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## Three elected to Munday City Council

By Geoff Baumgartner  
The Knox County News-Courier

MUNDAY — The City of Munday held its general election for City Alderman and Proposition No. 1 on May 10 and the turnout was as good as expected.

There were three Alderman positions initially available, and all three have been filled. The original candidates were Wesley Glenn Crawford, Trey Singleton, Ryan Cottingham,

Karen Longan, and Kacy Latham. Also on the ballot was Proposition No. 1, which called for the reauthorization of local sales taxes for the improvement and maintenance of Munday streets.

The Results are as follows:  
Ryan Cottingham: 113 votes  
Trey Singleton: 99 votes  
Karen Longan: 96 votes  
Wesley Glenn Crawford: 62 votes  
Kacy Latham: 61 votes.

The three available Alderman positions were awarded to Cottingham, Singleton, and Longan, as they were the three with the highest tallied vote count.

In addition to the Alderman positions being filled, Proposition No. 1 passed with 125 votes for and 37 votes against.

Munday City Administrator Ricky Ake thought the election went as expected.

“We had a fair turnout this year and the election went fairly smooth as well,” said Ake.

## Knox Notes

Events are listed free of charge as a service by this newspaper for nonprofit groups, civic organizations, churches, schools and select community events. Listings should be submitted at least two weeks in advance and will run as often as possible through the date of the event. News staff does not guarantee placement of events. Emailed submissions are preferred to [kcnnewsjournal@gmail.com](mailto:kcnnewsjournal@gmail.com).

### Gospel Meeting

The public is invited and encouraged to attend a gospel meeting “Campaign for Christ ‘14” at the Munday Church of Christ May 16-18. Worship schedule is Friday and Saturday at 7 pm, Sunday 9:30 am for Bible study, and 10:30 am for worship service. Sunday is Friend Day. Stay after worship and enjoy a meal and fellowship! Writer, evangelist, and teacher John W. Smith will be presenting inspirational messages from God’s Word. For further information, call 940-422-4731.

### KC Homecoming

The Knox City-O’Brien Homecoming is scheduled for June 6-7. Registration fee is \$20 the day of the event beginning at 3pm at the KCHS Cafeteria or can be mailed to Knox City-O’Brien Ex-Students Assoc. PO Box 724, Knox City, TX 79529. Contact the administration office @ 940-657-3521 for more information.

### Golf Tourney

The Bill Baker Memorial Golf Tournament and Scholarship Award Events are planned for July 4-5 in Knox City. The KC EXES Association will award three \$1,000 Scholarships. To sign up for Golf or Volleyball teams or to buy a ticket to the Award Dinner/BBQ/Silent Auction, please call Patti at 325-721-3001 or Michelle Stanfield at 940-256-0318. All proceeds will go to future Scholarships.

### KCAC Raffle

Knox County Aging Center fundraiser for the Walmart card drawing was awarded to Jonell Comett from Knox City. Thank you to participants. Call the Center at 940-657-3618 for information.

### TOPS Program

(Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meetings are at the Knox County Hospital “Break Room” at 5:30pm, Mondays. Contact Pam or Greg Oliver at (940)658-5120 for more information.

### Rifle Raffle

The Orient 905 Mason Lodge A.F. & A.M. is holding a raffle for a Smith & Wesson M&P 15 Sport “black rifle.” Tickets are \$5 each, 12 for \$50 or 25 for \$100. All proceeds benefit local scholarships and charities. Contact Steve Pepper 940-256-0028, or Greg Oliver at 361-877-6165 for more information. The drawing date is July 25. The winner does not have to be present to win but MUST be legal age to possess a firearm in the state of Texas.

### Support Groups Meetings

AA and Al-Anon meetings are 7pm Tuesdays, the Doug Meirzer Activity Center, 203 SW Fourth St., Knox City, TX. Call if you have questions, JoAnn @ 940-658-3926.

## Corrections

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## News on the go

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Geoff Baumgartner/The Knox County News-Courier  
James Kirklin, D.C. sits behind his desk in the newly constructed Knox County Clinic. While he will be working in the clinic as a chiropractor, he will also be performing R.N. duties at the main hospital building across the street.

## Knox County Hospital hires chiropractor

By Geoff Baumgartner  
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KNOX CITY — The Knox County Hospital has just added another member to its staff. James Kirklin, D.C. has moved his Chiropractor practice from Haskell to the Knox County Hospital District. Although his new chiropractor’s office will be located inside the Knox City Clinic, he will be also practicing as an R.N. inside the hospital walls.

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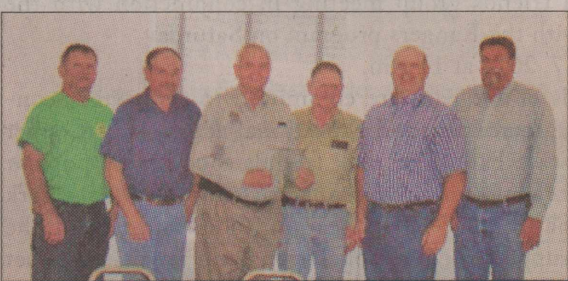


Photo by Sheri Warren/Special to the News-Courier  
The Knox County Commissions Court stands with Jerry Copen as he awards the commission an honorary plaque from the Knox County AgriLife Extension office. The award was given to the commissioners for their ongoing support and dedication to extension office programs. (From Left to right) Jimmy Urbanczyk, Johnny Birkenfeld, Jude Travis Floyd, Charles Griffith, Jerry Copen, and Johnny McCowen.

