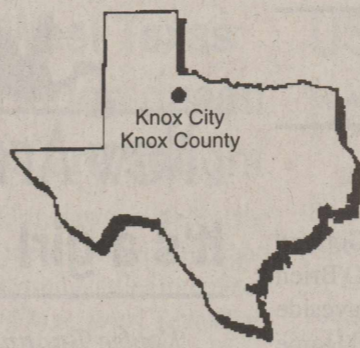


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KCHS FOOTBALL PLAYERS began drills early Monday when two-a-day practice sessions began for the 2004 season. Houndette volleyball players also reported for practice at the KCHS Gym. (NEWS photo)

## KCHS football and volleyball teams begin practice

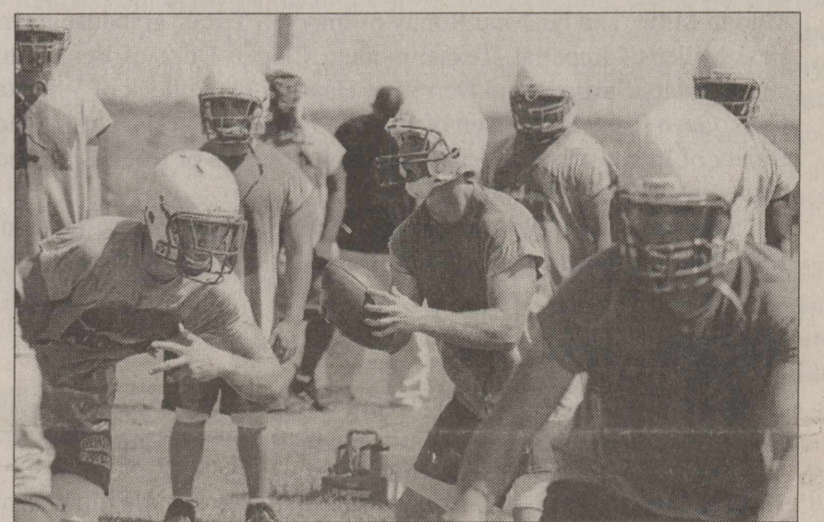


Student athletes from Knox City High School reported for practice sessions early Monday morning of this week in preparation for the upcoming volleyball and football seasons.

With temperatures in the high 90's, sweat is rolling freely off both the football players on the football field and the volleyball players in the gym. Due to the extreme summer heat, coaches are making sure plenty of fluids are available and keeping an eye on the athletes for any sign that a student might be suffering more than normal because of the heat.

The 2004 Houndette Varsity and Junior Varsity Volleyball Teams are coached by Jaree Elliott, she is assisted by Shannon Fisher.

Coaches for the 2004 Greyhound Varsity and Junior Varsity Football Teams are Head Coach Wayne Hutchinson, Mitch McLemore, Larry Welch, Jeremy West and Colin Howeth. All of the Knox City and O'Brien athletic programs are under the direction of Athletic Director Wayne Hutchinson.



## Texas USDA-NRCS announces field day anniversary of KC Plant Materials Center

Local center to celebrate 40 years August 26

TEMPLE - The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service's (NRCS) Knox City Plant Materials Center (PMC) near Knox City, Texas, will be celebrating its 40th Anniversary Field Day on August 26, 2004. Since 1964, the Knox City PMC has released 35 new plant cultivars, along with the technology for their production and use.

For years the PMC has demonstrated cooperative efforts between local, state and federal agencies working together to make the center and plant materials program a success. The PMC is located approximately two miles north of Knox City on State Highway 6, then turn left at FM 1292 for about 2.5 miles and follow the signs to the center.

The Knox City PMC serves north, central and west Texas, as well as southwest Oklahoma. Knox City PMC was the first plant

materials center located in the state of Texas. According to PMC Manager Morris Houck, the anniversary event will have guided tours throughout the center from 9 a.m. until around 3 p.m., and registration will begin at 8 p.m. PMC encourages Soil and Water Conservation District directors, research workers, wildlife enthusiasts, livestock producers, and conservation seed dealers/growers to attend among other interested parties in the search for better plants.

"Among the stops made by wagon-guided tours will be native plant breeding blocks, foundation seed fields, windbreaks and evaluation fields," Houck said. "Part of the tour will highlight a native prairie planting at the center."

A new part of the field day will be an offering of two workshops during the morning of the field

day. One workshop will focus on grass seed drill calibration, while the second will expose the participants to basic plant identification. Each workshop will last approximately one hour.

For conservation professionals intending to fly into Knox City for the anniversary events, the city has a 3200-foot, all-weather paved runway near the center that can accommodate private and charter aircraft.

The noon lunch will have a formal program with guest speakers provided by the Knox City Chamber of Commerce. Those needing to make arrangements for lunch should contact the Knox City Chamber of Commerce at 658-3442.

For more information on the PMC 40th Anniversary Field Day, contact Morris Houck at 658-3922 or by e-mail at Morris.Houck@tx.usda.gov.

## Watermelon Festival car show brings classic autos, trucks, motorcycles to KC

Sponsored by Bailey Toliver Chevrolet - Cadillac in HASKELL, the 5th Annual Classic Car Show held in conjunction with the Donald Johnson Memorial Seedless Watermelon Festival last weekend brought a lot of beautiful vehicles into Knox City.

With restored vehicles showing in a full range of classifications that included cars, pickup trucks and motorcycles, show organizers felt the event was a total success.

Best of Show honors went to Randy L. Hayes of Albany, with his 1938 Chevy Street Rod Master Delux.

