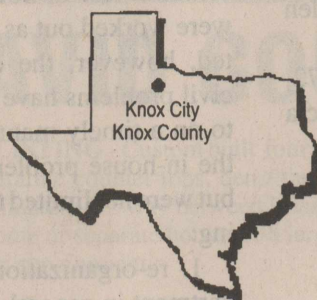


Greyhounds open season Friday night, 8:00 p.m. at Motley County

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Texas Country Bancshares to acquire Citizens Bank

Sam Clonts, President of Knox City Bancshares, Inc., has announced the completion of a definitive agreement to sell Citizens Bank, with offices in Knox City and Abilene, to Texas Country Bancshares, Inc., Brady, Texas.

The Clonts family has had controlling interest of Citizens Bank for the past 15 years. Texas Country Bancshares, Inc. is a multi-bank holding company which operates the Brady National Bank and First National Bank of

Ballinger.

Mr. Clonts states, "We are convinced Texas Country Bancshares is committed to providing quality banking services in the markets they serve as community-minded bankers. We feel good about passing the ownership of this bank to an organization committed to preserving the idea of community banking in Texas."

Joe Kim King, President and Chairman of the Board of Texas Country Bancshares, reported that

Mike Davis, Executive Vice-President of Brady National Bank, will be the President and Chief Executive Officer of Citizens Bank.

Davis grew up in Hamlin, where he graduated from high school in 1981. He then attended Texas Tech University graduating with a bachelor of business administration degree in business and real estate in 1985.

Mr. Davis has been in banking for the past 14 years, working

with the Ford Bank Group in Plainview and Lubbock. He served as a national bank examiner for the OCC from 1985 through 1989. As an organizer and current shareholder of Texas Country Bancshares, Inc., Davis has played a major role in managing the existing banks and developing acquisition opportunities. King said, "Mike is one of the best modern bankers I have worked with and has very strong management skills. He is one of our most

qualified executive officers and this move will not only be a move back home for Mike, but an opportunity to diversify our current bank holdings as well."

Sam Clonts indicated he anticipated the purchase to be completed by the first quarter of 1999. Greg and Sam Clonts will continue to serve on the bank's Board of Directors and help facilitate the transition of new management. Greg Clonts, the CEO of Citizens Bank, will continue to be associ-

ated with the bank in an advisory capacity. Mark Hogan, currently serving as President and Chief Operating Officer, will continue in his capacity as Financial Consultant with Investment Professionals, Inc.

Mike Davis stated, "I am excited about his move for me and my family. This is a solid acquisition for our company, and I am looking forward to working with the employees and customers of Citizens Bank."



KING COUNTY 4-H participants in the 1998 State 4-H Horse Show held in Abilene July 19 through 25 were from left, Tom Burler, Zane and Jeff Daniel, Ryan Antilley, Pat Butler, Leon Lewis, Kallie Antilley, Holly Hurt and Riley Abbott. Not pictured is Quentin Gass. (Courtesy Photo)

King Co. 4-H participates in state horse show

The 36th annual Texas State 4-H Horse Show was held at the Taylor County Expo Center in Abilene, July 19 through 25. Qualifying and Open Events ranged from halter, showmanship, futurity events, pleasure, hunter and jumping events, speed events, precision riding, cutting, reining, working cow horse, team penning

and roping.

A total of 901 4-H youth were entered, 1086 horses competing and a total of 2688 class entries.

Representing King County in the open events were Riley Abbott, Kallie and Ryan Antilley, Pat and Tom Butler, Jeff and Zane Daniel, Quentin Gass, Holly Hurt and Leon Lewis.

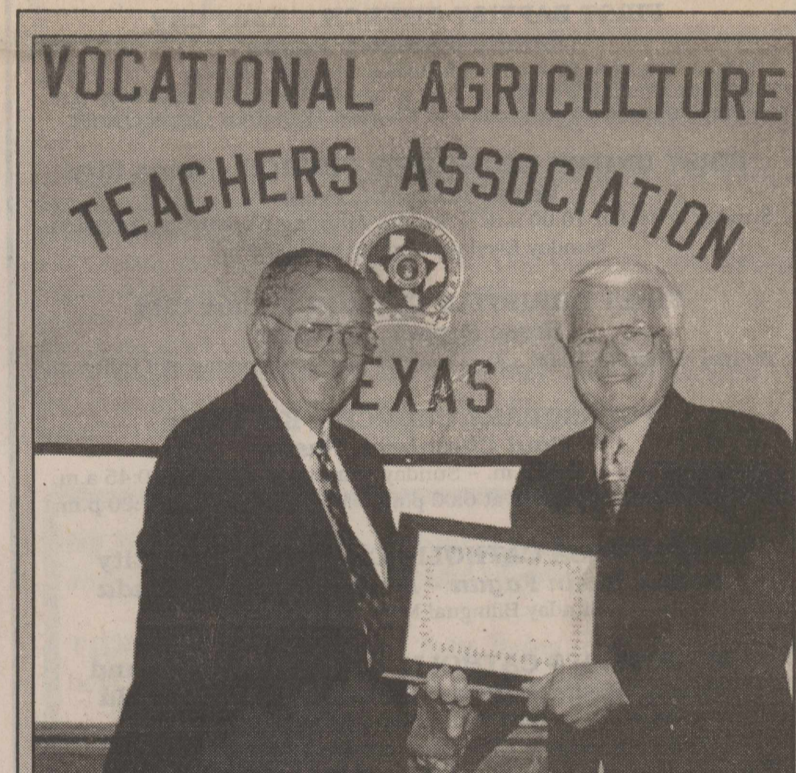
Quentin Gass placed third in the working cow horse, Riley Abbott placed 12th in the reining, Tom Butler split ninth and tenth in the cutting, Leon Lewis, Ryan Antilley and Pat Butler placed sixth in the team penning, Jeff Daniel, Zane Daniel, Holly Gurt and Kallie Antilley also participated in the team penning.

