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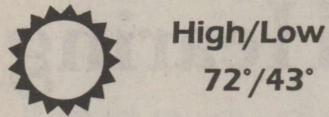
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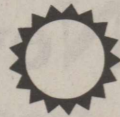
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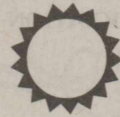
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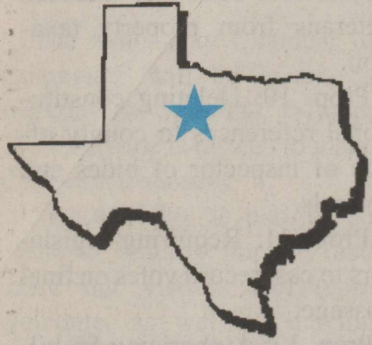
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Looking Ahead

• KC Black-Out Pep Rally

The Knox City High School "Blackout" Pep Rally will be Friday, October 26 at 3:00 p.m. in the Baker Auditorium.

• Immunization Clinic

The Texas Department of State Health Services Immunization Clinic will be at the Knox City Housing Authority Community Room, 203 SW 4th Street from 10:00 a.m. - noon and 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Thursday, November 1. DTaP, Polio, MMR, HIB, Td, Hepatitis A, Pneumococcal Conjugate, Hepatitis B, HPV, Meningitis and Chickenpox vaccine will be provided as well as all other immunizations for children, adults and infants. Flu vaccine is available for children 6 months and older and for adults. A parent, adult family member or guardian must accompany a minor under 18 years of age. Please bring a copy of your child's social security card. Services at the Department of Health are offered on a sliding fee scale, but no one will be denied services.

• Benjamin Black-Out Pep Rally

Benjamin Black-Out Pep Rally A black-out pep rally will be held for the Benjamin Mustangs in the high school gym on Friday, November 2nd at 3:05 p.m.

• Benjamin PTO Fall Festival

The Benjamin P.T.O Fall Festival has been scheduled for Saturday, November 3rd. The annual event takes place at Benjamin ISD and includes games sponsored by each class, prize raffles, a cake walk, the senior class dunking booth, Fall Festival coronation, skits, senior auction and the ever popular PTO Bingo.

• Knox City Fall Festival

The Knox City Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, November 3rd from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the gymnasium. Activities include games, a food booth and cake walk.

• 25th Annual King County Fair

The 25th Annual King County Fair is scheduled for November 3rd & 4th at the Arb Piper Community Center Complex in Guthrie. The fair is open to the following twelve counties: King, Childress, Cottle, Dickens, Foard, Hardeman, Hall, Haskell, Kent, Knox, Motley and Stonewall.

Citizens Urged To Vote In Upcoming Elections

Citizens of Knox County and the Knox county school districts are urged to go to the polls on Tuesday, November 6 to cast their votes in important upcoming elections.

Four county entities, the City of Knox City, Knox County and Knox City-O'Brien CISD, Munday CISD and Benjamin ISD are involved in the elections.

The City of Knox City will hold a special election for the adoption of a (1/4) one-fourth of one percent sales and use tax. This would be used to help maintain and repair Knox City streets.

Knox County will also hold a special election on November 6th considering sixteen proposed constitutional amendments submitted by the 80th Legislature, including ad valorem taxation and an amendment to allow governmental entities to sale property acquired through eminent domain back to the previous owners at the price the entities paid to acquire the property.

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The Greyhound PRIDE Marches To A Superior Rating At Regional Competition

The Greyhound PRIDE Band of Knox City took the field at Memorial Stadium in Wichita Falls at the Region 2 Marching Contest on Saturday, October 20.

Every step was timed to perfection; each note was played in tune. Then to everyone's surprise Superman flew in and kept a watchful eye on the PRIDE as they completed their ensemble of music from the theme of Superman.

The crowd from throughout the area was excited and supportive of the PRIDE and Superman.

As the band returned to the stands, the anxiety level increased as everyone patiently waited for the results.

Tension built. Palms began to sweat. Fists were clenched. Many sat silently; others talked freely.

Finally the announcer began to state the results. Soon everyone knew the Greyhound PRIDE Band marched to the beat of a superior rating.

The Greyhound PRIDE Band began preparing for the competition in early August with marching practice.

Then since school began, residents could hear the music every weekday morning coming from the practice field near the high school; then, again,



The Greyhound PRIDE Band after receiving their "1" rating. They will compete Saturday in Denton.

on many late evenings from Greyhound stadium. The hard work and dedication by the students and director, Mr. Mark Tucker, paid off with dividends in the regional contest.

Thirteen bands in Class A marched on the field in hopes of receiving a "1" rating.

Bands competing in Class A were Petrolia High School, Seymour High School, Archer City High School, Windthorst High School, Munday High School, Paducah High School, Baird High School, Albany

High School, Quanah High School, Electra High School, Knox City High School, Hamlin High School and Throckmorton ISD.

Judges for the Marching Contest were Elmer Schenk of Princeton, Louis Thornton of Abilene and Mike Brady of Burkett.

Results were as follows: Petrolia - 2, Seymour - 3, Archer City - 1, Windthorst - 2, Munday - 2, Paducah - 2, Baird - 2, Albany - 2, Quanah - 2, Electra - 1, Knox City - 1, Hamlin 1, and

Throckmorton - 1. Bands receiving a straight "1" rating from all three judges were Knox City, Electra and Throckmorton.

The Greyhound PRIDE will march on to the Area level of competition at C. H. Collins Athletic Complex located at 1500 Long Road in Denton, Texas on Saturday, October 27.

Their performance time is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Everyone is encouraged to come and support the band. Congratulations PRIDE band on your outstanding performance.

Moorhouse Ranch Takes First Place At Benjamin Ranch Rodeo

The first annual Benjamin Ranch Rodeo was held October 20th and 21st in Benjamin.

Twenty-two teams were entered in the event. Over \$9000 was awarded to entrants on Sunday.

The event was organized by the newly formed Benjamin Rodeo Club.

Other than ropings held every other year at the Benjamin Homecoming, this is the first ranch rodeo that has been held in the Benjamin arena in quite some time, according to the Benjamin Rodeo Club President, Chad Tolson.

The organization plans to hold ranch rodeos the second weekend in June of each year.

This will also assure more activities at the bi-annual homecoming celebrations.

The club also hopes to add Little Britches rodeos to the mix in the future.

