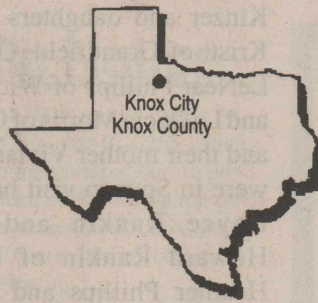


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The Greyhounds travel to Anson on Friday evening, kickoff is set for 8:00 p.m.

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Early childhood screening set at KC Elementary

Early Childhood Screening will be Thursday, September 14 beginning at 12:30 p.m. and continuing until 3:00 p.m. at the Knox City Elementary School.

To be eligible for the class, a child must be three years old on or before September 1, 2000.

The screening identifies children ages three through five that may be developmentally delayed in any way. For those feeling that their child may be delayed in learning, speech and / or emotional skills, call the elementary office at 658-3147 for an appointment.

Parents are asked to bring their child's birth certificate, social security card and immunization record to the screening.

For children turning three years old during the 2000-2001 school year, call the elementary office for more information about Early Childhood / PPCD Programs.

Houndettes win over Aspermont, play in Woodson tourney Saturday

Knox City's Houndettes, coached by Jason Loftiss, soundly defeated Aspermont in a Tuesday, August 29, contest.

Both the varsity and junior varsity squads were victorious. In the varsity games, Knox City won the best two of three, 15-2, 15-6.

The JV Houndettes also won two of three, 15-5, 15-4. Saturday, September 2, the varsity Houndettes traveled to Woodson for a pool play tournament.

Knox City results were:

ACHS defeated KC 15-10;

KC defeated ACHS 15-11;

KC defeated Aspermont 15-7, 15-4;

Bronte defeated KC 15-7, 15-7.

Bronte finished first in the tournament.

KC Circle Club to meet Tuesday at 7:00

The September meeting of the KC Circle Club will be Tuesday, September 12, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Pam Mongrain, 901 South Second, Knox City.

Jane Rowan, County Extension Agent, will present the program.

For more info, call Ramona Helms, 658-3286; or Jane Rowan, 454-2651. Guests are welcome.

KC Circle Club is open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.

Final veterans list for county monument to be submitted to granite company in 10 days

The final Veterans' names list for engraving in granite will be sent to the Granite, Oklahoma, monument company in ten days. The list started with publication in the county newspapers in January and has been in correction and addition mode since.

The expected 2000 names have grown to near 2500. Only 18 characters are allowed for each name. Consequently only the name listed under the war or OMO 'other military operations' will designate each veteran's unique military odyssey of dedication to his country.

Many young women are among the 2500. In fact, there were 350,000 women in uniform and an estimated 6.5 million at work in war-related jobs on the home front.

One young Knox County woman, a graduate of Rhineland High School, Nurse Teresia M. Birkenfeld, as result of her Red

Cross training in 1943, was assigned to the 279th Station Hospital which served England, Abergavanny, Wales, and eventually Ver Dunn, France, where she operated a Central Staging Area for hospitals returning to the USA and the Pacific Region.

From there, she served with the 279th as they took over the S.S. Hospital in Berlin, Germany, until her army discharge, June 27, 1946.

Teresia has been married over 50- years to Thomas Koetter, has two married children, three grandchildren and now resides in Rowlett, Texas.

Another young Knox County girl, Anna Mulroy of Benjamin, daughter of one of the first Texas Rangers, volunteered for service in 1944, and served as a nurse in the European Theater. She later resided in Libertyville, Illinois, until her death August 27, 1989, at the age of 85.

A young Ruth Pennartz Redder served in hospital administrative work at Hamilton Air Force Base in California. She was discharged in November 1962 as Airman Second Class.

Ruth is married to Herman Redder and they have five children and 11 grandchildren. She and her husband reside in Rhineland.

All these experiences - for the women in uniform, for those assembling airplanes or ships, for the women who kept families and communities together - shaped that generation of women as much as combat shaped the men of their time. To this day those surviving are living the lessons of those difficult and instructive times, stated Tom Brokaw in The Greatest Generation. Tax free contributions to the memorial may be mailed to Knox County Historical Commission, Benjamin, TX 79505, to mark their place in history.

Faculty member receives ACU master's degree

Shea Stubbs-Edmonds received her master of education in school counseling on Friday, August 4, at ACU's Moody Coliseum.

Attending were Romain Stubbs, Scott, Stratton, Spencer and Stuart Edmonds and Haile Shortes of Seminole.

Shea is currently teaching Family and Consumer Sciences at Knox City High School and is the Gifted and Talented Coordinator for the Knox City-O'Brien CISD.

She is currently working toward her second master's degree



SHEA STUBBS-EDMONDS

in school administration.

She plans on pursuing her doctorate at Texas Tech University in the field of education.

Shea was honored with a dinner given by her cousin and family, Sue and Bennett Shortes of O'Brien on August 5. Family and friends attended the celebration.

Don Crisp, chairman of the board of trustees at ACU, presented the diplomas. Hooding of the master degree candidates was by Dr. Cecilia Tiller, dean of the Abilene Intercollegiate School of Nursing.

Rep. Counts reports teacher health insurance a top priority in next session

AUSTIN - State Representative David Counts (D-Knox City) reports that a top priority for the next session of the legislature will be finding a workable way to provide teachers with quality, affordable health insurance.

Currently, teachers across the state face a situation where they have inadequate health insurance or no insurance at all. Many of the school districts that do provide insurance only offer plans with deductibles of thousands of dollars, leaving teachers with little more than catastrophic care.