## Knox County Commissioners receive honor

By Geoff Baumgartner  
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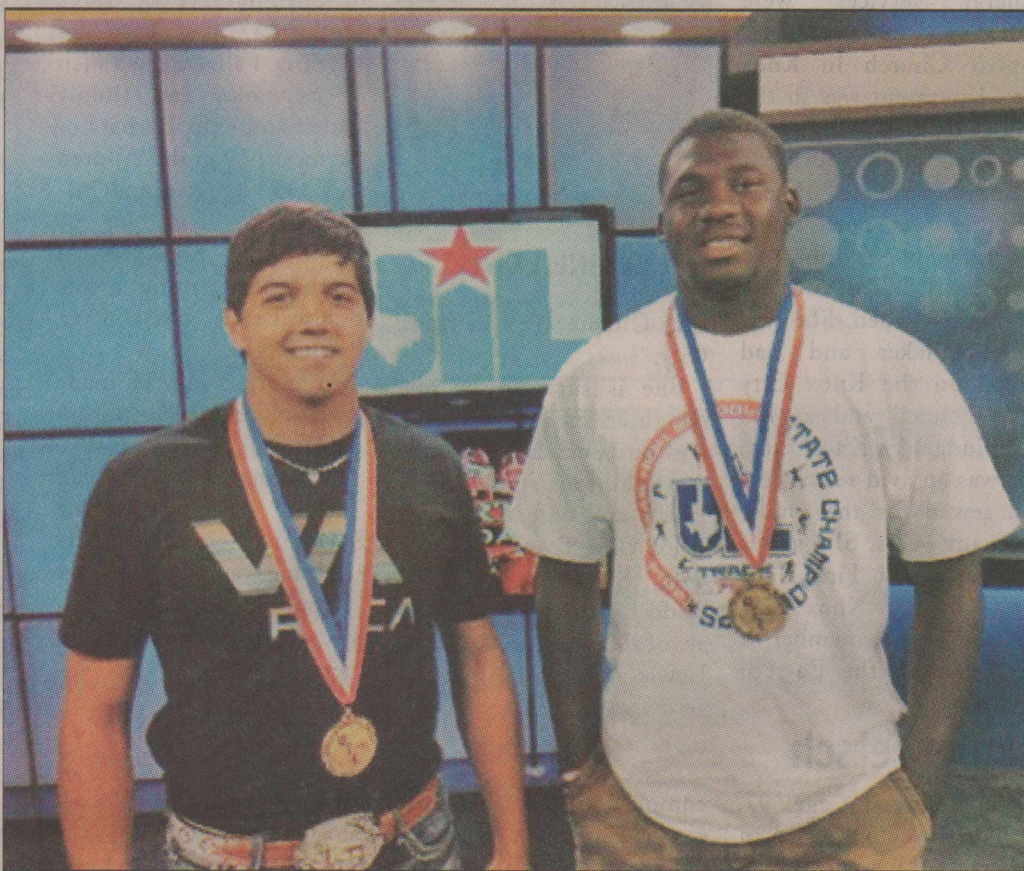
BENJAMIN — Knox County’s Commissioners Court met in regular session last Monday and several items of interest were brought up.

Jerry Copen, who is the Texas AgriLife Extension Service agriculture and natural resources agent for Knox County, was on hand to present the commission with an honorary plaque for their ongoing service and dedication to the AgriLife Extension office. This was a very special occasion as these two groups have worked together for a while now to provide excellent services and great new programs to the county. Knox County’s AgriLife Extension Office is much more dedicated to serving the community and assisting the young people within it than the typical extension office is.

County Judge Travis Floyd was also very pleased with the plaque presentation.

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## Champions!



Tony Logsdon/Special to the News-Courier  
The two 1A State Discus Champions, L.J. Collier of Munday High School and Tylynne Eaton of Knox City High School, pose for a picture in a local television station. The two discus champions live about 12 miles apart, but managed to totally dominate the 1A Div. 1 and 1A Div. 2 discus events. Both athletes have been working toward this goal all year, since they both placed high in the event last year.

# Eaton, Collier take gold in Austin

By Geoff Baumgartner  
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AUSTIN — Both Munday and Knox City sent student athletes to compete in the UIL State Track Meet last week at Mike A. Myers Stadium in Austin and both schools netted a great success. As it happens, two of the most talented 1A division discus throwers in the state of Texas both hale from Knox County. L.J. Collier of Munday and Tylynne Eaton of Knox City both won respective championships in the discus.

In addition to the discus event, Collier also walked away with fourth place in the shot put event.

Collier’s discus throw was 176.3 ft. and his shot put throw went 52.8 ft.

Eaton’s discus throw was 165.05 ft. While Eaton and Collier achieved their goals, both of which set out to win state in discus this year, there were other students that performed well at the meet for both Knox City and Munday.

Janie Salinas, of Munday, won sixth place in state in the 3200 Meter Run with a time of 12.21.99.

Kaylan Urbanczyk, also of Munday, won sixth place in state as well in the Pole Vault event with a height of 9.6 ft.

Raci Dillard earned a sixth place spot in the Shot Put event with a distance of 37 and ¾ ft.

While the Munday girls had some success, a group of Knox City girls managed to earn a high spot in their event as well.

Jordyn Eaton, Zinzilly McCrary, Caitlyn Baxter, and Essence Ward managed to win sixth place in state in the 800 meter relay.

Knox City Head Coach Colin Howeth was elated with Tylynne Eaton’s success.

“Tylynne is an exceptional young man who is very grounded and humble,” said Howeth. “These are great virtues that make us proud to call him a Greyhound! It makes him being a state champion even that much sweeter knowing that he has worked so hard over the past six years to get to the pinnacle of his sport. There are very few kids across the state that realize the level of dedication that it takes to reach the top, and I would venture to say that even among those few that Tylynne has put in more sweat and tears than any. He is one of a kind and our coaching staff is lucky to have had him come through our program.”

Coach Jason Josselet was also proud and had some great things to say about his girls.

“The girls worked very hard to get to the state track meet, two years in a row now, and I could not be more proud. They deserve their success,” said Coach Josselet.

There was no lack of support for Collier as his father and mother could not be more moved with what he has accomplished.

Lawrence Collier said, “If I get any more proud of my son, I’m going to burst! And his mother is even more proud than I am! I told L.J. to not expect anybody to follow in his footsteps, because what he has accomplished is just too great and nobody will ever be able to top it.”

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## Deaths

### Charles Lyndel Lambeth

Charles Lyndel Lambeth, 76, of Goree, passed away Wednesday, May 7, 2014 in Wichita Falls.

Graveside services were held Saturday, May 10, 2014 at 10 a.m., in the Goree Cemetery with Rev. Sonny Smart, officiating, under the direction of Archer Funeral Home.

Lyndel was born September 21, 1937 in Hefner to John and Effie Hicks Lambeth. He attended school in Hefner. Lyndel married Dulah Thompson on June 21, 1969 in Goree. She preceded him in death on September 19, 2004. He worked for the Goree Coop Gin for many



**CHARLES LAMBETH**

years before going to work for Knox County, driving a maintainer. He attended the Goree Baptist Church and served on the Munday Water Board. Lyndel was also preceded in death by his parents; 3 brothers; 1

sister; and a great grandson.