Farthest Distance Traveled went to Derooy Anderson of Edinburg, Texas, with his 1949 Ford Pickup.

### Car Awards

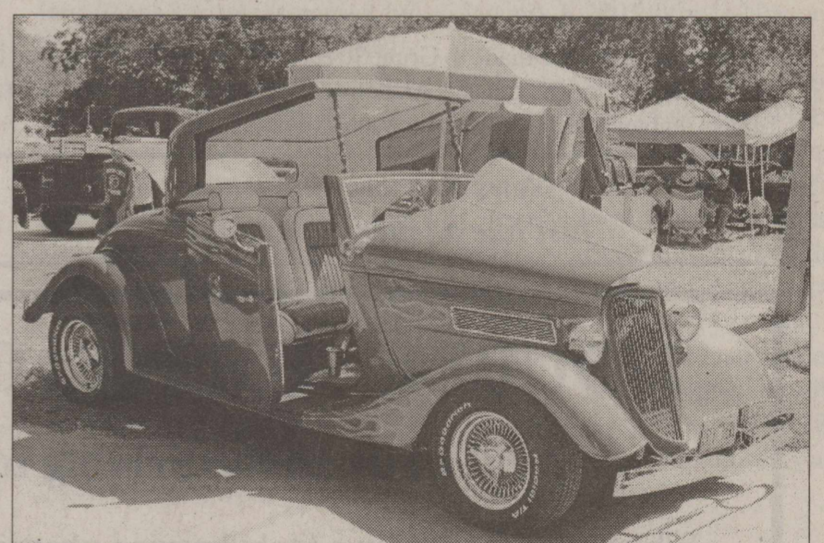
**1902-1940:** 1st place won by Johnny Taylor with his 1949 Ford, 2nd place won by Johnson Melon Corporation with their 1925 Ford.

**1950's:** 1st place won by Glen Large with his 1957 Ford, 2nd place won by Gary and Merina White with their 1957 Chevrolet, and 3rd place won by Obie Coker and his 1955 Chevrolet.

**1960's:** 1st place won by Matt Birkla with his 1963 Chevrolet, and 2nd place won by Billy Joe Large with his 1964 Chevrolet.

**1970 to Present:** 1st place won by Dillon Mattlies with his 1981 Chevrolet, 2nd place won by Robert and Paula Walker with their 1970 Plymouth, and 3rd Place won by William Jones and his 1985 Avanti.

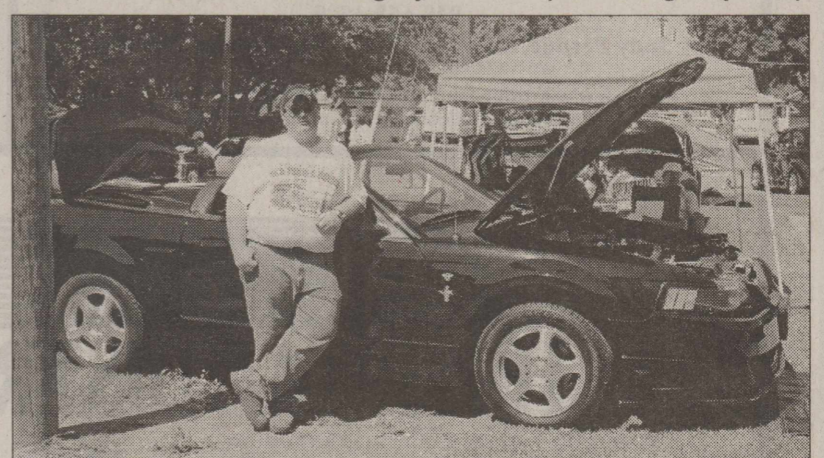
**Low Riders/Street Rods:** 1st place won by David Casillas and his 1964 Chevrolet, and 2nd place won by Randy L. Hayes and his



BEST OF SHOW honors went to Randy L. Hayes of Albany with his 1938 Chevy Street Rod Master Delux. (NEWS digital photo)



THIS 1957 FORD owned by Glen Large of Knox City took first place honors in the 1950's Car category. (NEWS digital photo)



CODY BROCKETT AND HIS 2003 MUSTANG took third place honors in the Ford Mustang division. (NEWS digital photo)



A HUGE CROWD attended last weekend's Watermelon Festival in Knox City and had the opportunity to hear Madlyne McCormick of Floydada sing. She is the great-granddaughter of Stella Carver of KC.

See Car Show, contd. on page 3



## From this Angle

By Billye Angle

It was some kind of weekend! Had a good turnout for the Watermelon Festival and even though the weather was very hot, people did not seem to let it bother them too much as many sat and visited for most of the day. Vendors were staying busy and lots of interest was shown in the car show. Also, a lot of work was evident in the parade held Friday afternoon. The rodeo Saturday night attracted a good many, so there was plenty of activities going on in Knox City! It is good to live in a small town where you park your vehicles for the downtown parade and enjoy visiting for an hour before it starts. Another activity I failed to mention was the annual golf tournament at the Knox City Country Club on Saturday.

