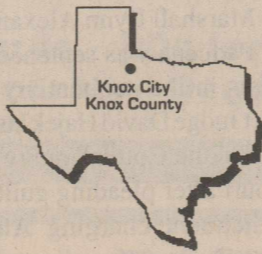


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Misc. news briefs

4H to meet on Apr. 15

The Knox City 4-H Club will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 15 at the Knox City Community Center. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 3:30 p.m.

Noah Project to meet

The Noah Project - North Advisory Committee will have their monthly meeting on Friday, April 11, at the East Side Baptist Church in Haskell. Starting at noon, all members are urged to attend this meeting.

News office to end retail office supply business in KC

Effective immediately, the office of the Knox County News will no longer serve as a retail store for the sale of office supplies.

With the current stock of office supplies being sold until the inventory is eliminated, no new orders will be made for supplies.

Ending a tradition that has endured for more than 20 years, the decision to eliminate office supplies from inventory was not an easy one to make. A lot of factors were taken into consideration, but cost and pricing were the determining factors. The small business dealing in office supplies can no longer order inventory at a price that can compete with discount stores in larger cities and the ever present mail order catalogs that arrive by mail to most businesses every few weeks.

The News Office will continue to provide customers with affordable printing of business forms and social printing, such as wedding and graduation invitations.

Guthrie FHA braves wind for 'trash-off'

Five Guthrie High School Future Homemakers of America and their advisor braved the strong winds to perform a community service on Saturday.

Beth Cave, Krissy Shipman, Rusty Bradbury, Jimmy Jackson, Yvonne Garza and Marianna Graves collected eight bags of trash on the two miles of Adopted Highway on north Highway 82.

Mrs. Graves reported that the workers picked up lots of beer cans and bottles, Skoal boxes and disposable diapers. Some unusual things found included a sardine can and underwear.

The group sported and liked the new style vests and trash bags furnished by the Texas Department of Transportation.

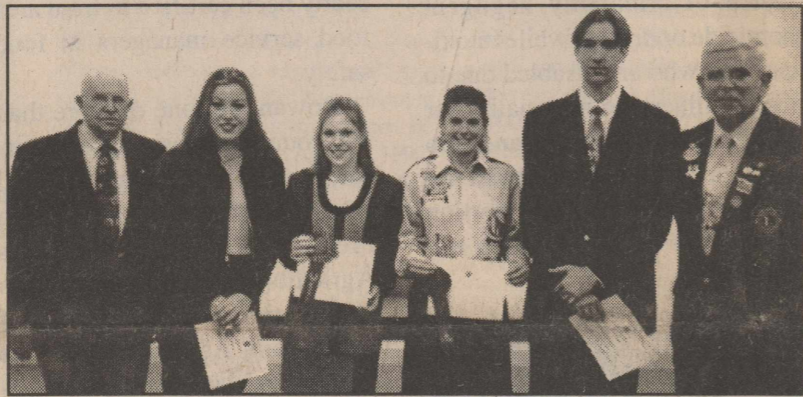
The most challenging factor for them was the wind making the chore more tiring and harder to enjoy the fellowship; however, Mrs. Graves continued by saying they felt a sense of satisfaction when the service was completed.

KC High School Senior wins first place at Lions Club Speech Contest

Diana Estrada wins first in speech contest, Jason Brandon is contestant in essay contest



A HAPPY FIRST PLACE WINNER, Diana Estrada of Knox City is shown here (at left) after she won a \$500 scholarship by capturing first place in the Lions Club District Speech Contest held on March 1 in Breckenridge. Shown with Diana are Lions District Governor Bob Snyder of Cisco and second place finisher Jessica Marie Mendez of Mineral Wells. (Lions Club Photo)



COMPETING in the Lions Club District Diabetes Essay Contest, Jason Brandon of Knox City (second from right) is shown here following the contest that was held in Breckenridge on March 1. Those pictured in the photo (from left to right) are Lions Past District Governor Tom B. Ward of Breckenridge, contestant Kristel Dawn Polder of Burkburnett, first place contest winner Hannah Nicks of Cisco, second place winner Olivia Daniel (city of residence not listed), Jason Brandon of Knox City, and Lions Club District Governor Bob Snyder of Cisco. (Lions Club Photo)

DPS kicks off new drivers ed program - for parents to teach!

Parents or guardians who want to teach their children to drive using a state-approved course may pick up request forms at most DPS driver license offices starting Monday, April 7.

Previously, only schools and instructors certified by the Texas Education Agency could provide official driver training courses. The Texas Legislature amended state traffic laws in 1995, however, allowing parents to train their own children. The DPS developed administrative rules and curriculum materials to implement the new program. Successful completion of the course allows teenagers to obtain licenses at age 16.

Parents must follow procedures and curriculum guidelines set by the DPS.

- The first step is obtaining a driver education packet request form at a local driver license office. For your convenience, please call the nearest office ahead of time to confirm request form availability.

- Parents must fill out the form and include the address of the driver license office where the student will undergo testing, since a driver education certificate must be mailed to that office in the student's name.

- The completed form must then be mailed to DPS headquarters along with a non refundable \$20 fee for the materials packet.

The packet includes instructions, necessary forms, a Texas Drivers Handbook, a model curriculum guide and a resource list for textbooks and other materials. When other course curricula are approved, information about obtaining them also will be included.

Generally, requestors who pay the \$20 fee should receive their instruction packets by mail within three weeks. However, delays may occur during the program's start-up phase. DPS will provide the packets by mail only and will not sell them over the counter.

The approved curriculum requires at least 32 hours of classroom instruction and 14 hours of in-car instruction. Parents must use state-approved textbooks in addition to materials provided by DPS. The DPS packet includes a list of approved textbooks and sources for obtaining them. Parents should pay close attention to the copyright dates on the textbooks since newer editions haven't been approved for use in Texas. No special classroom or vehicle equipment is required.

At least six hours of classroom work must be completed before students may take the written drivers' test and receive instruction permits, which allow them to drive when accompanied in the front seat by a licensed driver at least 18 years old. After successful completion of all training, stu-

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KC Girl Scouts sponsor Easter egg hunt at City Park



THE KNOX CITY PARK WAS A BUSY PLACE on the Saturday morning before Easter as a lot of local youngsters showed up for the 'first annual' Girl Scout sponsored Easter egg hunt. The kids all appeared to have a good time, pausing long enough to have their picture taken. The local Girl Scout troop leader is Kim Clonts. (NEWS Photo)



TAKING PART IN A 'WILDLIFE HABITAT' PROGRAM, these O'Brien Mid-School 5th graders seem to be very interested in the course materials. Shown with the students in the above photo is teacher Sandy Chappell (in middle of photo).

(Photos courtesy of Paul Wizer, County Extension Agent - Ag.)