Rep. Counts said that this is cause for great concern, and that teachers should not have to worry about visiting the doctor or getting their prescriptions filled.

Rep. Counts said that any health insurance plan must be a coordinated effort between the state and local school districts. In order for the plan to be affordable, teachers will have to pay a portion of the premium as well.

However, Rep. Counts said that the plan must not diminish the benefits a teacher currently receives.

Rep. Counts said, "This would be a strong step forward for teachers, the state would be creating a state and local partnership to provide teachers with much-deserved health insurance."

Last session, the legislature provided every public school teacher, counselor, and librarian with at \$3,000 across the board

pay raise. This has helped improve teacher compensation dramatically, however, Rep. Counts says that this was just a good first step and that there is much left to do to recruit and retain quality teachers.

"I am pleased with the \$3000 raise for our teachers, but I think we still have a lot of work to do to compensate our educators in our communities, they are educating the future of this state and have a demanding job in the classroom."

Rep. Counts went on to say that teachers have one of the most challenging and important jobs in Texas, and that they must be rewarded for their hard work and dedication to the state's school children.

Greyhounds drop season opener 38-7 to Rotan

Despite an improved performance on both offense and defense from last year's team, the hard fighting Knox City Greyhounds lost their season opener with the Rotan Yellowhammers before a large home crowd at Greyhound Stadium last Friday night.

Rotan scored often and fast, jumping out in front early and never relinquishing their lead. Freshman Jordan Shipley ran for 459 all purpose yards, including three punt returns of 62, 65, and 50 yards for touchdowns and 123 yards rushing on 16 carries.

Knox City's only score of the game came on an 11 yard pass in the second quarter from Sophomore Sedrick Roberson to Senior Jeffrey Hernandez.

Other offensive highlights for Knox City included a 14 yard run and first down by Sophomore Scooter Thompson in the second quarter and a 52 yard pass reception by Senior Eric Rocha, both back to back plays that put the ball on Rotan's 2 yard line in the second quarter. Rotan's defense held and Knox City was unable to score.

The third and fourth quarters saw the Greyhounds come to life, executing well on offense and shutting down the Yellowhammer offense with a strong defensive stand that dropped Rotan runners in the backfield, forced the quarterback to hurry his throws, and forcing an interception.

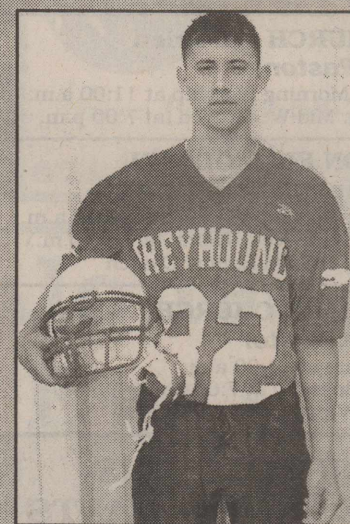
With 70 yards through the air, Knox City is well on its way to proving that quarterback Sedrick Roberson has an arm for passing. Only completing 4 of 16 and having 2 interceptions put a damper on the evening, but hard work and practice between games should see that average improve greatly.

With only 38 yards gained on 26 attempts, the Greyhound offensive backfield learned early in the game that Rotan also had a

Greyhound Players of the Week

by KCHS Athletic Director Lynn Lierly

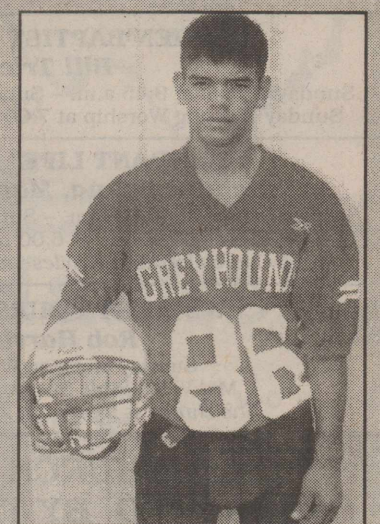
Offense Player of the Week



Erik Rocha

- One reception 52 yards
- Good job of blocking
- Played well in secondary

Defense Player of the Week



Jeffrey Hernandez

- Seven tackles, six assists
- One interception
- One knockdown pass
- One tackle for loss

Friday Night's Game Stats

	Rotan	Knox City
First Downs	13	3
Rushing Yards	42-167	26-38
Passing Yards	72	70
Total Yards	239	108
Comp-Att-Int	5-11-1	4-16-2
Punts - Average	6-37	10-40
Fumbles - Lost	2-1	3-1
Penalties - Yards	8-65	9-70

strong defense. Penalties also hurt the Hounds, with 70 yards stepped off on nine different calls, including a call that saw Senior Justin Vasquez ejected from the game after an official apparently thought he saw Justin hit an opposing player in the head following a play. In reality, the move proved to be a congratulatory tap to the

helmet as Vasquez attempted to show good sportsmanship by telling the opposing player that he had made a good move on the previous play.

Despite the heartbreaking loss to Rotan, the Greyhounds are working hard to prepare for their game in Anson against the Tigers at 8:00 p.m. on Friday night.

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O'Brien happenings

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"Bumping into a woman on the sidewalk, the Tom Cruise look-alike apologized, "Pardon me."

"That's quite all right," the woman replied. "You know, you look just like my fifth husband." "Wow," he said. "Your fifth husband. How many times have you been married?"

