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Looking Ahead

▪ Munday City Wide Cleanup

Munday City Wide Cleanup will be Saturday, April 14 from 8-5. Collection site at Farmers Grain Co-op where four roll off dumpsters will be located. Sponsored by Keep Munday Beautiful and the City of Munday.

▪ County 4-H Meeting

County 4-H meeting will be April 15 at 2 p.m. in the Knox City School library.

▪ **Customer Appreciation Day**
Customer Appreciation Day at the Knox City Post Office on Monday, April 16th from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

▪ Knox County Parenting Fair

The 13th annual Knox County Parenting Fair will be held in the Knox City High School gym on Tuesday, April 16th from 4-6 p.m.

▪ Pink Ladies Meeting

The Pink Ladies will have a meeting on Monday, April 16th at 5:00 p.m. at the Thrift Shop.

▪ **Child Safety Seat Checkup**
A child safety seat checkup will be held on Thursday, April 19th at the Munday First United Methodist Church from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Certified safety seat technicians will be on hand to see if car seats are correctly installed, the correct size for the child, or on a recall list. Please bring your child and know their weight so the safety check can be complete.

▪ Benjamin City and Lake Cleanup

The Benjamin City and Lake Cleanup will be Saturday, April 21st. Keep Benjamin Beautiful will have trash bags and other supplies available for volunteers.

▪ Knox Prairie Idol

First Ever Knox Prairie Idol contest will be on April 21st, May 5th, June 9th and July 14th. There is no entry fee and contestants may sign-up to perform at one or all four performances. Entry forms may be obtained at Munday City Hall, Bud's For You, *The Munday Courier*, Blossom's Boutique and The Body Shop. Entry forms need to be turned in by Thursday, April 19th.

Knox City To Get Self-Storage Facility

Knox City residents will have a new place to store their stuff in the coming months, thanks to Ronny and Debra Baize of Crowell.

The couple is in the process of building a twenty-four unit storage building on East Main Street, near Kathie and Jack's Restaurant.

The thirty foot by one hundred foot slab for Baize Self Storage was poured last Friday by Tomas Concrete Construction of Vernon. Forty-five yards of concrete was poured according to owner Tomas Avitia.

The units will range in size from five feet by ten feet to one unit that will be ten feet by thirty feet.

According to Debra Baize, they hope to have the building, which will be white corrugated metal with blue trim, finished within the next two months.

"Weather permitting and if things go as planned," she said.

The couple also owns self storage units in Crowell, Paducah, Munday, Electra and Archer City.

"We go in and try to find a small town with the need (for self storage units). We find a lot that needs cleaning up, turn it



Gabriel Cordova of Tomas Concrete Construction works on the concrete slab of Baize Self-Storage

around and place a really pretty facility there," said Debra.

In Electra, they found a lot with a collapsing old house, tore it down, cleaned up the lot and built a storage facility there. In Munday, it was an overgrown lot

crowded with trees.

Ronny tries to learn a lot about a town and its need for such a business before making a decision to build.

The Baize's also run trucks in the southeastern United States in

addition to harvesting wheat and owning a small shop in Crowell where they offer state and federal inspections.

To inquire about renting units contact Debra Baize or Barbara Rhodes at 940-684-1880.

TMCN Luncheon Scheduled— Those Interested in Communities Growth Asked To Attend

Texas Midwest Community Network (TMCN) will host a luncheon in Munday at the Perry Patton Community Center on April 20th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The topic of discussion will be "The TMCN Scoreboard" – Is a need being filled? What can be done differently?"

According to TMCN's website, one of the cornerstones upon which TMCN was founded was to provide communications among community leaders in the region. Network luncheons are scheduled each year in April throughout the region for community leaders to stay in touch and discuss topics of interest and concern.

Texas Midwest Community Network is a regional organization founded in 1994 to provide a way for communities in the region to work together to accomplish what one community can not do alone. TMCN is focused on economic development, tourism development, regional

awareness & promotion, education and political awareness.

Knox City and Munday are both members of TMCN. The organization has also attended Knox County Visioning Committee meetings in the past.

TMCN hopes to have a large turnout from Knox County, including local leaders, school superintendents and anyone who has an interest in their community and the county.

Cost for the luncheon is \$12.50 per person. Reservations need to be made at least 48 hours in advance. Reservations can be made by calling the Munday City Hall at 422-4331 or Texas Midwest Community Network at 325-676-0329. Reservations can also be made online at www.texasmidwest.org/member-index.html.

Perry Patton Community Center is located at 231 S. Munday Boulevard.

More information on TMCN is available on their website: www.texasmidwest.org.

KC Parenting Fair Will Be Tuesday

The Knox County Parenting Fair, sponsored by the Texas Cooperative Extension, will be held on Tuesday, April 17th at the Knox City High School Gym from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

According to County Agent Lorrie Coop, there will be about thirty booths, door prizes and lots of give-away items.

New this year will be a booth from West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

Other booths include the Knox County Sheriff's Office which will be giving away DNA kits, the Department of Public Safety, who will have drug and alcohol awareness booth, the Knox County Commissioners, the Knox County Child Welfare Board, who will have information for parents and children on promoting healthy families in Knox County, the American Red Cross and many more.



Chasity Benson, one and a half year old daughter of Wendy Henderson and Bubba Benson of Benjamin has fun searching for Easter eggs at the Benjamin VFD Easter Egg Hunt at the City Park despite chilly temperatures on Sunday.

Weather Watchers Urge Citizens To Use Judgment When Sirens Sound

Knox City Fire Chief Bill Stewart would like the citizens of Knox City to know that, while there are storm watchers out during severe weather, the sounding of the siren does not indicate anything other than severe weather in the area. Citizens should use their own judgment in regard to taking shelter.