Faye Reed was good enough to bring in the news of their third annual Howell cousins' reunion held in Ruidoso, NM on July 23-24. Attending from Knox City were Margie and Joe Clonts, June and Sammy Tankersley, and Charles, Faye, and Kevin Reed. Others attending included the only remaining aunt of the group,

Mildred Howell of Plano; Charmie (Howell) and Warner Faust, Plano; Virginia (Ivey) Gilchrist, McDonald, NM; Sherron Holmes, McDonald, NM; Shea, Mikey, and Chase Winchester, Roswell, NM; Ashley and Ryan Winchester, Dexter, NM; Clela (Jordan) Jones, Goree; Jan and Linda Jordan, Irving; Jim and Nell Jordan, Red Oak; Billy and Judy Howell, Luke and Sawyer of Shallowater; Kay (Howell) and Ron Jenkins, Los Lunas, NM; and Lee Ann Lohran of Long Beach, CA and daughter Jo (Ivey) and Bob Larmore.

Former residents Bob and Beverly Munsell of Big Spring and their daughter Latisha visited here over the weekend.

Brack Shaver of Fort Worth spent Sunday night of last week here with his mother Faye Shaver.

Mildred Brackeen of Lubbock and Helen Hickman of Huntsville, Alabama, visited Evelyn Balis Sunday.

Spending the weekend here with Stella Carver and attending the Watermelon Festival were her children and grandchildren Kelly

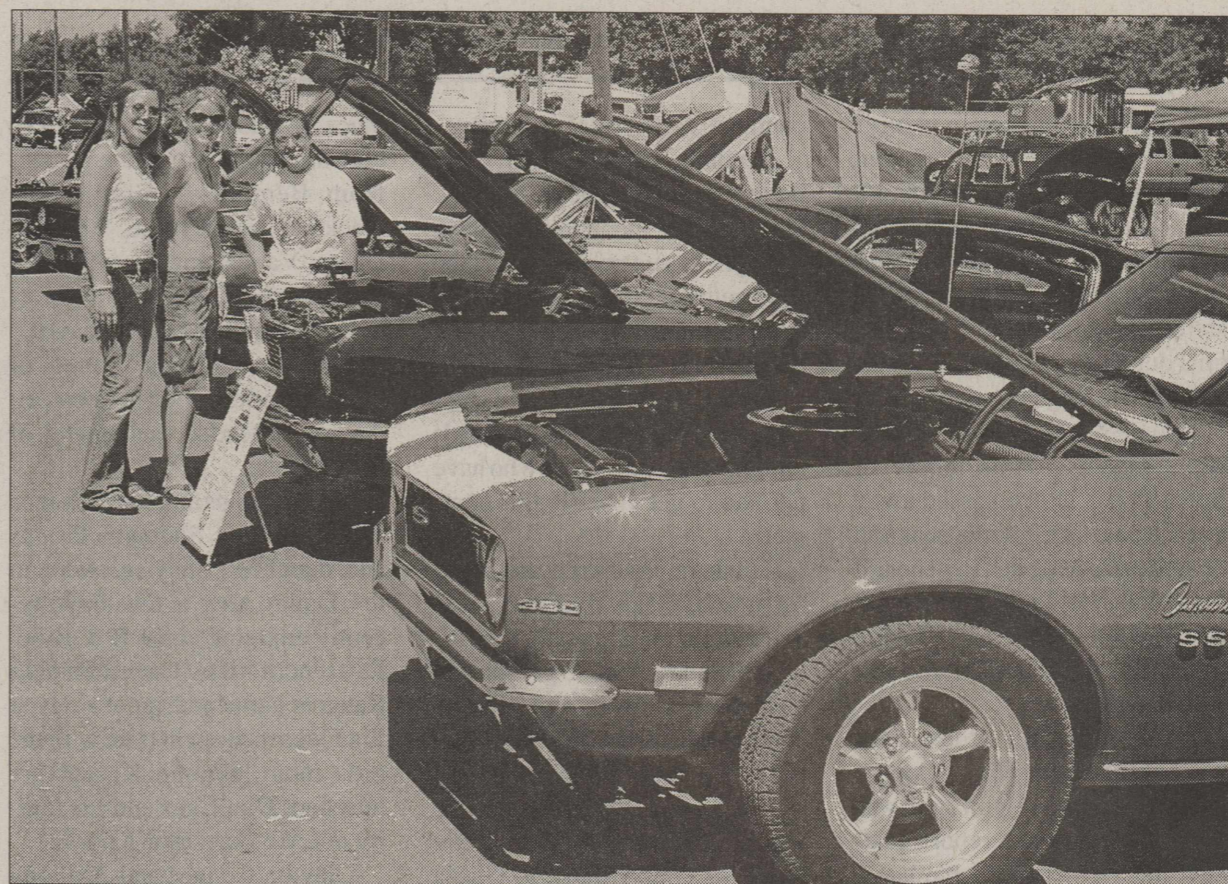
and Madlyne McCormick of Floydada, Barbara Beaver, and Austin Griggs, both of Lubbock.

Doris Crownover had her grandson Brett Beesley, his wife Avery, and their children Stevie and Gannon of Amarillo here for the weekend. She said they enjoyed the Watermelon Festival and all of the other activities including the rodeo.

Matthew and Katie Hosea of Holly Lake Ranch spent the weekend here with their grandparents, Birdie and Bobby Joe Helton and attended the Watermelon Festival and all of the other activities. The Heltons met their daughter Tammie and her husband Ken in Decatur to return the children home.

Merri Graham of Navasota has been a recent visitor in the home of Peggy and Charlie Clarke. Here in the Clarke home for the weekend Watermelon Festival were Greg, Sandra, and Ashlee Whitten of Pearsall.

Charlotte and Duane Seay of Snyder visited her mother, Marion Perdue, last weekend and attended the Watermelon Festival.