First place team at the event was the Moorhouse Ranch, consisting of Gage Moorhouse, Chad Townsend, Ty Townsend and Ty Jones.

The team earned \$4000 in prize money and belt buckles handmade by Benjamin native Jimmy Barrientez.

The second place team was Redwine Cattle Company of Throckmorton.

Team members were Cole Hatfield, Heath Hatfield, Rusty Redwine and T.C. Redwine. The team earned \$2500 in prize money, head stalls donated by Benjamin Cowboy Stop and head stall buckles handmade by Jimmy Barrientez.

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Benjamin Cross Country Varsity Boys — District Champs

District 10A Cross Country Results 10/22/07

JV Boys- Mitchell Ham 5th 24:28, Jose Rivera 8th 28:33

Varsity Girls- Julia Acevedo 5th 12:34, Tina Siemens 33rd 14:20, Devon Jones 44th 15:53, Raquel Acevedo 47th 16:11, Leah Vanderpol 49th 16:37, Brittany Coop 52nd 17:32, Karla Benson 54th 19:24. Team 7th 159 points

VarsityBoys-GilbertNevarez 2nd 17:30, Dylan Benson 7th 18:17, Derrick Northrup 11th 19:00, Damon Gideon 14th 19:50, Cody Propps 16th 20:08, Lucas Cartwright 18th 20:09, Roberto Acevedo 22nd 21:26. Team 1st District Champions 28 points

Regional Qualifiers: Julia Acevedo; Benjamin Boys (Nevarez, Benson, Northrup,



Gideon, Propps, Cartwright, and Acevedo)

Volleyball Dual Match with Knox City 10/22/07

Benjamin - 25, 13, 25, 25, KC - 17, 25, 17, 11

Tina Siemens 2 Aces, 8 Kills, 2 Assists, 4 Digs; Devon Jones

1 Ace, 1 Kill, 17 Assists, 1 Dig; Karla Benson 4 Aces, 9 Kills, 9 Digs; Nafeesa Ebraheim 4 Aces, 4 Kills, 2 Digs; Julia Acevedo 3 Aces, 5 Digs

Benjamin - 25, 25, 25, KC - 20, 22, 12

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HIGHLIGHTS
By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN — The "Keep Texas Moving" advertising campaign funded by the Texas Department of Transportation continues to be challenged by Texans Uniting for Reform and Freedom (TURF).

Travis County State District Judge Orlinda Naranjo on Oct. 18 granted TURF's request for continuance and a new hearing in 90 days.

For months, the group has sought to stop TxDOT from spending state funds to pro-

Judge Grants Anti-toll Road Group New Hearing

mote the TransTexas Corridor, a multibillion dollar, multidecade privately funded tollroad plan.

"TxDOT is waging a one-sided political ad campaign designed to sway public opinion in favor of the policy that puts money in TxDOT's own coffers," said TURF founder and executive director Terri Hall.

A Texas law prohibits state agencies from using public funding for political advocacy, Hall said.

But Kristina Silcocks, a transportation attorney with the Office of the Attorney General who is representing TxDOT, said the "Keep Texas Moving" campaign is permitted under another state law that allows marketing of toll projects.

Extra check may come for some

The Teacher Retirement System board of trustees will meet Nov. 9 to decide whether

to give eligible annuitants an extra check in January.

The independent actuary for the TRS said a supplemental 13th check can be paid to those who are eligible without hiking the active member contribution rate.

The check amount would be equal to a normal monthly pension payment, up to a maximum of \$2,400.

The supplement was made possible by SB 1846 sponsored by Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, and Rep. Vicki Truitt, R-Keller, in the 80th Texas Legislature.

Handwashing is key to prevention

By now, Texans have gotten wind of this health issue in a variety of media, but it will not hurt to mention it here.

Handwashing is important. A particularly stubborn form of "staph" bacteria is out and about, spread through person-

to-person contact or via contact with contaminated surfaces.

"Regular hand washing is the best way to prevent staph transmission," said Marilyn Felkner, a Texas Department of State Health Services epidemiologist.

"Getting back to the basics, using soap and water, or hand sanitizer, is essential in facilities where people work, live and play close together."

Find guidelines to keep staph in check at www.mrsaTexas.org.

Perry names education chief

Texas has a new education commissioner: Gov. Rick Perry named Robert Scott to the post on Oct. 16. Scott had been acting as commissioner since predecessor Dr. Shirley Neeley resigned effective July 1. He served four years as chief deputy commissioner, managing daily operations for the Texas Education Agency.

Think hard before you vote

Here is one more plug for the Nov. 6 election: the subjects of all 16 proposed constitutional amendments on the ballot:

- Prop. 1: Transferring constitutional facilities funding for Angelo State University to the Texas Tech University System.
- Prop. 2: Authorizing general obligation bonds to finance student loans.
- Prop. 3: Annual 10 percent cap on increases in homestead taxable value.
- Prop. 4: General obligation bonds for state agency construction and repair projects.
- Prop. 5: Allowing a temporary property tax freeze for smaller city redevelopment.
- Prop. 6: Property tax exemption for a personal vehicle used for business activities.
- Prop. 7: Selling property acquired through eminent domain to former owner at original price.

- Prop. 8: Revisions to home equity loan provisions.
- Prop. 9: Exempting residence homesteads of totally disabled veterans from property taxation.
- Prop. 10: Deleting constitutional references to county office of inspector of hides and animals.
- Prop. 11: Requiring legislators to cast record votes on final passage.
- Prop. 12: Authorizing \$5 billion in general obligation bonds for highway improvements.
- Prop. 13: Allowing judges to deny bail in certain cases involving family violence.
- Prop. 14: Permitting judges reaching mandatory retirement age to finish their terms.
- Prop. 15: Authorizing general obligation bonds to fund cancer research.
- Prop. 16: Bonds for water and sewer services to economically distressed areas.

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ACROSS

1 TXism: "all bought and ___ for"

5 medicinal plant in the Valley

6 front yard

7 Astro Carlos Lee's RBI tool (2 wds.)

8 Astro's headwear

9 Rockets org.

12 TX A.J. Foyt's occupation

17 middle name of Democrat AES, nominated for pres. in Houston in '28

19 TXism: "he can ride ___ and dance all night" (stamina)

21 festive processions

22 Arbor Day activity: ___ tree

23 TX Dan Rather book: "The ___ Never Blinks"

28 Carrizo Springs AM

29 TXism: "feel like ___ chewed up and spit out"

30 TXism: "snug as a bug ___"

31 TXism: "___ it with kid gloves"

35 once a TX town of Norwegians

36 San Francisco beer Dallas mayor won in '93 football bet

42 TXism: "as much chance ___ in a packin' plant"

44 TXism: "if it was any better, the sheriff wouldn't ___ it"

DOWN

1 Waco April event: "Cotton ___"

2 country band

3 town in Wichita Co.