O'Brien 5th graders learn about wildlife

The fifth grade class at the middle school in O'Brien have had quite an interesting spring. They have been part of a pilot program coordinated by two government agencies — the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Through a program entitled "Project Wild", these two agencies have presented programs to the fifth graders about area wildlife species. Two such programs were conducted at the school. One on "Owls" the other on "Wildlife Habitat". The "Owl" program, conducted by Dana Wright, Texas Parks and Wildlife Biologist from Paducah, covered what owls eat and their feeding habits. The "Wildlife Habitat" program was conducted by Paul Weiser, Knox County Extension Agent in Benjamin. This program enlightened the youth on how farmers, ranchers and homeowners can enhance wildlife habitat with their everyday decisions and work. The "Wildlife habitat" program was also used to show how certain weed and brush control can not only help wildlife survive, but will also help save soil from erosion resulting in cleaner streams and ponds.

The excitement shown by these youth during the two programs was overwhelming. This created a brainstorming process that resulted in an organized field trip planned for the fifth graders on



May 9. This field trip, planned and organized by these two agencies with some help coming from the Forestry Service, will be conducted at the Copper Breaks State Park. The youth will attend sessions on "Identification of Aquatic Wildlife", "Native Wildlife Species" and "Wildlife Track Identification". The field trip is scheduled for May 9th for one very exciting reason. Not only will the youth learn something about wildlife they will also be exposed to some history. While attending Copper Breaks the youth will be allowed to see an encampment of Buffalo Soldiers. The Buffalo Soldiers are scheduled to arrive on Wednesday May 7 and depart on Sunday, May 11. Learning about history can be tiresome, but seeing it is an experience. Should the clouds decide to rain on this

field trip the youth will still get a very educational program. Sessions on "Native American Storytelling and Games", "The Art of Flintknapping (how to make Arrowheads)", "Wildlife Identification" and other indoor programs are being scheduled as a backup plan. If this field trip is successful, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, The Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Copper Breaks State Park staff will try to organize a day long educational event in 1998 that will be open to any school that wishes to participate.

Any teacher, parent, or school administrative staff that wishes to conduct such a field trip for their school/class may do so by contacting Paul Weiser in the Knox County Extension office in Benjamin at 817/454-2651.

Don't forget the District Track Meet!

Parents, track supporters and area residents are reminded that the District Track Meet will be held in Spur at the end of this week. Set to begin early Friday morning, the annual event will feature student athletes from throughout the area, including our young men and women from Knox City. As our athletes represent Knox City, be sure and remember their efforts with your support!

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Indictments returned in 50th Judicial court

Marshall Lynn Alexander, 25, of Paducah was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary of District Judge David Hajek last Thursday in the Cottle County District Court after pleading guilty to an indictment charging Alexander with Escape, according to District Attorney Bill Neal.

Alexander, who was originally arrested on a Burglary charge, escaped from the Cottle County Jail on September 26, 1996 and was later apprehended in Reeves County, Texas, on December 18, 1996 and transported back to the Cottle County Jail.

In other Court action, on Tuesday, April 1, 1997, in the Baylor County District Court, Aaron Latham, 33, of Seymour, was sentenced to two years confinement in a State Jail for Delivery of Marijuana after pleading guilty to the State's motion to revoke Latham's probation. Latham was originally placed on probation on June 28, 1996. Latham plead guilty to violating several conditions of his probation, including an arrest for DWI on February 7, 1997, by

the Seymour Police Department.

Earlier that morning in Knox County, the Knox County Grand Jury met and returned the following indictments: Alvin Adams, 42, of Munday, Delivery of a Controlled Substance (2 Counts); David Brian Ramirez, 26, of Mundy, Delivery of Marijuana (3 Counts); Tanya Tears, 20, of Knox City, Possession of Controlled Substance; Gilberto Flores, 32, of Goree, Possession of Controlled Substance and Prohibited Substance in Correctional Facility; Carlos Sabian Santisteven, 21, of Munday, Possession of a Prohibited Weapon; Roy Lopez Martinez, 26, of Lubbock, Forgery by Passing; Eddie Russell Jr., 69, of Munday, Felony DWI; Jonathon Granvill Rizan, 17, of Knox City, Burglary of a Building; Allen Brad Hosea, 40, of Goree, Burglary of a Building; and Chad Cannon Tolson, 29, of Rochester, Aggravated Assault. (Submitted by Bill Neal, District Attorney, 50th Judicial District, Baylor, Cottle, King and Knox Counties)



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dents may take the driving portion of the test and become fully licensed at age 16. Parents may choose to waive the driving portion of the licensing test.

Parents who have been convicted of criminally negligent homicide or driving while intoxicated or who are disabled due to mental illness do not qualify for this program. Children can begin the course at age 14 but must not complete the classroom portion and cannot take the written test until they turn 15.

Ag Extension Service teams up with Progressive Farmer for safety

Knox County, Texas will host a Progressive Farmer Farm Safety Day Camp, which is being locally sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service - Knox County. The camp, which teaches children to be aware of safety hazards on the farm, will be held Saturday, May 10, 1997 from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - at the Munday High School in Munday, Texas.

The deadline for registration is April 28, 1997. The \$10.00 pre-registration covers all camp activities, lunch, refreshments and a camp T-Shirt. On site registration is \$15.00 and for families of 3 or more youth preregistering a family discount of \$25.00 will be charged. So that each child can receive personal attention, attendance will be limited to 150 campers, ages 3rd grade through 8th grade. For registration information, contact Jane Rowan at 817/454-2651.

Hands-on demonstrations will cover such topics as fire safety, tractor and equipment safety, electrical safety, basic first aid, chemical protection, PTO/Cotton Stripper Entanglement, grain explosions and shop equipment safety.

"We knew that farm families were concerned about safety, but even we were surprised by the overwhelming response to our camps," said Progressive Farmer Editor Jack Odle. "After holding 16 day camps in 1995 and 76 in 1996, we now have 150 scheduled for 1997. And our sponsors are just as enthusiastic as our readers. Companies like Shell Lubricants, Farm Plan, Pioneer, DuPont, AbCO, Gold Kist, Smith & Wesson and Mossberg have made it possible for us to reach a lot of kids. Our goal is to prevent dangerous accidents altogether."

This summer, Progressive Farmer will hold safety camps in 31 states. Progressive Farmer is published by Southern Progress Corp., which also publishes Southern Living, Southern Accents, Cooking Light, Weight Watchers, and Coastal Living magazines, as well as Oxmoor House books. The Birmingham-based company is the largest life-style publisher in the country.

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

County Agent now certified to train area food service managers

Jane Rowan, Knox County Agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, has recently been certified to train area food service managers in food safety.

Rowan was one of more than 190 county Extension agents certified as a trainer through the Food Protection Management Training Program sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in cooperation with the National Restaurant Association, Texas Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association and the Texas Department of Health. The train-the-trainer program is designed to bring the latest in food safety information to food service establishments.

As a certified instructor, Rowan will be offering this information to food managers, who in turn, will train their employees on food safety practices. Once managers have completed the 15 hour course, they will receive a certificate from the National Restaurant Association. They also will be eligible to join the Industry Council on Food Safety and to receive a decal to place in their window, which lets customers know the manager is certified in food safety.