"Four." Here and There - Pretrecia Kinzer and daughters Kim and Kristi of Grandfield, Oklahoma; LeNear Phillips of Wichita Falls and LaDocia Morris of Carrollton and their mother Vivian Hendrix were in Spur to visit her brother Boyce Rankin and brother Howard Rankin of Post and Heather Phillips and friend of Denton also visited them. They all had an enjoyable time despite their hot weather.

Greg Oliver and wife visited with Greg's grandparents, Demp and Hazel, over the weekend. Demp had spent several days in Haskell hospital last week. He still needs all our prayers.

Alton Hester is still having some problems and Coy Hewitt is still in the hospital at Abilene and needs our prayers.

Spending the weekend with

C.H., Linda and Reed Underwood were Beth Donham and daughter Faith. They all attended church Sunday at our church in O'Brien.

O'Brien residents were blessed over the weekend when Bill Hood and Dwayne Ray Matura brought in a load of sweet potatoes from East Texas. The Maturas were residents of O'Brien and we all look forward every year to some good old yams.

Gail of Lubbock visited her dad Ivan and wife Delma Rowan and her brother Keith and wife Jane and Kate and Kyle over the weekend.

Sammie and Grady Murry of Plainview, David Ellis of San Angelo, Reed, Trina, Jeremy and Courtney Murry of Houston, Kevin and Nancy Murry of Manhattan, Kansas, Kelly, Cindy and Conner Murry of Dallas all spent the weekend at Bea Ellis' home.

Visiting L.A. and Eva Covey over the weekend were John, Teresa, Weston and Whitton Covey of Huckaby, Greg, Gaylynn, Wade and Lee Covey of Littlefield and their daughter Ava Covey of San Angelo. They enjoyed all being together.

Andy Hines of Lubbock spent

some time with his granny, Adelle Herring, last week and they visited Ranzy in the care home at Munday. Claudia Reid of Rochester also visited Adelle.

Visiting Eddie and Claudia Bryant over the weekend were their daughter, Jennifer, Keith, Cecylee and Hadlee Hicks of Hawley, and their son Jon and fiancée Lindsey Robertson of Lubbock. The men enjoyed a dove hunt.

"My wife received a credit-card application in the mail that she had not requested. She didn't want it, but I did. So I crossed off my wife's name on the form, entered my own and returned the application. I soon got a phone call from a woman saying my application had been rejected. I asked her why, and she told me the card could only be issued to the person originally solicited by the offer. However, she invited me to reapply, which I did during the same telephone call.

A few days later I got another call to tell me my second application had been rejected. Why? The woman told me their files showed that I had previously applied for a card and had been denied."

Area ranches win honors at Ranch Roundup

WICHITA FALLS - The 20th annual Texas Ranch Roundup wrapped up with the W.T. Waggoner Estate from Vernon taking home the Braggin' Rights with a total of 78 points.

Second place was taken by Pitchfork Land and Cattle Company of Guthrie with a total of 72 points.

Only one point behind for third place was Tongue River Ranch of Dumont with 71 points.

Top Hand honor was taken home by Bubba Smith with the Moorhouse Ranch.

Top Hand runner up was Monty

Jones of the Tongue River Ranch. Top Horse was Rico of Spade Ranch, ridden by John Bland.

In the ranch horse competition, John Smajstrla from Seymour won the Senior Division and Monte Jones of Tongue River Ranch won the Junior Division with the overall winner being John Smajstrla on Doc Tar Boy.

Cooking divisions included: Meat (T-Bone Steak) first place going to the guest team Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association of Fort Worth; Vegetable (Corn) first place went to Moorhouse Ranch of Benjamin;

Bread (Rolls) first place went to Bridwell Ranch of Wichita Falls; Dessert (Cinnamon Rolls) first place went to W.T. Waggoner Estate of Vernon.

Talent divisions included: Photography - first place, Sandra Hagerman of the W.T. Waggoner Estate; Painting - first place Wess Abbott of Tongue River Ranch;

Crafts - first place David Westover and Jimmy Lovell of the W.T. Waggoner Estate;

Music - first place went to the Pitchfork Ranch for the kid skit of their version of The Wizard of Oz.

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- The proposed Rolling Plains Regional County Jail and Detention Center would not be a State prison. The facility would be a *speculative private prison* owned jointly by the City and County. In other words, you the taxpayer will be the owner of the prison.
- Bills are pending in the Congress of the United States proposing that Federal convicts not be jailed in private prisons. The Public Safety Act, H.R. 979 and S. 2927 was introduced in July of 2000
- When problems arise in a private prison, such as riots or escapes, our local authorities will be required to respond. When mistakes are made in handling these problems our local government will be liable for costs and legal fees.
- The speculative private prison will be bidding in competition with other cities and counties for convicts. This competition will drive bids down and lower revenue. Will there be enough money for debt service? If not, the proposed tax increase on your house, farmland, city lots, or your business will pay the debt.
- The phrase, "We've got to do something" is often heard around the city and county and suggests we are acting out of desperation. Would we ever consider a risky private prison scheme in good times?
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- The TDCJ is proposing to build new State prisons, with up to 8,550 new beds, and at the same time they're telling the City and County to hurry up and build a speculative private prison with your tax dollars.
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Twelve year old 'wrote the book' on surviving cancer to help other children

Johnston great-granddaughter an example to cancer patients

(Editor's Note: Kristin Lewis, great-granddaughter of Audie Johnston of O'Brien, was recently featured in the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal in an article, entitled Kristin's Miracle, by Charles L. Ehrenfeld. The article preceded the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life held Saturday, August 5.)

By CHARLES L. EHRENFELD
Avalanche-Journal

She is not quite 12 years old, but Kristin Lewis wrote the book on surviving cancer.