LOOKING AT A BEAUTIFUL 1966 FORD MUSTANG SHELBY GT at the 5th Annual Classic Car Show in Knox City last weekend, Kimberly Hawkins (right) of Knox City is shown here with two of her friends from Hardin Simmons University in Abilene, Kmy Soto of Abilene (left) and Jennifer Sunde of Tyler (center). The 1968 Chevy Camero in the foreground was entered in the show by Eric Lewis of Knox City and took 2nd place honors in the Camero Car Division of the show, held each year in conjunction with the Watermelon Festival. (NEWS digital photo)

## Classic Car Show winners announced

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1938 Chevrolet.

**Corvettes:** 1st place won by Wiggle Wegenir and his 1972 Corvette, and 2nd place won by Gary McLendon and his 2001 Corvette.

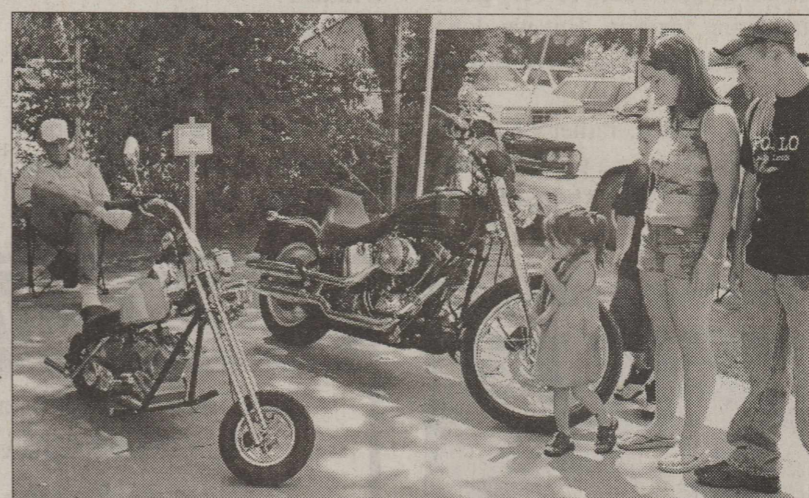
**Mustangs:** 1st place won by David Craft with his 1966 Mustang GT, 2nd place won by Walter Bueger and his 1965 Mustang Convertible, and 3rd place won by Cody Brockett with his 2003 Mustang Convertible.

**Cameros:** 1st place won by John McLean with his 1969 Camero, 2nd place won by Eric Lewis with his 1969 Camero, and 3rd place won by Nick Ensnings with his 1969 Camero.

**Pickup 1901-1940:** 1st place won by Gary Pascall with his 1946 Ford, 2nd place won by DeRoy Anderson with his 1949 Ford, and 3rd place won by Richard Denton and his 1923 Ford.

**Pickup 1950's:** 1st place won by James Pilcher with his 1955 Chevrolet.

**Pickup 1960's:** 1st place won



CAR SHOW SPECTATORS look over the motorcycles that won in the Classic Car Show last weekend here in Knox City. Sid Richardson's Harley-Davidson (at right) won 1st place and Dustin Johnson's Mini-Chopper won 2nd place. (NEWS digital photo)

by Johnny McElroy with his 1966 Chevrolet, and 2nd Place won by Carol Large and her 1962 Ford.

**Unfinished:** 1st place won by David Hutson and his 1937 Chevrolet Town Sedan, 2nd place won by Roger Detamore and his 1954 Chevrolet 2 door hard top, and 3rd place won by Ray Wyatt

and his 1970 Chevrolet 4x4.

**Foreign:** 1st place won by Annette Hopper with her 1970 Volkswagen Beetle Sedan.

**Motorcycles:** 1st place won by Sid Richardson with his 2002 Harley-Davidson, 2nd place won by Dustin Johnson and his Mini-Chopper.

## Vernon College announces Campus Connect registration

Vernon College Campus Connect registration dates for the 2004 fall semester at three locations in Wichita Falls and the Vernon campus are as follows: July 12 - August 8 (excluding Sheppard Learning Center) and August 11 - 18 for

all eligible students.

Campus Connect is Vernon College's new web-based registration system. Campus Connect enables eligible students to register for credit courses from any computer with Internet access or

at selected VC computer labs. To be eligible for Internet registration, students must meet all admissions requirements, have a PIN (Personal Identification Number), no holds on their records, and have a trial schedule prior to attempting to register by Campus Connect. First-time students should fill out an Application for Admission, have high school or college transcripts sent to the registrar's office, have their Texas Higher Education Assessment (THEA) scores on file, and make an appointment with a Vernon College advisor to have their trial schedule signed. Internet classes are available online.

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Services at the Department of Health are offered on a sliding fee scale but no one is denied services.

For more information regarding immunizations, please call 940-552-8770.

**News Deadline**  
**Mondays**  
**at 4:00**

We appreciate your cooperation.

Thank you . . . thank you . . . thank you . . .

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The Knox City Chamber of Commerce would like to thank everyone that helped to make this year's Watermelon Festival a huge success.

A very special "thank you" to

- the Johnson Family,
- The Knox County News,
- the Knox City employees,
- the Fire Dept., • the Police Dept.,
- Citizens Bank for sponsoring the band, and
- Bailey-Toliver Chevrolet-Cadillac for sponsoring the Classic Car Show.

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Thank you . . . thank you . . . thank you . . .

## Benjamin news

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

Who said it never rains in July? That may usually be the case but on Wednesday we learned it's not always that way. We had amounts reported from 6 1/2 to 8 inches and it fell pretty hard and fast. We are drying out now, tho and getting our yards mowed in readiness for an August "spell".