"In addition, food service operations under the Texas Department of Health's jurisdiction that have managers who complete the course will receive a 10 percent

reduction in license fees each year while the certification is in effect," Rowan said.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 24 to 81 million people get sick and more than 10,000 related deaths occur due to food poisoning in the United States each year.

"In most cases, foodborne outbreaks can be prevented if people receive food safety training and learn to follow simple food safety practices," Rowan said.

"For years, we have been providing consumers with an enormous amount of information on food safety precautions to take when handling food at home," Rowan said. "Now, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service is joining the food industry to train those who are providing meals for us when we are away from home."

Training materials for the course are being provided by the SERVSAFE Program from The Educational Foundation of the National Restaurant Association. Courses will be offered to food service managers beginning in 1998.

For more information on the Food Protection Management Training Program, call Jane Rowan at 454-2651. Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

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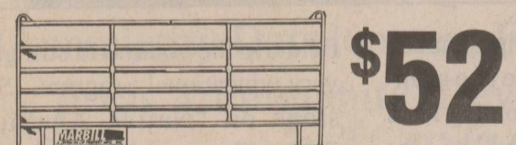
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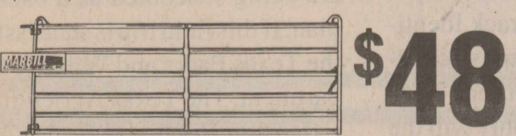
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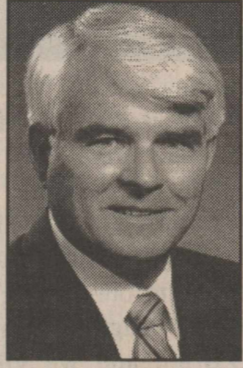
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Texas Legislative News

From the Austin office of Representative David Counts

House passes \$83.3 billion dollar state budget



Rep. David Counts (D) - Knox City

(AUSTIN) The Texas House of Representatives passed a \$83.3 billion dollar budget for the 1998-99 biennium. The bill marks a \$2.6 billion (or 3.2%) increase over the past biennium. State Representative David Counts noted that minimal increase was due to the continued population growth in the state.

"I find it interesting that even with Texas being the second largest state in the nation, we rank 46th in the nation with our overall total tax burden," stated Counts.

Compared to the 1996-97 biennium, Counts noted several areas of change in the new budget. Public Education spending increased by \$1.5 billion or 7.7%. According to Counts, "Of the total increase to education, approximately \$1 billion is to fully fund the Foundation School program, as well as, \$200 million to maintain equity standards, and 11 million to increase funding for Safe Schools Program." The new budget also includes an increase of over \$212 million for the Teacher Retirement System and 31.2 million for the Optional Retirement Program.

The Knox City lawmaker noted, "Much of our spending increase in education is simply an effort to keep our growing schools adequately funded." In addition, Higher Education spending increased 1.7%, with a \$5.2 million increase for community college growth.

Counts also stated the Performance Review measures to eliminate vacant state jobs will save taxpayers \$322.8 million. "These changes recommended in the performance review could add up to \$351.7 million in savings to the state, as well as, \$43.1 million in gross revenue. As a businessman, I understand the need to be fiscally responsible, while preserving the service level that our state must maintain."

The state also established a \$200 million contingency fund to cover unexpected increases in school enrollment and health and human services caseloads. "This provision is a safety net," noted Counts, who added, "We hope two years from now the money is still there, but we understand more than ever, our local school districts cannot handle the added expense of a surprise increase in enrollment."

Federal funding increases by approximately 5.5% or \$ 1.2 billion constituting 28.9% of the overall budget, or \$24.1 billion.

The current budget proposal, comes in at \$1.6 billion below the comptroller's available revenue estimate. Counts noted that the budget was one without "frills" and that many provisions had been left out of the bill, due to the legislature's efforts to find additional money to provide for property tax relief. "Although the budget does not currently contain a provision for a state employee pay raise, the final version will provide a flat increase for state employees. However, until we make headway on the property tax reform issue, it's impossible to know exactly how much of a raise we can afford," stated Counts.

Counts noted a number of factors affecting growth over the past 10 years, including, public school enrollment has grown 17%, while higher education has grown by 8%, and community college enrollment has increased by 36.5%. Much of the growth has also come in the area of health and human services, with nursing home clients increasing by 25.5%, Medicaid caseloads exploding by 114.4%, and the growth of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program by 20.9%.

Veterans Care Home legislation being considered

State Representatives David Counts (D-Knox City), Bob Hunter (R-Abilene), Rob Junell (D-San Angelo), Elliott Naishtat (D-Austin), and Bob Turner (D-Coleman), are recent co authors of legislation filed to help make possible a state veterans care home in Texas.

House Bill 2358 will enhance the Veterans Land Board's authority with respect to management of the assets of the Land and Housing Assistance Programs, as well as, giving the board the authority to establish other veterans assistance programs, such as veterans assistance centers or care homes.

We have a tremendous number of veterans who would be well served by such a facility. At the same time, we are one of only nine state that do not have this sort of center for our veterans," stated State Representative David Counts.

Counts cited numbers that indicate the number of veterans, 65 years of age or older in Texas, currently are 504,000, with that number expected to grow to over 525,000 by 2010. "We estimate there are 16,500 veterans in the state Medicaid program today, and around 1,600 of those are in nursing homes, with their care being funded by Medicaid. It's very evident to me that there is a real need for this program out there."

"Sixty five percent of the cost for the facility's construction are federally funded, with the other thirty five percent being funded by the state. Fiscally, this proposal makes sense, and more importantly, it's the right thing to do for the veterans who have served our state and country."

Currently, veterans in Texas receive nursing home care in either nursing home care units, at Veterans Administration Hospitals, or contracted community nursing homes, which currently costs the state's Medicaid approximately \$20.00 a day, per client.

According to Representative Rob Junell, Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, the construction of such facilities in the state could produce a significant costs savings. "A recent study submitted to the legislature indicates that three 150 bed facilities, in Texas operating at 90% capacity, would save the state \$30 million over a ten-year period. The cost savings stems from a per diem payment to the state for each day of nursing care rendered in a facility, with the veterans paying a daily co-payment from the amount of their VA pension or social security," stated Junell. The current per diem rate for facilities is \$39.74.

Representative Bob Turner noted, "It is my firm conviction that since military veterans make up a goodly percentage of my constituency, that the very least we can do for them is to provide for them during the time in life in which they can no longer take care of themselves."

Representative Bob Hunter of Abilene noted, "I am pleased IO help the veterans of our state who will need this service because there are no other real alternatives. We are one of the few states in our country without a veterans home, and the proposal will pay for itself because of the reimbursements our state will receive for these veterans."

According to Counts, Congressman Charlie Stenholm's assistance has also been instrumental in the process. "Congressman Stenholm has been actively involved in making sure the money will be there at the federal level when we are ready at the state level. His support along with the rest of the Texas Congressional delegation will be instrumental in seeing that our state is viewed as a priority for funding."