"Basically," said Stewart, "we are just warning people and allowing them to make their own choice about what they need to do."

The purpose of sounding the sirens is to alert the public that weather watchers have encountered severe weather. This could range from high winds or hail to "seeing something that looks dangerous" stated Stewart.

Knox City has two sirens, one located at the old municipal offices building and the other at the community center. The sirens will sound continuously in the event of severe weather.

"We will never sound an all clear," said Stewart. "So if the siren blows more than once, do not consider it an all clear!"

The job of a weather watcher is to alert citizens of the threat of severe weather in the area. Citizens should use their own judgment in regard to taking shelter and when it is safe to their leave shelter.

Munday One Act Play Continues To Regional

Munday High Schools One Act Play, "The Cripple of Inishmaan" has advanced to regional competition along with Bowie-Gold-Burg.

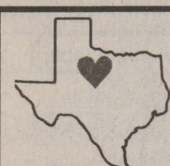
Lane Loftin and Emily Mizer were chosen as All Star Cast selections.

Shelbye Hendrix was named to Honorable Mention.

Munday will perform Saturday April 14th at the Regional contest at Abilene High School.

Other schools competing will be Bronte, Rule, Santa Anna and Deleon.

The contest starts at 4:00 that afternoon. Munday will perform last.



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HIGHLIGHTS
By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — Higher education continues as a top issue for Texas.

State Sen. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, said he wants more state funding to help more kids from low and middle income families get into college.

In an April 8 Houston Chronicle copyright story, Ellis said he wants to double state funding for the Toward Excellence, Access and Success (TEXAS) grant program to \$1 billion. El-

Senator Proposes Increase In State College Funding

lis said if action isn't taken Texas will be in crisis.

The Chronicle reported that about 70,000 students lost their tuition grants in the past two years, and according to U.S. Department of Education statistics, the Lone Star State is 41st in the nation in producing college graduates.

About 158,000 families are enrolled in the Texas Guaranteed Tuition Plan, formerly called the Texas Tomorrow Fund. Enrollees locked in the cost of tomorrow's college tuition and required fees at "today's prices."

Plan benefits are protected by a constitutional guarantee from the state.

The fund debuted under then-Comptroller John Sharp in the booming economy of 1996.

Waco economist Ray Perryman in early April published a 72-page report, "Thinking

About Tomorrow, The Texas Guaranteed Tuition Plan:

An Economic Assessment of Recent Evidence and Options for the Future."

Perryman proposes that the fund can and should be open to new enrollees. His report contrasts with a recent study by the state comptroller that warns the fund, which has been closed to enrollment since June 2003, is headed toward bankruptcy and should not accept additional enrollment.

Perryman says reopening enrollment makes sense when coupled with improved financial markets and a slowdown in tuition hikes. Those elements working together could return the strength to the fund, he said.

Measure puts road plan on hold

The Trans Texas Corridor also continues as a major issue

as the 80th session of the Texas Legislature inches closer to its late May finale.

Opponents of the proposed road system criticize the state's policy of entering into "comprehensive development agreements" that transfer the state's traditional role to private entities who build and maintain the roads.

When such deals are made, the public is left out of the loop, opponents say.

The Senate Transportation and Homeland Security Committee on April 4 approved a measure to halt all comprehensive development agreements for 24 months to allow the state to study the issue further.

Child restraint bill passes Senate

Also on April 4, the Senate passed legislation strengthening child passenger safety.

S.B. 60 by Judith Zaffirini,

D-Laredo, requires that children 7 years and younger, unless they are more than 4-feet 10-inches tall, be secured in a child passenger safety seat while riding in a motor vehicle.

Zaffirini said her legislation would save lives, preclude tragedies and injuries and qualify Texas for \$3.2 million in federal funds while saving the state \$17 million in health care expenditures.

House passes CHIP legislation

The Texas House on April 4 passed H.B. 109, relating to the Children's Health Insurance Program.

The legislation, authored by Rep. Sylvester Turner, D-Houston, returns coverage to thousands of families who lost coverage for their children due to cuts enacted by the Legislature in 2003.

Major things the bill would

do include:

- Restore continuous 12-month eligibility;
- Eliminate the 90-day enrollment waiting period;
- When calculating family income include child-care expenses;
- Determine eligibility based on net income, not gross; and
- Create outreach programs to inform families about the availability of CHIP and children's Medicaid.

Parties settle Medicaid lawsuit

Parties settled the 1993 Frew v. Hawkins lawsuit, claiming the state of Texas did not provide adequate care for children enrolled in Medicaid.

To benefit from the settlement are some 1.5 million children whose families need help in securing health and dental care.

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By Ace Reid



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Smith, Jason Eric 4/5/07 - Aggravated Assault/Family Violence/Fel-3, Public Intoxication/Misd-C (Foard County)

McCrary, James Zell 4/6/07 - DWI 2nd/Misd-A, Retaliation/Fel-3 (Knox County)

