engagement Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Birkenfeld and Mr. and Mrs. Terry Alexander announce the engagement of their daughter, Tara Kay, to Ryan James Cottingham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cottingham.

Tara is a 1996 graduate of Munday High School and is a student at Cisco Junior College. Ryan is a 1995 graduate of Munday High School and is a student at Texas State Technical College.

The couple will be married May 24, 1997, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

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Commissioners' Court holds January meeting

Force be approved. The motion was seconded and carried.

Commissioner Birkenfeld moved to adopt the resolution concerning "Blue Warrant" requirements and their cost to Knox County be approved. The motion was seconded and carried.

Commissioner Skiles moved that the Knox County 1997 Official Holidays be approved. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and carried unanimously. The holidays are as follows: February 17, Presidents' Day; March 28 Good Friday/Easter; May 26, Memorial Day; July 4, Independence Day; September 1, Labor Day; October 13, Columbus Day; November 27, Thanksgiving Day; November 28, Thanksgiving Day; December 24 (1/2 day), Christmas Eve 25, Christmas; December 26, Christmas Holiday; January 1, 1998, New Year's Day.

Commissioner Parker moved that the 1997-98 Collection Contract with Knox County Appraisal District be approved. Motion was seconded and carried.

Judge Perdue informed the Court that the membership dues for Texas Association of Counties had been refunded. TAC is not charging the dues this year.

Judge Perdue informed the Court that the County had received an update on the PEBSCO plan.

Judge Perdue informed the Court that the Texas Agricultural Extension Service Annual Performance Appraisal Conference will be held February 11, 1997. Any input would be welcomed from Commissioners Court.

Judge Perdue informed the Court of the annual V.G. Young Institute in College Station and The Commissioners' Court of Knox County met on January 15, 1997 in regular session.

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Judge David Perdue with all members present.

Judge Perdue moved that the Commissioners Court come out of recess from December 9, 1996 be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Parker and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Parker moved that the minutes of December 9,

1996 meeting be approved.

The motion was seconded and carried.

Commissioner Birkenfeld moved that the bonds for the elected officials be approved. The motion was seconded and carried.

Commissioner Parker moved that the appointments of Sequoyah Reynolds of Knox City, Linda Beck of Vera, and Kim Clonts of Knox City to the Knox County Child Welfare Board for the 1997-98 terms be approved. The motion was seconded and carried.

Commissioner Parker moved that the appointments of Sarah Meinzer, Becky Moorhouse, Aleitha Beck, Doris Crownover, Joy Baker, Kenneth Roberts, Joyce Greenwood, Bill Baker, Oscar Mangis, Leta Mangis, Clara Brown, Mary Jane Young (Chairman), Jackie Young, Frances Cook, Jerry Williams, Charles Baker, and Doris Jones to the Knox County Historical Commission be approved. The motion was seconded and carried.

Commissioner Parker moved that the Cooperative Working Agreement with the North Texas Regional Drug Enforcement Task West Texas Judges and Commissioners meetings in Wichita Falls.

Commissioner Birkenfeld moved that the approval to advertise bids for bank depository be approved. Motion seconded and

carried.

Commissioner Birkenfeld moved that Judge Perdue be selected for budget officer for fiscal year ending 1997 be approved. The motion was seconded and carried.

Constable William J. Curd talked to the Court about amending the 1997 budget for the Constable Office.

Upon motion by Commissioner Parker, the Quarterly Report and

the County Claims were approved as presented by the County Treasurer Judie Whitten. The Quarterly Report #97-003 is on file in the Clerk's Office for public viewing.

There being no further business to come before the Court, upon motion by Commissioner Urbanczyk the meeting adjourned.

The foregoing minutes have not been approved or accepted by the Knox County Commissioners Court.

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