"In my opinion, nothing is too much or too good for those Texans who responded to the call of our country in its time of need. Now it is only right that we respond to these veterans in their time of need," stated Turner.

Representatives Counts, Hunter, Junell, and Turner are all military veterans. Counts served 32 years in the Texas National Guard, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel. Hunter served in the U.S. Naval Reserve, serving in active duty from 1953-1956 and achieving the rank of Lieutenant. Junell served in the U.S. Army from 1970-1973 as a platoon leader, assistant battalion operations officer, and company commander, and achieving the rank of Captain. Turner served in the United States Army, retiring after 35 years of service as a Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve.

House passes Clean Rivers Legislation

The House of Representatives passed legislation (House Bill 1190) recently, revising and extending the state's Clean Rivers Program. The author of the legislation, State Representative David Counts (D-Knox City), Chairman of the House Committee on Natural Resources, calls the bill "a vitally important water quality protection measure with a common-sense approach."

The funding mechanism for the existing Clean Rivers Program (fees assessed on large water users and wastewater dischargers) is currently scheduled to sunset on August 31, 1998, while the statutory mandate for the administration of the program will continue. In light of that pending date, a broad based Clean Rivers Program stakeholders workgroup met regularly throughout 1996 to define problem areas in the program and make revisions with the hope that all interests could agree to the program's continuation. The stakeholders workgroup was comprised of representatives of affected state agencies, municipalities, river authorities, industry, business, and agricultural and environmental interests.

The stakeholders identified a number of areas of concern with the program and reached a general consensus on substantive revisions to the statute to address those problems and a continuation of the fee mechanism at its present level. Those revisions, embodied in Counts' legislation, include: * Making the funding mechanism more broad-based and equitable; * Moving the focus of the program from assessment to problem solving; * Mandating utilization of data in Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) permitting decisions, water quality standards designations, and stream classifications; * Requiring stricter accountability for use of funds by the TNRCC and the contractors; * Increasing the role of basin steering committees and public participation; and * Streamlining existing Clean Rivers Program reporting requirements to be consistent with other state and federal reporting requirements.

The bill also grants relief for cities from the requirements of Texas Water Code §26.177, which requires those with populations over 5,000 to establish water pollution control and abatement programs. Under Counts' bill, the TNRCC may require the establishment of pollution control and abatement program only from cities

with populations over 10,000 and identifiable water quality problems, although it is still permissive for any city. "Some of our smaller cities frankly do not have the technical or financial resources to develop a pollution control and abatement program," Counts stated. "This bill allows that choice to be made at the local level." With respect to the legislation's effect on the larger cities, Counts said that it was hard to justify requiring a city to spend tax dollars to develop a water pollution control plan if a water quality problem had not been identified in the vicinity of the city. "This legislation will prevent a city from being required to allocate its resources where they may not be needed."

In 1996, Counts co-chaired the House Joint Interim Committee on TNRCC Funding, which was comprised of members of the Natural Resources, Environmental Regulation, and Appropriations Committees. The Joint Committee reviewed the Clean Rivers program and unanimously recommended that the 75th Legislature implement the statutory changes recommended by the work group. "I was pleased to see such a diverse group come together, identify problems in the law, reach consensus on solutions to those problems, and carry their recommendations to me as an elected official to put into legislation," Counts stated. "That is exactly how government is supposed to function."

The legislation will now be considered in the Senate.

House passes legislation for Children's Health Care

The Texas House of Representatives recently passed House Bill 3 which would help ensure children access to proper health care. The measure is designed to help overcome the problem of growing numbers of uninsured children in Texas.

"Currently, Texas leads the nation in the number of uninsured children with an estimated 1.3 million children who are not covered by some sort of health insurance," stated State Representative David Counts (D-Knox City), citing a national study by the Families USA Foundation. "This problem has created a tremendous problem for the state. Families are incurring huge debts to pay for medical treatments, not to mention the burden placed upon our local communities by way of indigent health care costs."

"House Bill 3 creates the Healthy Kids Corporation, a private, nonprofit corporation that will provide a basic, low cost insurance plan for children," stated Counts. "The premiums for children and dependents under an employee's health care insurance has increased so much that many folks can no longer afford to carry the additional coverage."

The Healthy Kids Corporation will provide them a voluntary option for affordable coverage." The Healthy Kids Corporation would negotiate with private insurance companies in the state to sell this type of low cost, dependent health insurance.

Counts noted that this legislation is not a subsidy program and would not create another government agency. Employer contributions, private foundation, and grant monies would help offset premium costs. "This legislation creates a private entity that would simply provide a basic health care coverage for children that would be affordable to working families."

"The fiscal note from the Comptroller's office indicates that this legislation will produce a cumulative savings to the state of \$31,937,250 by the year 2002," said Counts.

"The ultimate goal of this legislation is simple," noted the Knox City lawmaker. "HB 3 will help make health care coverage for children more affordable, so that parents will not have to make a decision between putting food on the table and providing health care coverage for their children."

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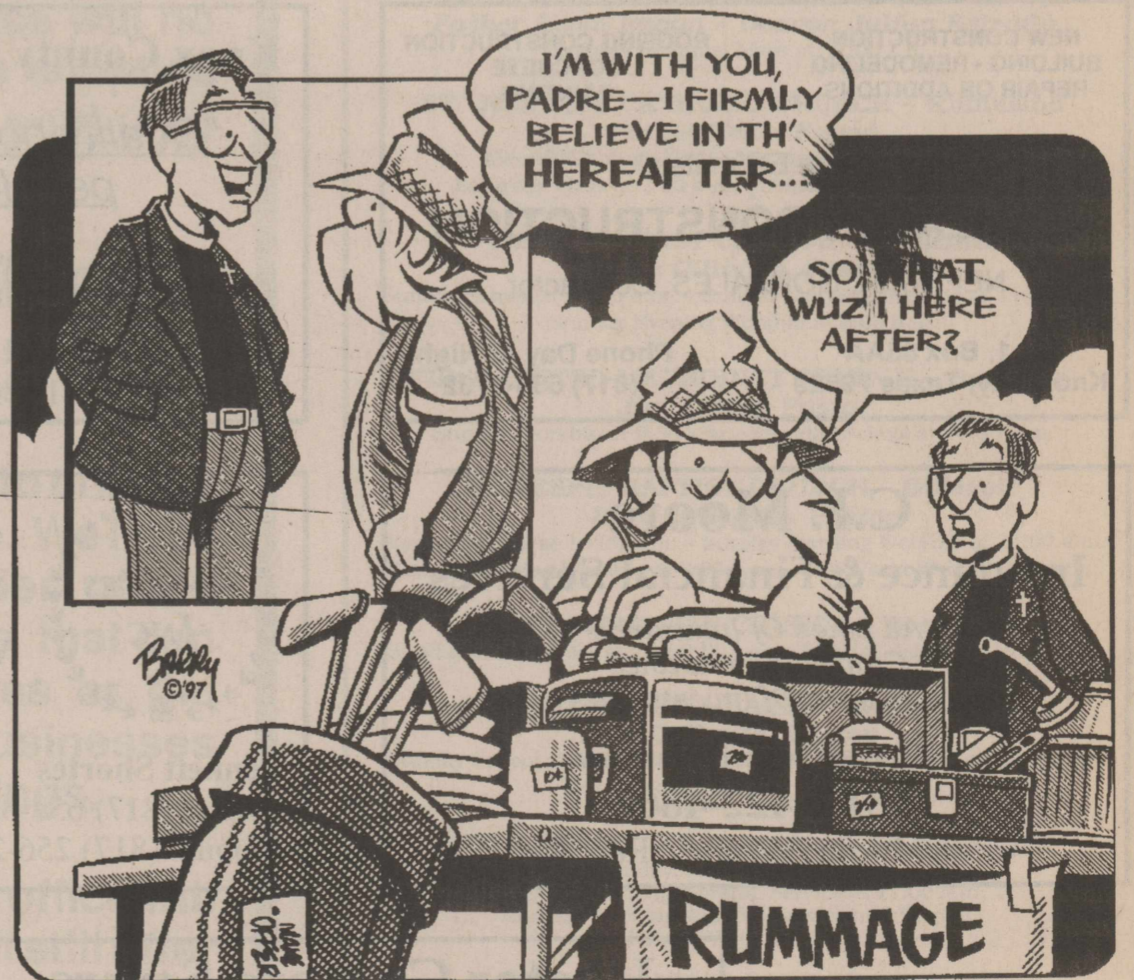
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February Police Report