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- TXism: "brains in _____" (computer)
- John Paul II visited TX in '87
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- TXism: "bit a biscuit"
- Grande
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- exerts a lot
- TXism: "covered like white _____"
- TX Guy Clark CD: "_____ Build"
- TXism: "keep your eyeballs _____"
- Plano fall festival features _____ balloons
- TX Mayes CD: "For Pete's _____"
- Bush's alma mater graduates from any TX university
- in Milam Co. on 79
- Scottish "girl"
- where a cowboy keeps his Skoal? (2 wds.)
- TXism: "happy _____ candy store"
- D _____ TX
- TX Al Freeman, Jr. soap opera: "_____ Live"
- middle name of Alamo's Travis
- most Dirk Nowitzki shots: "all _____"
- cattle corral (2 wds.)
- what TX Comanche Iron Jacket wore into battle
- Cowboy Tony Romo objectives (abbr.)
- TX Jamie Foxx played _____ Tookie Williams in '04 TV movie
- TXism: "lead _____ cinch"
- conceit
- TX Prentiss TV: "He & _____"
- TX "Deck of Cards" singer (init.)
- TXism: "plain as the top line on _____"
- Jody Mc _____ of "Young Guns of TX"
- TXism: "_____ hell freezes over"
- it came before TX 7-11's Slurpee
- TX Tanya's "One Love _____ Time"
- Begley of "Hang 'Em High" ('68)
- laugh sound
- TXism: "good _____ boy"
- "bear" south of the border
- _____ a plea
- TXism: "touched in the head"
- TXism: "chompin' the bit"
- TXism: "that gets my dander _____"
- TX Ellerby book: "And _____ It Goes"
- Reagan's "Star Wars" program
- TXism: "_____ lutin"
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- a single layer
- birth state of TX Goodnight (abbr.)
- Jo, TX
- "shoot _____"
- "B" of Abilene's Dyess AFB
- TX Grace Noll Crowell for one

BAXTER BLACK

ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

MOTHER AND MY MECHANIC

By Baxter Black, DVM

My mechanic has a lot in common with my mother's doctor. When the steering wheel locked up on my 1969 Ford F-250 3/4 ton, 4-speed with split rims and a manual choke, we cajoled it down to George's garage in town. On my truck's last visit to George's, he replaced the power steering pump so I figured I was good for a while, but not so! I left it over the weekend with instructions to please fix it.

My sweet mother has had a long relationship with her doctors. They have kept her ticking through the Great Depression, World War II, four children and two husbands, as more than her share of afflictions struck away at her health. She still has an ongoing schedule of doctor's appointments. Sometimes she has a complaint, or the visit is just for a checkup. But no matter the purpose of the visit, it seems the doctors can always find something that's not quite right that requires an additional test or pill.

I have found that I have to be specific when I take my truck to George's. If I just said "If you see anything wrong, fix it," George could retire to the Bahamas after I paid the bill! The motor has been rebuilt, but the 'runnin' gear is wearing out. Kinda like Mother. She has a strong heart but her tie rods are loose.

The steel cab rusted out so it was sitting unattached on the frame. It created what one would call a startling visual rattle. All the mechanic could suggest was a transplant. Using my cowboy ingenuity, I used a piece of a rubber tire, a twelve inch bolt and 2 tarp rubbers to attach my floorboard to the frame. We usually keep power steering fluid, brake fluid, motor oil, a jack, a tow chain and jumper cables in the cab at all times.

Mother has a suitcase full of pills, a sphygmomanometer, blood sugar machine, record diary, oxygen, nitroglycerine and cell phone close at hand.

And we use the pickup usually everyday. It's the ranch truck. Hauls trash, rocks, gates, wire, dogs, hay bales, protein blocks, railroad ties, kids' hunting. It's got the gooseneck ball so it makes trips to the sale barn with cows and to the pasture with horses.

Just like Mother. She gets up everyday, gets dressed, takes her pills and paints or cooks, or visits or plays games or goes for a stroll and does her best to make it a good day.

Sometimes my ol' truck is hard to start in the mornin' but with a little tender, lovin' care, it keeps on tickin'.

Well, I'm on my way up to Mother's to cook breakfast. She's already up. I can see the lights on in the kitchen.

Local 4-H Members Participate In County Fashion Show

County 4-H members participated in the Knox County 4-H Fashion show as part of their Clothing and Textiles project.

Participants were evaluated on their garments as well as the member's knowledge of their project during an interview process. Final scores also included the participants modeling ability, poise, interview skills and participation in other 4-H Clothing project activities.

4-H members modeled their outfits in a style show at the Knox County Aging Center on Monday, April 9 in Knox City during their lunch at 11:30 AM where they received their awards for the county contest.

Those participating at the Jr. level were — Construction: Casual — Sonora Escamilla; Pop-over — Kathryn Cude; Specialty — Grace Tidwell. Participating

at the Intermediate level was — Buying: Dressy — Brandon York. Participating at the Sr. level were — Construction: Casual — Brittany Coop; Buying: Formal — Jenna McCandlies. All of these 4-H'ers worked hard to complete their projects.

As 1st place winners at the county level, they will all represent Knox County at the District 3 4-H Fashion Show to be held in Slidell on Saturday, April 21, 2007. 4-H is the youth development program and leadership program of the Texas Cooperative Extension, a part of the Texas A&M University System.

Education programs of the Texas Agriculture Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.

Individuals with disabilities



Pictured left to right — Front: Grace Tidwell, Kathryn Cude, Sonora Escamilla; Back: Brandon York, Brittany Coop, Jenna McCandlies

who require an auxiliary aid, service, or accommodation in order to participate in a meeting or program are encouraged to contact the Knox County Extension office at 940/459-2651.

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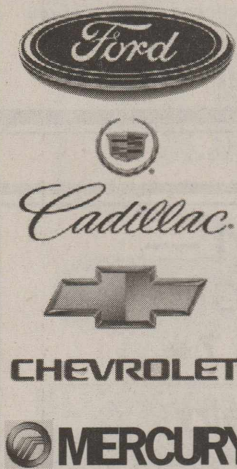
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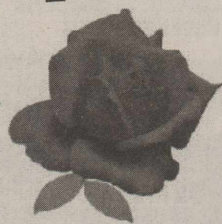
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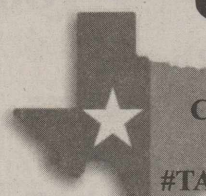
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One of the best ways to lower higher electric bills is to shop around for a less expensive retail electric provider (REP). Finding different offers can be done quickly and efficiently.