4 fender blemish

9 TXism: "naked as a jaybird"

10 TXism: "___ mill"

11 TX Neiman and actor Pacino

12 music you won't hear on C&W radio

13 TX Gary Morris' "One Fall Is ___"

14 TX cactus: "cat ___"

15 seat of Jackson Co.

16 attic or barn pests 18 to arrest

20 TXism: "dance with who bring ___"

23 Roman 101

24 Gov. Richards

25 ___ Tse-Tung

26 TXism: "go-fer" (___ runner)

27 TX Permian Basin was named after a dist. in this country

32 TX "Pretty Woman" singer (init.)

33 TXism: "let '___ rip!"

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ACROSS

46 TX Dabney Coleman film: "___ to Five"

47 drain obstruction

49 ___ town, TX

50 blind or first

51 Tulsa AM radio

52 this TX Geter won freedom after a "60 Minutes" show

53 TXism: "never ___ anything in the glow of a neon light"

54 TXism: "as far ___ out-house on a cold morning"

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40 TX "Fame" star Debbie

41 TX Kathryn was this to "Machine Gun" Kelly

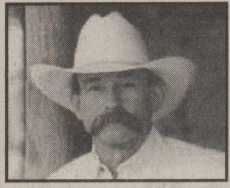
43 TXism: "sling it on the wall and ___ if it sticks"

45 another cowboy state (postal abbr.)

48 TXism: "he couldn't get elected fiddler ___ of Texas"

49 kiss rebuff

56 TX Willie's "Farm ___" was in Champaign, Illinois



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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

The Powers Of Regeneration

By Baxter Black, DVM

Every time I see a moose head mounted on somebody's wall, I marvel at the size of their horns. They must weigh 40 pounds! It would be the equivalent of me wearing a cowboy hat made of cinder blocks. Night and day for months in a row.

What is even more amazing is that they shed these giant racks annually, take a few weeks off and then spend the next year growing them back!

The same thing applies to deer and elk, but for sheer mass of bone, the moose puts them to shame.

Why is it that longhorn steers, wildebeest and pronghorn antelope don't shed their horns? Are they shy? Is it a fashion consideration, a long-term commitment...do they need them year round to fight, dig roots, or write their name in the bark?

If you want to salute the king of regeneration, look at the lizard. He has the ability to lose his tail, have it broken off, and grow a new one back. Talk about commitment. That would be comparable to an elephant shedding his trunk and growing a new one!

Maybe with the advance of science, animation and genetic manipulation, we will someday make it possible for an elephant to regenerate a lost trunk. By incorporating lizard genes in the fertilized ovum, we could give new meaning to the term, 'nose job'. Which leads me to male pattern baldness. Unlike hearing loss, menopause and crankiness, which can be a result of the aging process, loss of hair on the head doesn't necessarily conform to the rules.

Men actually grow more hair in their beard, on their body, in their ears and eyebrows as they get older. So why would some shed the plumage on their head? As a warning to others in the clan of proof of their testosterone level? So they can be more aerodynamic? To attract the 2% of females who are also bald?

Which takes us back to the top-heavy moose and his habit of shedding his horns every year. It is one of those persistent questions that haunt the universe.

As is Uncle Leonard's penetrating question on his 92nd birthday when he turned Darwin on his head by asking, "Why can't we shed our cojones and keep our teeth!"

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

I urge Knox City ISD voters to approve the school tax proposition which will appear on your ballot November 6. It's a win-win for taxpayers and school districts especially those with declining enrollment. If the proposition is approved, your state funding will go way up and local taxes will still go down.

Recent state funding decisions are driving school districts across Texas to a uniform tax rate. Over 750 Texas school districts have already set their tax rate at \$1.17 for 2007 so as to take maximum advantage of current state funding formulas. Voters in 19 districts (including Crowell) have ratified the \$1.17 tax rate in October. Ninety more districts (including your own Knox City ISD) will vote on November 6.

Every dollar counts when school enrollment is declining. Don't miss the opportunity to improve the Knox City schools and lower your taxes too. Vote FOR ratifying the \$1.23 tax rate on November 6. This rate is \$1.17 for operations plus the extra pennies to fund the debt service tax.

With folks like David Counts and Wayne Hutchison as natives, Knox City must be a great town. You've got a great school system; do what you can to keep it that way.

Charles Hundley,
Superintendent, Crowell ISD

Family Of Pvt. Mathew Kreitz To Be Recognized

November 12, 2007, at the Knox County Veterans Memorial in Benjamin, the family of Pvt. Mathew Kreitz, the Gold Star Family, will be recognized and place a memorial wreath at the arch, which is engraved with the names of Knox County veterans killed in war.

Mathew Kreitz was born in Rhineland on the Fred Zimmer Place located by the Brazos River, on February 28, 1922, to Matt and Rose Kreitz. His aunt, Helen Kreitz Bruggeman, was his mother's midwife. His 18 month old sister, Rose Ann, was unable to pronounce brother so she called him Bubber, hence Bub, and he was familiarly know by that name.

Mathew worked on the farm in Rhineland as a young boy and it was said that he could pick a bale of cotton a day (500 lbs.) He enjoyed running around with Philip "Sonny" Bruggeman Jr., his cousin, meeting him on Sunday's to pitch washers for entertainment. He also enjoyed fishing and tinkering with cars.

After employment at an air craft factory in San Diego, CA, he entered the Army on March 28, 1944, and did his basic training at Camp Hood, TX. Bub was deployed overseas on September 13, 1944, onboard the USS Martina and later landed in France on Omaha Beach. He was later assigned to the 26th Infantry "Yankee" Division, 328th Infantry Regiment, Company "K". It is said his unit had advanced to a point near Wuisse, France, on Nov. 16, 1944, and were resting for the night when he and five other soldiers were selected to return to the rear for supplies. A German sniper machine gunned their truck. There were no survivors. Germany surrendered 5 1/2 months later.