Sympathy extended - Heartfelt sympathy to the family of Butch Duke. Butch passed away last Tuesday at his home near San Antonio. He had been in ill health for awhile. His funeral and burial was here Friday. He had a loving family and many friends who will miss him deeply.

Regarding our ill - Odessa Cox was admitted to Knox County Hospital Saturday p.m. but was feeling better at last report. I believe her problem is heart related. No word if she was dismissed today (Monday) or not. We surely do wish her well.

Don Morrill is about finished with his radiation treatments and he hopes to be home soon after the completion of the treatments. We hope he can come on home as I believe that would be very good medicine for him. But we don't want him to return home til he's able.

E.D. Welch, father of Susan Cartwright, is in a pretty serious condition at Susan's home. Please

continue to pray for his family.

Omitene Barnett has had some pretty uncomfortable days lately. Some of her medicine has been giving her some trouble but maybe she's getting it straightened out so hopefully she will begin to feel better soon.

Two-a-days began today and I imagine there are some tired kids tonight. Especially those who have not had to get up early this summer.

Think they had to get at it about 6 a.m. and that's early. Don't know about them but I'm ready for volleyball and football to get started.

Debbie Clower and Lorene Powers spent a few days last week at Deb's sisters in Dallas.

Week before last Indira Monge was in Dallas for the bachelorette party for Gloria Barraza. Gloria was married Saturday at Rhineland and the reception was at the Benjamin Memorial Bldg.

Rhonda Shelton and Jolee of Sydney, Iowa, and Christi Ross, Kate and Libby of Grundy Center, Iowa, spent last week with their parents, Jack and Judie Whitten.

Weekend before last several from Benjamin who are members of the Brazos Valley Quilting Guild attended a quilting retreat at the Big Honker's Lodge. Said lots of fun and lots of sewing took

place in those three days. The club has about 35 members. Ones from Benjamin enjoying the weekend were Judie Whitten, Dawn Vanderpol, Jan Carver, Carol Dickson and Pam Duke. (I hope I didn't leave anyone out!)

Butch and Letha Young of Grand Prairie visited here on Friday and attended the funeral of Butch Duke.

Stasia Propps and sons, Chance and Cody and Shannon Propps and daughter, Shaylee, were in the Dallas area a few days recently enjoying some R & R before school starts. They attended a Rangers game and spent a day at Six Flags then spent time with the girls mom, Jimmie K. and her husband, Don Liles and his family at Lake Fort, near Kilgore.

Clayton Conner and Anthony Lamb were in Lubbock and Plainview during the weekend. Clayton pre-registered for the fall semester at Wayland Baptist on Saturday.

Bob and Stephanie Brannan and family were weekend visitors in Benjamin.

Becky and Tracy Baty and family of Howe are here to be with her family and help out with her dad, E.D. Welch.

Wynelle Holloway of Fredericksburg is spending a few days with her sister, Omitene Barnett.



MEA ABILA

### Mea Abila is queen candidate at Haskell

Mea Abila, daughter of Mario and Linda Abila of Knox City, is a queen candidate for the St. George Catholic Church Jamaica to be held September 12 in Haskell.

She will be an eighth grader at O'Brien Mid-School.

Mea is active in band, basketball, volleyball and is also a cheerleader.

The Abilas are sponsoring an enchilada dinner to raise funds for her. An ad elsewhere in this week's News provides the information.

### A Golden Time

**Brazos Valley  
Care Home  
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A Mayo Clinic study says that depressed people tend to recover less well from heart attacks, coronary bypasses and other heart condition problems than people without emotional problems. The study followed 310 men and 70 women entering cardiac rehabilitation programs.

Researchers know that the protein ApoE is involved in Alzheimer's. Some Duke researchers say people who inherit a variant called ApoE are at risk before age 70.

### KC's 4-H enrollment is August 11

By LORRIE COOP, CEA/FCS

Knox County 4-H is getting ready to kick off the new year. Each club is now enrolling for the coming year.

For questions about the 4-H program, contact the club manager listed below or the Knox County Extension Office in Benjamin at (940) 459-2651.

Knox City - August 11, 5:00 to 6:00 p.m., Knox City Community

Center: Club Manager: Michelle Esquivel; Benjamin - August 18, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Benjamin High School Library; Club Manager: Dana Beck; Munday - August 25, 4:00 to 5:00 p.m., Munday Elementary School Cafeteria, Club Manager: Dalyn Griffin.

Parents of interested children are requested to attend the enrollment meeting also to sign the necessary documentation.

*Just wanted to take the opportunity to compliment the Mayor, the City Council, and the wonderfully efficient City Manager and her staff for their efforts of maintenance before, during and after the Watermelon Festival.*

*From getting the City ready for the parade and festival, working through the two day event and for the prompt cleanup following the festival - it was incredible.*

*Once again, you are to be commended.*

*Sincerely,  
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### Festival mini-pics



**WATERMELON** was what it was all about last weekend at the 16th Annual Donald Johnson memorial Seedless Watermelon Festival in Knox City! Free watermelon was on hand for everyone to enjoy!



**PONY RIDES** were a favorite among the younger kids who attended the Watermelon Festival last weekend.



**THERE WAS** something for everyone, young and old, at the Watermelon Festival. This youngster enjoyed the swings at the City Park.

### ENCHILADA DINNER

to benefit Mea Abila, Queen Candidate for St. George Catholic Church Jamaica

**SUN., AUG. 8, starts between 10:30 & 11:00**  
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Mea, her parents & St. George would greatly appreciate your support!