- 1) Visit the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) electric choice website at www.powertochoose.org. If you don't have access to a computer, you can call the PUCT's Electric Choice hotline at 1-866-PWR-4-TEX (797-4839).
- 2) Use the information you receive to contact different REPs to collect more information on various services and offers. Also contact your current REP at the number listed on your electric bill for other offers that may be available. Ask about contract terms and prices and be sure to look at the REPs' Electricity Facts Labels to make a good comparison.

Need some help?

Customers having trouble paying their electric bills and wishing to avoid disconnection should discuss their concerns with their current retail electric provider. All REPs are required to offer deferred payment plans to eligible customers who express an inability to pay. REPs also offer balanced billing plans, which allow eligible customers to pay an average amount each month year-round.

Additionally, many community action agencies may be able to help with electric bills or energy efficiency programs. For more information, contact the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) at 1-800-525-0657, e-mail at info@tdhca.state.tx.us or visiting one of the following websites.

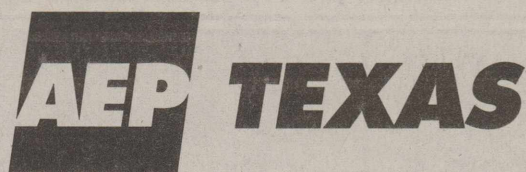
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Obituaries

Denise "Shannon" Morrison

Denise (Shannon) "He" Morrison, 78, passed away Saturday, April 7, 2007, at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. A Graveside Service was held at 2:00pm, Tuesday, April 10, 2007 at the Rule Cemetery with John Green officiating.

Arrangements were under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Home of Rule.

A visitation was held from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., Monday at the funeral home.

Denise was born November 18, 1928 in Red Springs to Bill W. and Ruth Gazel Brewer Shannon.

She married R.A. "Bob" Morrison on September 26, 1944. He preceded her in death April 27, 1992. She was a homemaker and a member of the Rule Church of Christ.

Better known as "He" to her family, she was a very loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend. She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, son Bobby Morrison on August 16, 1975 and a brother Pat Shannon on December 20, 2006. Denise is survived by her daughters Sharon Hudson and husband Danny



of Benjamin and Sheila Holmes and husband Tommy of Abilene; grandchildren Missy Lewis and husband Todd of Knox City; Michelle Stanfield and husband Jeff of Knox City; Brandon Holmes and wife Dayva of Desdemona; and Nathan Pierce of Haskell; great-grandchildren, Eric Lewis, Emily Lewis, Andy Shaver, Zach Shaver, Payne Stanfield, Lacy Pierce, Nathaniel Pierce, Cassie Pierce and many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to The American Cancer Society P.O. Box 102454 Atlanta, Georgia 30368-2452 or the West Texas Rehab Center 4601 Hartford Abilene, Texas 79605.

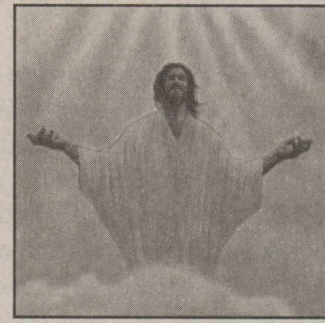
God's Promises

By Jim Reid, Pastor
O'Brien Baptist Church

Jesus Christ! I hear people say His name to express many different meanings. Often it has nothing to do with who He is. So I can't help but wonder why they use His name? I also know those who express His name in a profane way can't possibly understand of whom their speaking. If they did that would really be a serious indictment against them.

This is the time of year that the name Jesus Christ is proclaimed louder perhaps than any other time, because of who He is!

In the gospel of John, chapter 3, verse 16; God speaks through His Son teaching us the very foundation of God's love for all people. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son,



that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have eternal life."

The Amplified Bible says it so clearly, "For God so greatly loved and dearly prized the world that He [even] gave up His only begotten (unique) Son, so that whoever believes in (trusts in, clings to, relies on) Him shall not perish (come to destruction, be lost) but have eternal (everlasting) life."

If there is any part of this verse that is of interest to you, that you don't understand, ask any Christian and they will explain the joy of knowing this verse.

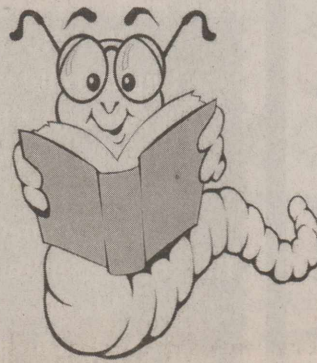
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KC Museum News

After winning one very helpful grant, the Knox County Museum building program has been notified that it is being considered for another grant. An application went to a Texas foundation several weeks ago. Then the grant chairman, Mary Birkenfeld of Rhineland, was contacted for more information and informed that the Knox County project is still under consideration. However, considering the funds available in the next grant awarding cycle, and the fact that this group likes to help finish projects, the local committee was asked if they could raise more funds toward the completion of the building.

Chairman, Mary Jane Young, took this information to the Friends of KCHC meeting April 3rd. "It looks like we need a fundraiser soon to help them keep considering us," she reported.

The group put together plans to operate the concession stand at the Cutting Horse Contest on the Moorhouse Ranch, March 10th, with only three days warning. Now with three weeks to finalize an event to try to attract a well known foundation, they had plans under way before the

meeting was over

The Knox County Unity Festival is set for Saturday, April 28th. The doors of the Benjamin Ex-Students Center will open at 6:00 p.m. for a supper of grilled hamburgers, beans, and desserts, with live entertainment and a silent auction. The auction will close at 8:00p.m.

Benny Grill suggested the "Unity Festival" theme because "it will take the county uniting together to pull this off and show that people really support this project".