She was eight days shy of her eighth birthday when she was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma on October 14, 1997, her father Brad's birthday. However, Kristin has been cancer-free for almost three years and will be among the 300 cancer survivors making the first lap around the track at Monterey High School when the American Cancer Society's annual fundraising Relay for Life gets underway.

The event, which celebrates cancer survivors and increases awareness of cancer while raising money for the ACS, continues throughout the night and concludes at 11:30 a.m. Saturday. Teams will keep moving around the track through the evening and early morning, with each team required to have at least one representative on the track at all times.

A feature of the event will be the luminaria ceremony, which will begin at 10 p.m. Luminarias will be lighted around the track in honor of those living with cancer and in memory of those who lost their battle to the disease.

It is the third year for Kristin and other members of the Lewis family to participate in Relay for Life. Kristin was the mascot for Team University Medical Center the first year but has been a member of Kristin's Cruisers - an all-female team composed of her aunts, cousins, grandmother and friends - last year and this year. A year ago, Kristin's Cruisers raised \$5,500 in donations, more than any corporate or non-corporate team.

"Lots of people get tired of fundraising," said Kari Lewis, Kristin's mother. "When you see all the cancer survivors, you realize all the hard work is absolutely worth it. God put a lot of special angels on this Earth to help raise

money and help others get better. I think that is why we went through what we did, so we could help people now."

When she was diagnosed with cancer, Kristin had a tumor that filled up her chest cavity and continued up the left side of her neck. Eight days after being diagnosed, she began aggressive chemotherapy treatment at Southwest Cancer Center at UMC.

"I was terrified," Kari Lewis recalled. "The first thing that comes to your mind when you hear the word 'cancer' is death. But since Kristin was diagnosed, we found out there are more people living with cancer than dying from it."

"I am hoping that when my youngest daughter (6-year-old Kelcee) has children, they will not even know what it is."

Just three weeks after beginning chemotherapy, Kristin's doctors declared her cancer-free on November 18, 1997, her sister's birthday.

"We were absolutely in shock," Kari Lewis said. "Three weeks later we had hoped the tumor would be smaller. We burst out in tears when they told us it was gone in three weeks. My husband could not believe it. They had to show him the pathology report."

Kristin continued receiving aggressive chemotherapy treatments, including a few adult doses, for two years. She also was given 20 blood transfusions and 15 platelet transfusions during the two-year span. She lost all of her hair and had to have a feeding tube inserted after her weight dipped to 42 pounds, though she now weighs 72 pounds and has a full head of brown curly hair that she is quick to point out is real.

"At times it was scary," Kristin said of her battle with the dreaded

disease. "But most of the time I just thought I would get through it. The thing is, I do not remember a whole lot about it now."

She missed all of her third- and fourth-grade school years at Westward Elementary School in Slaton because her blood count was so low it made her immune system susceptible to germs. But third-grade teacher Lynn Melton volunteered to serve as Kristin's homebound teacher. Melton, who now teaches home economics at Slaton High School, had a nephew who died from cancer at age 15.

"I asked Mrs. Melton if she could find any books on cancer that I could understand," Kristin said. "She found one, but it did not say what happened to you. She said, 'You could write a better book than this.' I always like to write. I just sat down at my computer one night and started writing."

The fruit of her efforts was "Roses are Red, Violets are Blue, I Beat Cancer... So Can You!" It is a 24-page book first printed in 1998 by Cypress Home Publishing and now distributed by Phi Mu Foundation of Tucker, Ga. More than 15,000 copies have been printed. The book contains illustrations by Staci Lewis, Kristin's cousin, who drew the illustrations when she was 15. She now is a senior at Slaton High School.

Kristin, a sixth-grader at Southland Junior High School, was selected as the 1998 Miracle Child for Children's Miracle Network at UMC, and she also received the 1999 Texas State Courage Award from the American Cancer Society.

She has been involved with speaking engagements for the ACS, Children's Miracle Network, the Make-A-Wish Founda-

Obituaries

Ina Vey Clark

Funeral services for Ina Vey Clark were held Saturday, September 2, 2000, at 2:00 p.m. in the Church of Christ in Rochester. Joe Davis and John Greeson officiated. Burial was in the Rochester Cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Clark, 92, died Thursday, August 31, 2000, in Graham. Born October 9, 1907, in Chillicothe, she was the widow of Arlie Bud Clark and was a member of the Church of Christ in Rochester.

Survivors include a sons, Mack Rea Clark of Fort Worth; three daughters, Hote B. Davis of Graham, Ina Bud White of Victoria and Ila Joe Wolf of Mabank; a sister, Doris Hicks of Olton; seven grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Grandsons served as pallbearers.

To Voters In HASKELL COUNTY

This message is brought to you by the progressive merchants and concerned citizens of Haskell County concerning election for the Rolling Plains Detention Center.

- There are numerous job opportunities. They include prison guards, administrative staff, office (secretarial, etc.), maintenance, educational (teaching), and medical (nurses). Also opportunities will include new businesses that will hire new employees and existing business increasing their work force.
- The prisoners will be medium to minimum security. There will be no maximum security prisoners. If allowed, work crews from the Detention Center may be used to do work in the County, including cleaning and maintenance of cemeteries, work at the Courthouse, work at the Library, work on the county roads, at ball fields and work at the park, etc.
- The payment for the debt service and other costs of running the Detention Center will be made from the revenue received from housing the prisoners. Each prisoner whether from federal, state, county or local sources will be charged a per day fee for staying at the jail and the entity that place the prisoner there (federal, state, county or local) will pay the per day charge.
- There will be opportunities for churches to minister to the prisoners. The management company will allow faith based organizations to have programs at the Detention Center and encourage this to be done.

