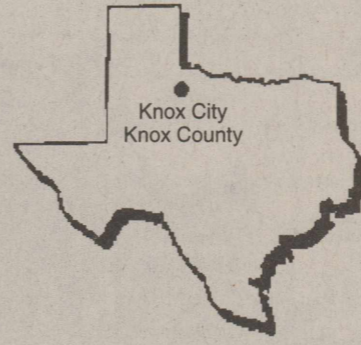


KCFD's Youth Basketball Signups - Thursday night, 6:00, high school library - if your child wants to play, please be there.

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Youth win, compete in weekend annual County Livestock Show

-Friday, January 16, results of Knox Co. Livestock Show-
POULTRY SHOW - Broilers - 1. Jaime West, Grand Champion, Jr. Showmanship;

RABBIT SHOW - Single Fryers - 1. Teri Miller, Grand Champion, Jr. Showmanship; 2. Teri Miller, Reserve Grand; 3. Makayla Harrington, 4. Ashley Crownover, 5. Taylor Wilson, 6. Kylie Urbanczyk; **Pen of Three Fryers** - 1. Teri Miller - Grand Champion; 2. Ashley Crownover, Reserve Grand, Sr. Showmanship; 3. Makayla Harrington, 4. Taylor Wilson.

LAMB SHOW - Market Lambs - 1. Kari Kuehler, Grand Champion, Sr. Showmanship; 2. Morgan Griffith, Reserve Grand, Jr. Showmanship; 3. Cody Kuehler, 4. Kaitlyn Kuehler, 5. Morgan Griffith.

GOAT SHOW - Lt. Wt. Market Goats - 1. Hannah Upton, Grand Champion; 2. Lynndy Moeller, Reserve Grand; 3. Britney Coop, 4. Britney Coop, 5. Jimmy Albus Jr., 6. Joseph Albus, 7. Jimmy Albus Jr., 8. Jessica Albus, 9. Brandon York, 10. Joseph Albus, 11. Jessica Albus; **Med. Wt. Market Goats** - 1. Hannah Upton, 2. Tyler Collins, 3. Dustin Johnson, 4. Kate Railsback - Sr. Showmanship, 5. Dustin Johnson, 6. Jimmy Albus Jr., 7. Kate Railsback, 8. Britney Coop, 9. Zakery York, 10. Britney Coop; **Hvy. Wt. Market Goats** - 1. Bandy Moeller, 2. Chase Reed - Jr. Showmanship, 3. Cassie Lyles, 4. David Baldwin, 5. Eddie Vela, 6. Kate Railsback, 7. Kate Railsback, 8. Cassie Lyles.

-Saturday, January 17, results-
SWINE SHOW - Berkshire - 1. Bandy Moeller, Breed Cham-

pion, 2. Shaylee Propps - Reserve Breed, 3. Keith Cypert, 4. Kelli Cypert, 5. Jacob Herricks; **Chester White** - 1. Trent Tidwell - Breed Champion, 2. Hannah Upton, 3. Kari Kuehler, 4. Bryant Moore, 5. Shannon Reeves, 6. Justin Lowe; **Lt. Wt. Duroc** - 1. Lindsey Penman - Breed Champion, 2. Dustin Johnson, 3. Jordan McCown, 4. Dustin Johnson, 5. Haley Ledesma, 6. Kayla Stewart, 7. Kayla Stewart, 8. Logan Groves; **Hvy. Wt. Duroc** - 1. Jessica Ledesma - Reserve Breed, 2. Trent Tidwell, 3. Jeremy Hager, 4. Jessica Albus, 5. Devon Jones, 6. Jeremy Hager, 7. Carlie Rowan, 8. Krystal Hutchinson, 9. Keith Booe, 10. Jessica Herring; **Lt. Wt. Hampshire** - 1. Lindsey Penman, 2. Kyle Booe, 3. Logan Groves, 4. Dustin Johnson, 5. Jordan Lowe, 6. Jordan McCown, 7. Justin Yates, 8. Trent Tidwell, 9. Cody Kuehler, 10. Karla Benson, 11. Trent Tidwell; **Med. Hampshire** - 1. Bandy Moeller - Reserve Breed, 2. Colten Black, 3. Lynndy Moeller, 4. Blake Jones, 5. Kelli Cypert, 6. Lindsey Penman, 7. Seth Kuehler, 8. Hannah Upton, 9. Kyle Booe, 10. Emily Lewis, 11. Kobe Decker, 12. Ricky Dale Smith; **Hvy. Wt. Hampshire** - 1. Lindsey Penman, Breed Champion, Reserve Grand Champion; 2. Cody Kuehler, 3. Keith Booe, 4. Jeremy Hager, 5. Ricky Dale Smith, 6. Kelli Cypert, 7. Haley Ledesma, 8. Mitchell Ham, 9. Keith Booe, 10. Rocky Smith; **Poland** - 1. Carlie Rowan, Breed Champion; 2. Keith Cypert, Reserve Breed; 3. Jacob Herricks, 4. Lynndy Moeller; **Lt. Wt. Spot** - 1. Ashton Smith - Breed Champion, 2. Bandy Moeller, 3. Jacob Herricks, 4. Dustin Johnson, 5. Derrick Northrup; **Hvy. Spot** - 1.

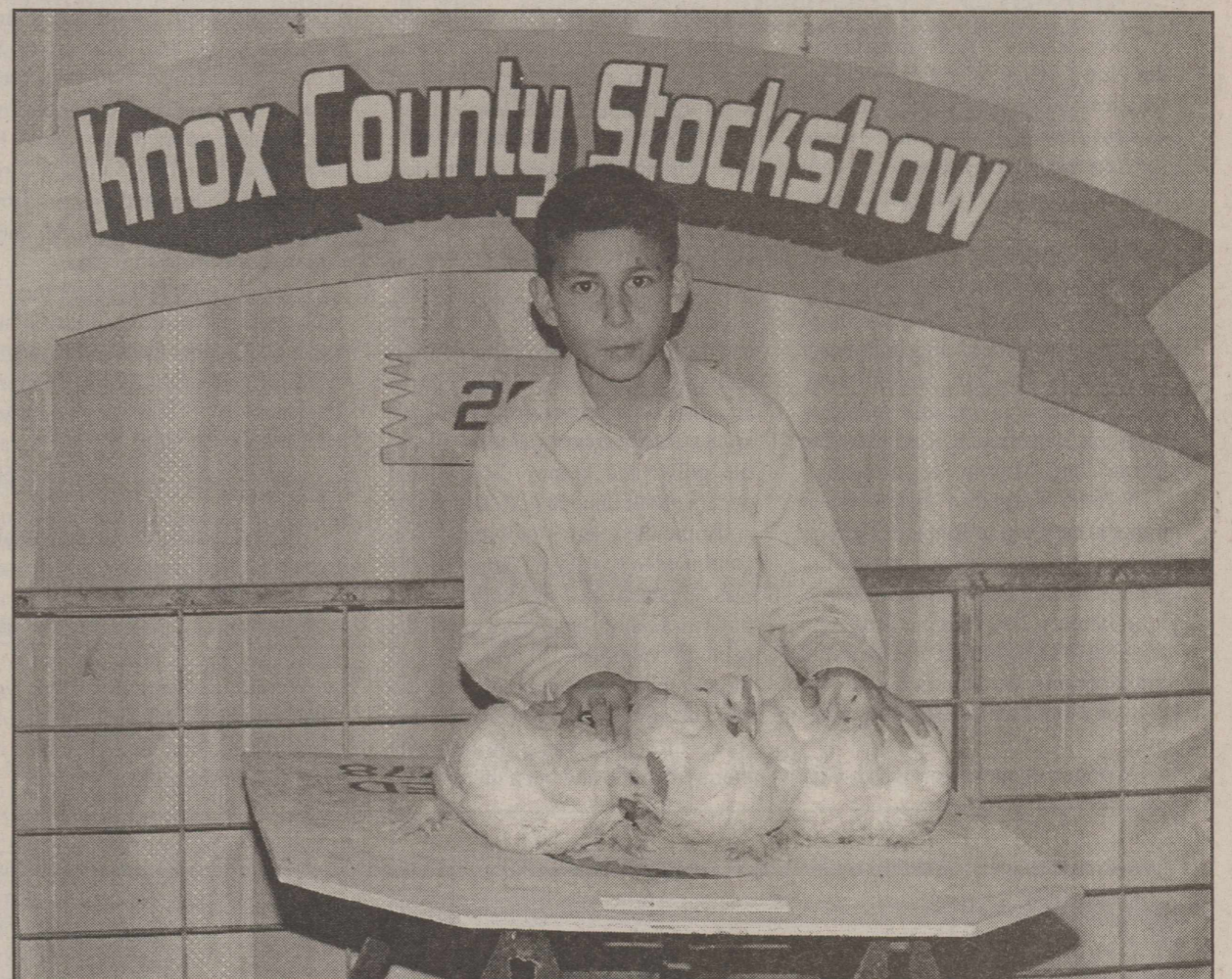
Lynndy Moeller, Reserve Breed; 2. Bandy Moeller, 3. Cody Propps, 4. Kevin Brown, 5. Jessica Ledesma, **Lt. Wt. Yorkshire** - 1. Eric Lewis, 2. Rachelle Raynes, 3. Shannon Reeves, 4. Jeremy Hager, 5. Tyler Collins, 6. Paydon Stewart, 7. Justin Lowe; **Med. Wt. Yorkshire** - 1. Lindsey Penman, Reserve Breed, 2. Kaitlyn Kuehler, 3. Sal Garcia, 4. Hannah Upton, 5. Kayla Stewart, 6. Cassie Lyles; **Hvy. Wt. Yorkshire** - 1. Kelli Cypert, Breed Champion; 2. Martha Perkins, 3. Kyle Booe, 4. Jocelyn Decker, 5. Bryant Moore, 6. Keith Booe, 7. Ricky Dale Smith; **Lt. Wt. Cross** - 1. Eddie Vela, 2. Lindsey Penman, 3. Jordan McCown, 4. Mitchell Ham, 5. Eric Lewis, 6. Logan Groves, 7. Chance Propps, 8. Logan Groves, 9. Jordan Lowe; **Med. Wt. Cross** - 1. Krystynn Myers, 2. Bandy Moeller - Jr. Showmanship, 3. Dustin Johnson, 4. Dylan Benson, 5. Jordan McCown, 6. Kayla Stewart, 7. Jessica Herring, 8. Kari Kuehler, 9. Lindsey Wilde; **Lt. Hvy. Wt. Cross** - 1. Carlie Rowan, 2. Jeremy Hager, 3. Melissa Northrup, 4. Trent Tidwell, 5. Ashton Smith, 6. Trent Tidwell, 7. Rachelle Raynes, 8. Jalean Earle; **Hvy. Wt. Cross** - 1. Colten Black, Breed Champion, Grand Champion; 2. Lynndy Moeller, Sr. Showmanship; 3. Jessica Ledesma, 4. Trent Tidwell, 5. Kevin Brown, 6. Eddie Vela, 7. Eddie Vela, 8. Jeremy Hager.