Killed in action, at age 22, he was buried in France until 1947, when his body was returned for burial in Rhineland, TX. In the 70's his body was exhumed and reburied in Bastrop, TX., alongside his parents, and sister, Rose Ann Welch.

He was awarded the Purple Heart, Good Conduct Medal, European African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with service star, WWII Victory Medal, and Honorable Service Lapel Button WWII.

The Gold Star family of Pvt. Mathew Kreitz will be represented by his two younger sisters, Elaine Weiss and Nadine Bemus, both of Bastrop, TX.



Pvt. Mathew Kreitz

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Munday 58 vs. Archer City 12
Guthrie 66 vs. Harrold 0
Throckmorton 86 vs. Aspermont 36
Haskell 42 vs. Anson 7
Albany 39 vs. Winters 0
Rule 56 vs. Spur 0
Crowell 66 vs. Hedley 6

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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION
(AVISO DE ELECCION GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of Benjamin, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados de Benjamin, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on November 6, 2007, for voting in a general election to seek ratification of the district's adopted tax rate for the support of Benjamin public school.

(Notifíquese que las casillas electorales sitadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 de la mañana hasta las 7:00 de la noche el día 6 de Noviembre 2007 para votar en la Elección General para conseguir ratificación de la tarifa adoptada para apoyar la escuela de Benjamin.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES
(LUGAR (ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Memorial Building, 205 S. Stewart, Benjamin, Texas
Gilliland Community Center, 8124 FM 1756 E, Gilliland, Texas
Vera Community Center, 15044 US HWY 82 E, Vera, Texas

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at
(El voto se puede votar adelantado en persona a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

Benjamin ISD Administration Building, 300 Hays Street, Benjamin, Texas.
(location) (sitio)

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on October 22, 2007 and ending on November 2, 2007. (entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 22 de Octubre 2007 y terminando el 2 de Noviembre 2007.)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
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Stacia Propps
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(La Secretaria del voto adelantado)

PO Box 166
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City (Ciudad) Zip Code (Zona Postal)

Application for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on October 30, 2007. (Las solicitudes para el voto adelantado por correo tienen que haberse recibido no más tardado que la hora de negocios el día 30 de Octubre de 2007.)

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OBITUARIES

Bessie Mae Large

Bessie Mae Large, 86, of Knox City, passed away Wednesday, October 17, 2007. Funeral services were held 10:00 a.m. Saturday, October 20, 2007 at the Knox City Church of Christ. Burial followed at the Knox City Cemetery, under the direction of Mansell-Smith Funeral Home of Knox City.

Bessie was born in May, Texas, on July 23, 1921 to James R. and Altha Hartman Loflin. She married Dell Large December, 1940. He preceded her in death April 3, 2003. Bessie was a homemaker and a member of the Knox City Church of

Christ. She is survived by sons, Glen Dell Large and wife Carol of Knox City; Billy Joe Large and wife Linda Kay of Azle; Eddie Dean Large and wife Robin of Fort Worth; daughter, Bessie Webb and husband Roger Dale of Rule; eight grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren.

Bessie was preceded in death by her parents, husband, four brothers and four sisters.

Pallbearers were her grandsons, Robert Glen Large, Billy Wayne Large, Gregory Dale Webb, Eddie Large Jr., Aaron Dale Large and Keith Munden.

God's Promises

By Jim Reid, Pastor
O'Brien Baptist Church



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Think upon these verses of scripture this week and His Word will bless you.

"But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4: 19)

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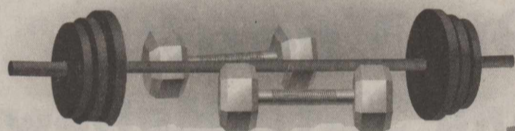
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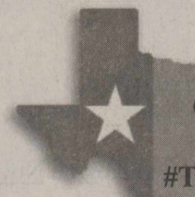
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2. On November 6th, 2007, which is the first Tuesday of the month, at 10:00 AM, at the courthouse door of the Knox County courthouse in Benjamin, Texas, the Knox County Sheriff will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title, and interest of K&B Farms, Inc. and Stephen F. Kiser in and to the described property.

Dated: October 1, 2007

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Knox County Sheriff

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The students participated in a poster drawing contest sponsored by the Knox City Volunteer Fire Department.

In addition, the KCVFD ended the fire safety week with a visit to the elementary school with a fire truck.

The firemen demonstrated the water hose used to extinguish a fire, the jaws of life used to remove victims of car accidents and answered an array of questions from the students.

The annual fire prevention week is observed nationally.

The information students learned must be practiced at every age.

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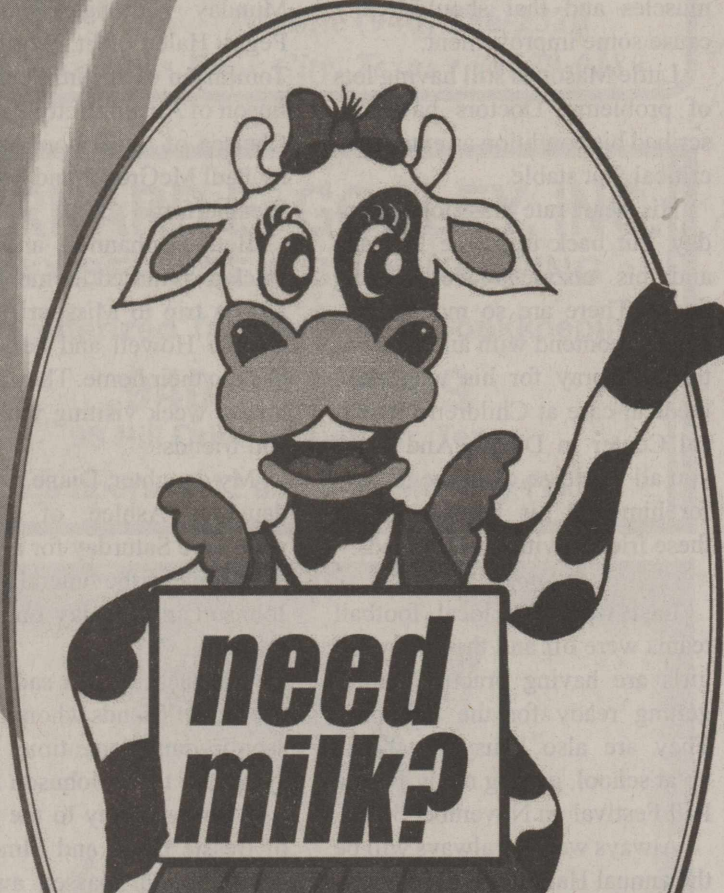
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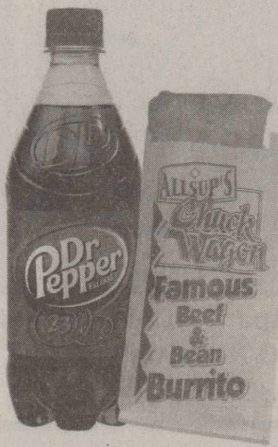
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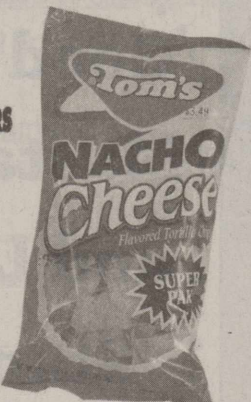