### LONGHORNS

GUS WEST, second row, second from right, with North Texas Longhorns at the World Series Tournament

**THANK YOU** to all who sponsored Gus in the World Series Tournament. The North Texas Longhorns won the consolation championship. We appreciate Johnson Melon Corp., Dr. Shirley and Joe Barretto, Abila Pumping, Romain Stubbs and Shea Edmonds, Pumpers Supply and Equipment, Mr. and Mrs. Don Hawkins, Knox City Cleaners, Counts Real Estate, Jamie Caldwell - FNP, Patsy Gonzales, Nikki and Brittny, Meme and family, Penman Conoco, Stewart Insurance, and the Knox City Volunteer Fire Dept.

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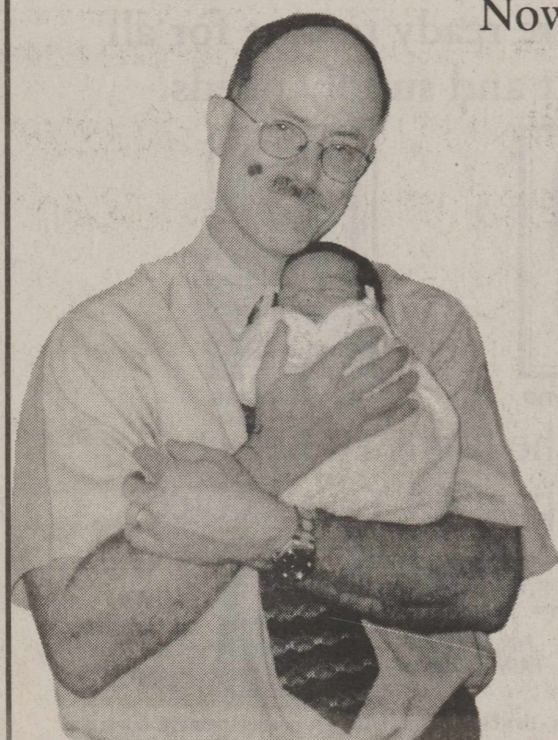
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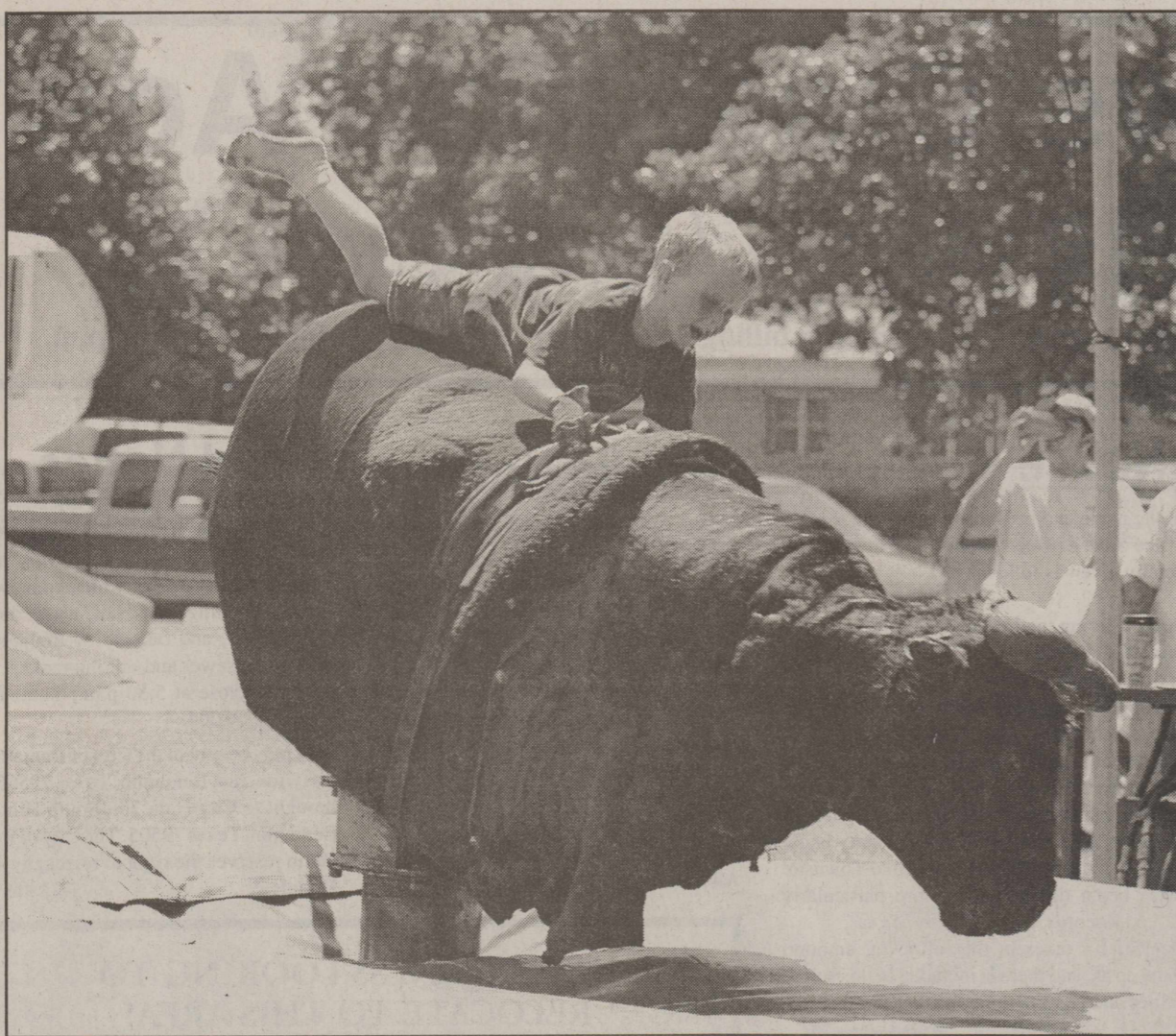
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**HANGING ON AND HAVING A WONDERFUL TIME** riding the mechanical bull at Saturday's Watermelon Festival in the City Park was Stuart Edmonds, son of Shea and Scott Edmonds. (NEWS digital photo)