STEER SHOW - 1. Tiffanie Myers, Grand Champion, Sr. Showmanship; 2. Krystynn Myers, Reserve Grand, Jr. Showmanship.

See additional photos of the County Stock Show as well as the Local Stock Show on Thursday night inside this issue of the News.



KNOX CITY HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR LINDSEY PENMAN showed the reserve grand champion swine in the Knox County Junior Livestock Show on Saturday morning. This heavy weight hampshire also took breed champion honors. Additional first places for Lindsey's livestock on Saturday morning were light weight hampshire, first in class; light weight duroc, first and breed champion; as well as her medium weight yorkshire, first and reserve breed. Lindsey is the daughter of Ray Penman and Jane Penman. (NEWS digital photo)



KNOX CITY'S JAIME WEST won grand champion broiler with his entry in Friday's poultry show at the Knox County Junior Livestock Show. He was also awarded Junior Showmanship. Jaime, an O'Brien Mid-School student, is the son of Sonia and Jeremy West. (NEWS digital photo)



A GET-ACQUAINTED COFFEE Tuesday honored Kay Heatly of Paducah, at right, wife of 50th Judicial District Judge candidate W.H. (Bill) Heatly. The coffee was held in the home of Dean Johnston, shown at left of photo. Mrs. Johnston and Heatly worked together in the 1970's and 80's when he served as 50th Judicial District Attorney. (NEWS digital photo)

Annual historical fundraiser is Sunday, February 1

Sunday, February 1, 2004, has been set as the date for the annual barbecue sponsored by the Knox County Historical Commission and Friends of the KCHC.

The barbecue menu will include brisket, sausage, baked turkey, potato salad, cole slaw, special recipe beans, deviled eggs and dessert. Take-out service will be available. Serving will begin at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, February 1, at the Benjamin Ex-Students Memorial Center and last until 1:30.

Contact KCHC Commission members to donate pies. Donations for door prizes and the silent auction are needed. The silent auction will close at 1:00 p.m. The "Autumn Leaves Quilt" will be on display and quilt tickets will be available, profits will go to the museum fund. The obituary notebooks of the KCHC and the veterans book information will be open for browsing.

The estate of James Robert (Jim Bob) Bisbee has donated \$5,000 to the museum building fund. This is the largest single donation ever made to the museum fund. More info will appear on a space available basis.



AUCTIONEER SCOTT EDMONDS of Scott Edmonds Auction Company got things started off at the Premium Auction Saturday afternoon with the sale of the Grand Champion Steer of the Knox County Junior Livestock Show. Shown with her winning entry is Tiffanie Myers of Munday. (NEWS digital photo)



TERI MILLER of Benjamin ... grand champion single fryer ... reserve grand champion single fryer ... junior showmanship ... grand champion pen of three (Miller photo courtesy of The Munday Courier)

FROM THIS ANGLE

Local KC Notes by Billye Angle

Thanks to all of our readers who shared their news with us last week and also for the favorable comments we received. We look forward to hearing from you.

Spending Wednesday with Jack and Lou Vail and Gladys Vail were Gladys' daughter and her husband, Phyllis and Bob Grope of Haslet. Phyllis brought a spaghetti and meatball lunch, and they had Gladys' apple pie for dessert. Jack's daughter and her husband, Kim and Phillip Morrow of Tulsa, Oklahoma, spent Friday and Saturday with them.

Hosting a weekend Christmas for their family were Jack and Lou Yail and A.P. and Kay Denton. Coming for the Christmas Eve party and the Christmas Day celebration were Lois Bruton, Randy and Merle Bruton and Nelson and Melissa of Olney; Burt and Nancy Denton of Houston; David and Gay Denton of Arlington, Donny and Chris Denton and Shelby and Christopher of Bedford; Danny and DeLynn Denton and Allison and Andrew of Flower Mound; Elizabeth Denton of Dallas; and Audrey and Gary Wright and Jason of Fort Worth.

Judy Jackson of Guthrie visited in the News office Wednesday. Judy, who was nail tech at Appearances for several years and also worked some for Johnson Melon Farms, was here to attend funeral services for Donald Johnson.

Don, Marla, and Travis Hawkins enjoyed their family's being together over the weekend. Lezlee and Jared Moore of Mansfield and Kimberly Hawkins of HSU in Abilene were here to attend a surprise birthday party on Saturday at Rochester for Marla's dad, Marvin Stegemoeller.

Wretha Fitzgerald has returned home after a trip to Ransom Canyon to meet her sixth great-grandchild, Reagin Leslee Buxkemper who was born January 2. His parents are Gayla and David Buxkemper and maternal grandparents are Donna Gayle and Claude Ricks., all of Ransom Canyon.

Wonderful news for Knox City

and the area since our last column-it rained! On Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday drizzle and slow-falling rain covered a large part of this area and on Sunday morning, some snow flakes were seen. The rain could not have fallen any better as every drop was soaked up by the dry, dry soil. It is believed to have fallen in time to help the wheat. Martel Tankersley reported 1.2 inches at their place about two miles southeast of town. Barbara Rector said that on their place ten miles southwest of Knox City, they recorded 1.7 inches, and Marla Hawkins said they received two inches five miles east of town. Audie Johnston said she had heard reports that they had received 1.7 in O'Brien and Gladene Green had reports of about three inches in Benjamin.

Lyndon Baty presents program

Those present for the Sunday School opening at First Baptist Church last Sunday were in for a treat when Lyndon Baty, eight year old son of Supt. and Mrs. Louis Baty, presented a slide program explaining the long procedure he and his family endured prior to his kidney transplant last July. Not only was it very informative but also very entertaining with his exploding personality and humor.

His dad told the group that all of this had to have been according to God's plan. The couple was living at Truscott when Louis accepted the superintendent's job in Knox City and moved here on December 8. Their baby, who was due the end of February, was born prematurely on January 8 with a very rare disease - infantile polycystic kidney disease that occurs about once in 400,000 births.

In the next series of events, God continued to be with the family. Louis was supposed to have gone to Wichita Falls on a school business trip, but the trip was postponed. That morning as the couple rested, Louis said they did something they had never done before - they put Lyndon in bed with them. After he had been there only a

short while, he stopped breathing. Louis began CPR while Sheri called 911. They asked the Batys if they could come to the emergency room at the local hospital. Sheri said there was no way they could turn loose and that Domingo Garcia, on his way to work, answered the call. She said they could hear the garage doors opening but it seemed like an eternity. She explained that they continue to call Domingo Lyndon's guardian angel. After reaching the hospital, it was too windy for a helicopter to come for them, so Dr. Barretto, who was the only doctor in the county at that time, rode with them in the ambulance to Abilene. Sheri said that Lyndon stopped breathing two or three times enroute to Abilene and that Dr. Barretto tried to explain to them that he might not make it. On arriving, Dr. Marshall met them at the door.