Representative David Counts recognized by Texas Vocational Agriculture Association

Wichita Falls Representative David Counts (D-Knox City) was recently recognized for his service and support for agriculture science and technology in Texas at the 1998 Vocational Agriculture Teacher's Association of Texas Conference. The annual professional development conference was held July 27-31, 1998 in Wichita Falls.

Representative Counts is State Representative for the 70th District, and serves as Chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee and is a member of the House State Affairs Committee. Counts is a strong supporter of Governor George W. Bush and House Speaker Pete Laney's efforts to protect rural Texas, lower property taxes, stop frivolous lawsuits, toughen juvenile justice, restore local control of schools, require welfare accountability, and protect family values. He has supported four consecutive zero tax increase balanced state budgets and this session he also fought successfully for the largest property tax cut in the history of Texas and a Property Appraisal Bill of Rights. Representative Counts is active in local community affairs and has been recognized by the West Central Texas Council of Governments for his work on improving local phone service, extra local school public school funding and various other activities. Counts is also a member of Texas Conservative Coalition and Veteran's Caucus.

Approximately 1,400 agricultural science and technology teachers attended the Ag Teacher's Conference this year. The annual conference will be held in 1999 in Waco.



HONORED by the Texas Vocational Agriculture Teacher's Association, State Representative David Counts (D-Knox City) is shown here receiving a plaque from the statewide organization.

KC-O'Brien CISD to host parent meeting Sept. 10

For Human Growth & Development Curriculum

Knox City-O'Brien CISD will be hosting a parent meeting to discuss the district's Human Growth and Development Curriculum next Thursday, September 10, at 7:00 p.m. in the Knox City school cafeteria.

A brief overview of the curriculum will be presented and school administrators will be available to answer questions. The curriculum will be presented to

the students by David Gordon of the Region IX Education Service Center.

Students will be divided by age and gender for the primary curriculum presentation. Gordon is scheduled to work with the middle school students on October 1, 2 and 5. He will return to work with the high school students on October 14, 15 and 16.

An exact schedule of presenta-

tion times will be published in the *News* and given to students to take home prior to Gordon's visit to each campus.

Knox City-O'Brien CISD administrators feel very fortunate to have Mr. Gordon working with the local students and parents and community members alike are encouraged to attend next week's meeting, as well as any or all of his presentations to the students.

Band Boosters to meet Thursday evening at 7:00

Band Boosters will get underway Thursday with a meeting to begin at 7:00 p.m. in the band hall

on the Knox City school campus. Important business matters for the year will be discussed.

All band parents and other interested persons are asked to please be in attendance.

Support our student athletes



• The Greyhound varsity football team travels to Motley County on Friday night to open the 1998 season with a non-district game against the Matadors. Game time is 8:00 p.m.

• The Houndettes host Rotan here in Knox City for a district volleyball game on Tuesday, September 8. Games start at 5:00 p.m. for JV, Varsity to follow.



Golf playday, scramble results

Results of the Thursday, August 27, playday at the Knox City Country Club are as follows:

Scramble - first place - Domingo Garcia, Gene Denton, Mat Verhalen, Cathye Williams; second place - Homer Rolston, Truman Dill, Jean Carver, June Tankersley.

One person scramble results from Sunday, August 30 are:

Men - Championship Flight - 1. Troy Nuckols 58, 2. Todd Aus-

tin 59, 3. Bruce Skiles 60.

First flight - 1. Danny Morgan 65, 2. David Carver 68, 3. Bob Bowen 68.

Second flight - 1. Willard Skiles 71, 2. Mat Verhalen 72, 3. Mike Adkins 73.

Women - Championship Flight - 1. Mary Smith 64, 2. Betsy Allen 66, 3. Jan Wilde 70.

First flight - 1. Jean Carver 72, Sue Lynn Oxford 73, 3. Stacia Cook 76.

Red Cross urges KC, area residents to donate blood 'for all the little reasons'

The American Red Cross is urging everyone to give blood on Tuesday, September 8, from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Knox City Community Center, 212 SE 3rd Street.

According to Lynn Gast, American Red Cross Territory Manager, "There are lots of little reasons for donating blood at this time of the year. They range in

age from newborn to adulthood."

Eligible donors must be in good health, weigh at least 110 pounds and be at least 17 years of age. All donors receive a free mini health check.

The entire process takes about an hour, including a stop for light refreshments at the end.

Gast also stresses that giving blood is completely safe.