Survivors include three daughters, Cynthia Van-Schalkwyk and Connie Woods, both of Seymour; and Linda Poteet of Goree; four sons, James Harding of Amarillo; Roy Don Harding of Burkburnett; Laurence Harding of Stephenville; and Ronald Harding of Munday; a brother, John Lloyd "Sandy" Lambeth, Jr. of Munday; a sister, Imogene Land of Post; 14 grandchildren and 3 great granddaughters.

The family suggests memorials to the Ben Richey Boys Ranch, P.O. Box 6839, Abilene, Texas 79608.

### Elaine Vaden Lewis

Elaine Vaden Lewis, age 78, passed away Sunday, May 11, 2014 in Haskell. Funeral services were held Wednesday at the First Baptist Church in Knox City. Interment was in the Knox City Cemetery under the direction of Seymour Memorial Funeral Home.

Elaine was born April 20, 1936 in Seymour to Clarence Edward and Ida M. Thorn Vaden. She was a homemaker and had served on the Knox City City Council and as the City Judge in Knox City. She was an avid seamstress and sewed for the public for many years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Knox City, and had been a member of the Order of the Eastern



**ELAINE LEWIS**

Star Chapter 119 in Knox City.

She is survived by one daughter, Patricia Deering and husband, Larry of San Antonio; four sons, Danny Lewis and wife, Amber of Knox City, Troy Lewis and wife, Sheri of Lubbock, Todd Lewis and wife, Missy of Haskell, and Shane Lewis and wife, Aimee of

Yukon, Okla.; two sisters, Neva Elliott of Princeton, Texas, and Nancy Davis of Seymour, Texas; three brothers, Ed Vaden of Wichita Falls, Carl Vaden of Seymour, and Jimmy Vaden and wife, Barbara of Seymour; 19 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a son, Bobby Lewis, and a sister, Patsy Cassle.

Memorials may be made to the Hendrick Hospice in Abilene, Texas.

A visitation was held Tuesday evening at the Seymour Memorial Funeral Home.

Condolences may be expressed at www.seymourmemorial.com.

### Emma Fetsch

Emma Fetsch, age 97, went to meet our Lord in Heaven on Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at Just Like Home in Seymour.

She was born November 21, 1916 in Muenster. She married Leo Fetsch on April 10, 1939 and they resided on their farm located between Rhineland and Munday for the entire 65 years they were married.

For 35 years, Emma managed their insurance company which was located in their home while Leo continued the farming operations.

Leo passed away February 3, 2004. Emma lived independently on the farm until 2009.

Emma loved her church family. She was an ac-

complished musician and served 52 years as an organist for St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Rhineland and Santa Rosa Catholic Church in Knox City. She taught music to many young people in the area.

In her retirement, Emma enjoyed quilting, walks on her country lane, and pilates. She volunteered weekly at the Knox County Hospital Auxiliary Pink Ladies.

Emma was a "people person" and a caring friend to many. She found joy in helping others. She was a loving wife, mom, grandma, "west nana", and great-grandma.

Survivors include: one son, James and wife, Kathy of Shreveport, La.; two daughters, Lori Ware of San Diego, Calif., and Laverne and husband, Bill Funderburk of Hamilton; one sister, Clara Stanley of Seminole; Grandchildren:

Kendall and wife, Theresa Ware of Summerville, S.C., Kraig and wife, Lynn Ware of Williamsburg, Va., Kristi and husband, Andy Bailey of Shreveport, Brain Funderburk of Carrollton, Kyle Funderburk of Houston, and Clint and wife, Karri Funderburk of Kennedale. Great-grandchildren: Kendall Ware, Jr. of Dallas, Kristan Ware of Sumter, SC, Ashleigh Burn and Emma Lee Ware both of Summerville, Shelton, Ashton, and Easton Ware, all of Williamsburg, Amber and Andrea Fetsch, both of Shreveport.

Visitation was held Friday, May 9, 2014 at the funeral home. Funeral Mass was Saturday, May 10, 2014 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Burial followed in St. Joseph's Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Smith Funeral Home of Munday.

## Menus: Week of May 19-23

### Knox City-O'Brien

**Breakfast**  
juice and milk provided daily  
**Monday:** Sausage biscuit or cereal bowl, toast, mixed fruit  
**Tuesday:** Biscuits with sausage gravy or cereal bowl, toast, pears  
**Wednesday:** Breakfast pancake wrap or cereal bowl with sausage, cinnamon apples  
**Thursday:** Waffles with syrup or cereal bowl, toast, peaches  
**Friday:** Breakfast pizza or cereal bowl, toast, applesauce

**Lunch**  
slushy and milk provided daily  
**Monday:** Rib sandwich or antipasto salad or bologna and cheese, corn, green beans, mixed fruit  
**Tuesday:** Frito chili pie or fajita chicken salad or turkey and cheese, carrots, lettuce, peaches  
**Wednesday:** Chicken quesadilla or garden pasta salad or ham and cheese  
**Thursday:** Streak fingers or zesty tuna salad or tuna salad, mashed potatoes, green beans, pears  
**Friday:** Pizza or chef salad or po-boy combo, tator tots, baked beans, pineapple

**Munday**  
**Breakfast**  
slushy, juice and milk provided daily  
**Monday:** Biscuits with sausage gravy, honey graham, applesauce  
**Tuesday:** Cereal bowl with sausage, mixed fruit  
**Wednesday:** Mini corn dogs, honey graham, cinnamon apple slices  
**Thursday:** Cereal bowl with sausage, pineapple  
**Friday:** Pancakes with syrup, honey graham, peaches

**Lunch**  
slushy and milk provided daily  
**Monday:** Beefy macaroni or bologna and cheese, carrots, corn, grapes  
**Tuesday:** Chicken nuggets or turkey and cheese, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, pears  
**Wednesday:** Soft beef tacos or ham and cheese, Mexican style beans, lettuce, orange  
**Thursday:** Hot dog or tuna salad, mashed potatoes, applesauce, peaches  
**Friday:** Pepperoni Pizza or po-boy, tator tots, pork and beans, grapes

**Knox County Aging Center**  
**Monday:** Tilapia with lemon slices, corn, slaw, hushpuppies, fruit cup  
**Tuesday:** Lasagna, peas, salad, garlic sticks, pears  
**Wednesday:** Ham and beans, spinach, corn cornbread, apple crisp  
**Thursday:** Chicken spaghetti, carrots, zucchini, garlic toast, banana pudding  
**Friday:** Hot dog on a bun, baked potato with sour cream broccoli, oatmeal cookie

Come eat with us and support your aging center program. Please call in your orders by 10 a.m. to 657-3618. Orders can't be taken after 11 a.m. please pick up by 11 a.m.