When they had to remove his kidney in January 2001, they had a difficult time stopping the bleeding and Louis explained that had they not been in the operating room when this occurred, they could have lost Lyndon. After the removal of his kidney, he had to go on dialysis for 16 hours a day, and finally he got down to only nine hours every night. His mother said that he handled it real well and Lyndon held up his "tubie" to show the group, explaining that he is keeping it for a souvenir!

Lyndon said that when they finally got the word that he was next for a transplant, they were on their way to Children's Medical Center in Dallas FAST! The transplant was performed on July 7, 2003, and Lyndon is proof that God has a plan for him!

He said that he would not be able to play football, but he could do most everything he enjoys.

Sheri and Louis have two other sons, Sheldon, 5, and Chance, 2.

We, as a community, are very thankful that all of this is behind the Baty family and thankful that our God is ever present!

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Note: Since we are a small business with a small staff, these times may vary as we are out of the office to cover news & sports stories, attend school events, take pictures, conduct business or handle family matters.

Financial aid workshop scheduled

Knox City High School Principal Mack Lowe has scheduled a workshop to provide information on college financial aid for parents of junior and senior students.

Open to the general public, the meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 29th, in the library on the KCHS campus.

Financial aid representatives from Vernon College and Pan-

handle Plains College will be on hand to discuss financial aid and planning for college.

A drawing will be held among those present for a \$100 scholarship

This meeting is very important and all parents of junior and graduating senior students who plan on attending college should plan to be there.

KC Area Church Directory

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Bobby King, Pastor

Contemporary Worship Service, Sunday mornings at 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 10:55 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m. ~ Mid Week, Wed. at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday School, and the worship services at 10:55 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. are telecast live on Classic Cable, channel 6 in Knox City and O'Brien

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Claude McKiddy, Pastor

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FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH ~ Knox City

Tex Cox, Pastor

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Paul Chambers, Pastor

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Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m. Mid Week, Wed. at 6:00 p.m.

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Knox City livestock show is held Thursday

Les Harris of Vernon served as show judge for this year's Knox City Stock Show held on Thursday night preceding the weekend county show.

Results from Thursday night's annual local show held in the school bus barn on the Knox City campus are as follows:

Rabbits - MaKayla Harrington, Grand Champion;

Broilers - Jaime West, Grand Champion;

Goats - **Heavy** - 1. Dustin Johnson, 2. Dustin Johnson, 3. Eddie Vela, 4. Katelyn Railsback, 5. Jimmy Albus, 6. Katelyn Railsback; **Medium** - 1. Katelyn Railsback, 2. Jonathan Durham, 3. Brittany Coop, 4. Zakery York, 5. Jessica Albus, 6. Brittany Coop; **Light** - 1. Katelyn Railsback, 2. Brittany Coop, 3. Jessica Albus, 4. Jimmy Albus, 5. Brandon York, 6. Joseph Albus, 7. Jessica Albus, 8. Joseph Albus, 9. Jessica Albus, 10. Jimmy Albus; Grand Champion - Katelyn Railsback (Me-

dium Weight); Reserve Champion - Dustin Johnson (Heavy Weight).

Swine - **Lt. Duroc** - 1. Dustin Johnson, 2. Kayla Stewart, 3. Kayla Stewart, 4. Haley Ledesma, 5. Jordan McCown, 6. Kayla Stewart; **Heavy Duroc** - 1. Lindsey Penman, 2. Dustin Johnson, 3. Jessica Ledesma, 4. Katie Albus, 5. Krystal Hutchinson, 6. Carlie Rowan; **Lt. Hamp** - 1. Lindsey Penman, 2. Dustin Johnson, 3. Jordan McCown, 4. Emily Lewis, 5. Ricky Dale Smith; **Heavy Hamp** - 1. Lindsey Penman, 2. Ricky Dale Smith, 3. Ricky Dale Smith, 4. Eddie Vela, 5. Haley Ledesma; **Spot/Poland** - 1. Dustin Johnson, 2. Carlie Rowan, 3. Derrick Northrup, 4. Jessica Ledesma; **York** - 1. Lindsey Penman, 2. Eric Lewis, 3. Sal Garcia, 4. Kayla Stewart, 5. Martha Perkins, 6. Ricky Dale Smith; **Lt. Cross** - 1. Eddie Vela, 2. Lindsey Penman, 3. Jordan McCown, 4. Dustin Johnson, 5. Kayla Stewart, 6. Emily Lewis; **Heavy Cross** - 1.

Lindsey Penman, 2. Eddie Vela, 3. Carlie Rowan, 4. Jordan McCown, 5. Jessica Ledesma, 6. Melissa Northrup, 7. Eddie Vela.

Grand Champion - Lindsey Penman, Heavy Hamp;

Reserve Champion - Lindsey Penman, Light Hamp;

Grand Champion Duroc - Lindsey Penman, Heavy;

Reserve Champ Duroc - Dustin Johnson, Light;

Grand Champ Hamp - Lindsey Penman, Heavy;

Reserve Champion Hamp - Lindsey Penman, Light;

Grand Champion Spot - Dustin Johnson;

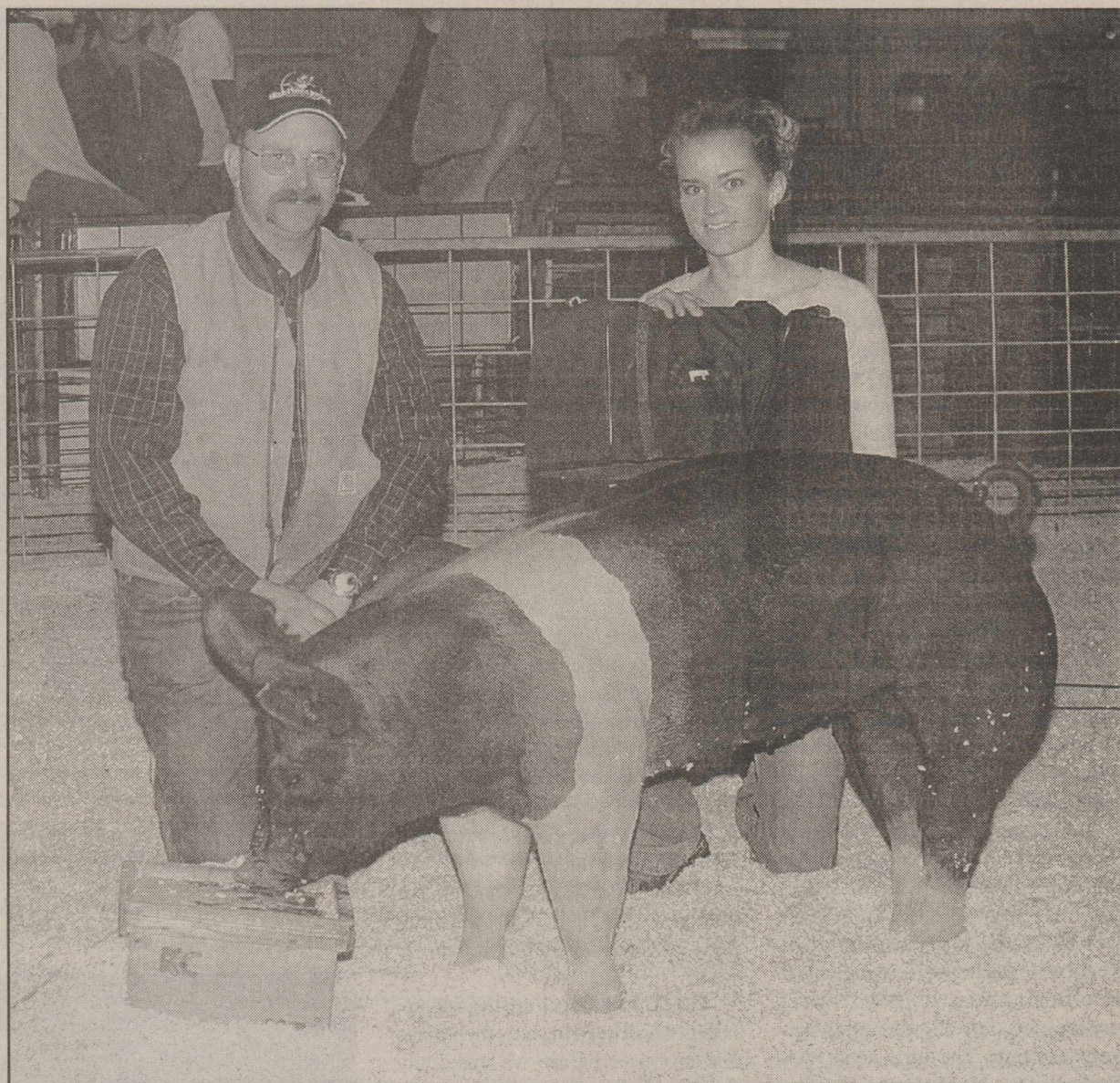
Reserve Champion Spot - Carlie Rowan;

Grand Champion York - Lindsey Penman;

Reserve Champ York - Eric Lewis;

Grand Champion Cross - Eddie Vela, Light Weight;

Reserve Champion Cross - Lindsey Penman, Heavy.