There has been another drive for brick and stone sales put in place by mailing information to businesses and ranches who have not taken the opportunity to have their names or their ancestors names of established businesses to forever be known as the people who had a historical part in the settling of this area.

Anyone wishing to donate items for the Unity Festival silent auction or brick and stone information may call 940-459-2229 or 940-459-2205.

Some estate items have been offered already for the silent auction, including some "Game Birds" dinnerware by Johnson Brothers.

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King County Open 4-H Horse Show Set For May 25 And 26

The annual King County 4-H Open Horse Show date has been scheduled for May 25 & 26th, 2007 to be held at the Lath Withers 4-H Arena which is hosted and conducted by the King County 4-H Horse Club, according to Gary Antilley, King CEA-AG agent.

It has been changed to a two day show!!!!

The Stock Horse Division classes will be Friday- May 25th for Junior & Senior aged exhibitors only.

Books will open at 4:30 pm and classes begin at 5:00 pm beginning with Reining and Working Cow Horse for judged classes, followed by Breakaway Roping and Team Roping for timed event classes.

Must RSVP for cattle prior to May 22nd. Tack Awards will be distributed through 3rd place with Champion buckles and Reserve head stalls awarded for both age divisions in judged & timed.

The Qualifying/Futurity Division classes will be on Saturday-May 26th for three age divi-

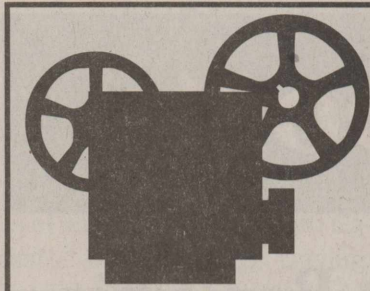
sions- Pee Wee, Junior & Senior. Books will open at 9:00 am and show starts at 10:00 am with all halter classes (Yearling, under 5 & over 5 mares and geldings; followed by junior/senior Showmanship; 2 Yr. old Western Pleasure; Walk-Trot for Pee Wee; 3 yr old Stock Horse; junior/senior Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship and Western Riding classes to complete the judged portion of the show.

Timed event classes will be Poles, Stakes Barrels, and Flags for Pee Wee, Junior and Senior ages.

Tack Awards will be awarded thru 3rd place with Champion Judge & Timed buckles for junior & senior and Champion overall Pee Wee buckle. Reserves will receive awards.

Entry blanks may be picked up at your local County Extension agent offices, or you can contact the King County Extension office at Box 125, Guthrie, TX 79236, phone 806-596-4451, or e-mail at king@ag.tamu.edu to get your entry forms and any further information.

Benefit Dance For Teresa Rios For Medical Expenses Saturday, April 14 at the Macias Ballroom in Haskell 8 p.m. until 12 Midnight DJ by Gilbert Casillas Jr. \$10 per person Items to be raffled!



NOW SHOWING! Writing-The-Range Reviewer



This is the first installment of weekly film reviews from self-confessed movie addict Kathy Lowry. A former Texas Monthly film critic, Kathy is a veteran freelance magazine and newspaper journalist who claims she'll write anything for anyone who pays her. She and her spoiled husband, son and dog Lizzie divide their time between San Antonio and the Hill Country.

ICE CUBE MELT-DOWN

Ice Cube, one-time gangsta rapper and anti-establishment bad boy, has apparently decided playing "bad actor" tough guys in R-rated sex & violence star vehicles doesn't pay nearly as well as selling out his entire persona.

This former "Boyz in the Hood" star multi-tasks here as both star and producer, as he did two years ago in that flimsy but family-friendly comedy "Are We There Yet?"

Both films redefine the concept of cinematic Uncle Tomming, but this rambling, ramshackle sequel, "Are We Done Yet?" is a bigger lemon that the house he buys without bothering to get it inspected.

Never mind that things are falling off the walls and through the roof, including dumb-daddy Nick (Ice Cube) himself, when he and his family first check out this woody farm house.

The head-scratching rationale behind this move seems to be some black rendition of white flight from the very big-city temptations and inner-city seaminess that Ice Cube used to embody. (Can you say, "Say wha'")

Nick (Ice Cube) and his wife (played by encoring co-star Nia Long, the object of his ardent affections in "There Yet") and stepkids (Aleisha Allen and Phillip Bolding, two years older and showing even more teenage "tude" than ever) do the best they can with lousy lines that alternate with praftfalls and sight gags as creaky as the house itself, but only realtor/contractor Chuck Mitchell (Dr. Cox on TV's "Scrubs") has anything approaching an original scene: in it, the mawkish, self-described "baby whisperer" kneels down and presses his ear against pregnant Aleisha's lower belly.

It's so suggestive of a sexual come-on that the old macho-man Ice Cube would have Uzi'd him upside the head.

To say this sorry excuse for a slapstick comedy never sticks to your ribs, not even a youngster's easily-tickled funny bone, is to put it mildly.

More groans that guffaws, and only an occasional titter trickled out of the tiny audience for the Saturday matinee I attended.

Apparently, though, someone somewhere went to see it, since this numbskull loser won the number 3 spot for box office sales over the Easter weekend. (I predict bad word of mouth will put an end to that run before a typical family of four has finished off the left-over ham and egg salad.)

When it comes to bad houses, it's "buyer beware"; for bad movies, it's "viewer beware." PG-Rated "Firehouse Dog" isn't great, but compared to this dog of a family flick, it'll have you howling in comic relief.

* 1/2 TUMBLEWEEDS rating:

Family Friendly Score: PG (mild profanity and minor violence; no way it'll scar your kids, though you do risk boring them to death...)