## Copper Breaks in need of friends

For The Knox County News-Courier

QUANAH — Copper Breaks State Park will host an informal friends group meeting in conjunction with the Picnic with the Rangers program on Saturday May 17, 2014 at 11 a.m.

Friends of the park are committed to supporting conservation, recreation, and educational activities at Copper Breaks State Park. The park friends sponsor the popular events schedule and provide materials for use off the park and in the Charles Call Education Room. In addition, the friends support facilities operations and repairs to offset budget shortfalls, and they support park publicity and promotional work since there is no funding for that.

For many years, the Quahadi Society, Friends of Copper Breaks State Park, provided those services, but membership and activity has fallen off recently. So members are needed. Everyone is invited to attend and past members are asked to continue their membership.

"Even if you don't join the friends come meet the people who make the park work," said park manager David Turner.

For more information on the Quahadi Society, Friends of Copper Breaks State Park, or other park facilities or programs, contact the park daily during business hours at (940)839-4331. Copper Breaks State Park is located 13 miles south of Quanah and eight miles north of Crowell on State Highway 6.

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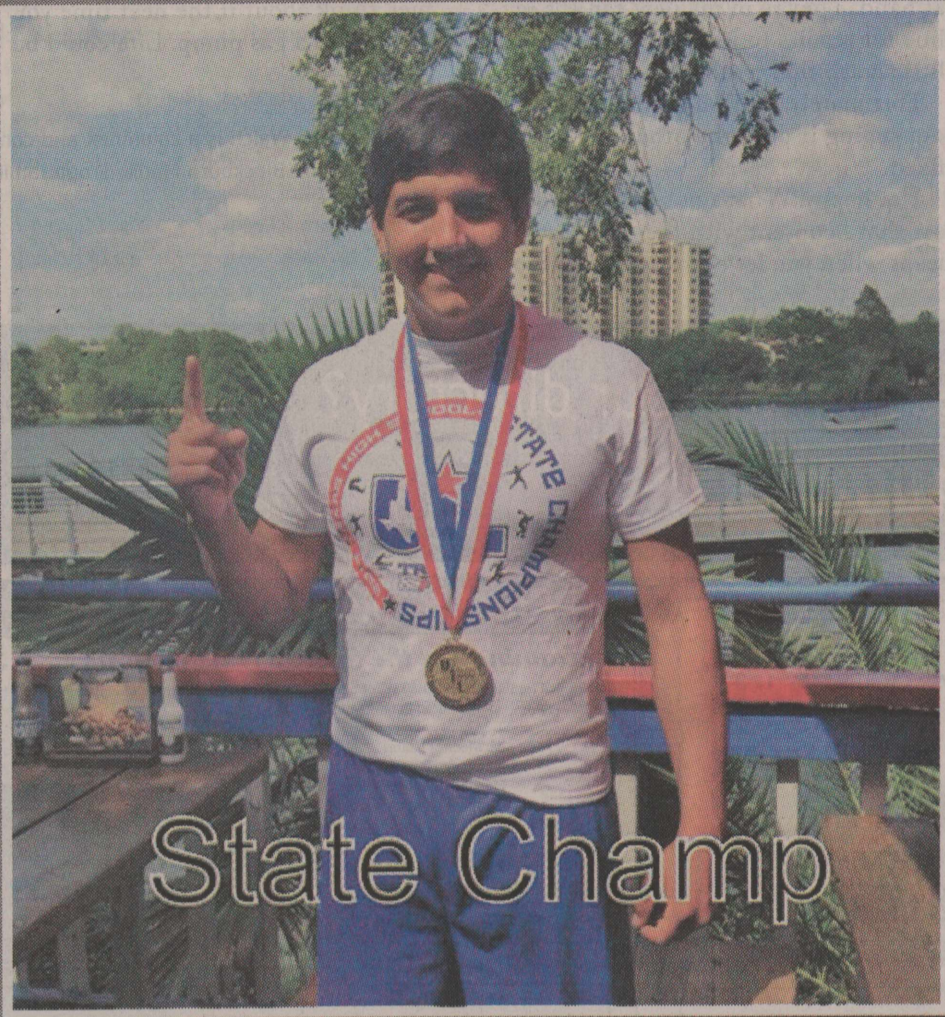
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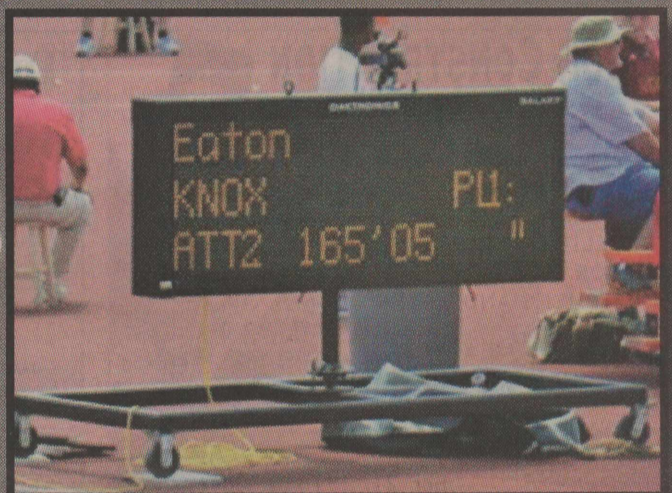
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Congratulations to Jordyn Eaton, Zinzilly McCrary, Caitlyn Baxter, and Essence Ward on their 6th place in state in the 800 Meter Relay!

*"So David triumphed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone; without a sword in his hand he struck down the Philistine," 1 Samuel 17*

*"But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Corinthians 15*

*--From The Eaton Family: Lynnzie, Jeremy, and Kinlee*

# The 501 Don't snooze through the test drive

Buying a car is a serious undertaking. It's like buying a new mattress. A test snooze or drive helps you make a more informed decision. I must have been snoozing when I bought my new car.