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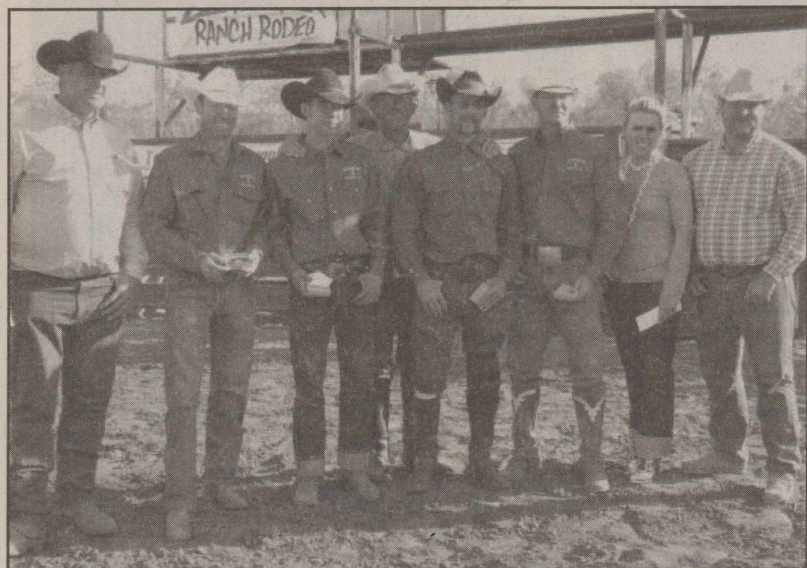


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Rodeo — Continued

The third place team was TR Land and Cattle of Benjamin. Team members were Trey Propps, Seth Kuehler, Eric Hager and Tyler Thompson. The team earned \$1500 in prize

money and rope halters donated by Farm and Garden Supply of Knox City. The Benjamin Rodeo Club also raffled a half a beef during the two day event. Winner was Tyler Thompson.



1st Place Team — Moorhouse Ranch — Gage Moorhouse, Chad Townsend, Ty Townsend and Ty Jones

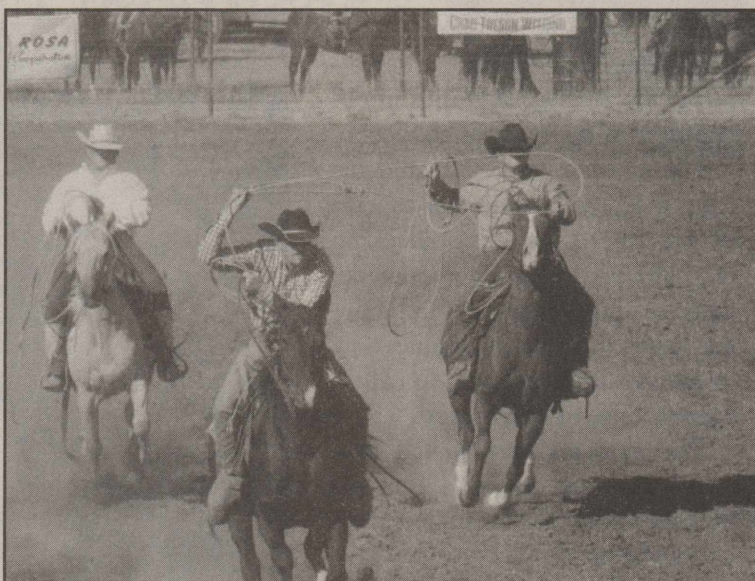


3rd Place - TR Land and Cattle Company — Trey Propps, Seth Kuehler, Eric Hager and Tyler Thompson



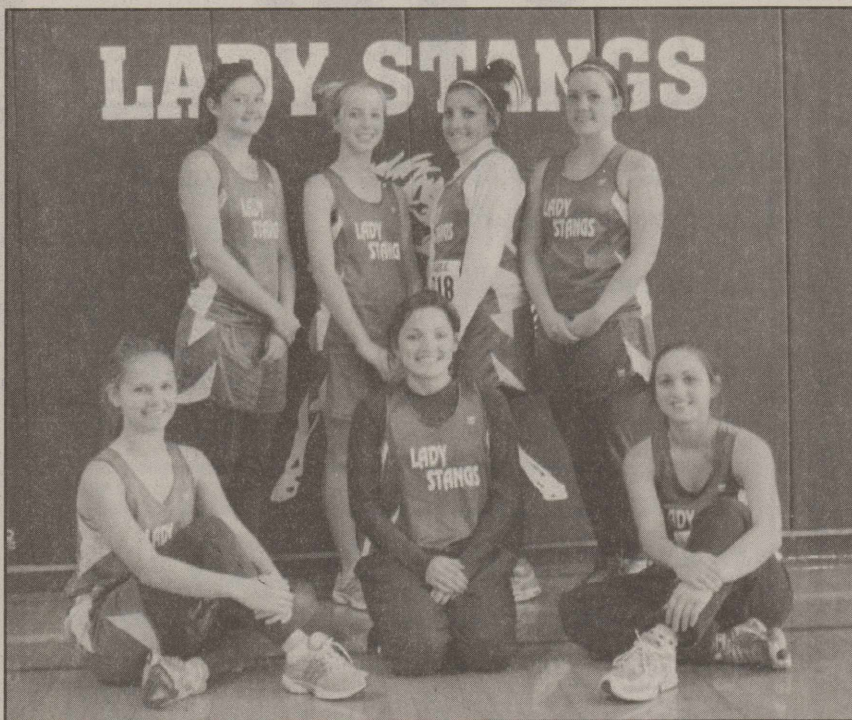
2nd Place Team — Redwine Cattle Company — Cole Hatfield, Heath Hatfield, Rusty Redwine and TC Redwine

Rodeo Photos —



Benjamin Sports

Sports — Continued



Lady Stangs

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- Tina Siemens 5 Aces, 5 Assists, 3 Digs, 1 Block
- Devon Jones 4 Aces, 2 Assists
- Nafesa Ebraheim 1 Ace, 3 Kills, 2 Digs
- Jessica Vanderpol 3 Kills

Good Job Mustangs and Lady Stangs!