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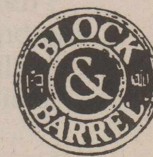
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Field day is set for wildlife management September 16 at Tongue River Ranch

A Wildlife and Habitat Management Field Day at the Tongue River Ranch Headquarters located between Matador and Paducah on Saturday, September 16, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

This field day is aimed at helping landowners and managers learn basic wildlife management techniques that can be applied to their property.

Topics during the day will include Quail Management by Dr.

Dale Rollins with TAEX, Leasing Your Land for Hunting and Recreation by Greg Simons with Wildlife Systems Inc., Pond Management by Mark McDonald with Pond Boss, results of a Feral Hog Research project done in Cottle County will be presented by Duane Lucia of TPWD, the project involved looking at the food habits, reproduction and diseases of feral hogs.

There will also be programs on

turkey and deer management, endangered species and private land issues.

Participants will also have the opportunity to see first hand what the Tongue River Ranch has done to improve wildlife habitat on their property.

This field day is being sponsored by the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department and the Texas Wildlife Association.

For more information on registration fees, call Dana Wright at Texas Parks and Wildlife at 806-492-2264 or Sharron Jay at the Texas Wildlife Association at 800-839-9453.

Disabled veteran takes on challenging motorcycle ride to Sturgis, South Dakota

(Editor's Note: The following story was submitted to The Knox County News by John Harrell.)

I came into this country almost two years ago with my two wagons pulled by four good mules and two saddle horses on the off traffic side - on my way to the Rio Grande for the winter.

This C.O.P.D. (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease) had been coming down on me for several years and as I made camp in Truscott, it caught up and I purchased a house and sold my mules, I was too weak to hitch 'em up. After 15 months and 15 trips to different hospitals, (once a helicopter was called up for a 200 mile ride to Lubbock). A dozen times, they carried me out of my house in the middle of the night on a gurney to an ambulance! This disease of the lungs is so debilitating for most of this time I could barely walk, but finally three months ago, I began to mend.

I needed a challenge, mental and physically, something I'd never done before, thus came Sturgis, a motorcycle rally in South Dakota and a 2000 mile ride and all my medical and camping equipment.

On my Yamaha 400 1980 motorcycle, which I had purchased three years earlier for \$150.00, I managed to get all my gear, about 100 pounds on the motorcycle, which cut the gas mileage by 30% and made it sluggish and harder to control.

I said good-bye to my good friend Cruchi Amoyo of Truscott and Nolan of Phillips 66 in Crowell and I'm on my way.

I move along at 65 mph for about an hour and a half and saw a big sign on 83 North. Free water for Sturgis riders, I stopped and there was a large 40 ft. shade tent with big tubs of iced down cold bottled water. I drink two pints and took a nap. On the road again about 3:00 p.m. I ride til almost dark, up into Oklahoma and get permission to camp behind a ser-



'WAGON JOHN', shown here loaded and ready for his 2000 mile motorcycle trip to Sturgis, South Dakota. John Harrell of Crowell undertook the journey as a physical and mental challenge to keep himself active, countering the effects of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), a crippling disease that affects his breathing. (Courtesy photo)

vice station. After a breathing treatment, I tried for 30 minutes to put up my tent and could not, so I crawled under it and tried to sleep, the bugs ate me and big trucks with their refrigerated units kept me awake all night. I was a bad place to camp. I got hardly no sleep. Next day feeling half dead, I pushed on reaching Oakley, Kansas, where I took a motel and unpacked my gear, fell across the bed and slept 13 hours.

Next day, a hot shower and good breakfast and I'm back on track, I stop 4-5 times a day and plug into 110-V with my nebulizer breathing machine for a treatment.

My oxygen supplier is Luiscare and the only one enroute was in Scottsbluff, Nebraska, so I headed for Scottsbluff. After picking up my oxygen supplies, I stop in Hot Springs and buy some groceries. Now we are getting into the rally. There's motorcycles everywhere. They see I'm from Texas with my oxygen tanks and they come over and take my picture and shake my hand.

I push on - pass Rushmore and made camp. All was well until about 2:00 a.m. and woke up and

debilitated. I crawl to the next tent and the lady was a retired pulmonary nurse from Canada and she first took over, put me in her car and drove to 110-V electricity with my equipment. Talk about luck.

Now my 1980- Yamaha 400 starts acting up, I push it down to Rapid City, Idaho, and then she just died. Had to tow it to a motorcycle shop and wait two days for parts and repair. I had to call my bank in Crowell for needed funds.

After Sturgis, I head for home and stop at a VA hospital in Hot Springs, SD, for oxygen.

They learn about my trip and invited me to spend the night and a hot dinner.

I wasn't sick - just tired. It was three hard hot days pushing south - all the corn in Kansas was two feet high and dead, but I kept coming and we made it home to Truscott.

After the trip I rested for a day or two and discovered I was much stronger than I have been in three years.

So you people with the C.O.P.D. - get out and do something - something new and exciting and demanding. You'll be glad you did - I promise you.

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08/30	72	103	
08/31	72	103	
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09/02	70	107	
09/03	71	108	
09/04	72	109	

2000 Rainfall - 11.36

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Tuesday, September 12 - Macaroni with beef with roll; or Pepperoni Pizza, broccoli, salad, chocolate pudding, milk.

Wednesday, September 13 - Steak fingers with potatoes, gravy, roll; or BBQ on bun with pickle, corn, apple, salad, milk.