WINNING DOUBLE HONORS WITH HER ENTRIES in Thursday night's Knox City Livestock Show was KCHS senior Lindsey Penman. Shown with show judge Les Harris of Vernon, Lindsey's heavy weight hampshire won grand champion while her light weight hampshire took the reserve spot. She is the daughter of Ray Penman and Jane Penman. (NEWS digital photo)

To our many friends in Knox City,

It is hard to find the words to express our gratitude for everything that has been done for us in the past few days. The food, plants, cards, phone calls, visits, kind words, hugs, and most of all, your prayers were truly appreciated. Donald was proud to call Knox City his home. I don't think any of us will ever be able to eat another watermelon without thinking of him and that would make him proud.

We appreciate everything and realize how lucky we are to live in such a wonderful place. We don't always think it's so great to live in a small place, but when something like this happens we are so glad we do, because everyone shares in your loss.

May God bless each of you.

The Johnson Family

Kay, Dwayne, Lorie, Brad and Dustin
Fannie Mae and family



KNOX CITY FFA SWEETHEART Katelyn Railsback had a busy few days last week handing out ribbons at Thursday night's show as well as competing in both the local and county stock shows. The freshman daughter of Sandy and Bruce Railsback, Katelyn's medium weight goat was grand champion at Thursday night's local stock show. For her efforts in Friday's county show, she was awarded the honor of Senior Showmanship. (NEWS digital photo)

Aging center lunch menus

January 26th thru 30th

Monday, January 26 - Sliced ham, glazed carrots, green beans, hot rolls, cobbler.

Tuesday, January 27 - German sausage, pinto beans, broccoli and rice casserole, cornbread, cookies.

Wednesday, January 28 - Chicken pot pie, fried okra, cole slaw, light bread, ice cream.

Thursday, January 29 - Beef chili, whole kernel corn, cheese sticks, crackers, birthday cake.

Friday, January 30 - Salmon croquettes, macaroni and cheese, blackeyed peas, hush puppies, dessert.

News renewals due by Feb. 1

February renewals at The Knox County News are as follows.

Subscription prices are \$22.00 for Knox and adjoining counties, \$25.00 elsewhere in Texas and \$28.00 out-of-state.

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Omitene Barnett, Benjamin
Bobby Day, Lubbock
William D. Dodson, Jasper, GA
Clifford Hacker, KC
Lynda N. Hill, KC
Danny Jones, Midland
Judy Leaverton, KC
W.V. Lowry, KC
M.E. Penick, Fort Worth
Bonnie Poe, Italy
Jean Thomas, KC
Mat Verhalen, KC
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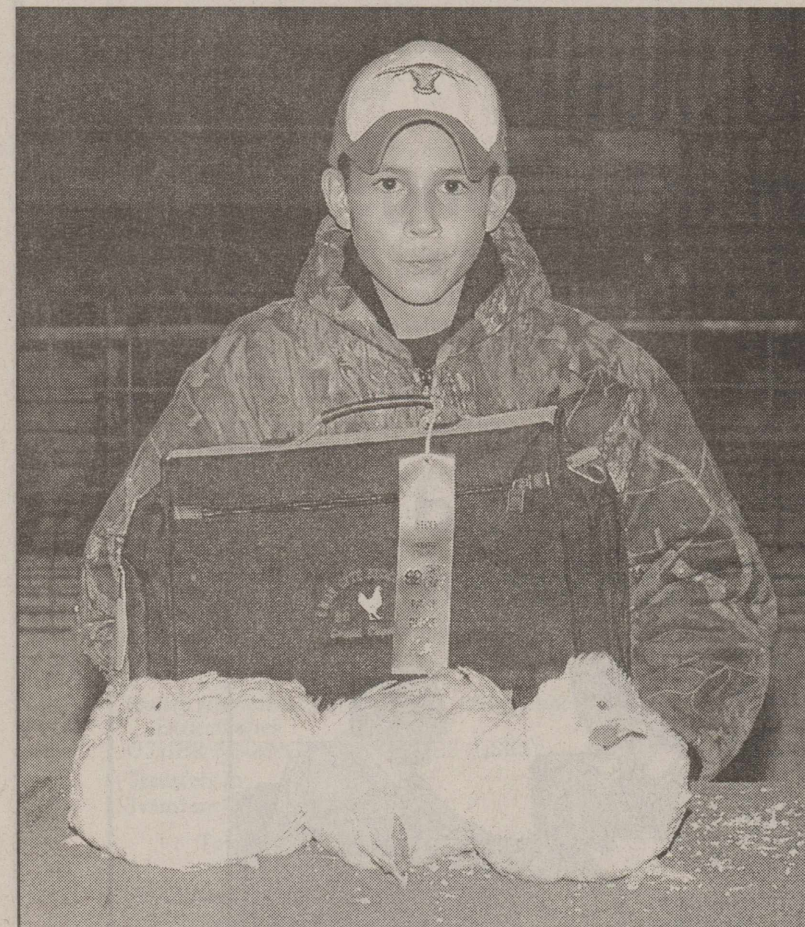
A Golden Time

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

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



JAIME WEST

... grand champion broiler, Knox City show

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Benjamin news

By Gladene Green

Biggest news this week has been the wonderful rain. Tho it got cold on Saturday, we lucked out and didn't have any icing so it really has been nice. Think we have had between 2 and 3 inches and every drop of it is appreciated.

News of our ill - Deann Young Lamb suffered a broken hip in a fall at her home Wednesday morning. She was taken to Knox County Hospital then transferred to Kell West in Wichita Falls where she underwent surgery later in the day. She is doing fine and will have some rehabilitation therapy there in Wichita Falls beginning very soon. Her main complaint - this is her son Anthony's senior year and she hates to miss his present and future activities while she's recuperating but maybe her stay won't be too long. I don't have her hospital address but a card sent here will get to her and I know she would appreciate it.

Ball news - Well, I erred last week in saying Tuesday was open. That's this week - January 20. Last Tuesday, they went to Rule. Both team won but I failed to get who did what! Than on Friday night, Northside came here. Both teams won. The girls game was not too close but the boys was very exciting. The girls score was Benjamin 64, Northside 41. Scoring was Kaitlyn Kuehler 12, Nancy Siemens 8, Sadie Benson 10, Shaylee Propps 22 and Cassie Lyles 12. They are 10-4 for the season - standing 2-0 in district.

The boys score was Benjamin 51, Northside 48. Scoring were Seth Kuehler 7, Anthony Lamb 2, Matthew Cartwright 4, Chance Propps 4, Tyler Collins 15 and Enrique Acevedo 19. They are 13-1 for the season. Also 2-0 in district. Friday night it's Chillicothe here for another district match. Junior High was in the Chillicothe tournament during this past weekend. I do not have the end results but am sure they did their best and the games were good.

The school favorites for the 2003-2004 season have been selected. Chosen by their friends were Mr. and Mrs. BHS - Enrique Acevedo, Brittney Sheedy; Most Athletic - Enrique Acevedo, Shaylee Propps; Friendliest - Chance Propps, Gloria Barraza; Mr. and Mrs. School Spirit - Chance Propps, Jessica Moorhouse; Most Studious - Chance Propps, Jessica Moorhouse; Senior favorites - Anthony Lamb, Jessica Zavala; Junior favorites - Seth Kuehler, Jessica Moorhouse; Sophomore favorites - Carlos Rodriguez, Cassie Lyles; Freshman favorites - Shawn Wilson, Sadie Benson. We congratulate all these students.

Here 'N There - Joe Dan Taylor of Childress spent Thursday night with his grandmother, Debbie Moorhouse

and family.

My great-grandson, Dillon, went back to school on Wednesday. He stays in is wheelchair and will til after his radiation because the other children are not fully aware of the consequences should he be pushed or fall in any way. He was glad to get back in the classroom. He has been tutored at home for several weeks and continues to do well. Thanks to you for all your interest and prayers.

Hooray for Carolina!!! Should have been our Cowboys going to Houston but if not them, I'm glad the Panthers are and in their meeting with New England, I'm hoping they do well!!

Bud Conner was surprised Saturday night as his employees honored him with dinner and a party at the steak house in Rochester. The occasion was his birthday - won't say how many but he was born January 18, 1937. You do the math! We had a good time. It was good to just relax for a couple of hours.