The Knox City Police Department had another very busy month during February 1997, receiving a total of 395 calls and tasks which required attention. This total included 15 actual criminal offenses, of which 14 were cleared or otherwise handled. Three charges were filed in regard to the above offenses, with one of the offenses involving juveniles as offender.

Offenses reported include: Terroristic Threat - 1, Assault - 2, Assault (Domestic Related) - 2, Criminal Mischief - 1, Sexual Assault - 1, Disorderly Conduct - 2, Public Intoxication - 1, Kidnapping - 1, Forgery - 1, Illegal Possession of Controlled Substances - 2, Interference With Child Custody - 1, Traffic Charges Filed - 0, Warnings Issued - 14, Accidents - 2.

Other items reported to the Knox City Police Department during May are classified as incidents. These incidents were not able to be considered as a criminal

offense, however, they must be handled in a responsible and proper manner.

Incidents reported include: Prowler - 1, Suspicious Vehicle - 2, Missing Person - 1, Welfare Concern - 1.

On January 22, Officer Harry Steen and I traveled to Lubbock to take custody of a subject wanted by this department for Criminal Mischief. He was transported back to Knox County and delivered to the Knox County Jail, after which he was dealt with in County Court.

On February 22, along with two Mental Health and Mental Retardation (MHMR) employees, I transported a local resident to the Rivercrest Hospital in San Angelo. This subject was on the verge of becoming uncontrollable and was in need of immediate treatment. This subject was transported without incident.

/s/ Dean W. Homstad
Dean W. Homstad
Chief of Police
Knox City Police Department

O'Brien News

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"The restaurant where I am a waitress offers a 16-ounce sirloin steak, which can be ordered plain or "smotherd with mushrooms, green peppers and onions." One evening a man requested the steak and specified his choice of potato and vegetable. "Would you like your sirloin smothered?" I asked, hoping to boost the check a bit.

"Ma'am," he tersely replied, "I don't care how you kill it, just as long as it's dead."

HERE AND THERE

Visiting in the home of Bilie Walker Saturday were her son, Cliff Banner of Hawley; a high school friend, Glenn Cox of Plano; and Rose Johnston of O'Brien.

Dan and Marilyn Talbot spent the weekend in Shallowater with their children, Gary and Cathy Hughes and son Derrick.

Visiting Ranzy and Adelle

Herring last week were their great-grandson, Kevin Urbanczyk and Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hines and children of Lubbock.

Shawn Hughes of Lubbock came by and visited with me Friday. After our visiting, I took him to the Hughes home west of O'Brien and we visited with Shawn's brother, Brandon and a friend Cameron Simpson of Lubbock for awhile and they showed me their different animals they come in contact with.

Some of those around here that attended the HeeHaw at Sagerton last week were Bernice Rowan, Delbert and Norma Hayes, Orval and Helen Manning, Dwight Gothard, Veeta Reid, Janoma Stephens and I. There was lots of good entertainment of all kinds and lots of people that kept one laughing, which is good for ev-

eryone.

We had the following to go to the Men / Boys' rally at the Big Country Baptist Assembly in Lueders last week, Mutt Ivie, Wesley Powell, Caleb Carver, Josh Ivie and Rev. Bill Trice. They heard the wrong way of life and the right way. One speaker had been in prison two times, he didn't glorify that Life - - he gave glory to Jesus who saved him from all that sin.

Dwight Gothard got news last week that his brother, T.H. Gothard, had undergone surgery and it was malignant. T.H. grew up around here and now lives in San Angelo.

Jack Matura, former resident of O'Brien, died Friday in Edgewood and his burial was at Bartley Funeral Home Chapel in Grand Saline Sunday.

Card of Thanks

We appreciate everyone's kindness and thoughtfulness during my recent surgery. I would like to thank everyone for all their concern, prayers, cards and for all the food brought to our home during my recovery. Thanks again . . .

Annie Bruce and family

KC Circle Club to meet Tuesday

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On A Wizer Note....

By Paul Weiser, Knox County Extension Agent - Ag.

A new grain sorghum disease prompts interest

A week or so ago I was asked about a new grain sorghum disease that was filling many of the farm magazines. This single question has been asked of me several times since then. Hopefully this disease has a bigger bark than bite.

This disease is known as Ergot. Researchers, Extension plant pathologists, Texas Department of Agriculture personnel and the sorghum seed companies are keeping a close eye on the development of this new disease. As of now, the researchers do not believe that Ergot will be a threat in West Texas or the high plains. This is because of the dry climate.

Fungicide treatments for this disease are being researched. Currently there are no known treatments or cures. As this information is made available to my office I will pass it on to the newspapers here in Knox County. Anyone hearing rumors or seeing any type of printed material on this disease is welcome to share it with my office. In times like this, some chemicals may claim to be useful for treatment. However, their research may, I repeat may, be biased.

I am trying to schedule a producers meeting for Knox County sometime in early May. Hopefully at this meeting I can schedule a speaker to give us an update on the Ergot disease. Watch for date, time and location. The meeting will be worth about 2 or 3 CEU's towards a private, commercial or non-commercial applicators license with TDA.

Anyone needing more CEU's should be aware of two upcoming events at the Haskell County Civic Center. The first is on April

17 and is worth five CEU's. This program begins at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at 4:00 p.m. It should be worth 5.0 CEU's. However, I have not received official word.