Thursday, September 14 - Bean/cheese nachos; or fish with sandwich, pinto beans, salad, orange, milk.

Friday, September 15 - Chicken nuggets with potatoes, gravy, roll; or Hamburger with fries, peaches, salad, jello, milk.

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as the party finally ended,
and the kids drove out of sight.

I got into my car,
sure to get home in one piece,
I never knew what was coming, Mom,
something I expected least.

Now I'm lying on the pavement,
And I hear the policeman say,
"The kid that caused this wreck was drunk,"
Mom, his voice seems far away.

My own blood's all around me,
as I try hard not to cry.
I can hear the paramedic say,
"This girl is going to die."

I'm sure the guy had no idea
while he was flying high,
because he chose to drink and drive,
now I would have to die.

So why do people do it, Mom,
knowing that it ruins lives?
And now the pain is cutting me,
like a hundred stabbing knives.

Tell sister not to be afraid Mom,
tell Daddy to be brave,
and when I go to heaven,
put "Daddy's Girl" on my grave.

Someone should have taught him,
that it's wrong to drink and drive.
Maybe if his parents had,
I'd still be alive.

My breath is getting shorter, Mom,
I'm getting really scared.
These are my final moments,
and I'm so unprepared.

I wish that you could hold me, Mom,
as I lie here and die.
I wish that I could say "I love you, Mom,"
So I love you and good-bye.

Fall TAAS exit tests are set for October

The fall administration of the exit level TAAS and TEAMS test will be conducted at 8:30 a.m. in the Benjamin and Knox City High Schools on the following dates:

October 24 - Writing (TAAS only)

October 25 - Mathematics

October 26 - Reading

Students currently enrolled in the 11th or 12th grades are eligible to take any section of the exit level test that they have not yet mastered. In addition, individuals who are out of school may test at the fall administration.

Individuals who are no longer enrolled in a Texas public school and who wish to register to retake the TAAS test and all individuals who wish to take the TEAMS test, may pick up a registration packet at the high school principal's office in the Benjamin or Knox City High Schools.

The test registration form must be completed and returned in the pre-addressed envelope and must be received in Iowa City, Iowa, no later than 5:00 p.m., September 22, 2000.

The Texas Education Agency and National Computer Systems will not be responsible for registration forms that are delayed or lost in the mail.

To ensure that individual are registered, forms should be sent by either registered mail or certified mail.

Questions concerning the fall exit level test should be directed to the Texas Education Agency, Student Assessment Division, (512) 463-9536.

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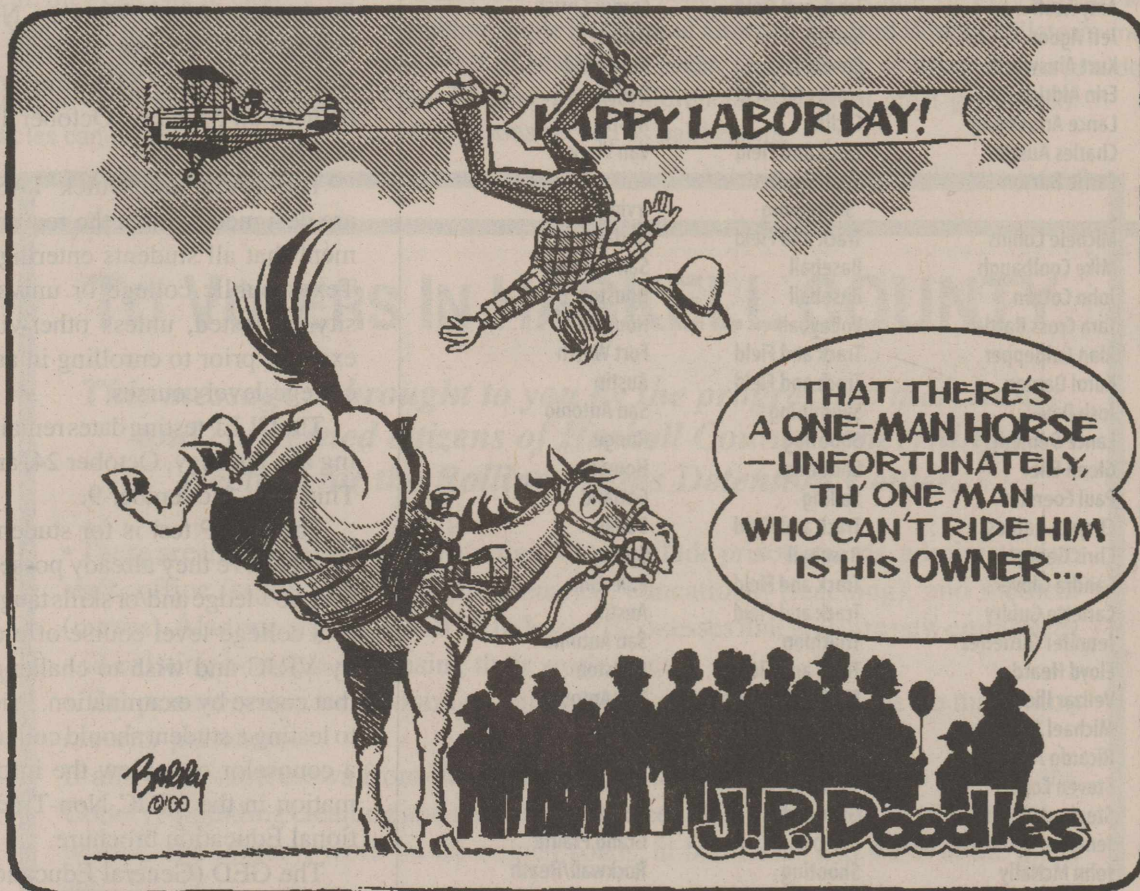
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Keeping an Eye on Texas

Texans in the 2000 Summer Olympics

Over 10,000 athletes from around the world will compete in the 2000 Summer Olympics in Sydney, Australia, beginning September 15. Texas will be represented by 44 talented athletes.