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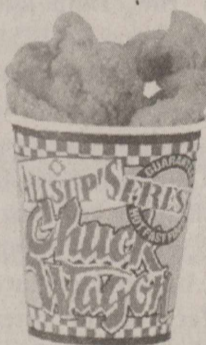
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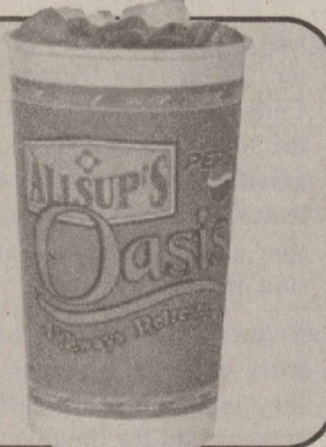
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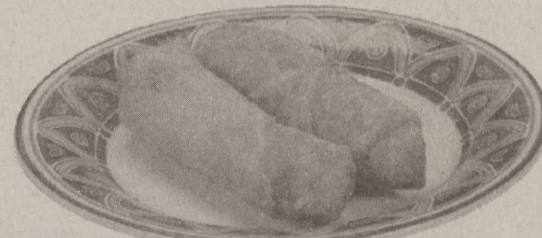


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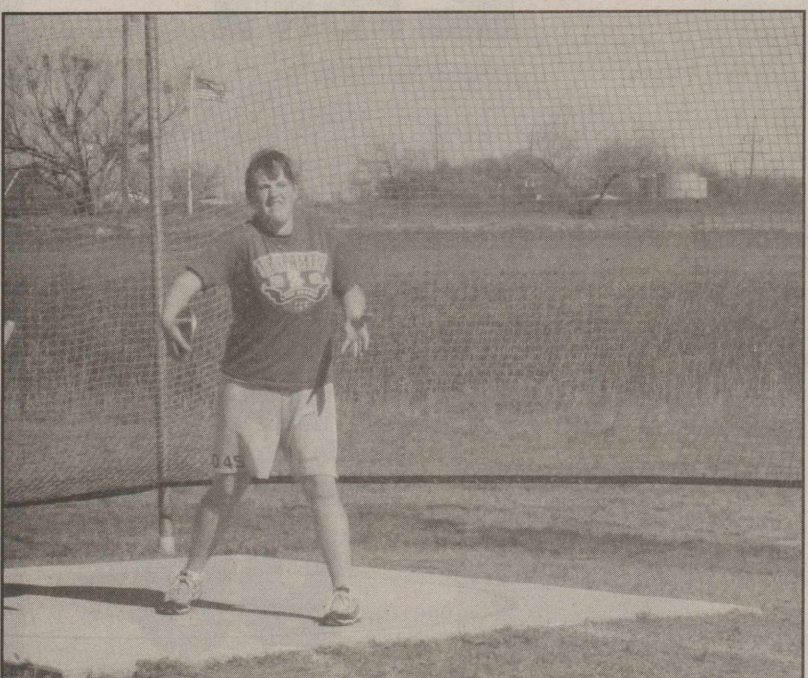
Shelby Russell throws the discus



Roberto Acevedo takes first in the 800 M Run with 2min 33.81 seconds time



Cody Propps takes 3rd in the Pole Vault



Crystal Baldwin throws the discus

Benjamin High School Athletes Advance to Area

Benjamin High School athletes competed at District track competition on April 5th in Jayton. Several have advanced to Area.

Those headed to Area competition in Roby on April 12th are Dylan Benson - 800 meter run; Gilbert Nevarez - 2 mile run; Karla Benson - pole vault; Julia Acevedo - pole vault, 2 mile run, 1 mile run; Karla Benson, Julia Acevedo, Teri Miller and Leah Vanderpol - 800 meter relay.

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Benjamin News

By Gladene Green

It was a cold Easter Sunday, but folks enjoyed the day anyway. The Sunrise Service was held at the Ex Students building due to the cold, damp weather, plus the fact that Tom Moorhouse came down with the flu and was unable to make the necessary preparations for the ranch service. The crowd was smaller than usual, but I'm sure the weather was a factor. Folks had rather stay inside than brave the elements. Michael Coughlin delivered the Easter message and also led the congregational singing. Michael is the Church of Christ preacher here.

After Sunrise Service there were regular church services, big family dinners and the firemen's usual egg hunt in the park. Lots of kids showed up with their toboggans and warm pants and coats on and had a good time hunting. So all in all, the day was good.

Sympathy Extended

We learned Friday of the death of former pastor of the Baptist church here and former resident of Knox City, John Gillispie. He was in an Amarillo hospital where he was admitted on Thursday night. His death is believed to be from complications of some

surgery he had a few weeks ago. His funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Groom, Texas, with burial in Groom, also. Certainly sympathy to his wife, Peggy and his daughters and their families. He will be greatly missed.

Also sympathy to the family of Marvin Ansley who passed away last week. He had taught here in Benjamin several years ago and was well known by many here.

Here 'N There

We had a family dinner in the home of Mike and Debbie Moorhouse on Sunday. Present for a wonderful meal (with far too much food) and a day of visiting were Jessica Moorhouse of Tarleton State; Nathan, Liz and Mason Herring of Munday; Diane, Mike and Ashlee Evans of Childress and Mike, Debbie and Will Moorhouse and Gladene Green of Benjamin.

Deann Lamb was in Wichita Falls Friday to see her neurologist. He checked her good and put her on some new medication and she seems to be feeling better. She fell a few days ago and that sort of shook her up a little, but no real problem from it except she's sore!

Visiting Gloria and Leroy West this weekend were Betty

Parker and Chelsea of Aspermont and Cathy Tomlinson of Denton. On Saturday, they all had lunch with Lorene Powers and were joined by Debbie Clower and family.

Charles and Linda Griffith had their grandson, Matt, of UT in Austin on Easter weekend. Linda's mom was able to come back to Rochester last Wednesday after a brief stay in the hospital. She was checked out good and no real problem exists and that's good news.