To our friends, family, Brother Johnny Johnson and First Baptist Church, We want to say Thank You for the prayers, food and support at the services for our father and brother, Milton J. Reeves. The food for the family meal was delicious, the service heartfelt. A special thanks to Sue and Jimmy for their care and help at the funeral home. Thank you for being there in our time of need. God Bless You, The Family of Milton J. Reeves

KC Area Church Directory

- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Knox City**
Johnny Johnson, Pastor
 * Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. ~ * Sunday Morning Worship at 10:55 a.m.
 * Sunday Evening Worship at 7:00 p.m. ~ Mid Week, Wed. at 8:00 p.m.
 Sunday Services telecast live on Channel 17 in Knox City & O'Brien
- FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Knox City**
Vergil Ichtertz, Pastor
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 Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m.
- FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH - Knox City**
Steve Pepper, Minister
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- FOUR SQUARE CHURCH - Knox City**
Paul Chambers, Pastor
 Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 10:45 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m. ~ Mid Week, Wed. at 7:00 p.m.
- SANTA ROSA CATHOLIC CHURCH - Knox City**
Father Kevin Fagan ~ Deacon Julian Estrada
 Sunday Bilingual Mass at 11:00 a.m.
- ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH - Rhineland**
Father Kevin Fagan ~ Deacon Julian Estrada
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 Saturday Mass at 7:00 p.m. ~ Sunday Mass at 9:00 a.m.
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - Benjamin**
John Gillispie, Pastor
 Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship at 6:00 p.m.
- FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - Benjamin**
Vergil Ichtertz, Pastor
 Sunday Worship at 9:30 a.m. ~ Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.
- GILLESPIE BAPTIST CHURCH - Gillespie**
Ross Anderson, Pastor
 Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 11:00 a.m.
 Sunday Evening Worship at 7:00 p.m. ~ Mid Week, Wed. at 7:00 p.m.
- FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH - Benjamin**
 Sunday Morning Worship at 9:30 a.m. ~ Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.
- THE BELIEVERS' CHAPEL - Highway 222**
W.O. Smith, Pastor
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 Mid Week, Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.
- FAITH CHAPEL - 8 Miles South of Knox City**
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- O'BRIEN BAPTIST CHURCH - O'Brien**
Bill Trice, Pastor
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Sheriff's department report

By Dean W. Homstad
 Knox County Sheriff

January 1, 1998
 thru June 30, 1998

During the first six months of 1998, this department has been extremely busy with not only with in-house problems but also with criminal and civil problems presented to us. In house problems were worked out as time permitted, however, the criminal and civil problems have to be tended to on a timely manner. Some of the in-house problems included, but were not limited to the following:

1. re-organization of the department in general,
 2. personnel re-organization, letting each employee know what was expected of them,
 3. following up on each in-house situation and making corrections as needed,
 4. creating a file system that was easier for employees to use and would actually contain needed essential information,
 5. recondition the jail, in regard to repairs, painting, procedures, etc.,
- although the list is endless and ongoing, these are a few of the situations that have been handled.
- Some of the criminal offenses that have occurred are as follows: Burglary of a residence - 8, Theft - 21, Assault - 12, Resisting arrest - 1, Criminal mischief - 10, Criminal trespass - 1, Driving while intoxicated - 4, Harassment - 3, Burglary of a building - 2, Retaliation - 3, Burglary of a vehicle - 2, Possession of Marijuana - 1, Bond Jumping / FTA - 1, Terroristic threat - 1, Attempted burglary of a

residence - 1, Reckless damage - 1, Driving while license suspended - 1, Illegal dumping - 1, Deadly weapon in a penal institution - 1, Cruelty to animals - 1, Aggravated sexual assault - 1, Possession of controlled substance (cocaine) - 1, Minor in possession - 1.

This department responded to and handled 11 accidents, two of which were caused due to cattle wandering on the public roadways. We also responded to and assisted in several other accidents, however, since we were only assisting, no report was made by this department. Numerous other situations were attended to in a timely manner, however, due to the circumstances of each individual call, no report was required, although it was documented on the officers daily log. This type of call is not listed above. As far as problems with cattle being loose and causing problems on the roadways, there are untold number of times where this department, as well as the Department of Public Safety, have put cattle back into come enclosure when the cattle are roaming about. Many times the cattle are put up by officers because the owners cannot be determined or it is very late at night and its quicker to do that than call around the county waking everyone up to find the actual owner. Sometimes when a call is received about cattle being out, it may take 15-45 minutes for an officer to arrive in the area, depending on where the officer is and where the cattle are reported to be out. After

arriving at the location, it may take several more minutes to locate the cattle, with many times the cattle having wandered off the roadway and cannot be located. The call may take 1-2 hours out of an officers time when he could be doing something else. On a very regular occasion, the cattle out call may be called in by a passing motorist, many of which give wrong directions, which does not help the officers in locating the said cattle. Along with this, the Knox County Sheriff's Department dispatcher usually is busy trying to either locate a certain brand in the brand book, find the location on the map kept in the Sheriff's Office, or trying to call someone to take possession of the cattle. This county did adopt a stock law some 60 years ago. The effect of this law on cattle wandering around can only be determined in a court.

The past several months have been very busy, with only two regular county officers to handle the investigation, related paperwork, and all the other miscellaneous items thrown in for good measure. Even though being constantly short-handed, this is a job that we still do because it's something that we enjoy doing and are good at. We, however, are open to suggestions, comments or information that would help make our job more efficient for all the county residents.

/s/ Dean W. Homstad
 Dean W. Homstad
 Sheriff
 Knox County Sheriff's Dept.