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One of the salesmen said 26 was more likely on the road. I wish he'd been right.

Technically speaking, it's not really new. But it's new to me, and like a brand-new car, it came with an official EPA mileage rating 28 on the road and less (I don't remember the exact figure) in town. The documentation affixed to the windshield proclaimed those two ratings in big numerals.

I'd be thrilled with 26. Where the rubber meets the road, the story is different. My new car is a failure, even with a tailwind. On our first road trip, the MPG was 18.75. Not good.

Originally I'd thought the deal was a trade-off. I was giving up a substantial car for a flimsy one, a bigger engine for a smaller one and so-so mileage for better mileage. Instead it was a lose-lose-draw.

How could this happen to me? News flash: Life is not fair.

But we want it to be, don't we? Otherwise we wouldn't deify Justice and somehow expect the EPA to hold automobile manufacturers to their promises.

Now that I've complained, I'll admit I didn't read the owner's manual before I bought the car. Who does?

If I'd looked at the fuel section I would have noticed my new car requires higher-

octane fuel 88 instead of 87, meaning I have to buy 89 because nobody sells 88. Nobody I've found yet. The higher the octane, the higher the cost. You knew that.

What's more, I really think the octane requirement was posted along with the mileage ratings just in much smaller print. Always read the fine print.

Sure enough, when I bought a tank of the higher-octane stuff, the mileage improved considerably not to 28 but into the low 20s. I don't have the calculations at hand. They're in my new car. It's in line for repairs to its rear bumper from a little crash that ya! -- wasn't my fault.

Fortunately, I still have my old car. I'm not selling it until the other one gets fixed.

I'm happy. What's not to like about a car that's content with the cheapest gas, leaps when you let out the reins and only

gets a bumper scratch when it totals a Neon? (My fault.)

Now that we've made that equine comparison, let me say that letting go of an old car is like letting go of a horse. Maybe I'll find it a good home. I'd rather put it out to pasture.

Meanwhile, our extended time together has been my second chance to say goodbye and appreciate all the things I should have appreciated more sooner.

I smell a moral.

If your car is happy with 87-octane fuel, think about it the next time you sidle up to a gas pump. Life could be worse.

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# KCHS cheerleaders and mascot selected

By Geoff Baumgartner  
The Knox County News-Courier

KNOX CITY – Christie Howeth, the Knox City High School Counselor/Test Administrator has recently held cheerleader try-outs to determine who will be making the varsity squad for the upcoming 2014-2015 school year.

The tryouts were held on April 17 at the Knox City gym and after an extensive workout, five girls were chosen to be cheerleaders and one was selected to be mascot. In all, 15 girls came out to participate and try and earn a spot. Four girls competed to be mascot.

In order to be totally fair and eliminate all bias, Mrs. Howeth brought in two cheerleading sponsors, one from Stamford and a McMurry University cheerleader, to assist with the judging. After some deliberation, a new mascot and cheer squad were decided upon and announced. The five person team consisted of four seniors and one sophomore.



The new Knox City High School Cheerleading squad and mascot are, standing from left to right: Andrea Lynn, Kinslee Cox, Mrs. Howeth, Hailee Cox and Leighton Pepper; kneeling: Junior Essence Ward and new mascot Caitlyn Baxter.

## Wilburn headed to State FFA Competition

By Geoff Baumgartner  
The Knox County News-Courier

KNOX CITY — Knox City FFA student Jessica Wilburn recently competed in the Area 4 FFA Area Convention and did very well in the competition.

Wilburn first competed in the Extemporaneous Speaking competition, and won first place in that event. Next, she competed in the Sr. Prepared Public Speaking event, and won third place in that event. She received plaques for both efforts.

Next, she will be competing in the State FFA convention taking place in Fort Worth from July 15-18. Also this summer Wilburn will be receiving her Lone Star Degree through Knox County FFA, which is not an easy award to obtain within the FFA and requires much dedication over a period of years.

Knox City High School FFA Instructor Josh Evans was very proud of Jessica and had nothing but praise to offer.

"It is an extremely big honor to make it to state and receive that Lone Star Degree. She is up there with the FFA elite," said Evans.

Wilburn will also be receiving a scholarship through the State FFA for an unspecified amount in addition to the \$1000 scholarship she has already been awarded from the National FFA.



Josh Evans/Special to the News-Courier

Knox City High School student Jessica Wilburn holds up her two plaques she won at the recent Area 4 FFA Convention. Wilburn has now qualified for and will be competing in the State FFA completion later this summer as well.

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# Dillard ready Benjamin News for state

For The News-Courier

Raci Dillard qualified for the UIL State Academic Meet to be held on the campus of the University of Texas in Austin on May 20-21. Dillard placed first winning the gold medal as the regional champion in Poetry. She is a junior at Munday High School. As a freshman and sophomore, Dillard won district in UIL Prose and advanced to regionals both years where she placed 8th and 6th respectively.

Poetry where she was also the district champion. Coaching her in this event is Mrs. Karen Longan. In Oral Interpretation, each contestant has a Category A and a Category B piece to interpret. At the beginning of the contest, the category is drawn for the preliminary round which decides which piece the contestant will read for judging. Other UIL Regional results: M'Kayla Ericson, 7th Prose, Haley Ericson 8th Ready Writing, and Kathryn Cude 10th Computer Applications. At the regional level each contest has 24 contestants in it.



Raci Dillard

Courtesy photo

### About Our Ill

No direct word from Janice Tolson but have been told that Buddy has begun his treatments and so far is doing ok with them. Just hope all continues to go well.

I saw Carol Dickson Friday. She apparently is doing well with her treatments. She looks good and seems to be feeling pretty well. It's wonderful to see the progress she has made.

Hazel Stockton was in Abilene Thursday to see her eye and ear doctor. Didn't learn a lot. He did give her some drops for her eyes to try awhile and then see what's going on. And also had her hearing checked but no real decision on what to do about it has been made either. Hazel is 96, and age is probably part of her problem, but if something can be done to help her, she certainly is willing to try it.

Latest word on Mike Young is that he may be coming home in a couple of weeks. Looks like now he may not have to have more surgery as was previously thought. That's good news, and so as of now all is going well for him.