By Gladene Green

We have had our first real taste of "more like winter" weather. That norther that blew in Sunday caused very blustery conditions and much, much "colder" temperatures.

It was a welcome change, but now on Tuesday morning, seems its already warming back up a little. That may be because the wind has let up some.

News of Our Ill

We have reports on several area friends who are having some problems. Leroy West has been admitted to the Munday Nursing Center for a while for some therapy.

He just can't seem to get back to feeling as well as he should, so doctors (and family) feel this special care may be what he needs. We hope so.

Charles Jones is still in Dallas following his surgery a week ago Friday. He's having some pretty uncomfortable days and right now doesn't know when he may come home. Though his progress is good, it just takes time to get over something like that.

Omitene Barnett fell at her home Friday and cut her head. She had to go to the emergency room, but was treated and then came back home.

Elections — Continued

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Knox City-O'Brien CISD, Benjamin ISD and Munday CISD will each hold a special election within their districts for the purpose of ratifying the ad valorem tax rate per \$100 valuation adopted by the Board of Trustees in their districts for 2007.

These school districts are three of around 100 school districts in the state who have had or are holding this special election.

"This is a golden opportunity for districts to obtain and add revenue," said Knox City-O'Brien CISD Superintendent Louis Baty.

Voters in the Crowell school district approved the tax rate on October 6th with 185 for and five against, according to Baty.

The purpose would be to get additional funds from the state to be used for upgrades within the districts. Money, for the most part, that isn't in the school district's budgets. These upgrades would include things like new buses, technology and facility improvements.

"It's a way to meet the current and future needs for the district with the state bearing the majority of the cost," said Baty.

In dollar amounts, the state would kick in an additional \$120,000 to Knox City-O'Brien CISD and about \$42,910 to BISD, should voters approve the adopted tax rate.

According to Baty, this could mean a new bus for the district. While the district isn't in an emergency situation with their transportation, the need for a new purchase is on the horizon, and while the 2005-2006 allotment from the state for a new

bus was \$11,960, the actual cost of what the district would need is much greater. According to Baty, the cost of a new 72 passenger school bus is around \$80,000.

"It's time to start making improvements," he said, and with the additional money allotted by the state, local tax payers won't have to bear the brunt of it.

Benjamin ISD is also in need of a school bus, according to BISD Superintendent Olivia del Hierro Gloria, and in addition to possibly amending the transportation budget, should voters approve the adopted tax rate, the personnel budget would probably also be amended.

For KC-O'Brien CISD district tax payers, taxes would actually be down 17.5 cents to \$1.23 from \$1.405 in the past, should they approve the vote.

"For Benjamin, down twenty cents from \$1.37 to \$1.17," stated del Hierro Gloria.

Broken down, the KC-O'Brien school board has set a property tax rate of \$1.17 for maintenance and operation and 6 cents for the interest and seeking fund.

This leads to about \$200,000 in additional revenue for his district, says Baty, with the state funding about two-thirds of the increase.

For BISD, who has no interest and sinking fund, the money would go into maintenance and operations.

BISD would see approximately \$73,000 in additional revenue.

Should the voters approve the adopted tax rate, the districts budgets will be amended to include the increased revenue from the state.

BENJAMIN NEWS

She's feeling much better and is being a little more careful about "doing around" her house.

Deann Lamb made a couple of trips to the doctor lately for check ups since her surgery. She is making good progress back to her normal self. She will have some physical therapy to strengthen her muscles and that should really cause some improvement.

Little Mason is still having lots of problems. Doctors have described his condition as extremely critical, but stable.

His heart rate was down Sunday, but back up some Monday and his enzymes were going down. There are so many problems to contend with and we continue to pray for his wonderful medical care at Children's Medical Center in Dallas. And I ask you all to please continue to pray for him and his family and all these friends with special needs.

Sports

Last week the local football teams were off and the volleyball girls are having practice games getting ready for the play-offs. They are also "busying about" up at school, getting ready for the Fall Festival on November 3rd.

Always was and always will be the annual Halloween Carnival to most of us long-timers, but some-

where in the mix the name got changed. Regardless of what you call it, it is always fun and lots of money is made to help with projects around school. The P.T.O. sponsors this event.

Here 'N There

Weekend guests of Gloria West here and Leroy West in the Munday Nursing Center were Peggy Haley of Ft. Worth, Cathy Tomlinson of Justin, Penny Tomlinson of Austin, Betty Parker and Chelsea of Aspermont and Johnny Paul McGreger and his wife of Weatherford.

Betty Bohannon and Brandi Hacker returned home Monday after a trip to Missouri to return Bonnie Howell and her children back to their home. They had been here a week visiting with family and friends.

My daughter, Diane Evans and daughter, Ashlee, of Childress, were here Saturday for a visit.

I attended the funeral of Dessie Johnson in Munday on Monday morning.

The occasion was sad, but I did see lots of friends whom I haven't seen in quite some time. I extend sympathy to the Johnson family.

Also sympathy to the families of Bessie Large and Elmo Shaw. These friends passed away this past week.