Don Hertel continues to gain strength after his recent round of chemotherapy. He says he's feeling better and finally getting his appetite back.

Stacia Propps was in Austin during the weekend to be with her son, Chance, a student at UT. Chance had his wisdom teeth cut out Friday morning and his mom was there to see that he took proper care of himself for a few hours. (Sometimes our kids get careless about things they don't think are serious!) I think he's doing fine now, and probably glad to have that procedure behind him!

Donnie Reed of Seymour had Easter lunch and a good visit with his parents, E.O. and Irene Reed.

Truscott-Gilliland News

By Clara Brown

Winter returned to the Wichita Divide Saturday, with everyone waking up to a snow covered world and some flakes still falling.

It wasn't what you expect to see on an April 7, especially when every newspaper or magazine you read and every TV channel you watch or radio station you listen to almost every day has a mention of "global warming."

Early in the morning of April 7, the temperature dropped from about 34 degrees to 32 degrees then to 30. Is that global warming?

Wheat farmers all over Texas then and for the next few nights and days were praying for some global warming on their wheat fields, no matter what Al Gore might say!

Around Truscott and Gilliland at least most of the snow was gone by late afternoon. In spots where snow clung to the tops of grass or weeds it looked like white daisies blooming against the deep green background of spring.

James Cruce called from Plainview on Sunday and said the temperature was hanging around 29 degrees there. It was warmer in Foard and Knox Counties, but still a cool day.

A few hunters were out at Antelope Flat Friday to Sunday and found our spring weather not quite what they expected for their vacations from the Metroplex.

Every wheat farmer is hoping his wheat crop "missed the bullet" and will go ahead and make as good a harvest as it was beginning to look like.

Glenn Heard said they spent Easter weekend at home and he spent his time checking the thermometer. He hopes in a few days he'll find

out the wheat didn't freeze.

Derrell Hard said he and Randall spent Easter Sunday trying to stay warm.

Visiting the Ronnie Simmons Sunday were Shane and his fiancé, Sybil Simmons; and Kristi and Kylee. He said they had a great day. Oops! Nearly overlooked Mitchell and Betty Eddy.

Joe and Kay Tomanek were in Boyd. They took Edmund and Geraldine Tomanek to Dutch's at Quannah for Easter dinner.

Jacquelyn Richey and Ruth Mescall visited their parents, Jack and Clara Brown, by telephone from Jacquelyn's house in Houston.

Claire was hunting the real eggs they colored on Saturday alone. Sam had hunted for candy and plastic eggs with her earlier but since no candy or money was involved with the real eggs he was occupied, elsewhere. (No snow in Houston.)

The Mescall mob was in New Jersey visiting their dad's family. Brisa and Brandel Brown were rolling in the snow at Midland when the Browns were called.

Geraldine Tomanek, Irma Bell and Clara Brown attended a KCHC and Friends of the Knox County Historical Commission meeting at Benjamin Tuesday, April 3.

Plans were made for a Museum fund raiser Saturday, April 28.

A foundation to which a grant application has been made is considering the Knox County Museum on its award list.

Saturday, April 14 will jumping at the Truscott Community Center where an old fashioned jamboree takes off at 7 p.m. The music will be free, no entry charge.

Those attending may want to come earlier than 7 to enjoy bar-

becue and other good things at the concession stand.

If you haven't been to the center since last fall you will enjoy a tour of the finished interior. The grass and trees are bringing a spring time look to the center's grounds. There is plenty of parking space for any who want to enjoy the music from their cards, and plenty of chairs for any who want to get closer to the musicians.

Things look good but might look better if the local side of matching funds could rise, so the Knox County Union Festival is underway.

There will be a hamburger supper (the same big, juicy, grilled hamburgers as are served at the Veterans Day meal) with beans, chips, tea or coffee and dessert; live entertainment, and a silent auction.

It will be 6-8 p.m. at the Benjamin Ex-Students Center, (over with in time to get home before dark). Tickets will be \$6 for adults.

The silent auction will have an estate section so antique lovers should enjoy that. Some Johnson Bro. wild game dishes have been offered as well as a Norman Rockwell Chia Plaque. Other good things have been promised. Everyone is invited.

Next on the local schedule is a Grandma's Dinner and garage sale at the Truscott Center on Sunday, April 29. Come, shop and eat your fill. More details as April 29 gets closer.

Don't forget that next weekend will be Cynthia Ann Parker Days at Crowell.

Whatever happened to the slow pace in Foard and Knox Counties? The old timers all seem to be rejuvenated and jumping every weekend.