### Here'N There

Ariel Gideon and little daughter, Addison, returned home last week from a several weeks' visit with her parents, Oscar and Shannon, and other relatives and friends in Arizona.

Mary Young told me she has not gotten

very many additional names to be added to the Veterans Memorial. As reported earlier, new monoliths will be added soon at the memorial for more names. So if you are interested in having your name added or know anyone who might be, contact Mary, and she will get an application to you. The number to call is 940-459-2229 for more information regarding this matter. The deadline for getting this information to her is August 1, 2014.

Sincere sympathy to the family of Emma Fetch today. Emma passed away last week after ailing health for quite sometime. Her funeral was Saturday at Rhineland.

Betty Bohannon reports that the tornadoes Sunday night in Nebraska missed her daughter, Bonnie, and her family, but the places reportedly hardest hit were only a few miles from where they live. And Bonnie's brother-in-law lost his home but received no injuries. They all feel very blessed that things were not any worse.

Debi Moorhouse is in Forth Worth for a few days this week to be with her aunt, Neva Ridgeway, who is very ill. Neva has battled cancer several years off and on and has now been placed in Hospice Care. Her husband, Bob, is also not well at all, so their daughter, Gwen, has a lot of responsibility. Their other children do not live nearby and can only visit occasionally.

Ronnie and Susan White were in the Dallas area during the weekend to visit their son and his family and also attend the Rangers game on Saturday. Although Susan enjoyed her kids, she sure enjoyed the ballgame. She's a diehard Rangers fan. The out-of-town weekend was her Mother's Day gift from her kids and was thoroughly appreciated.

Will Moorhouse of Snyder was a weekend guest of his parents, Debi and Mike. He had lunch with me on Sunday, along with Debi and Mike; Liz, Nathan, Taylor, and Westin Herring, and Beckie Smith, Dillon and Randi of Munday, and Diane and Ashlee Evans of Childress.

# Best of luck at the state meet Raci!

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# Chan aims to satisfy Big Country residents

By **Geoff Baumgartner**  
The Knox County News-Courier

KNOX CITY — Knox City has recently had a new donut shop open its doors. While breakfast burritos have always been a West Texas morning staple, the new shop in KC is serving up something a little different. His name is Try Chan, and the name of his shop is, you guessed it—Try Chan Donuts. And while his shop is unique in that it not only serves several varieties of donuts, he also manufactures kolaches, croissants and breakfast sandwiches. However, it is not the items that make the place unique, it is the man himself and his story.

Mr. Chan is from Cambodia and came to United States on a work visa over 10 years ago. His family originally moved from their native country because of the massive influx of Chinese and Vietnamese workers into Cambodia during the turn of the century. Mr. Chan worked for the government and there was such an increase in government laborers, the demand for workers plummeted along with the wages they earned. Since that federal government didn't regulate wages, he ended up working whole days for \$1 in pay. Finally fed up with the slave wages, he and his family decided to chase the American dream and come stateside to succeed in business— and he did just that.

Chan immigrated through Los Angeles and first tried to make his start in California. He was accompanied on the trip by several members of

his immediate and extended family. Those family members have gone on to start the restaurants in Haskell and Stamford and are finding their own success. After they could no longer afford the real estate market in L.A., paying \$1200 for a one bedroom apartment, they decided to make another change and came to Texas.

It was not long before he noticed the massive amount of competition within the Abilene market. Not wanting to compete and possibly go under, the family decided to move up into the Big Country where there was no real donut shop or Asian food establishments and hence, no competition. The move turned out to be brilliant, and soon the Chans established eateries in Stamford, Haskell, and more recently, Knox City.

When asked how business is going, he is very optimistic.

"Business can be very good. There are ups and downs, but between the Haskell and Knox City Donut Shops, we are doing well," said Chan.

When asked why Haskell and Knox City and not another Big Country small town, he gave two reasons.

"First, these small town people are extremely friendly, so much nicer than people in bigger cities and that's what I looked for. Also, it's so much cheaper to live out here and provide a nice living space for my family," Chan continued.

So while there are slow days, Chan said he has no plans to move his business from Knox City anytime soon and appreciates all the customers that have come to see him thus far.



Try Chan standing behind the counter at his recently opened Knox City breakfast eatery, Try Chan Donut Shop. Chan has been in the U.S. for over 10 years now and is finally finding success here in the Big Country.

## HONOR

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"I'm very proud and I really like the partnership we have with the Extension program. I especially would like to thank Jerry Coplen and Lori Coop for their ongoing dedication," said Judge Floyd.

In addition to the plaque presentation, other important items were discussed and voted upon as well. The commission voted to designate May as Elder Abuse Prevention Month, going along with Gov. Rick Perry's proclamation earlier this year.

Also, Renee Underwood and Susan Cartwright were voted into the Knox County Historical Commission. The commissioners also voted to sell Lot Five, Lot Six, and Block No. Six of the original town of Benjamin for the benefit of the

Knox County Historical Commission. It was speculated that one of the lots may be turned into a restaurant for the town in the near future.

An update on the progress of the upcoming Millennium Energy Ranch was also discussed, as they are still in negotiations with King County and are yet to offer tax abatements to the local schools and governments of Knox. With everything moving through the Comptroller's office as planned however, Millennium Energy will be able to offer the abatements in June.

In addition, to the upcoming Millennium Energy Ranch, Pioneer Green Energy out of Austin is well underway in construction of the Green Pasture Wind Farm that will occupy a portion or northern Knox County.

"Pads should be laid and finished in Baylor and Knox

and the turbines will arrive in August. By June of 2015, Knox County should be up and running," said Pioneer Green Rep. David Savage.

After the update, the commission voted to select a new more economical energy plan for the county through Direct Energy. A lower rate was locked in and a 23 month plan was decided upon by the commission (although Direct Energy will still apply costly distribution charges to the county) and the motion passed 5-0.

After a new energy plan was decided upon, the commission voted for the allowance of county bills to be paid and the commission adjourned.

# Munday's Top Shop still on top

By **Geoff Baumgartner**  
The Knox County News-Courier

MUNDAY — Top Shop Auto Repair opened in Munday about two years ago. The shop was started by third generation mechanic Joe Fernandez, who hails from the Abilene area and moved to town in November of 2009. He is married to Deanna Fernandez.