The Rolling Plains Cotton Conference is scheduled for April 30 at the Haskell County Civic Center. This conference will begin with registration from 8-8:30 a.m. and conclude around 4:00 p.m. Some of the topics covered will be on irrigation, managing moisture in a dryland situation, double cropping, Boll Weevil Eradication, worm strategies, cotton market and many others.

I have information on other producer meetings that offer CEU's. However, most of these are in Abilene or Lubbock. If you need CEU's, please try to attend the one's in Haskell to avoid long trips and the headache of obtaining enough CEU's when your license is about to expire.

Anyone who wants the information on other CEU meetings may give my office a call or drop by and I will be glad to give you this information. I also have an order form for a cotton insect field guide entitled "Recognizing The Good Bugs In Cotton". Cost for this publication is \$5.00 per copy and no, I do not have enough power to get them for free.

If you have any questions about the materials contained in this article please call Paul Weiser in the Knox County Extension office in Benjamin at (817)454-2651.

Validation tag orders due

It is time to order validation tags for show steers to be shown in 1997-1998. This validation process has been in effect for a long time and is required for market steers shown at most stock shows in Texas.

In the past each 4-H club and

FFA chapter made individual orders. This year those plans are changing. Each county will place only one order — no matter how many FFA chapters or 4-H clubs wish to order ear tags. To place an accurate order, the Ag. Science Instructors and County Extension Agents ask that all show steer validation tag order be turned in by 5:00 p.m. April 18 - this is different that what was set earlier this year. Please give these orders to any of the Ag. Science Instructors in Benjamin, Knox City or Munday or Paul Weiser, Knox County Extension Agent in Benjamin.

After April 18 all ear tag orders will be added together and a total from Knox County will be sent to proper state show steer validation personnel. Extras will not be ordered for anyone unless they are requested.

These ear tags will be received in May and all show steers will be validated in June. If you have any questions please feel free to call the Knox County Extension office in Benjamin (454 2651) or your local Ag. Science Instructor.

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Lawri and Scott Lynn announce the arrival of their baby daughter born Tuesday, April 1, at 1:26 p.m. at Abilene Regional Medical Center.

The baby has been named Andrea Jill and she weighed in at seven pounds, eight and one-half ounces. She measured 20 inches in length.

Helping welcome the baby home were big brother, Landon, who is four and one-half years old; and big sister, Allison, who is 23 months.

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Tristen Montana Lain

Christi and Trevor Lain announce the arrival of a son born Monday, March 31, at 10:00 p.m. at Abilene Regional Medical Center.

The baby has been named Tristen Montana and he weighed in at seven pounds, eleven and one-half ounces and measured 21 1/4 inches in length.

Paternal grandparents are Judy and Danny Lain of Knox City.

Denise Cunniff of Knox City and Bob and Sandy Walker of Bothell, Washington, are maternal grandparents.

Great-grandparents include Annie and Chester Lain of Munday, Ernestine and Collis Michels of Munday, Ruby Walker and the late Bob Walker of Woodson and the late Patsy and J.O. Tynes of Goree.



Christopher Ryan Proffitt

Chock and Lea Reeves of Knox City are happy to announce that they are great grandparents for the first time!

Christopher Ryan Proffitt was born on Friday, March 7, in the Jacksonville Naval Hospital in Jacksonville, Florida.

The son of Norma and Casey Proffitt, paternal grandparents are Kay and Gary Fannin of Chico and Ruth Ann and Cecil Proffitt of Waynesboro, Virginia.

Maternal grandparents are Margarita and Ignacio Mateos of Goree. Great grandparents other than Chock and Lea Reeves are Estesana Banda of Seguin, and Andrea and Robert Mateos of Mexico.

Lea, Kay and Gary visited Norma and Casey in Florida from March 2 to 11, so therefore were there to welcome the arrival of Christopher Ryan, who weighed 6.15 oz., measured 18 3/4 inches, and was positively beautiful!!

Larned kin is buried Tuesday in Childress

Funeral services for Bethel Adkisson of Childress, aunt of Jim Larned of Knox City, were held Tuesday, April 8, at two o'clock at Johnson Funeral Chapel in Childress. The Rev. Johnny Robertson, First United Methodist Church pastor of Childress, officiated and burial was in the Childress Cemetery.

Mrs. Adkisson, died Sunday, April 6, in Childress.

Born September 11 1906, in Puluxy, she married Ova Adkisson on June 27, 1959, in Childress. He preceded her in death on May 11, 1983. She was the former owner of City News Stand.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ova on May 11, 1983; two brothers, Arthur Larned in 1949 and Julian Larned in 1983; and her parents.

Survivors include a niece and nephew that Bethel and Ova raised, Sandy Freeman of Oviedo, Florida and Jim Larned of Knox City; two nephews, Donald Larned of Childress and Tanner Larned Whitaker of Wellington; three brothers, A.O. Larned of Childress, George Larned of Upland, California, and W.I. Larned of Riverside, California; and several other nieces and nephews.

Clint Hacker selected for prestigious Honor Society at ASU

Clint Hacker, son of Clifford and Sherry Hacker, has been notified by letter that he has been selected for membership in the prestigious Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society.

Requirements for membership in the Honor Society are completion of 15-45 credit hours, a grade point average of 3.5 or higher, academic integrity and maintaining a high standard of learning. The notification letter stated in closing that "it is a great honor to be chosen as a member of this society."

Clint is a student at Angelo State University in San Angelo.

NEWS Focus on Small Business

By Jack Faris, President, National Federation of Independent Business

For North Carolina small-business owner Clarence Tart, leaving the family business to his son is one of the hardest things he's ever had to do. Because when Clarence dies, his son will owe the federal government \$1.5 million plus in death taxes. And it won't be easy to make payments on \$1.5 million when the son's annual salary is \$31,000.

These taxes are known by many as "estate" taxes or "inheritance" taxes—pseudonyms for what is really a death tax. What else could you call a tax that is levied on a business for no reason except that a member of the family has died? There is no worse time for the government to step into a business than when the family is mourning the death of a parent or some other loved one.

For example, when Clarence Tart dies, his family will be punished by the Internal Revenue Service for the fourth time. The family's mistake: Tart & Tart, Inc. has been successful. For nearly four generations, the Tart family has worked hard and expanded their business. They provide jobs to 70 people and contribute to North Carolina's economy with three small farms, a fertilizer and tobacco warehouse business, and a small lumber mill.

The current death tax applies to a family business owner whose estate has a gross value of \$600,000 or more. Keep in mind that the gross value includes the property (the store front on Main Street or the farmer's hundreds of acres of land) and the equipment (the computers, the tractors or the kitchen appliances in a restaurant as well as all personal assets like the family's home and car). A small-business owner who makes a middle-class salary can be considered a millionaire.

The National Federation of Independent Business has long championed eliminating the death tax because it kills family businesses and is an obstacle to entrepreneurship and job creation. At about 1 percent of all federal revenues, the death tax generates more ruin than government funds. Those heirs who cannot pay the death tax are forced to either sell the business, break it up or liquidate the assets. Any of these options is devastating to a community, the business' employees and the surviving owners.