**VENDORS GALORE** displayed their goods at the Watermelon Festival as those in attendance saw an assortment of caps, jewelry, crafts, food and other unique items. (NEWS digital photo)



**FESTIVAL GOERS GATHERED** under the shade trees at the City Park for an afternoon of music and visiting during the annual Watermelon Festival. (NEWS digital photo)



**HERE THEY COME!** Kids of all ages kept the giant inflatable water slide busy during Saturday's activities of the Watermelon Festival. (NEWS digital photo)

## Miss West Texas Fair, Rodeo queen entries are sought

Entry forms are available at the offices of the West Texas Fair and Rodeo for young ladies interested in the 2004 Miss West Texas Fair & Rodeo Queen and Teen Pageant.

The pageant dates are September 10-12. Entries must be received in the West Texas Fair and Rodeo Office by 5:00 p.m., August 20.

Winners will reign over the 2004 West Texas Fair & PRCA Rodeo September 14-18. They will also represent the West Texas Fair & Rodeo at various other rodeos, parades and other activities in the West Texas area during the year and will also compete in the Miss Rodeo Texas Pageant held in San Antonio in June of 2005.

Age limits for the Miss division are 19-24 years of age and for the Teen division they are 14-18.

Prizes for each division include crown, banner, roses, handmade spurs, hand tooled spur straps, Wranglers, buckle and more. Winner of horsemanship in each division receives a saddle blanket with hand tooled corners.

The winner of the Miss division will receive a \$2,000.00 scholarship.

Entrants must live within a 100 mile radius of Abilene.

Call the West Texas Fair & Rodeo office at (325) 677-4376 for entry forms.

## TTU Health Sciences Center commencement awards 695 degrees

LUBBOCK - President M. Roy Wilson, M.D., presided over his first Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center graduation with students from all regional campuses, including the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences and the Schools of Medicine, Nursing, Allied Health Sciences and Pharmacy, in an all-school commencement ceremony on May 22 at the United Spirit Center.

A total of 695 students received degrees in these health disciplines.

This year marks the 35th anniversary of the legislation signed by the late Governor Preston Smith, establishing what is known today at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

Among those receiving degrees were Ezekiel L. Duke, Doctor of Medicine, son of Dennis and Pam Duke of Benjamin; and Kursten Reynolds, granddaughter of Sequoyah and Bud Reynolds of Knox City and daughter of Cindy and Billy Bob Reynolds of Hamlin.

*Be sure and call in your news for 'From This Angle'*

## Aging center lunch menus

August 9th thru 13th

**Monday, August 9** - Meat loaf, spinach, mixed vegetables, hot rolls, cobbler.

**Tuesday, August 10** - Bar-b-q chicken, pinto beans, potato salad, cornbread, cake.

**Wednesday, August 11** - Fish, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, hush puppies, cookies and fruit.

**Thursday, August 12** - Chicken fried steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, sweet peas, hot rolls, cobbler.

**Friday, August 13** - Chicken strips with gravy, buttered potatoes, salad, biscuits, dessert. (All menus subject to change without notification. It is important to contact the site manager in order that meals can be prepared.)

## USDA rural development to hold outreach in Knox County

Representatives of the USDA Rural Development will be in Knox City on Thursday, August 5, at the USDA Service Center located at 1101 East Main from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. They will assist persons interested in home ownership loans and home repair loans and grants. Customers will be assisted on a first come-first served basis.

There are several programs available to provide assistance to very-low, low and moderate-income applicants. Loans are available depending on repayment ability, acceptable credit and the location of the home or building site.

The direct home ownership loan is designed to provide very-low and low-income applicants with financing to build, purchase or repair homes to provide adequate affordable housing. Funds may also be used to modernize or repair a home already owned by an applicant. For moderate-income applicants, there is the Guaranteed Rural Housing Program. Moderate income limits vary by the number of persons in a household, but for family of four the limit is \$66,150.

Two significant advantages of the direct home ownership loan program are that no down payment is required, and there is no requirement for mortgage insurance. Loans may be made for up to 100% of the appraised market value, which may allow the closing costs to be included. The loan term is typically 33 years. The interest rate is fixed and is currently 6.375%. Payment assistance is available, based on family size and income, which may reduce the monthly interest payment to as low as one percent (1%).

USDA Rural Development loans and grants are limited to rural towns or rural areas. In this

part of west Texas, the only areas not eligible would be within the Abilene and San Angelo metropolitan statistical area.

There are also home repair loans and grants for very-low income homeowners. Grant funds are available to homeowners age 62 and over who cannot repay a loan. Grant funds are used to remove health and safety hazards such as repairing roofs, heating, electrical, plumbing, water and waste disposal, handicapped accessibility, etc. The home repair loan amount cannot exceed \$20,000, and grant assistance may not exceed \$7500. Loans under this program are made with a 1% interest rate and have a maximum term of 20 years.