Fernandez grew up in Wylie and worked during the day and attended Cisco College's Auto Tech School during the nighttime hours. While he originally moved, he did not plan on being a business owner. He first started working for the Case House division of Wylie Implement in Munday doing tractor repair, but soon lost the position due to drought conditions and business cutbacks.

"I appreciated the opportunity and it was just the drought condition of the times. Last hire, fist fire so to speak," said Fernandez.

After that, he got by performing random auto jobs for friends and former co-workers until the idea of starting his own place for repairs dawned on him.

"I had no real choice," Fernandez continued. Jobs were tough to come by so I had to get something going. I told my wife it had to work."

Getting going was difficult for him, as he was a first time business owner with no capital. So, he got a small business loan from Munday First National, which was backed by the Munday Economic Development Board (EDC).

"The Munday EDC helped out a lot in terms of getting my money to start-up the business,"



Fernandez standing outside of his repair shop with the sun coming down. While he is only 30 years old, Fernandez has three life times of experience, as he is a third generation mechanic.

Fernandez said. "They were the reason I was able to do it."

After he was able to secure financing, he purchased the warehouse just east of Hwy 277 and began developing his business. Since then, business has been constant.

One thing Fernandez does not take for granted are his customers.

"Business has been great for the last two years and is going strong," Fernandez said. "But a great part of the success is taking care of my customers on warranty. You can lose a little replacing a part here and there, but you gain so many new loyal customers and referrals."

Fernandez has managed to remain busy not only with his full-time business, but his wife and three children as well.

When it comes to small town values, Top Shop Automotive and it's owner demonstrate loyalty and consistency.

## HOSPITAL

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With 27 years under his belt as a chiropractor, he is an experienced new edition to the Knox County team. He earned his initial training from Parker College in Dallas and also received additional nurses training from Weyland Baptist University in San Antonio. Kirklin has only one year left before earning his nurse practitioners master's degree from Walden University and becoming licensed in that field as well. Part of the motivation for the move was the districts assistance in obtaining medical grants on behalf of Kirklin, for him to finish his medical education and training.

While Kirklin received his initial training from Parker Chiropractic in Dallas and began his practice around Ft. Worth, he is no stranger to small town medicine. Before moving his practice here in mid-January, Kirklin had his practice in Haskell since 2004.

Kirklin has encountered all sorts of clients since starting in the field; from injured workers to athletes. Although he has had several clients follow him from Haskell to Knox City, he is also taking on several new clients and is enjoying his time here. With the influx of industrial related jobs coming

to Knox City, Kirklin has been plenty busy.

"I love it here in Knox City," said Kirklin. "When deciding where to go, Knox County hands-down had the best medical district, and the folks in surrounding counties know that."

While not initially accepted by the American Medical As-

sociation (AMA), Chiropractic has had a strong political base and sustained demand for services. In recent decades, it has gained more legitimacy and greater acceptance among medical physicians and health plans in the U.S. and is now viewed as more a more traditional, as opposed to alternative, medical practice.



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## Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION  
FOR TPDES PERMIT FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER  
RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. WQ0010416001

**APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION.** City of Knox City, 902 East Main Street, Knox, Texas 79529, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of TPDES Permit No. WQ0010416001, which authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 200,000 gallons per day. TCEQ received this application on September 12, 2013.

The facility is located approximately 0.5 mile north of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 143 and State Highway 6, on the eastern bank of China Branch in Knox County, Texas 79529. The treated effluent is discharged to China Branch; thence to the Brazos River Above Possum Kingdom Lake in Segment No. 1208 of the Brazos River Basin. The unclassified receiving water use is minimal aquatic life use for China Branch. The designated uses for Segment No. 1208 are high aquatic life use and primary contact recreation. All determinations are preliminary and subject to additional review and/or revisions.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Knox City Hall, Front Desk, 902 East Main Street, Knox City, Texas. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application.  
<http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=33.424166&lng=-99.821944&zoom=13&type=r>

**PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING: You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application.** The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ holds a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING.** After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to those persons who are on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

**TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN YOUR REQUEST:** your name; address, phone number; applicant's name and permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected member's location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are germane to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. **TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION.** The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

**MAILING LIST.** If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision, you will be added to the mailing list for this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county. If you wish to be placed on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

**All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at [www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html](http://www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html) within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.**

**AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION.** If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at [www.TCEQ.texas.gov](http://www.TCEQ.texas.gov).

Further information may also be obtained from City of Knox City at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Sam Watson, City Administrator, at (940) 658-3313.

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USDA  
Effort to Cut  
Energy Costs  
for Farmers

For The News-Courier

TEMPLE — Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack has announced that USDA is seeking applications from rural small businesses and agricultural producers for funding to make energy efficiency improvements or to install renewable energy systems.

"Developing renewable energy presents an enormous economic opportunity for rural America," Vilsack said. "This funding will help farmers, ranchers and rural small business owners incorporate renewable energy and energy efficiency technology into their operations, create jobs and help America become more energy independent. When small rural businesses and farmers cut their energy costs with cleaner and more efficient energy, we are both helping their bottom lines and reducing the amount of greenhouse gas pollution that affects our climate."

Investments from programs like REAP help support the true engine of America's economic growth — a thriving middle class. REAP is one of many USDA programs and initiatives to support an expanded domestic energy economy. In addition to helping to increase renewable energy production, USDA makes investments in the bioeconomy, provides support for the emerging biobased products industry, supports new technologies, and supports energy efficiency improvements.

"We're pleased to offer this funding availability to those who are interested in identifying and implementing projects that will conserve energy," said Paco Valentin, Texas State Director of USDA Rural Development. "Projects funded through Rural Development's REAP program reduce our dependence on foreign resources and help America's farmers, ranchers and rural businesses become more energy efficient."

REAP funding is an example of the many ways that USDA is helping revitalize rural economies to create opportunities for growth and prosperity, support innovative technologies, identify new markets for agricultural producers and better utilize our nation's natural resources.

For fiscal year (FY) 2014, USDA plans to award up to \$12.3 million in grants and \$57.8 million in loan guarantees. Additional REAP funds provided by the Farm Bill will be made available with a subsequent notice.

USDA is accepting applications for:

- Renewable energy system and energy efficiency improvement loan guarantee and grant combinations;
- Renewable energy system and energy efficiency improvement loan guarantees; and
- Renewable energy system and energy efficiency improvement grants.