TDA secures exemption for use of pesticide Admire

AUSTIN - Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry announced that the Texas Department of Agriculture has been granted approval by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to issues specific exemptions allowing the use of Admire 2 Flowable Insecticide (imidacloprid) and Capture 2EC Insecticide (bifenthrin) to control sweetpotato and sliverleaf whiteflies on cucurbits. The specific exemption expires June 25, 1999. Admire 2 Flowable Insecticide, manufactured by Bayer Corporation, and Capture 2EC, manufactured by FMC Corporation, may be applied following all applicable directions, restrictions and precautions on the EPA registered product label, as well as these additional restrictions.

- One soil application per crop season may be made with imidacloprid, at a rate of 16 ounces (0.25 lb a.i.) per acre per growing season. For areas with more than one crop per year, no more than 32 fl. oz. product per acre may be applied per calendar year. Admire 2 Flowable Insecticide may be applied at planting as a post-seeding drench, transplant drench, hill drench or an in-furrow spray at or below seed level. Application should be made in sufficient water to ensure incorporation into the root zone.

- Bifenthrin may be applied at a maximum rate of 0.1 lb. active ingredient per acre by ground or aerial application, or by chemigation. A maximum of three applications of bifenthrin per growing season (six applications per acre per calendar year for double cropped land) may be applied. Capture 2EC Insecticide/Miticide may be applied in tank mixtures only with other products approved for use on cucurbits. Imidacloprid should not be applied within 21 days of harvest.

- A 3-day pre-harvest interval, and a 30-day rotation interval must be observed with bifenthrin. Treated fields may not be grazed prior to harvest. Straw derived from wheat planted in fields treated with bifenthrin may not be used for animal feed.

- To mitigate risks to aquatic systems, ground applications are prohibited within 200 yards and aerial applications are prohibited within one mile of moving water or public waters. Applications are prohibited if there is a greater than 20 percent probability of measurable precipitation for the time period for which the application is scheduled.
- Applications will be made only by certified applicators, by licensed applicators or by persons under the direct supervision of licensed applicators.

For more information, contact your county Texas Agricultural Extension Office or TDA at (512) 463-7407. A copy of the EPA Approval Notice is available on TDA's web page, <http://www.agr.state.tx.us/pesticide/admire98.htm>.

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
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Studies in the Am. Journal of the Am. Medical Assn. found that the new Alzheimer's Disease drug tacrine does indeed foster cognitive improvements in many patients. However, about 28% of patients taking the drug suffer serious but reversible liver toxicity.

A 1992 study found that seven percent of workers are also caring for an elderly family member at home. Of these, 56% are women and 44% are men.

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is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held

on SEPTEMBER 7, 1998 at 8:00 p.m.

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'Meet the Raiders Day' at Texas Tech in Lubbock



PROUDLY STANDING WITH THEIR VERY OWN 'RED RAIDER', the Toliver family from Knox City were all in Lubbock on Saturday for 'Meet the Raiders' day. Shown here at Jones Stadium on the Texas Tech Campus with Red Raider Duane Toliver #96, are (from left to right) his dad Larry, his niece Jailyne, his mother Vickie, and his sister, Pat. Shown in the front row are (from left to right) nephew Glenn, niece Amber, and niece Latrell. (NEWS Photo)

O'Brien happenings

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"The boss called an employee into his office. "Bob," he said, "you have been with the company for a year. You started in the mail room, one week later you were promoted to a sales position, and one month after that you were promoted to district manager of the sales department. Just four short months later, you were promoted to vice president. Now it's time for me to retire, and I want to make you the new president and CEO of the corporation. What do you say to that?" "Thanks," said the employee. "Thanks," the boss replied. "Is that all you can say?" "I guess not," the employee said. "Thanks, Dad."

Here and There - Amy Hunt will be going to the University of North Texas in Denton to college. She left last week and she will be majoring in art. Amy's parents, David and Trudy and sister Crystal and brother Josh, sure are missing her I'm sure.

David Ellis of Kermit spent the weekend with his mother, Beatrice Ellis.

Delbert and Norma Hayes, Billie Walker, Bernice Rowan and I were in McCauley Saturday night to attend a gospel jubilee. The

Glory Bound group from Abilene presented the program and several people really enjoyed the beautiful singing. There were four men and two women in the group.

Evelyn Trice returned to her home from Hendrick Medical Center Friday after several days there. Seems that everything is going great for her. Their grandson, Casey Carlton, spent the weekend with them and they really enjoyed that. He's a college student at Arlington state college.

Claudale and Jean Barnard were in Levelland Saturday for Jean to attend a baby shower for their granddaughter Jennifer Hicks. Then Sunday morning around two o'clock, the new baby girl arrived and everything is going great. She weighed six pounds, four ounces, and her name is Cecylee and the great-grandparents, Claudale and Jean, are really elated over the baby.

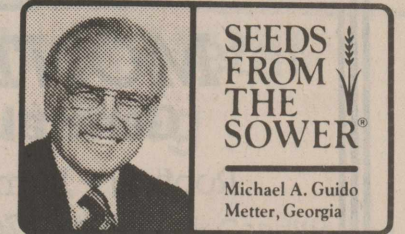
Andy Hines of Lubbock spent a few nights last week with his grandparents, Ranzy and Adelle Herring. Andy is with an insurance company and works this area real often. Claudia Reed of Rochester and Kevin Urbanczyk of Munday and Tamara McGaughey

also visited them.

We have several from our church that have doctor's appointments this week. Bertie Ivie is to go to Lubbock for her appointment, Rose Marie Johnston has an appointment in Abilene with doctors there. Hope Poe is to have knee surgery Friday. They all need our prayers.