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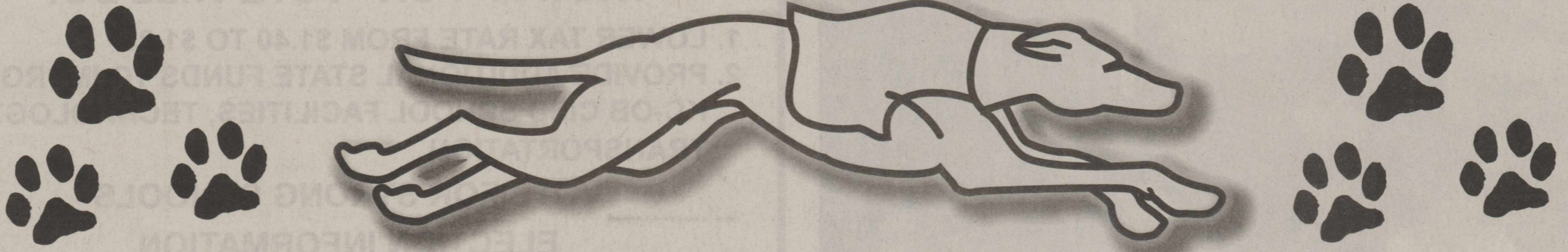
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KC Volunteer Fire Department Ties The Law Enforcement In Flag Football 36-36

The Knox City Volunteer Firemen met the Law Enforcement from throughout Knox County on the gridiron Thursday night for a friendly game of flag football.

Each team had their die-hard fans; then others were on hand just for the fun of it all which included the entertainment, good food and door prizes. The two teams come together annually for a benefit to raise funds for a good cause.

This year the proceeds from the game will go to the Knox County Child Welfare Board and a Scholarship Fund.

The KCVFD was first on the scoreboard with a touchdown. Then shortly afterwards, the Law Enforcement answered the points. Then seconds into the second quarter recruited KCVFD player Tracy Carter went in for the TD.

The Law Enforcement team questioned the young officials asking, "How can it be a touchdown if the player has only one flag left and our team has his other flag?" But, as everyone knows, an officials ruling is final and the TD stood. The game moved forward. The KCVFD scored again pushing their lead up by 12. It was not long until the Law Enforcement team rallied; scoring two touchdowns consecutively.

Ultimately, after four quarters the score was tied 36-36. The aches and pains will probably linger long from this battle than the memory of the score. However, the Child Welfare Board and a scholarship recipient will be the ultimate winners in this battle.



It was a serious game of Flag Football on the Grid Iron at Greyhound Stadium Thursday night



KCVFD's #8 Tracy Carter speeds his way to the end zone for the touchdown



KCVFD's #33 Alvie Overmyer just misses the pass reception with the Law Enforcement's #11 Harry Steen near by waiting for the tackle

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Brazos Valley Care Home Residents Enjoy October Festivities



Youth from First Baptist Church of Rule entertained residents of the Brazos Valley Care Home Sunday afternoon with a pumpkin carving contest. The kids' varying artistic skills were a joy to watch. The residents and the youth enjoyed a festive party after the contest.



Hope Poe celebrated her birthday at BVCH on October 16. Her birthday is October 31. She is pictured here with Helen Manning, Betty Poe, Marylyn Talbot, Burince Rowen and Billie Walker

October is a fun month here at Brazos Valley Care Home. Sunday, October 21st the youth at First Baptist Church carved pumpkins for the residents to judge and winners received prizes. Refreshments were served. On October 31, we will dress up in our Halloween décor and have a party at 2:30 p.m., hosted by the Pink Ladies Auxiliary, then at 5:30 p.m. we will receive trick or treaters. We also had a birthday party on October 16. The ladies from O'Brien Baptist Church were here to help us celebrate. Our thanks go out to these wonderful ladies for their hard work and their delicious cakes!

Our sincere thanks,
The residents and staff of Brazos Valley Care Home

NOVEMBER 6 SCHOOL TAX ELECTION

— VOTE FOR —

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1. LOWER TAX RATE FROM \$1.40 TO \$1.23
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VOTE FOR STRONG SCHOOLS

ELECTION INFORMATION

When: November 6

Where: Knox County Aging Services Building,
O'Brien City Hall, Gillispie Baptist Church

Time: 7:00 A.M. To 7:00 P.M.

Early Voting Ends November 2

Early Voting Place: School Business Office

8:00 A.M. To 4:00 P.M.

This ad paid for by Jim Dillon, Tracy Carter, Todd Lewis, Dale Turner, Scott Lynn, Bill Stewart, Charlie Schur as individuals—not by the KCOB CISD

17-4140 Notice of Election
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Sections 4.004, 83.004, 85.007, Election Code (City)
Sections 4.004, 83.010, 85.004, 85.007 Election Code (Other Political Subdivisions)

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NOTICE OF TAX RATIFICATION ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION TAX RATIFICATION)

To the Registered Voters of Knox City-O'Brien CISD, Texas:

(A los votantes registrados del Knox City-O'Brien CISD Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on November 6, 2007, for voting in a tax ratification election, to approve a \$1.23 property tax rate

(Notifíquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 6 de November de 20 07 para votar en la Elección para tax ratification election.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Knox County Aging Services Center
Gillispie Baptist Church
O'Brien City Hall

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at
(La votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

Knox City-O'Brien CISD School Administration Office 606 East Main
(location) (sitio)

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on October 22, 2007 (date)

(entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 4:00 de la tarde empezando el October 22, 2007) (fecha)

and ending on November 2, 2007 (date)

(y terminando el November 2, 2007) (fecha)

Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows:
(La votación en adelantada además se llevará a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera:)

Date (Fecha)	Hours (Horas)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Tammy Gonzales
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)
(Nombre del Secretario de la Votación En Adelantada)

606 East Main
(Address) (Dirección)

Knox City, Texas 79529
(City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

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(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el)

October 30, 2007
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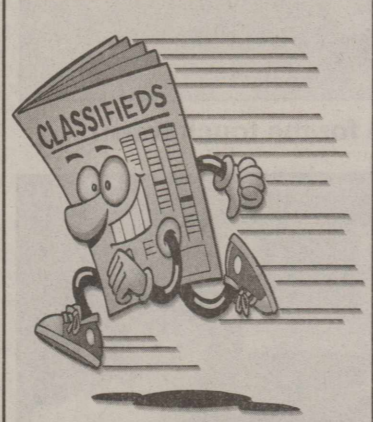
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Workday And Cookout Scheduled For October 27th

The Knox City Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a workday on Saturday, October 27. Everyone is needed to make this event a success.

The workday is part of an effort to beautify our city and make our visitors feel more welcome, as well as making Knox City a better place to live. Please make plans to meet in front of the Chamber Office by 9:00 a.m.

Projects planned for the day include cleaning windows and sidewalks, sprucing up the planters, painting, replacing Christmas lights and various other small jobs.

There will be something for everyone to participate in, no matter your age or ability.