Requests for grants may not exceed 25 percent of a project's cost — either for stand-alone grant requests or for grants combined with loan guarantees.

For more information visit the USDA Rural Development Texas Energy webpage at [http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/TX\\_Energy.html](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/TX_Energy.html) or page 25564 of the May 5, 2014 Federal Register located online at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-05-05/pdf/2014-10054.pdf>. For grant only applications, applicants may submit their electronic applications at [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov). All other applications for Texas applicants must be submitted to Billy Curb, Texas Rural Development Energy Coordinator, 101 South Main Street, Suite 102, Temple, Texas 76501 no later than 4:30 p.m. of the dates as follows:

- For renewable energy system and energy efficiency improvement grant applications and combination grant and guaranteed loan applications: July 7, 2014.

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# News-Courier Classifieds

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Knox County is taking applications for a full time Director for the Knox County Aging Center. The primary duties of the position are the

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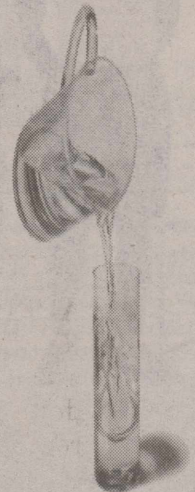


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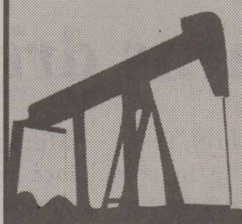
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# Munday State Track Meet Participants



Left: LJ Collier - 4th in Shot Put 52.8" and 1st in Discus 176.3"; Middle: Janie Salinas 3200M run 12:21.99; Right top: Kaylan Urbanczyk 6th in Pole Vault 9'6"; Right bottom: Raci Dillard 6th in Shot Put 37' 3/4".

## Community Mourns Tragic Loss Due to a Heatstroke

Lorrie Coop, CEA-FCS

Safe Kids Texas Heatstroke Task Force joins the North Richland Hills community and one of its families in mourning from the recent loss of a 17-month old girl who died in a hot vehicle on Tuesday, April 22, which may have been due to heatstroke. If confirmed to be heatstroke, this would be the first child heatstroke death in a vehicle in Texas during 2014, and the second in the U. S.

A total of 44 children in the U. S. died of heatstroke in vehicles during 2013, including 5 in Texas.

"Heatstroke tragedies are absolutely heartbreaking, and a reminder for all of us to be aware of the dangers of leaving a child alone in a car," said Johnny Humphreys, Task Force Chair. "Many people are shocked to learn how hot the inside of a car can actually get. And cracking the window doesn't help. That's why Safe Kids is asking everyone to help protect kids from this preventable tragedy by never leaving a child alone in a car, not even for a minute. Bystanders can also help by calling 911 if they see a child alone in a car."

"The first death this year of an infant occurred in San Jose, CA in April. The temperature outside was 79 degrees. It doesn't have to be the middle of the summer for a child to get overheated. Even with seemingly mild temperatures outside, the tem-

peratures inside a car can rise 20 degrees in as little as 10 minutes. A child's body heats up three to five times faster than an adult's, making them more susceptible to heatstroke", said Lorrie Coop, county Extension agent and Task Force member.

To help prevent these tragedies, Safe Kids, with the support of the General Motors Foundation, created Never Leave Your Child Alone in a Car (NLYCAC) as part of its Buckle Up program, a national initiative established 17 years ago to keep children and families safe in and around cars.

Together, we can reduce the number of heatstroke deaths and near misses by remembering to ACT.

A: Avoid heatstroke-related injury and death by never leaving your child alone in a car, not even for a minute. And make sure to keep your car locked when you're not in it so kids don't get in on their own.

C: Create reminders by putting something on the backseat of your car next to your child such as a briefcase, a purse or a cell phone that is needed at your final destination. This is especially important if you're not following your normal routine.

T: Take action. If you see a child alone in a car, call 911. Emergency personnel want you to call. They are trained to respond to these situations. One call could save a life.

For more safety information, please visit [www.safekids.org](http://www.safekids.org) or contact your local Texas A&M AgriLife Extension office.

## 'Click it or Ticket' campaign warns drivers to buckle up

AUSTIN, Texas — Motorists who don't buckle up in compliance with state seat belt laws face fines and court costs up to \$200 as stepped up enforcement gets underway this month during the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) annual "Click It or Ticket" campaign, May 19-June 1.

"Seat belts save lives. That's a fact," said John Barton, TxDOT deputy executive director. "Buckling up will keep you from getting a ticket, and more importantly, it could save your life. Whether you're the driver or a passenger, everyone in the vehicle is required by law to wear a seat belt for every trip. The cost of not using one just isn't worth it."

The "Click It or Ticket" campaign is credited with motivating millions of motorists to always use their seat belts. Only 76 percent of Texans used seat belts when the campaign began in 2002. Today, nine out of 10 Texans buckle up.

The National Highway Traffic Safety estimates that since its inception, the "Click It or Ticket" campaign in Texas has resulted in 3,962 fewer traffic fatalities while preventing 66,823 serious injuries and saving more than \$15 billion in related economic costs.

In 2013, there were 943 fatalities and 5,383 serious injuries in Texas, resulting from crashes in which drivers or passengers were not wearing seat belts. Wearing a seat belt increases the chances of surviving a serious crash by 45 percent. In pickup trucks, that number jumps to 60 percent as those vehicles are more likely than cars to roll over in a crash. In roll-over crashes, seat belts help keep occupants from being ejected from the vehicle.

Texas law requires everyone in a vehicle to be buckled up, including back seat passengers.

Learn more about "Click It or Ticket" by visiting [www.texasclickitorticket.com](http://www.texasclickitorticket.com).

### NOTICE OF RUNOFF PRIMARY ELECTION, REPUBLICAN PARTY

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201	Benjamin Memorial Bldg. 205 S Stewart St, Benjamin
202	Knox County Aging Center 107 N Ave E Knox City
301	Munday City Hall 121 E Main, Munday
302	Vera Community Center Hwy 82, Vera
401	Munday Community Center 131 W Cisco, Munday

For early voting, a voter may vote at:  
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Issued this the 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014

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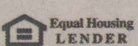
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