Even if heirs prepare for death taxes, the costs are staggering. Clarence Tart has not been able to expand his business or create any new jobs in the past few years because he has had to pull capital from his operations to cover legal fees, insurance costs, and trustee costs—all in hopes of putting together a plan that will offset the death taxes his son will eventually have to pay. There are years when the profits of Tart & Tart are less than the cost of this protection.

One way or another, death taxes must be paid, whether the business is mortgaged up front in life insurance and other fees, mortgaged after death in loan payments, or liquidated entirely.

The death tax was established in 1916 to redistribute wealth to prevent certain families from amassing the majority of the nation's riches. But, as is the case with most tax schemes aimed at the rich, the extremely wealthy find a way to stay extremely wealthy in spite of the tax, and the small-business owners, the Clarence Tarts and their employees, are the ones to struggle.

For a tax that generates so little in government revenues, it's not worth the devastation it causes to family businesses, entrepreneurship and our nation's international competitiveness. As Clarence Tart puts it, the solution is simple: "eliminate the death tax."

Jack Faris is President of the National Federation of Independent Business, representing 600,000 small business men and women. For information call 1-800-NFIB-NOW

Matura rites are held Sunday in Grand Saline

Funeral services for Jack Wayland Matura of Edgewood were held Sunday, April 6, at 3:30 p.m. at Bartley Funeral Home Chapel in Grand Saline. The Rev. Mark Winkic officiated with burial in Small Cemetery in Edgewood.

Mr. Matura, 58, died Friday, April 4, in a Tyler hospital.

Born June 9, 1938, in O'Brien, he had lived in Edgewood for the past 18 years. He was a Baptist and worked in concrete construction.

Survivors include two daughters and one son-in-law, Kim Ricketts of Edgewood and Paulette and Mike Roselle of Lewisville; two brothers and sister-in-law, Dwayne and Darla Matura and Bill Dodd and Jessie Matura, all of Edgewood; and five grandchildren.

Family served as pallbearers.

Welch rites are held Saturday in Benjamin

Funeral services for former Benjamin resident Oleta Faye Welch of Gorman were held Saturday afternoon, April 5, at three o'clock in the First Baptist Church in Benjamin. The Rev. Jack Maddox officiated and burial was in the Vera Cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Welch, 86, died Friday, April 4, in an Abilene hospital.

Born February 7, 1911, in Carlsbad, Texas, she married James B. Welch in 1925 in Hale County. She had moved to Gorman eight years ago from Benjamin. Mrs. Welch was a member of the Gorman Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, three daughters and one brother.

Survivors include a son, Harold D. Welch of Gorman; two brothers, Bill Rutledge of Odessa and Harold Rutledge of San Antonio; two sisters, Leveine Frye of Lubbock and Reba Smiddy of San Antonio; five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

IN POE HOME

Hope and Oather Poe received a great surprise recently when Bro. Mart Hardin and wife Mary Kay of Duncan, Oklahoma, visited them.

Hope reported they had a great time talking about old times while they lived at O'Brien where he pastored for five years.

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Card of Thanks

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Friday, April 18 - Barbecue on a bun, cole slaw, oven baked beans, fruit, cookies.

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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 4-3 tfc 23

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 4-10 tfc 20

Help Wanted

THE CITY OF KNOX CITY will be accepting plans for the contract operation of the swimming pool until April 10 at 5:00. The contract pool manager will be responsible for the day to day operations. For further information contact Robert Patrick, City Administrator, City Hall, 200 North Central, P.O. Box 128, Knox City, Texas 79529 from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday. 3-20 tfc 65

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APPLICATIONS WILL BE received through April 15 for Executive Director of the Local Housing Authority. Computer skills, accounting, willing to be certified as management specialist. Know qualifications for HUD and RECD. Applications may be picked up at the Housing Authority office, 201 SW Fourth, Monday through Friday, 8 to noon.
 4-3 tfc 56

PART-TIME HELP needed. Apply in person at Marion Conoco, 611 East Main.
 4-10 tfc 13

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Public Notice

The ASPERMONT SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER, INC. is a private non-profit corporation, contracting with certain Departments of State, for the provision of services to the low-income, elderly, disabled and the general public. We are seeking certified DBE/WBE - HUBS (Historically Underutilized Businesses) who would like to be considered by our organization when we are asking providers of goods or services. It is our policy at the ASBDC, Inc., to offer maximum opportunity to those DBE businesses wishing to participate in the procurement process of our external expense needs. Examples of some of our external needs are: office supplies and equipment, fuel/oil, tires, vehicles, insurance and certain professional services. If you are a certified DBE/WBE business enterprise, and would like to be included in our list of bidders/providers; or, if you would like information as to how you might qualify for certified DBE status, please contact Don Mullis, Executive Director at (817) 989-3538; or by mail at P.O. Box 188, Aspermont, Texas 79502.
 4-10 tfc 176

Public Notice

The Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc. is seeking candidates from KNOX COUNTY to serve on its Board of Directors. Candidates must be willing to work toward meeting the needs of the Low-Income persons of our six (6) county service area. The Board of Directors meets quarterly, or as may be directed by the TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS. For more information, all interested persons should contact DON MULLIS at (800) 722-0137 by 4:00 P.M. on Friday, April 18, 1997. An ELECTION will be held on Friday, April 25, 1997 at the KNOX COUNTY COURTHOUSE, located in Benjamin, Texas. The purpose of the election will be to elect a new member to the BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc. All interested KNOX COUNTY residents are encouraged to participate.
 4-10 tfc 221

Public Notice

The ASPERMONT SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER, INC. is a private non-profit corporation, serving the counties of Kent, Stonewall, Knox, Haskell, Jones and Throckmorton, that is dedicated to serving the needs of the Low-Income in our Service Area. The priority target populations for our services are the Low-Income Elderly / Disabled and Low-Income households with small children (age 6 and under). Our Agency offers a wide-variety of services to the Low-Income including Information & Referral services, counseling in the areas of Household Budgeting and Energy Conservation, Rural Public Transportation Service, and Basic Emergency Services Assistance.

The ASBDC, Inc. is now offering Assistance with Energy needs under our COMPREHENSIVE ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CEAP). The CEAP program has four "components" which are designed to address the Energy needs of the Low-Income and assist them in becoming more self-sufficient in the area of Energy Consumption. The COMPREHENSIVE ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CEAP) is not an "entitlement" program, and certain qualifying criteria does apply. For more information about the COMPREHENSIVE ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CEAP) and other services of the ASBDC, Inc., please call (800) 722-0137 or come by our offices at 614 S. Washington Street in Aspermont, Texas. 4-10 tfc 221

HUNTERS' RETREAT -

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The Brazos Valley Young Farmers will be accepting bids for property in Knox County, Knox City, Texas as described: House located at 1105 S. 4th in Knox City, Texas. This house has 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, den, fenced backyard, storage building, and new aluminum siding.