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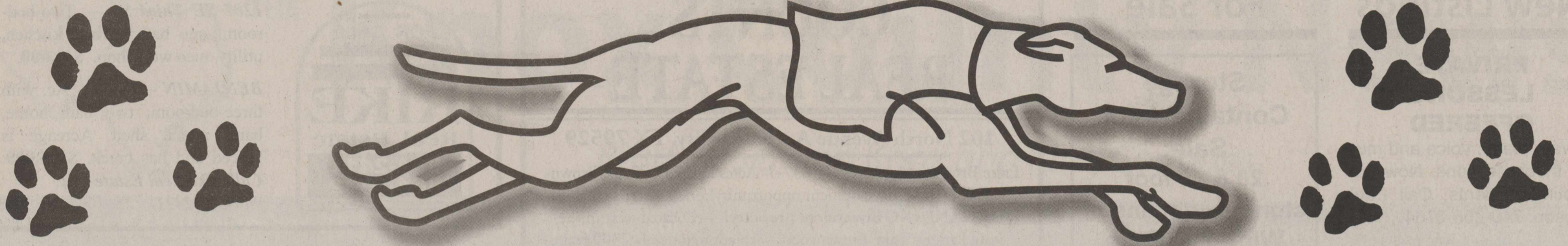
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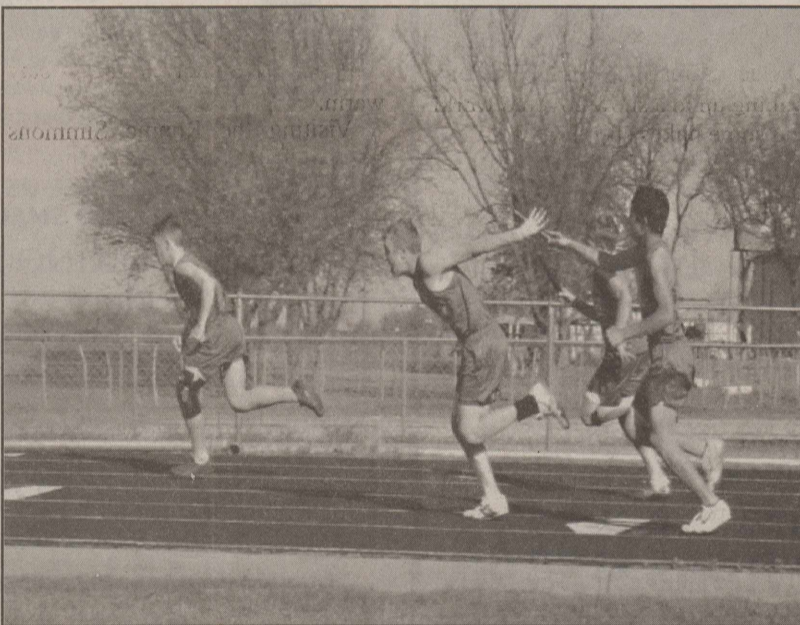
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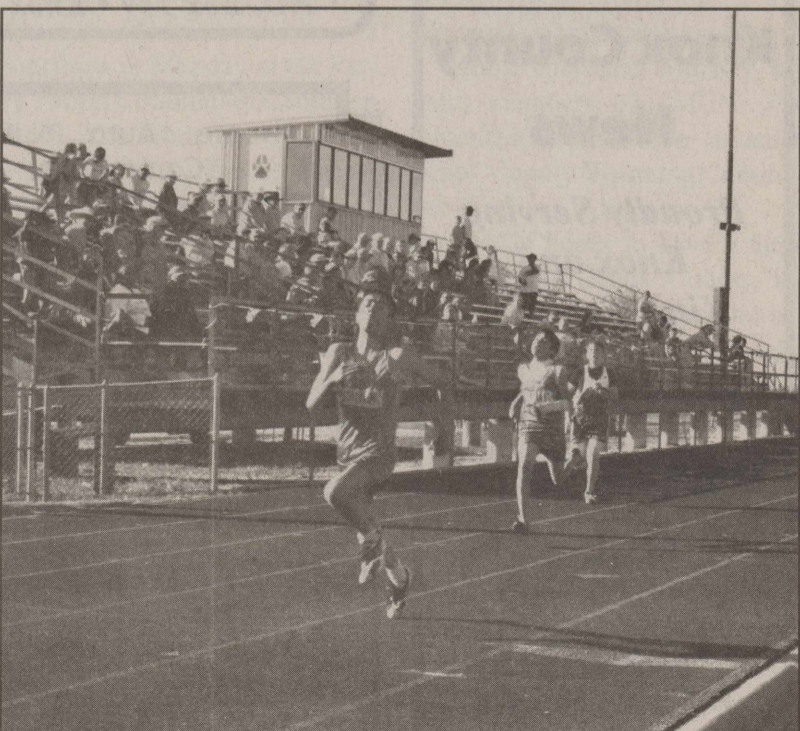
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Cassidy Carter takes a run at the high jump

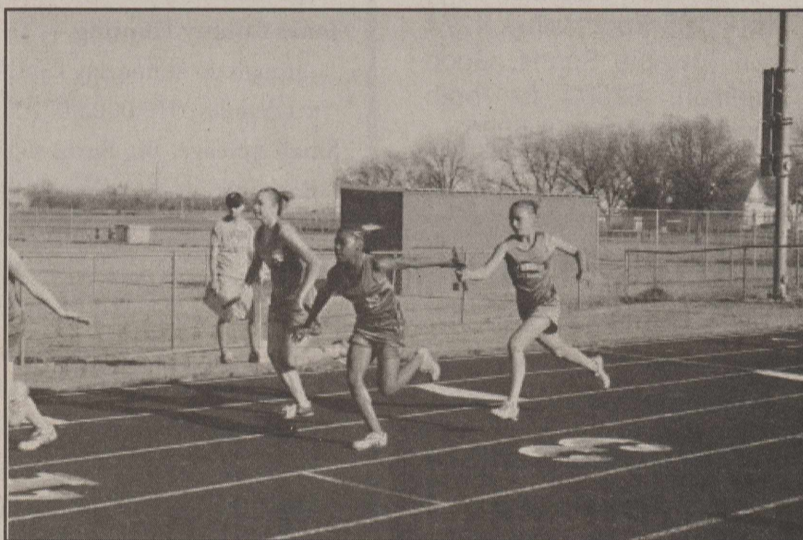


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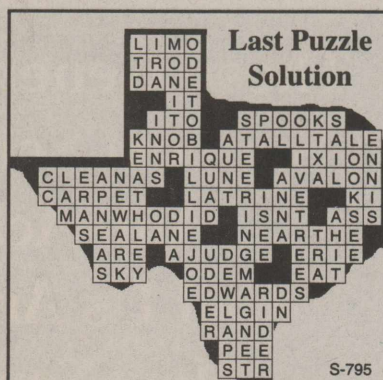
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