Visiting Troy and Clara Hanson were Rhonda and Randi Martin of Midland, Ronnie Hodges of San Angelo, Sammie Faye Brooks and Teresa and Landon Denson of Stamford.

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KC native buried here Wednesday

Graveside services for Claude Stovall, 86, of Kerrville, who died Sunday, August 30, in a Kerrville care center will be held at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 2, at the Knox City Cemetery in Knox City.

Mr. Stovall was born November 4, 1911, in Knox City. He worked for Retail Credit Co. from 1934-1946. Mr. Stovall was ordained in the ministry in 1938 in Goodnight. He married Margaret

Lee on August 14, 1948, in Weatherford. He was a member of Western Hills Baptist Church of Kerrville and has been a resident of Kerrville since 1990.

Survivors include his wife Margaret of Kerrville; a son, Michael C. Stovall of San Antonio; two daughters, Donna Spruill of Estancia, New Mexico, and June Standing Deer of Taos, New Mexico; 10 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Reeves rites are held Sunday

Graveside services for Milton J. Reeves of Knox City were held Sunday afternoon, August 30, in the Knox City Cemetery. Rev. Johnny Johnson, First Baptist Church pastor, officiated and arrangements were by Smith Funeral Home.

Mr. Reeves, 82, died Friday night, August 28, in a Munday nursing home.

Born October 13, 1915, in

Trent, to Jacob and Bertha May Reeves, he was a retired painter and served in the United States Army during World War II. He was also a Baptist.

Survivors include a daughter, Linda Kunkle of Richardson; a brother, Charles Reeves of Knox City; a granddaughter, Debra Burchett of Frisco; and a great-grandson, Matthew Stallings of Frisco.

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Rolling Plains Leadership Program completes year with trip to State Capitol



COMPLETING THE ROLLING PLAINS LEADERSHIP PROGRAM, several local men and women traveled to Austin where they received certificates of completion for their nine months of involvement with the program. Representing our area were Sharon Cypert of Citizens Bank, Administrator Jason Hall of the Brazos Valley Care Home, City Councilman Tommy Mangis, City Manager Danny Parker, and Knox County Commissioner Jimmy Urbanczyk. The Rolling Plains Rural Leadership program is an innovative program designed to train and promote a network of leaders aggressively involved in the economic and community development of Haskell, Jones and Knox Counties. The program is jointly sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, West Texas Utilities Company, and Four Winds Conservation and Development area. (Courtesy Photo)

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My mother has been diagnosed as having curvature of the spine. Her chiropractor said the condition was aggravated by carrying a purse on one shoulder most of her life. Is this really possible?

When a person carries a weight on one side of the body for a prolonged period of time the risk of an abnormal curvature of the spine increases. The body respond to the unequal distribution of weight over time by creating an abnormal curvature which can lead to pain and limited motion. Abnormal curvature of the spine can also be caused by bad posture, a congenital problem or other factors. Chiropractors are specifically educated to evaluate this type of spinal condition and administer appropriate treatment to address the problem.

If abnormal curvature of the spine is caused by bad posture, how can a chiropractor help?

Treatment of an abnormal curvature of the spine involves very precise

Back Talk

Chiropractic Care Questions & Answers

adjustments of the spinal vertebrae to reposition the spine. Therapy can also be used to alleviate associated muscle spasms and pain. A patient might even have to wear weights which would, over time, realign the spine. Exercises and rehabilitation are sometimes part of chiropractic treatment as well.

I recently took a fall and have been in constant pain ever since. My right knee has been swollen and painful and medications and cold treatment haven't helped. Can a chiropractor treat this?

Injury and pain in one part of the body may be caused by damage in

another part of the body entirely. After examination, a chiropractor may find that the continued inflammation of your knee is being caused by a low back problem. Possible treatments could include manipulation of the knee joint to restore motion and improve function as well as therapy to relax muscle spasms, reduce inflammation, and reduce edema that may have developed.

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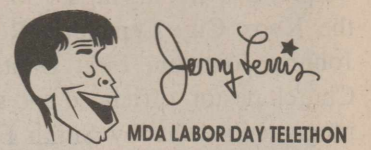
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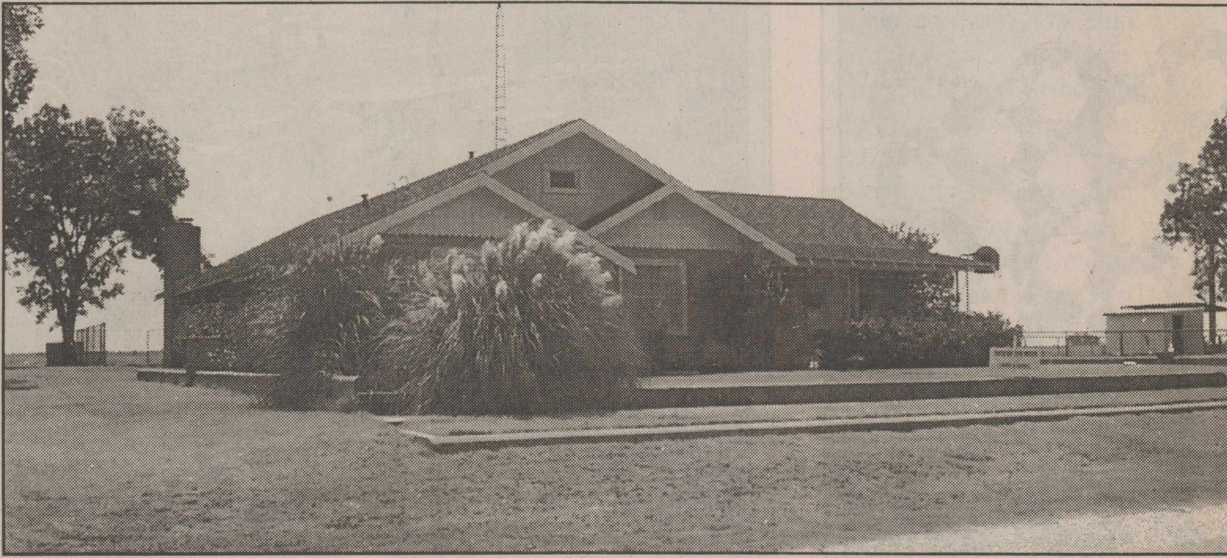
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KC Chamber's Yard Of The Week....