Michele Barrientez honored her youngest son Jalyn with a family party on Saturday at their home. He was 2.

The political races are heating up. I think we all need to study their plans and promises before we make any decision and we only have 2 months to do it! So when they come by to see you and you have any questions about how they feel on any matter, ask them. I'm sure all of them will be willing to talk.

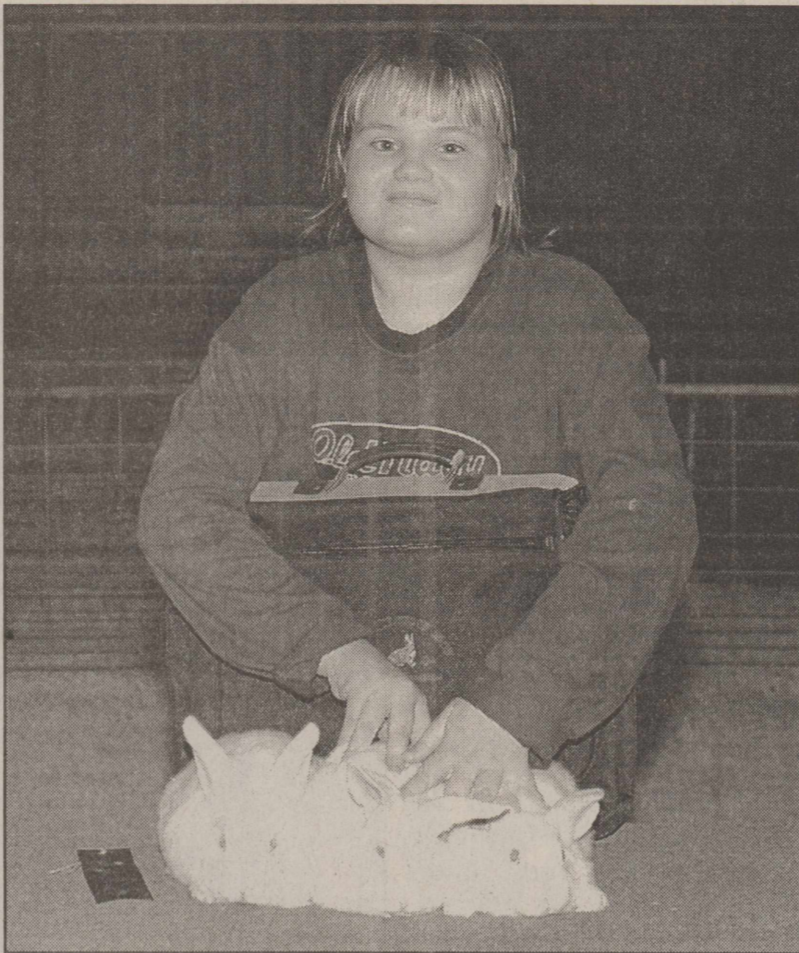
The Knox County Historical Commission is busy preparing for their February 1 lunch and folks all over the county will be asked to donate pies, deviled eggs or maybe another food item, so when called please be willing to help. This is the only way the dream of a museum will be a reality.

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JANUARY 31, 2004

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HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS

Homeowners are not required to file a homestead exemption annually. If you are already receiving the state mandated \$15,000 homestead exemption or additional over sixty-five \$10,000 exemption, you need not reapply for the taxing year of 2004. However, if you became 65 in 2003, or will become 65 in 2004, you need to apply for the additional over 65-\$10,000 exemption. If you have changed your place of residency you need to apply for a new exemption. All homestead applications must be filed with the Chief Appraiser between the dates of January 1, 2004 and May 1, 2004. These exemption forms are available at the Knox County Appraisal District Office, which is located in the Knox County Courthouse, Benjamin, Texas. Individuals who qualify for the over sixty-five additional homestead exemption, described above, have the option of paying their homestead taxes in four equal installments, without any penalty or interest. These installments are due before February 1, April 1, June 1 and August 1. If you qualify, and are interested, please contact the Knox County Appraisal District.

AG-USE EXEMPTIONS

Annual applications for qualifying land for agriculture use is not required. If you have been receiving the AG-USE exemption on your land in prior years, you need not reapply for the exemption. If you recently purchased a farm, you need to report this to the Chief Appraiser. AG-USE exemption forms are also available at the Appraisal District Office. Deadline for filing new exemptions are between January 1, 2004 and May 1, 2004.

DISABLED VETERANS EXEMPTION

These exemptions need not be applied for annually. If you received your exemption on the 2003 tax roll, you will automatically receive it for the tax year of 2004. However, if your disability percentage has changed, you need to report the change to the Chief Appraiser. Deadline for filing new exemptions are between January 1, 2004 and May 1, 2004.

RENDITIONS

Taxpayers are reminded that it is still their responsibility to render their property to the Chief Appraiser. These rendition forms are also available at the Appraisal District Office. Deadline for tax renditions is between January 1, 2004 and April 15, 2004.

If you have any questions about your exemptions, or any other ad valorem tax related question, you are invited to write to the Knox County Appraisal District, P.O. Box 47, Benjamin, Texas 79505 or call 459-3891. If Appraisal District employees can be of any assistance, please let us help.

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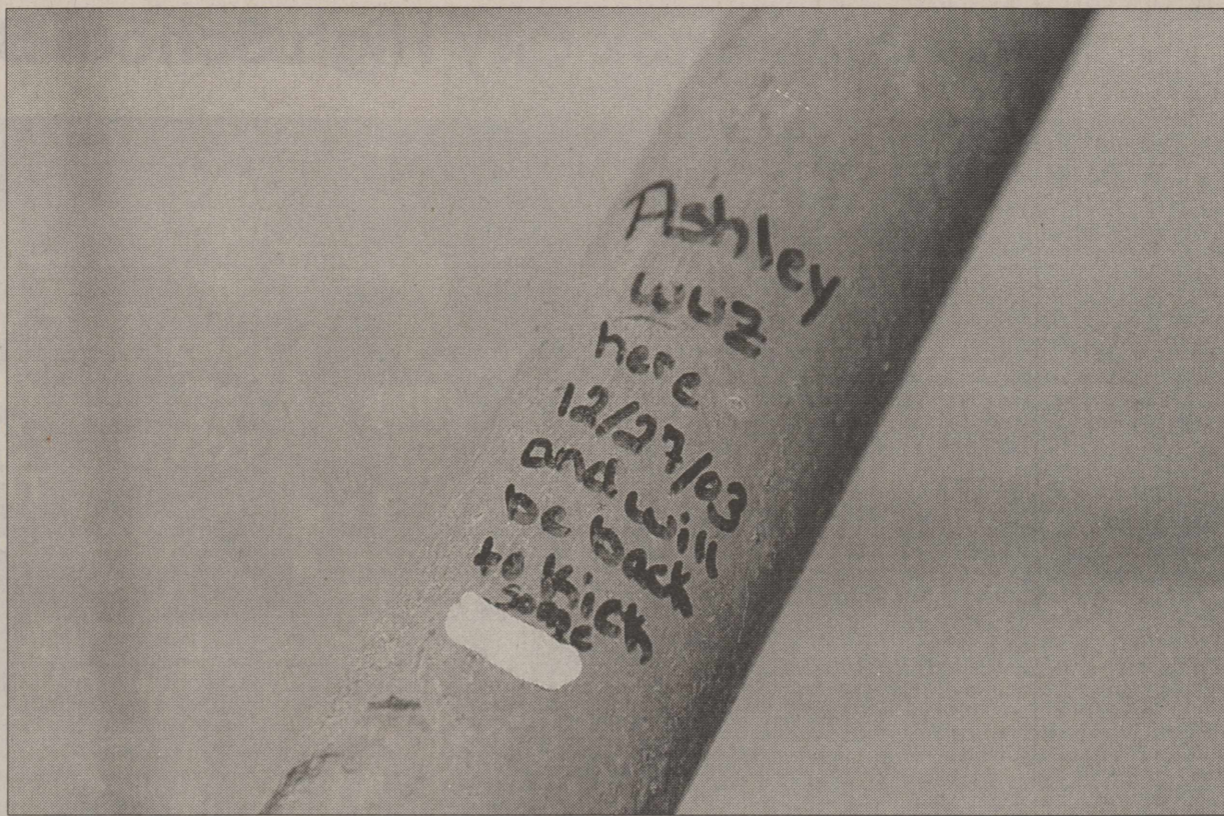
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SINCE 'ASHLEY' LEFT HER NAME scrawled on some of the city park playground equipment, she is the subject of intense police scrutiny as local law enforcement officers and city officials track down the person or persons responsible for defacing playground equipment at the city park with obscene and pornographic writing. The local Crimestoppers program is offering up to \$1000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of those responsible. If you have information, you can pass it on while remaining anonymous by calling 657-STOP. Since the story was published in last week's edition of *The Knox County News*, the Crimestoppers hotline has already had calls from concerned citizens passing on information to Police Chief Harry Steen. (NEWS digital photo)

**Powerlifters
win, compete
at WF Hirschi**

Knox City's Greyhound Powerlifters traveled to Wichita Falls Saturday to compete in the Hirschi powerlifting meet.