Athlete, Event, Hometown:		
Amy Acuff	Track and Field	Corpus Christi
Jeff Agoos	Soccer	Dallas
Kurt Ainsworth	Baseball	Kingwood
Erin Aldrich	Track and Field	Dallas
Lance Armstrong	Cycling	Austin
Charles Austin	Track and Field	Van Vleck
Carrie Barton	Synchronized Swimming	
Michele Collins	Track and Field	Irving
Mike Coolbaugh	Baseball	Garland
John Cotton	Baseball	San Antonio
Tara Cross Battle	Volleyball	Houston
Alan Culpepper	Track and Field	Houston
Karol Damon	Track and Field	Fort Worth
Josh Davis	Swimming	Austin
Lance Dement	Shooting	San Antonio
Glenn Eller	Shooting	Runge
Paul Foerster	Sailing	Houston
Chryste Gaines	Track and Field	Garland
Chris George	Baseball	Dallas
Sandra Glover	Track and Field	Spring
Carlette Guidry	Track and Field	Palestine
Jennifer Gutierrez	Triathlon	Austin
Floyd Heard	Track and Field	San Antonio
Velizar Iliev	Modern Pentathlon	Houston
Michael Johnson	Track and Field	San Antonio
Ricardo Juarez	Boxing	Dallas
Steven Lopez	Taekwondo	Houston
Stephen McCain	Gymnastics	Houston
Jennifer "Little Mao" McFall	Softball	Grand Prairie
John McNally	Shooting	Rockwall/Heath
Alex O'Brien	Tennis	Amarillo
Carla Overbeck	Women's Soccer	Dallas
Nanceen Perry	Track and Field	Fairfield
Erin Phenix	Swimming	Austin
Kay Poe	Taekwondo	Houston
Jamie Rauch	Swimming	Houston
Demetria "Dee" Sance	Volleyball	San Antonio
Brandon Slay	Wrestling	Amarillo
Sheryl Swoopes	Women's Basketball	Brownfield
Stacy Sykora	Volleyball	Burleson/Garrison
Eric Thomas	Track and Field	Garrison
Sean Townsend	Gymnastics	Dallas
Laura "La-La" Wilkinson	Diving	The Woodlands
Christa "Kid" Williams	Softball	Houston

SOURCES: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (www.window.state.tx.us), United States Olympic Committee.

TASP, CLEP and GED test dates are set

Test dates have been set at Vernon Regional Junior College for TASP, CLEP and GED testing.

The next two TASP testing dates have been set for Saturday, September 16; and Monday, November 27, on the campus at Vernon. Quick TASP testing will be held on Monday, October 16, and November 27.

The TASP and Quick TASP are designed to meet the requirement that all students entering a Texas public college or university be tested, unless otherwise exempt, prior to enrolling in any college-level courses.

The CLEP testing dates remaining are Tuesday, October 24, and Thursday, November 9.

The CLEP test is for students who believe they already possess the knowledge and/or skills taught in a college-level course offered by VRJC and wish to challenge that course by examination. Prior to testing a student should contact a counselor or review the information in the VRJC Non-Traditional Education brochure.

The GED (General Education Development) testing dates that remain are Monday and Tuesday, September 18 and 19; Tuesday and Wednesday, October 17 and 18; and Monday and Tuesday, November 13, and 14.

The GED test can be taken by a person who is at least 18 years old, who has not graduated from high school, and who is not enrolled in school.

Students must register in advance for the tests by calling a VRJC counselor on the Vernon campus at 940-552-6291 ext. 2253 or at one of the three Wichita Falls centers at 940-696-8752 ext. 3202.

Agriculture field day to be held Thursday, Sept. 28 at Smith Farm

Farmers and stockmen can update their knowledge of cropping and tillage systems learn more about grazing and livestock production and hear an update on water districts at a September 28 field day at the Smith Farm.

"This field day will offer farmers and stockmen a wealth of crops and livestock information. Registration runs from 8 to 9 a.m.," said Galen Chandler, Texas Agricultural Extension Service district agriculture director. "The Smith Farm is 2.6 miles east of Munday on U.S. Hwy. 277 and about 1/2 mile south on County Road 4780.

There is no charge to attend.

Noon speaker is Wyman Meinzer, wildlife writer and photographer. He will share a slide and review of his new book Rivers and Ranches of Texas following a complimentary lunch.

The 9 to 10 a.m. morning session will feature these topics and speakers:

- Livestock production and grazing alternatives utilizing wheat and cool-season grasses, Dr. Bill Pinchak, Texas A&M associate professor of range animal nutrition, Vernon
- Underground water districts update, State Rep. Rick Hard-

castle, Vernon.

• Conservation tillage, Dr. Wayne Keeling, Texas A&M professor of systems agronomy and weed science, Lubbock.

The field day will also include a crops field tour hosted by several Extension specialists and research scientists.

Stops on the field tour will focus on cotton tillage, cropping systems, cotton varieties, BT cotton seeding rates, and an insect update featuring relay crops and boll weevils.

Producers can earn three Continuing Education Units (CEUs), including one in laws and regulations, by attending this event, Chandler noted.