The Chamber of Commerce sponsored *Yard Of The Week* for last week belongs to Melvin (Buster) and Dottie Lowrey. Located 1101 South 5th in the Southeast part of Knox City, the home features a large landscaped yard, shade trees, shrubbery and flowers. (NEWS digital photo)

USDA grants Perry's request: Haying allowed on CRP land

AUSTIN - Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry announced today that the U.S. Department of Agriculture has approved the waiver to allow haying of Conservation Reserve Program land in 49 Texas counties. Haying is limited to one cutting, and producers cannot hay and graze the same CRP land.

In May, Perry requested that USDA grant a waiver to allow Texas producers to hay and graze CRP land to provide forage for livestock and to help remove a source of fuel for potential wildfires. The waiver to graze was granted in June.

"With drought conditions becoming worse across Texas, our producers have been looking at every available resource to provide feed and forage for their livestock," Perry said. "The waiver to allow haying of CRP land will provide a source of forage at a time when hay supplies are becoming dangerously low in many areas of the state."

"The dried grass has also posed a serious fire threat in some of our rural areas. Removing this source of fuel from the land helps reduce the danger from fast spreading brush fires," Perry said.

Emergency haying has been authorized through the earlier of either Aug. 31, 1998 or until the county USDA Farm Service Agency office deems that emergency haying is no longer needed.

Producers who hay their CRP acreage must leave at least 50 percent of each field or adjacent field uncut for wildlife habitat. In addition CRP payments will be reduced by 25 percent of the per acre annual payment rate multiplied by the number of acres actu-

ally hayed in fiscal year 1998.

"Farmers and ranchers should also check with their local FSA office for additional details and to complete the necessary forms before they can hay or graze CRP acreage," Perry said.

Texas has 3.6 million acres in CRP land.

"USDA has said it has no money for Texas," Perry said.

"The funds allocated for DRAP have already been earmarked for disaster relief in other states.

"Unfortunately, Texas is just one of many states facing a natural disaster this year. I want to make sure our farmers and ranchers are not overlooked when it comes to needed help and relief," Perry said.

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8/29	67	97	
8/30	63	98	
8/31	65	98	

1998 Rainfall - 11.54



Houndette volleyball is exciting !

Aging center lunch menus

Sept. 7th thru 11th

Monday, September 7 - Labor Day. No meals served.

Tuesday, September 8 - Beef stew, 7-minute cabbage, hot cheese bread, peach slices, cookies.

Wednesday, September 9 - Sliced baked ham, lettuce and carrot salad, green lima beans, macaroni and tomatoes, hot bread, pudding.

Thursday, September 10 - Turkey and dressing with gravy, cranberry sauce, green beans, mashed potatoes, hot rolls, fruit salad.

Friday, September 11 - Chili dog with cheese, sweet relish, onions, potato wedges, baked beans, cake.

(All menus subject to change without notification due to conditions beyond the control of the staff at the Knox County Center. It is very important to notify the site manager in advance so that the visit will be on record and meals will arrive from the central kitchen.)