Placing first in the 181 lb. class was Riley Spells. His totals for the day were squat - 450, bench - 260, deadlift - 465 for a total of 1175.

Placing first in the 165 lb. class was C.J. Bruce. His totals for the day were squat - 415, bench - 275, deadlift - 475 for a total of 1165.

Cameron Hutchinson placed fourth in the 181 lb. class with totals of squat - 400, bench - 300, deadlift - 405 for a total of 1105.

**Retired Teachers to
meet Tuesday in KC**

The Knox County Retired Teachers Association will meet Tuesday, January 27 at 2:30 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church in Knox City.

Wanda Ham will present the program on "How Women Helped Tame the West".

AUCTION

Saturday, January 24, 2004

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GUNS - 2 - JP Sauer 32 Auto, 1 - Walther 9mm - in box, 1 - PRRK 9mm TEC, 1 - Polytex AK47, 1 - Norinco AK47, 1-30-06 Rifle B/A w-scope; VEHICLES - 1 - 1979 Chevy 3/4 ton PU, LWB 2wd; 1 - set running boards; 1 - 1983 Buick Park Avenue, 4 dr, super clean; 1 - 1965 Chevy 2ton 30ft Poles PTO Drive Winch, Super M Farmall Tricycle Front - Runs Good; 1997 GMC one ton, ext. cab, 7.4 Liter, Dually - Custom Welding Bed with 1989 Lincoln SA200, 6 new tires, ready to work; Service Truck - 1989 Ford-F350 Super Duty, 1 ton Dually 7.3 Diesel w.9 Ft. Stahl utility bed, 2003 Miller Bobcat 250, and Air Compressor, 95% rubber, new btlys.; SHOP ACCESSORIES - 1 - Bottle Cart, 1 - Lot Drill Bits, 1 - 170lbs. Anvil, 1 - Tin Smiths Anvil, 1 - Mico Cutting Torch, 1 - Victor Cutting Torch, 3 - Shop Vises, 3 - Drill Press Vises, 1 - 2 3/4 ton Floor Jack, 2 - House Jacks... much, much more; LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES - 1 - Vaccine Injector, 2 - Fence DChargers, 5 - Bunk Feeders, 1 - 3 pt. Bale Spear, 1 - Bed Mount Bale Spear - Needs Winch; 24ft. GN TA Stock Trailer, Branding Irons; MISC. - 1 - 1/2HP Jet Pump, 1 - Lot 4# and 5# Gear; Couplers - Weld on and Press on; 1 - Lot 6.5# Casing; 1 - Lot 3/4" Sucker Rod; 3 - Overhead Fuel Tanks w/Stands; IRRIGATION PIPEPRESS - Portable Hydraulic Unit - 10hp Kohler 2" - 6" Visc Dies - Mounted on T/A Trailer

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O'Brien happenings

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"A guy goes on vacation to the Holy Land with is wife and mother-in-law. Halfway through their trip, the mother-in-law dies. So the guy goes to an undertaker, who explains that they can ship the body home, but it'll cost \$5,000. Or they can bury her in the Holy Land for \$150.

"We'll ship her home," says the son-in-law.

Are you sure?" asks the undertaker. "That's an awfully big expense. And I can assure you we do a very nice burial here."

"Look," says the son-in-law, "two thousand years ago they buried a guy here, and three days later he rose from the dead. I just can't take that

chance."

Here and There - Junior and Myra Reeves were blessed having visitors, LaRue Reeves from Munday and Lynn and Velma Grace Davidson of Abilene, visit them over the week and were happy to have them.

Charlene Brothers was in Wichita Falls some over the weekend to be with her sister-in-law, Pearce Manning, who is seriously ill and needs all of our prayers.

Dan and Marilyn Talbot were in Arkansas last week for a few days visiting with their relatives and enjoyed visiting around.

Orval and Helen Manning were blessed by having their son, Royce of

Abilene, visiting with them and helping with odds and ends.

Loretta Hewitt is happy to be home after her car accident last week. She feels very lucky and thankful after a complete turnover in her car. She needs all of our prayers.

Visiting Adelle Herring over the weekend were her daughter, Pansy Hines and Julie and Stephanie Keeling of Lubbock and Tamara McGaughey of Knox City and Kevin Urbanczyk of Munday. They enjoyed visiting and eating.

Vivian Hendrix was blessed by having a daughter, LaDocia of Wichita Falls, down for a few days visit.

Basketball scores

Tuesday, January 13 - JV Girls
KC JV - 35, Cross Plains JV - 31
Kurstin Stafford - 6, Kayla Stewart - 2, Erica Nevarez - 4, Vanessa Solis - 9, Sondra Silva - 9, Tiffany Wilde - 5
Varsity Girls

KC - 54, Cross Plains - 32
Sophie Gutierrez - 19, Jamilla Ward - 1, Jodi Chambers - 4, Nikki Moss - 11, Bridgett Billington - 4, Samantha Gutierrez - 13, Brittany Hawkins - 2, JV Boys - KC - 30, Cross Plains JV - 35

Jeremy Saxton - 16, T.J. Richardson - 4, Ty Chisum - 2, Tim Sanders - 4, Grant Lewis - 4.

Varsity Boys
KC - 44, Cross Plains - 45
Riley Spells - 6, Quentin Spells - 16, Derrick Magana - 6, Rick Gonzales - 2, Carlos Ruiz - 14.

Weather

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Date	Low	High	Rain
01/13	38	67	
01/14	40	69	
01/15	46	58	.27
01/16	52	65	.16
01/17	41	59	.23
01/18	32	45	.04
01/19	27	48	

Total 2004 Rainfall - 0.70

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2003

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES.			
Total Local and Intermediate Sources	\$ 420,899	\$ 6,177	\$ 427,076
State Program Revenues	805,172	60,282	865,454
Federal Program Revenues	9,176	68,837	78,013
Total Revenues	1,235,247	135,296	1,370,543
EXPENDITURES.			
Current:			
Instruction	559,248	96,901	656,149
Instructional Resources & Media Services	8,670	-	8,670
Curriculum & Instructional Staff Development	535	-	535
School Leadership	13,071	389	13,460
Guidance, Counseling & Evaluation Services	6,543	-	6,543
Health Services	208	-	208
Student (Pupil) Transportation	39,061	545	39,606
Food Services	-	54,661	54,661
Cocurricular/Extracurricular Activities	73,205	338	73,543
General Administration	137,084	1,690	138,774
Plant Maintenance and Operations	151,945	1,137	153,082
Data Processing Services	17,475	-	17,475
Community Services	177	-	177
Capital Outlay:			
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	15,194	-	15,194
Intergovernmental:			
Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Districts of SSA	34,619	-	34,619
Total Expenditures	1,057,035	155,661	1,212,696
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	178,212	(20,365)	157,847
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES).			
Transfers In	8,016	28,170	36,186
Transfers Out (Use)	(28,170)	(8,016)	(36,186)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(20,154)	20,154	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	158,058	(211)	157,847
Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	1,364,130	11,240	1,375,370
Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	68,436	-	68,436
Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 1,590,624	\$ 11,029	\$ 1,601,653