Bids will be accepted until 5:00 pm Monday, April 14, 1997. They will be opened and publicly announced at the Brazos Valley Young Farmers Barn at 7:00 pm on same day. Bids must be in a sealed envelope and mailed to BVYF, Box 401, Munday, TX 76371.

More information may be obtained by calling George Oustad at (817) 422-4534 or Tommy Bibb after 5:00 at (817) 422-4841.

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Legal Notice

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The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Bateman Trust Est. Account no. 1 Well Number 85 & 101. The proposed injection well is located 6 Miles East of Guthrie in the Bateman Ranch (C-Zone) in King County. Fluid will be injection into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 5253 to 5354 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792.) 4-10 1tc 196

LEGAL NOTICE - THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 30.05 OF THE PENAL CODE OF TEXAS - (CRIMINAL TRESPASS SENATE BILL III LEGISLATURE), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL LANDS OF THE W.T. WAGGONER ESTATE ARE POSTED - SAVE AND EXCEPT WHERE WRITTEN PERMISSION IS GIVEN TO COME UPON THE SAME.
GENE W. WILLINGHAM
A.B. WHARTON 52

Bid Notice

GUTHRIE CSD will be accepting sealed bids on one 1988 four wheel drive suburban and one 1990 two wheel drive suburban and one 1990 two wheel drive suburban. Each is to be bid separately. Bids must be received by 4:00 p.m. Monday, April 21, 1997 and will be opened the same day at 7:00 p.m. in the administration office. Call the superintendent's office at (806) 596-4466 to obtain a copy of the invitation for bids and arrange for inspection. Guthrie CSD reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 4-10 2tc 98

Election Notice

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION DE GENERAL)

To the Registered Voters of Knox City, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados del Knox

Election Notice

City, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 3, 1997, for voting in a General election to elect two (2) Councilmembers and one (1) Mayor.

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 3rd de Mayo de 1997 para dos miembros de Council and y una Alcade.

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

KNOX CITY AGING CENTER, KNOX CITY, TEXAS (KNOX COUNTY)
CENTRO PARA ANCIANIDAD DEL CONDADA, KNOX

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at (La votacion en ausencia en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

KNOX CITY CITY HALL, 200 NORTH CENTRAL, KNOX CITY, TEXAS

Knox City Ciudad Ascaldia, 200 Norte Central, Knox City, Texas (location) (sitio)

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 14, 1997

(entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 14 abril, 1997)

and ending on April 29, 1997.

(Y terminando el 29 de abril, 1997).

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to:
(las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausenciz por correo deberan enviarse a:)

Brenda Correll

(Name of Early Voting Clerk)

(Nombre del Secretario de la Votacion En Adelantada)

200 North Central

200 North Central

(Address) (Direccion)

Knox City, Texas 79529

Knox City, Texas 79529

(City) (Ciudad)

(Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on

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

April 25, 1997

25 de abril 1997

(date) (fecha)

Issued this the 7th day of March 1997.

(Emitada este dia 7th de march 1997.)

Tommie Reynolds

Signature of Presiding Officer
(Firma del Oficial que Preside)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION DE REGENTES)

To the Registered Voters of Knox City and O'Brien, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados del Knox City and O'Brien, Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 3, 1997, for voting in a General election to elect two (2) trustees.

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 3rd de Mayo de 1997 para 2 miembros del patronato.)

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

KNOX CITY AGING CENTER, KNOX CITY, TEXAS (KNOX COUNTY)

Centro Para Ancianidad Del Condada Knox

O'BRIEN CITY HALL, O'BRIEN, TEXAS (HASKELL COUNTY)

Edificio Publico de la Ciudad O'Brien

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at (La votacion en ausencia en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

Knox City-O'Brien CISD Administration Office, 606 East Main, Knox City, Texas

(location) (sitio)

between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 14, 1997

(entre las 8:30 de la mañana y las 4:00 de la tarde empezando el 14 abril, 1997)

and ending on April 29, 1997.

(Y terminando el 29 de abril, 1997).

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to:
(las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausenciz por correo deberan enviarse a:)

Mary Rauch

(Name of Early Voting Clerk)

(Nombre del Secretario de la Votacion En Adelantada)

Route 1 Box 82 D

Route 1 Box 82 D

(Address) (Direccion)

Knox City, Texas 79529

Knox City, Texas 79529

(City) (Ciudad)

(Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on

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

April 25, 1997

25 de abril 1997

(date) (fecha)

Issued this the 7th day of April, 1997.

(Emitada este dia 7th de abril 1997.)

Don E. Roberts

Signature of Presiding Officer
(Firma del Oficial que Preside)

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION DE GENERAL)
To the Registered Voters of Benjamin, Texas:
(A los votantes registrados del Benjamin Texas:)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 3, 1997, for voting in a General election to elect one (1) mayor and two (2) council members.

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 3rd de Mayo de 1997 para un Alcade and y dos miembros de concejo municipal.

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES

(Direccion(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

BENJAMIN MEMORIAL BUILDING

(KNOX COUNTY)

BENJAMIN MEMORIAL BUILDING

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at (La votacion en ausencia en persona se llevara a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

KNOX COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE COURTHOUSE, BENJAMIN (location) (sitio)

between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 14, 1997

(entre las 8:00 de la mañana y las 5:00 de la tarde empezando el 14 abril, 1997)

and ending on April 29, 1997. (Y terminando el 29 de abril, 1997).

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to:
(las solicitudes para boletas que se votaran en ausenciz por correo deberan enviarse a:)

Danny Speck

(Name of Early Voting Clerk)

(Nombre del Secretario de la Votacion En Adelantada)

PO Box 196 PO Box 196

(Address) (Direccion)

Benjamin, Texas 79505

Benjamin, Texas 79505

(City) (Ciudad)

(Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on

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

April 25, 1997

25 de abril 1997

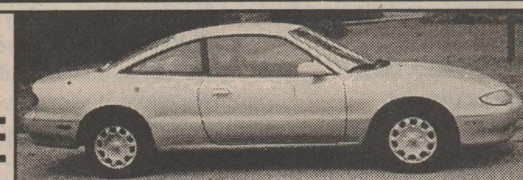
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Signature of Presiding Officer
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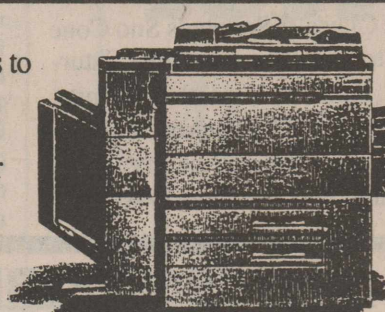
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PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF BENJAMIN

TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

City of Benjamin is giving notice of the city's intent to submit a Community Development Fund application for a grant from the Texas Community Development Program. The grant application requested is \$249,981.00 for citywide water system improvements. The application is available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF KNOX CITY

TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

City of Knox City is giving notice of the city's intent to submit a Community Development Fund application for a grant from the Texas Community Development Program. The grant application requested is \$246,800 for water system improvements citywide and in the northern section of the City of Knox City. The application is available for review at City Hall during regular business hours.