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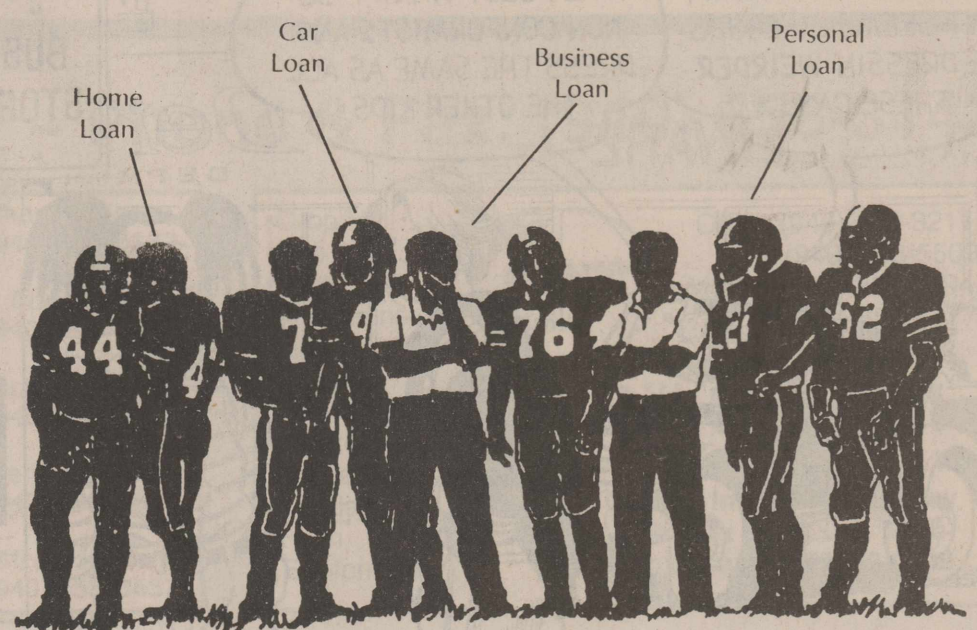
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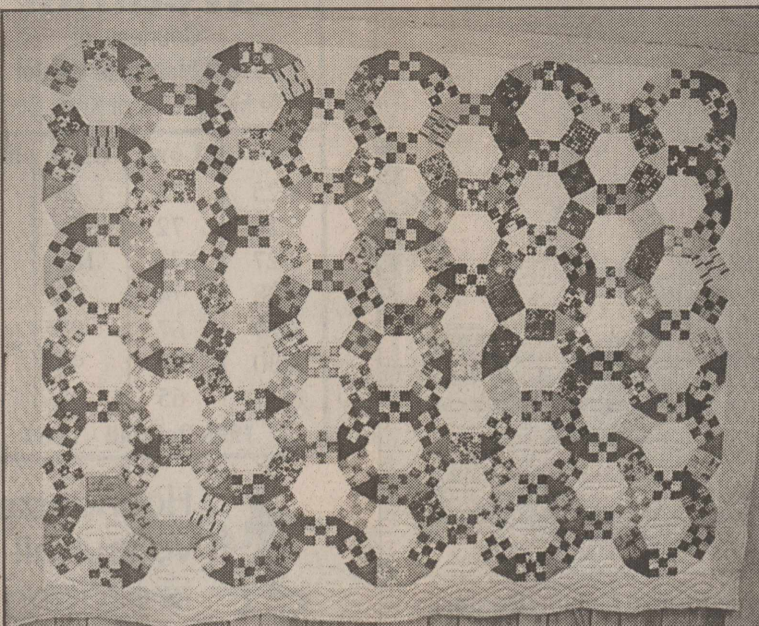
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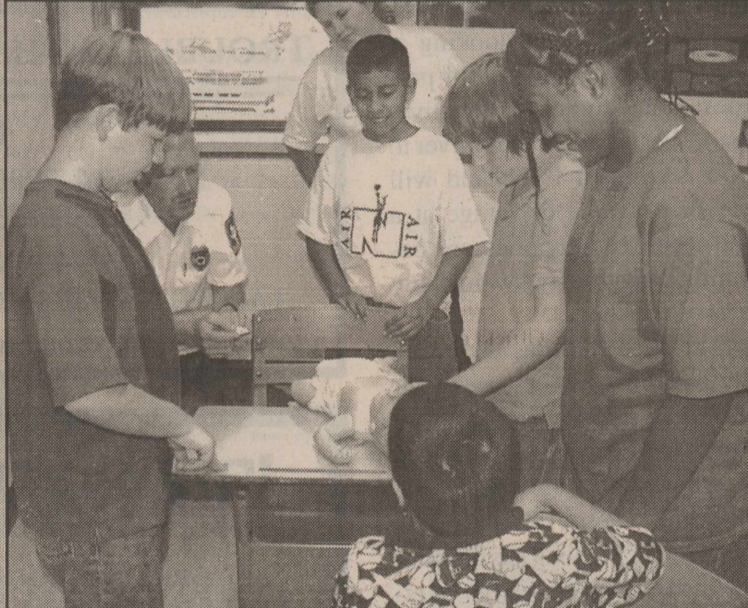
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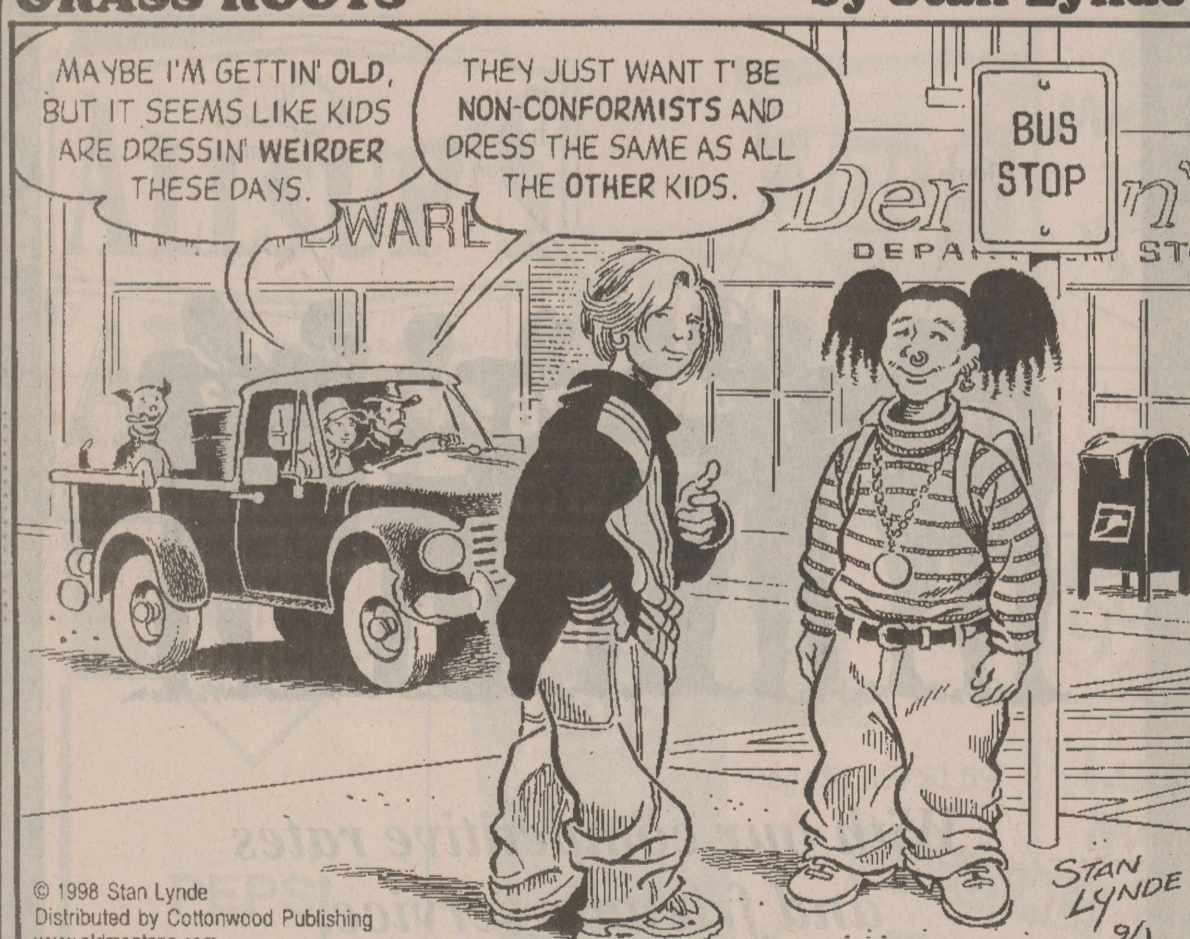