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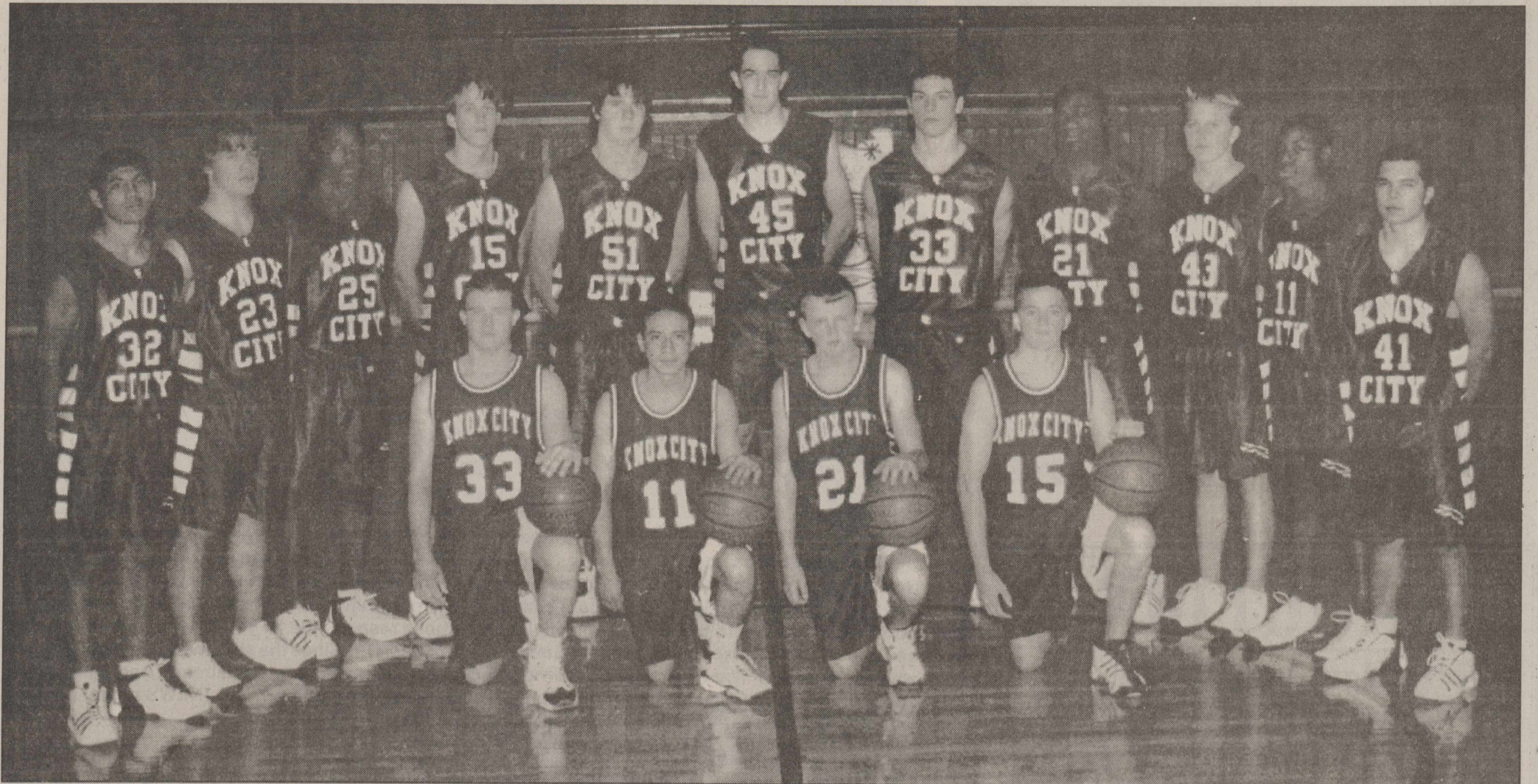


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2003-2004 Knox City High Girls Basketball Team

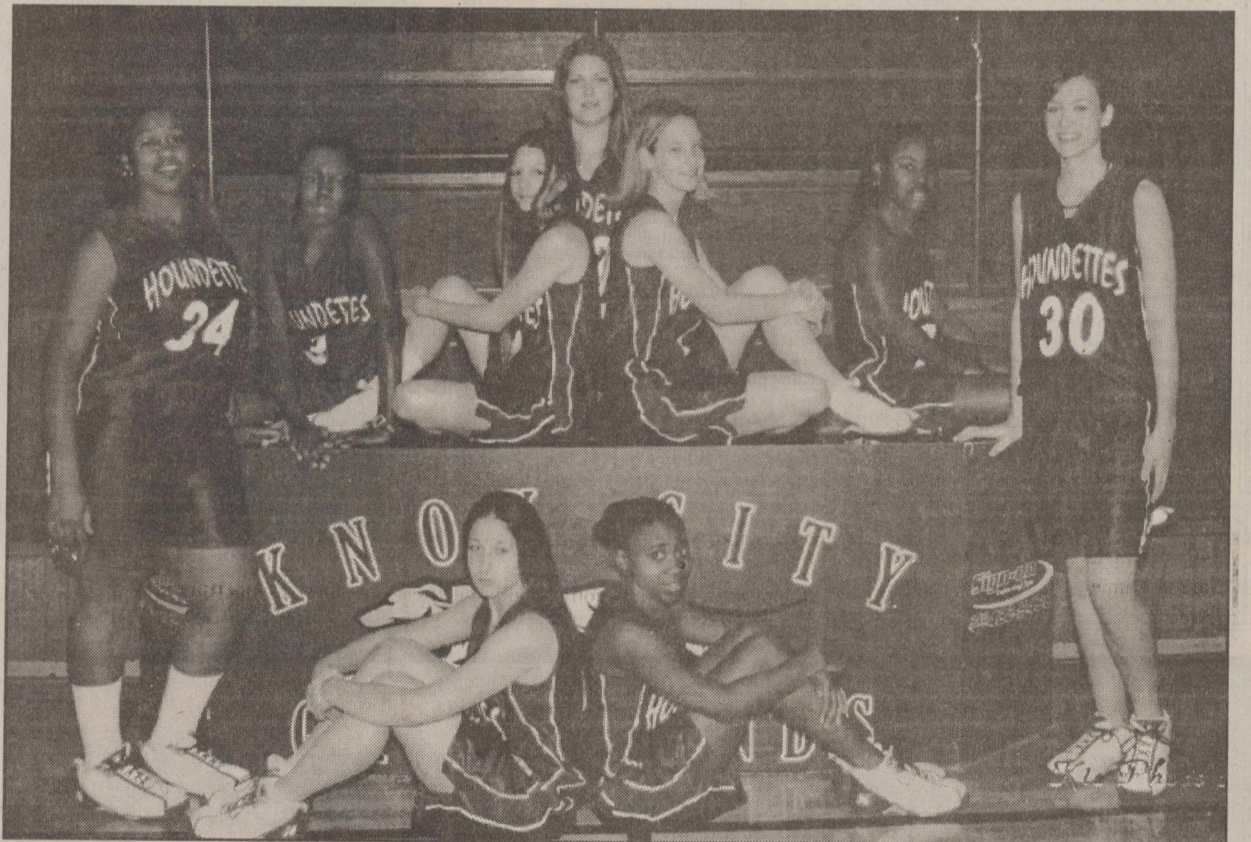
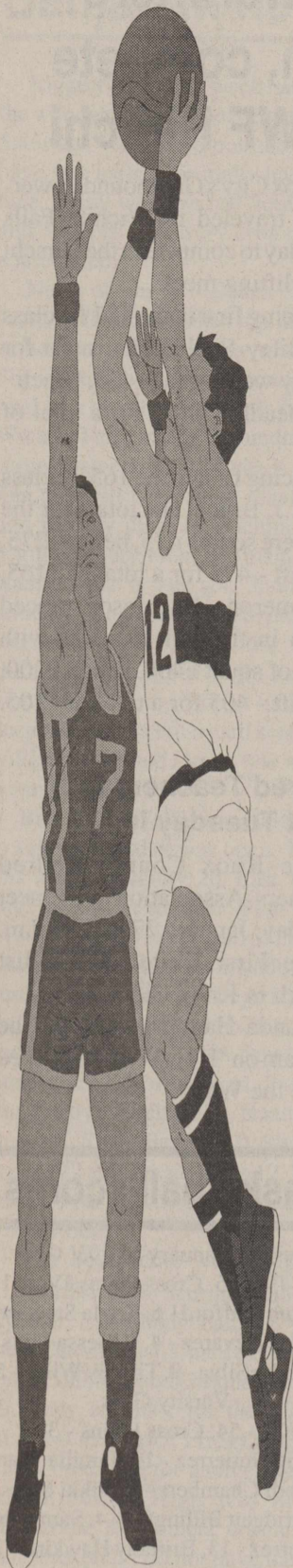


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HOUSE FOR SALE - 811 South Aspen. Brick, three bedroom, large living and dining, large kitchen with beautiful wooden cabinets, new carpet, small shop, patio and carport, \$38,500. No money down, may take over loan with good credit. Call 658-3629 or 658-3342.

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HOUSE FOR SALE - Three bedroom, two bath, air, heat, kitchen, metal roof, cellar on 3 acres, 4.6 miles NW of Knox City on CR 1214. Excellent water well, total electric, pretty view. Call 325-673-7959.

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Public Notice

NOMINATIONS ARE NOW being accepted for kindergarten students for the Gifted / Talented program at Knox City-O'Brien CISD from January 15 through 29. Nomination forms may be picked up from the elementary principal's office or from Shea Edmonds, program coordinator. Deadline is January 29. 1-15 2tc 46

EL PROGRAMS PARA estudiantes talentosos en grade K esta aceptando nominaciones en las escuelas Knox City -O'Brien CISDjanuario 15-29. Forms para hacer una nominacion se pueden levantar en la oficina de cualquier, principal o con la Shea Edmonds, coordinadora de programas. Para registrar es el 29 de januario.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of opportunity to make comments or request a public hearing is hereby given by the Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc., P.O. Box 188, Aspermont, Texas 79502, on a proposed continuation of Rural Public Transportation services within Kent, Knox, Haskell, Stonewall, Throckmorton, Jones and Fisher Counties. Financial assistance to continue this service is being sought from the Texas Department of Transportation. Service will be for the general public and fares will be charged for this service. Written comments or a written request for a Public Hearing are being accepted at Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 150, Abilene, Texas 79604; Attn: Debra Rector. Deadline for request is January 30, 2004.