The Knox City Chamber of Commerce is in the process of applying for additional grant money, but in order to be eligible for some of the grants, we

as a community need to show our willingness and dedication to improve Knox City.

The awnings project is an opportunity to improve the beauty of the downtown area, and is made possible by the grant for \$3500.00 from the Texas Workforce Commission, matching funds from the Knox City Economic Development Corporation (EDC) 4B Board, and generous donations from various individuals.

The awnings project has been a dream of the Chamber for seven years and it is rewarding to see it reach the final stages.

The total cost for the project is about \$57,000 with \$7550 already paid, donated and pledged.

The 4-B Board has agreed to a cost share for each foot of awning that is constructed, with the remainder to come from donations and fund raisers.

Knox City is our home, our community.

Improving our community is improving our quality of life and the quality of life for future generations, our children.

The Chamber encourages everyone to participate in what is happening in Knox City, to get involved, lend a helping hand, and get excited about the improvements.

A brisket supper prepared by the Chamber Board of Directors will be served at 5:00pm in downtown Knox City.

The proceeds will be used for the awnings and other downtown beautification projects. Cost for the meal is by donation and all Knox City residents and friends are encouraged to come help out and enjoy a wonderful meal.

The day will end with an auction of select items donated by local businesses and residents.



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This would be reducing the sales and use tax for the promotion and development of new and expanded business enterprises from (1/2) one-half of one percent to the rate of (1/4) one fourth of one percent. Reducing the EDC 4-A fund by one fourth will not hurt the expanded business enterprises as this corporation will continue as designed to help our city businesses.

The election will be held at the Knox County Aging Center, 107 N Avenue E in Knox City on (Tuesday) November 6, 2007, from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Early voting will be located at City Hall, 902 E. Main from October 22 until November 2, 2007.

This election will be Knox City's future to repair our city streets. For further information on the special election please call the City Hall at 658-3313.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

**Benjamin Independent School District
 TO DISCUSS STATE OF FINANCIAL
 ACCOUNTABILITY RATING**

**For 2005-2006 at 7:00 PM,
 November 12, 2007 in the LIBRARY
 School Administration Building
 303 Hays Street
 Benjamin, Texas**

PUBLIC NOTICE

On September 20, 2007, Atmos Energy Corporation, Mid-Tex Division ("Atmos" or "the Company"), filed a Statement of Intent with each city within Atmos' service territory to increase its gas rates and implement a new schedule of rates and riders applicable to all customers within all incorporated cities served by the Mid-Tex Division. The proposed effective date of the requested rate changes is October 25, 2007. If approved, the proposed changes will affect approximately 1,428,700 residential, 122,600 commercial, and 960 industrial & transportation customers.

If approved, the proposed rates will increase the Company's annual revenues for the incorporated areas of its Mid-Tex Division by \$ 550,946,000 or 3.5%, including gas costs, or 13.49% excluding gas cost. The proposed change in rates constitutes a "major change" as that term is defined by Section 104.101 of the Texas Utilities Code. In addition, the Company seeks to recover all of its rate case expenses and all city rate case expenses as allowed by law. The exact amount will not be known until the case is completed.

Based on the proposed rate design, the system-wide average monthly bill for each customer class within the incorporated areas of the Mid-Tex Division will increase by the amount and percent shown in the table below:

Customer Class	Current Bill	Proposed Bill**	Difference	Percentage Increase with Gas Cost	Percentage Increase without Gas Cost
Residential	\$70.85*	\$72.42*	\$1.57	2.22%	8.27%
Commercial	\$296.15*	\$305.36*	\$9.21	3.11%	22.72%
Industrial	\$2,975*	\$3,143*	\$167.89	5.64%	38.95%
Transportation	519.88	\$687.77	\$167.89	32.29%	38.95%

Note: Bill impact ranges are subject to varying tax rates among the cities.

***Includes Rider GCR Part A cost of \$7.55 per Mcf.**
****The calculation of bill impacts assumes monthly consumption of 6 Mcf for residential, 30 Mcf for commercial, and 300 Mcf for industrial and transportation customers.**

In addition to the rate revisions in Rate Schedules R, C, I, and T, other proposed tariff changes include changes to Rider GCR, Rider WNA and proposed Riders for a rate review mechanism and conservation & energy efficiency program. The Company proposes to revise its weather normalization adjustment ("WNA") mechanism to exclude non-weather sensitive commercial customers and to modify the WNA mechanism to calculate the WNA adjustment based on weather stations at a regional level rather than under the current practice of associating all towns with a single weather location for purposes of determining the WNA adjustment. The Company proposes a change to its Rider GCR to allow the recovery of the gas cost component of uncollectible expense through the Rider GCR instead of through base rates and to update the Upstream Allocation (Factor D) to reflect the factors as proposed in the Company's Class Cost of Service Study. In addition, the Company proposes a new Rate Review Mechanism ("RRM"), Rate Schedule RRM, to provide for an annual review by the cities of the Company's expenses, revenues and rate base investment and a corresponding adjustment to the Company's rates to reflect annual changes (increases or decreases) in these categories. The Company proposes a gas conservation & energy efficiency program and tariff to authorize the program. Finally, the Company is asking for authority to make future filings with the regulatory authority on an electronic basis, rather than by paper copy.

Persons with specific questions or desiring additional information about this filing may contact Atmos Energy Corporation at 1-888-286-6700. Complete copies of the filed Statement of Intent, including all proposed rates and schedule changes, are available for inspection at Atmos' offices located at 5420 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1600, Dallas, Texas 75240. In addition, customers can contact their respective municipality for additional information regarding this rate request.

Éste es un aviso a los clientes de Mid-Tex División de Atmos Energy Corporation, (la "Compañía"), que la Compañía está solicitando un aumento en la tarifa del gas. Este aumento afecta a todos los clientes de la Compañía en el ciudad de Mid-Tex. Si usted tiene preguntas con respecto a este aumento, por favor llame a Atmos Energy Corporation al 1-888-286-6700.

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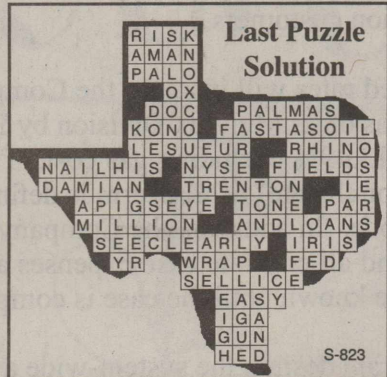
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