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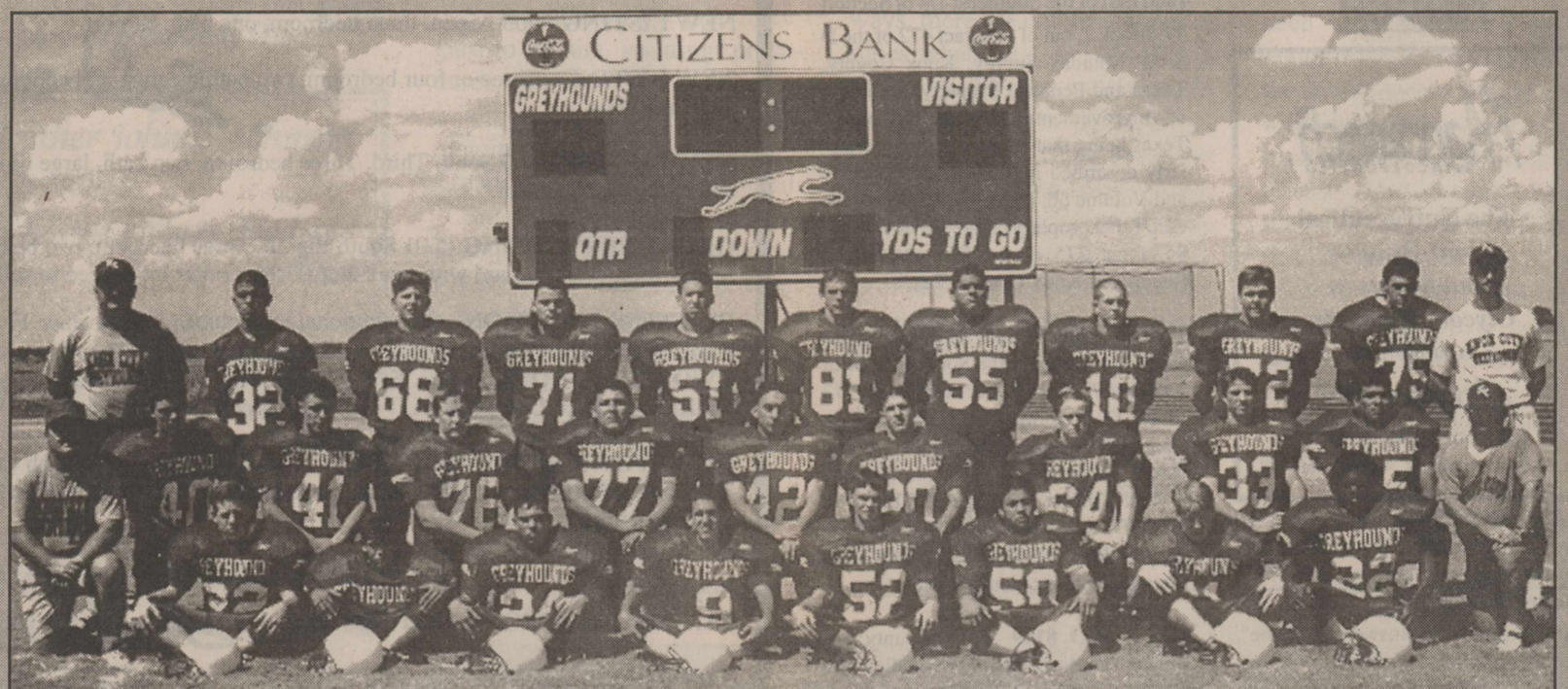
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