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Bid Notice

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that Knox City-O'Brien CISD, using construction manager-agent services for construction, will receive sealed, written bids in Knox City-O'Brien CISD's Campus Cafeteria, 400 North 4th, Knox City, TX 79529, until 4:00 p.m. C.D.T. on Thursday, February 12th, 2004, for individual construction contracts encompassing (but not limited to) demolition, structural steel, doors, ceramic tile, interior finished, toilet accessories, mechanical, and electrical work for Renovations to Knox City-O'Brien CISD.

Any bid received after 4:00 p.m. C.D.T. on Thursday, February 12, 2004, will be returned unopened. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in Knox City-O'Brien CISD's Campus Cafeteria beginning at 4:00 p.m. C.D.T. on the same date that bids are received.

FAKED BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!

MODIFICATIONS TO BID PACKAGES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!!!

Bid, Payment, and Performance Bonds shall be as follows:

For individual bid packages in excess of \$25,000.00 encompassing labor only or both material and labor shall furnish a Bid Bond or a certified cashiers check in the amount of 5% of bid, Payment Bond and a Performance Bond of not less than one hundred (100) percent of the contract price, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the contract and upon payment of all persons supplying the labor or furnishing the materials used on this project. Costs of the bonds shall be paid by the Contractor.

Contract Documents, including plans and specifications, will be issued by the Architect beginning Monday, January 19, 2004 and may be examined during normal business hours at the following:

CADCO Architects - Engineers, Inc.
2401 S. Willis, Suite 200
Abilene, Texas 79605

Knox City-O'Brien CISD
Superintendent's Office
606 E. Main St.
Knox City, Texas 79529

AGC - Abilene
676-7447 Office (FAX) 676-0107

FW Dodge Rm - Abilene
673-3868 - (FAX) 676-8019

Contract Documents, including plans and specifications, may be procured from the architect at the above address upon receipt of a \$150.00 refundable deposit. Contractors will be responsible for payment of contract documents delivery and return costs. Requests for plans the week that bids are due may not be honored by the Architect. Plan holders not returning plans within two (2) weeks of bid date will forfeit their deposit!

All bids must generally comply with specifications and be on the Bid Form included in the documents for each bid package submitted. **Any bid received without proper bid security or on a form other than that provided in the documents will not be read and will be returned as "non-responsive" without recourse.**

Knox City-O'Brien CISD reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive any informalities or technicalities, and to award the bid considered most advantageous to Knox City-O'Brien CISD including consideration of amount bid, ability to meet the needs of the District, past experience, and previous relations with the District.

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Legal Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Westport Oil and Gas Company, LP, 5735 Pineland Drive, Suite 300, Dallas, Texas 75231 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the **Strawn formation on the G.L. HOWELL LEASE well #16**. The proposed injection well is located **10 miles west of Knox City, in the Katz Field in Knox County, Texas**. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from **4850' to 5300'**.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 (Telephone 512-463-6792.)

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Public Notice

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read. CONSTRUCTION / MAINTENANCE CONTRACT(S)

Dist/Div: Childress
Contract 0925-17-008 for CROSS-WALKS-IN-PAVEMENT LIGHTING in KNOX County, etc. will be opened on February 10, 2004 at 1:00 p.m. at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div. Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

NPO: 12055

State Office

Constr./Maint. Division
200 E. Riverside Dr.
Austin, Texas 78704
Phone: 512-416-2540

District Office(s)

Childress District
District Engineer
7599 US 287
Childress, Texas 79201-9705
Phone: 940-937-2571

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex or national origin.

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Political Calendar

The following have authorized *The Knox County News* to announce their candidacy for public office.

50th Judicial District Judge
PAUL SCOTT - D
WILLIAM H. (BILL) HEATLY - D

Knox County Judge
JULES RIZAN - D
JOE LOWE - D
DWAYNE BEARDEN - D
DAVID KUEHLER - D
TRAVIS FLOYD - R
MITZI (HAM) WELCH - D

Knox County Tax Assessor/Collector
KAY SHEEDY - D
LINDA PARKER - D

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Dist/Div: Childress
Contract 6111-15-001 for THERMO-PLASTIC STRIPING AND RPM INSTALL/REMOVE in CHILDRESS County, etc. will be opened on FEBRUARY 26, 2004 at 3:00 p.m. at the District Office for an estimate of \$247,071.61.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div. Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.

NPO: 11987

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Legal Notice

LEGAL NOTICE - THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 30.05 OF THE PENAL CODE OF TEXAS - (CRIMINAL TRESPASS SENATE BILL III LEGISLATURE), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL LANDS OF THE W.T. WAGGONER ESTATE ARE POSTED - SAVE AND EXCEPT WHERE WRITTEN PERMISSION IS GIVEN TO COME UPON THE SAME.

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MIKE SHEEDY
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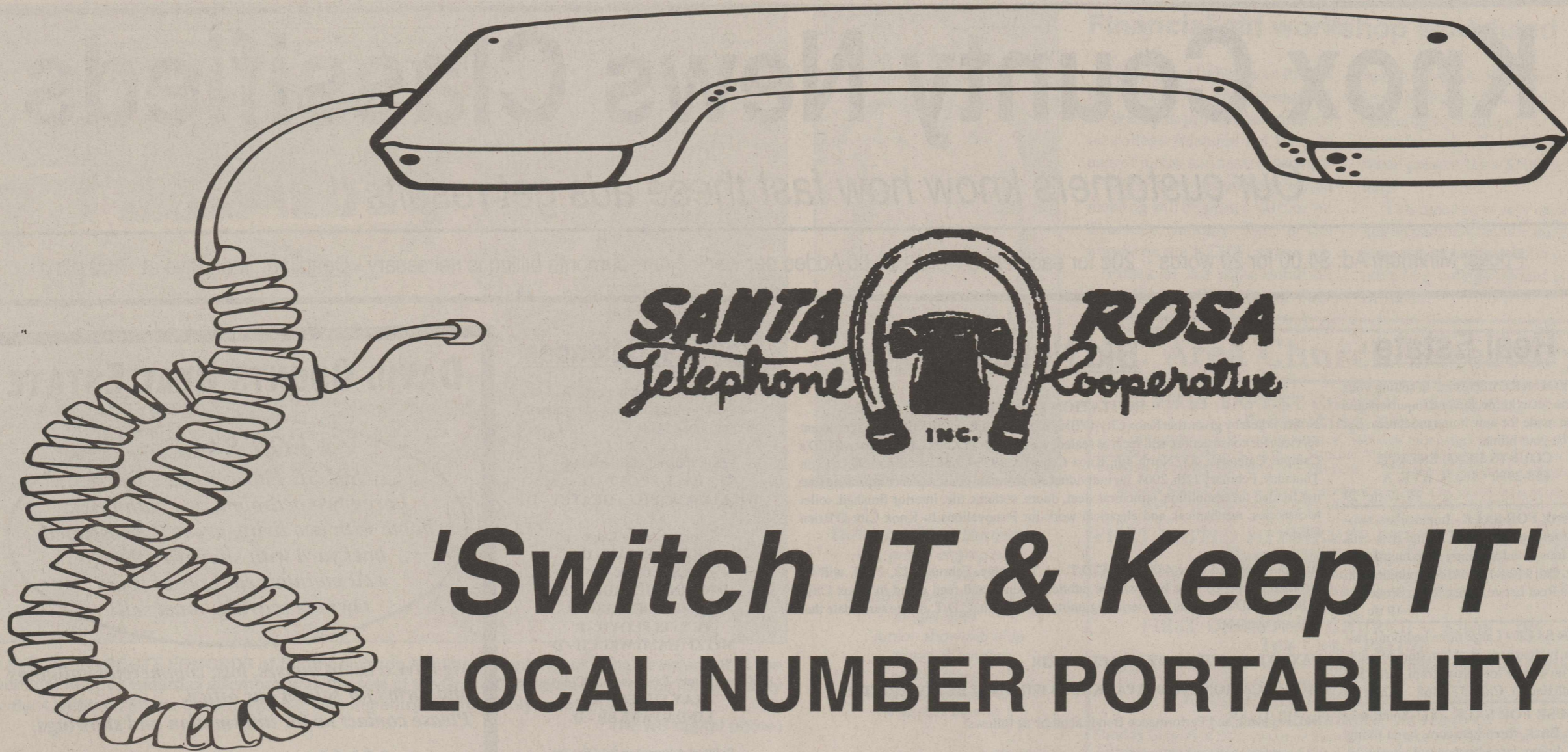
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**We will be in the Knox City office
January 27 & 28**