For more info on the September 28 agriculture field day, call the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Vernon, 940-552-9941; Chillicothe, 940-852-5125; or Munday, 940-422-4531.

Aging center lunch menus

September 11th thru 15th

Monday, September 11 - Beef spaghetti, cole slaw, corn on the cob, crackers, peanut butter rice krispie bars.

Tuesday, September 12 - Chicken fried steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, California blend, cucumber and onion salad, biscuits, peaches with topping.

Wednesday, September 13 - Peppered steak, buttered noodles, peas and carrots, salad, light bread, cobble.

Thursday, September 14 - Sliced turkey with gravy, sweet potatoes, green beans, apple and celery salad, hot rolls, cake.

Friday, September 15 - Soft tacos, pinto beans, salad, Spanish rice, cookies.

(All menus subject to change without notification. It is important to contact the site manager in order that meals can be prepared.)

Internet basics to be at VRJC

VERNON - The Division of Workforce and Continuing Education of VRJC has scheduled a course on Internet Basics during the Fall 2000 semester.

The course will focus on how to get connected and use the Internet. Topics will include definitions, e-mail, home pages, and how to conduct basic research. Time for hands-on practice will be provided.

This course is scheduled to meet two Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon, September 23 and 30. This class will be on the VRJC campus in Vernon and taught by Amy Vaughn.

Registration fee will be \$30.00, and persons age 60 or over may enroll for \$6.00.

Class size will be limited so early registration is advised. For more information or registration forms, contact the Continuing Education Office at (940) 552-6291, extension 2209.

Garcias celebrate 25th anniversary

Eulalio and Elma Garcia, former Knox City residents, celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary in Hobbs, New Mexico, on September 2, 2000.

Lalo and Elma were married on August 30, 1975, at the Santa Rosa Catholic Church in Knox City.

They moved to Hobbs in 1983. Joining their children, Tricia and grandson Isaac Lopez, April Garcia and Joseph Garcia in the celebration were relatives and friends from New Mexico, Garland, Knox City, O'Brien, Rochester, Rule, Hamlin, Abilene, San Angelo and Seymour.

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Public Notice

IN ACCORDANCE with a recent Attorney General's opinion JC-0255, which requires a Commissioners Court to provide public notice of the maximum, potential salary increases for elected County and Precinct officers, 10 days before the Final Budget Hearing.

All anticipated expenditures, including wages paid to all County Employees have been on file in the Knox County Clerk's office since August 15, 2000. That proposed budget includes a five percent increase of wages in most all departments. 9-7 tfc 78

Legal Notice

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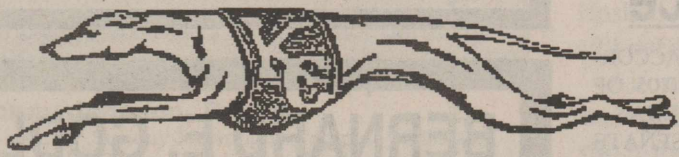
Tuesday, September 12

Open Date

Tuesday, September 19

Benjamin at KC, first district game, 6:30

2000 GREYHOUND REMAINING FOOTBALL SCHEDULE



Remaining September Game Schedule

Sept. 8	Anson	At Anson	8:00 p.m.
Sept. 15	Perrin-Whitt	At Knox City	8:00 p.m.
Sept. 22	Spur	At Spur	8:00 p.m.
Sept. 29	Roby	At Roby	8:00 p.m.

October Game Schedule

Oct. 6	Open Date		
Oct 13	Aspermont	At Knox City	7:30 p.m.*
Oct. 20	Crowell	At Crowell	7:30 p.m.*
Oct. 27	Munday	At Knox City	7:30 p.m.*

November Game Schedule

Nov. 3	Motley Co.	At Knox City	7:30 p.m.*
Nov. 10	Paducah	At Paducah	7:30 p.m.*

* Indicates District Games that begin a half hour earlier

2000 HOUNDETT REMAINING VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

Remaining September Game Schedule

Sept. 12	Open Date	V	At Knox City	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 19	Benjamin*	V	At Knox City	5:30 p.m.
Sept. 26	Rochester*	V, JV	At Albany	10:00 a.m.
Sept. 30	Albany	V, JV, 9		

October Game Schedule

Oct. 3	Goree*	V	At Goree	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 10	Benjamin*	V	At Benjamin	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 17	Rochester*	V, JV	At Rochester	5:30 p.m.
Oct. 24	Goree*	V	At Knox City	6:30 p.m.

* District Games

2000 O'BRIEN JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

September Game Schedule

Sept. 14	Perrin-Whitt	At Perrin-Whitt	5:00 p.m.
Sept. 21	Spur	At O'Brien	5:00 p.m.
Sept. 28	Roby	At O'Brien	5:00 p.m.

October Game Schedule

Oct. 5	Open Date		
Oct 12	Aspermont	At Aspermont	5:00 p.m.
Oct. 19	Crowell	At O'Brien	5:00 p.m.
Oct. 26	Munday	At Munday	5:00 p.m.

November Game Schedule

Nov. 2	Motley Co.	At Motley County	5:00 p.m.
Nov. 9	Paducah	At O'Brien	5:00 p.m.

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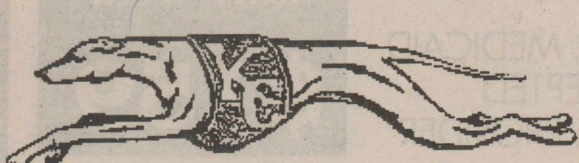
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