Home improvement loans may include similar purposes, but may also be used to modernize and bring a home up to standards, make changes for convenience, add a room, remodel and make overall improvements to the home.

All applicants must meet basic eligibility requirements such as being unable to obtain a loan from other conventional lending sources on terms they can afford; being without ownership of decent, safe and sanitary housing; have sufficient and dependable income for loan repayment, taxes, insurance, living expenses and other existing debts; possess the legal capacity to incur debt; and have an acceptable credit history.

For more information regarding USDA Rural Development programs, contact the Abilene Local Office at (325) 690-6162, Ext. 4.

USDA Rural Development is an Equal Opportunity Lender, Provider, and Employer. Complaints of discrimination should be sent to: USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410.

## Drought, high winds prompt additional loans for farms

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by drought and high winds that occurred from January 1, 2003 through November 25, 2003 are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office located in Vernon, Texas, FSA Farm Loan Manager, Kelley R. Boone said.

Archer, Baylor and Knox Counties in Texas were recently named contiguous counties by Secretary of Agriculture Ann M. Veneman eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from drought and

high winds that occurred from January 1, 2003 through November 25, 2003.

Boone said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 100% of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue the agriculture business, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest rate is 3.74 percent.

"Applications for loans under this emergency designation will be accepted until December 28, 2004 but farmers should apply as soon as possible."

## First Baptist to host Men's Breakfast

The men of the First Baptist Church will host this month's Men's Breakfast, Saturday, August 7, at 7:00 a.m. in the church

fellowship hall.

All men of the community are invited to come and join in this special time of fellowship.

*Be sure and call in your news to 'From This Angle'*

## Knox City-O'Brien registration dates and times announced

•• Wednesday, August 4 ••

• Knox City Elementary •  
1:00 until 3:00 p.m., Knox City cafeteria

• O'Brien Mid-School •

1:00 and 3:00, O'Brien campus

• High School Registration •

Coach Welch's room in Ag Building

Seniors - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Juniors - 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

•• Thursday, August 5 ••

• High School Registration continues in Coach Welch's room •

Sophomores - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Freshman - 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

# Knox County News Classified Ads

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### Counts Real Estate

607 South Fourth Street - Brick. Large three bedroom, two and one half bath. Tall ceilings, upstairs room. Good location.

501 SE Third Street - Brick. Two living areas. Two bedrooms. Two bath. Fire place. Hardwood floors. Corner lot. Reduced Price!

610 South Second Street - Three bedroom, two bath frame house on corner lot. Owner Finance Possible.

510 NE Third Street - Near School. Three bedrooms. Two bath. New Interior.

210 NE Fifth Street - Three bedroom, one bath. New interior. Near elementary school.

1929 Co Rd 185, Rochester - Three bedroom, two bath frame house on 2+/- acres. \$25,000. Additional Acres available.

58+/- Acres - All cultivated. On Stonewall County Line. \$500/Acre.

155 Acres - Irrigated farm land, good crop yields.

504 South Central - Two bedroom brick home. Large rooms, garage, carport.

Large Country Brick home on 5 acres. Four bedroom, two bath, tank and trees !!

Office Building - Downtown Knox City.

Three Bedroom Brick in O'Brien.

1011 +/- Acres in Haskell County - 1000 +/- CRP, 11 Acres with large barn, outbuildings, pasture. Will subdivide. Great Hunting! \$450/acre.

More listings available. Come by the office!

### Real Estate

HOME FOR SALE - Immaculate, two-bedroom, one bath with living, den, ceiling fans, window units, shop building in rear. Call 940-864-2411 for appointment. Rike Real Estate, Mary Rike, Broker. 6-19 tfc 30

FOR SALE - Nice two bedroom, one bath home for sale. Storm cellar, water well. 704 Aspen, 940-657-1064. 1-1 tfc 18

APPROXIMATELY 440 ACRES EXCELLENT LAND - 320 in cultivation, 120 pasture, four water wells. Owner will convey 1/2 of minerals. Five miles north of Goree. Call Matt McLemore, 940-781-8475. 7-22 tfc 29

FOR SALE - Four bedroom, two bath. 1106 South Fourth. Available August 1. Owner financing available. 940-256-1400. 7-29 tfc 17

**THREE BEDROOM, BRICK HOME** with cellar, fenced backyard. 305 E. Main St., Knox City, TX **Seller will consider any reasonable offer.** 658-3390 7-29 tfc

### For Sale

'YOU KNOW YOU'RE getting old if your body parts are starting to wear out, fall out, or spread out. You might not feel so old if you had a La-Z-Boy to relax in. Nobody beats our prices. Kinney Furniture in Stamford.' 8-5 1tc

FOR SALE - Claimet, brand: Jupiter. Call 940-658-3092. 7-29 tfc 8

'YOU MAY NEED a new mattress if the one you have now was paid for with green stamps. We sell Spring Air "never turn" mattress sets for less. Kinney Furniture in Stamford.' 8-5 1tc

FOR SALE - Hewlett Packard Computer and Cannon Laser Printer \$450, \$250.00; Software: Windows Millennium (ME), Office 2000, Word 95, WordPerfect, Print Shop and many other packages, Internet Ready - Great for student use or home/business needs; also, 13" colortelevision, \$35.00. Call Tammie Dillon, 658-5143. 7-29 tfc 46

FOR SALE - AKC Chihuahuas, eight weeks, \$250.00. 940-658-1007. 8-5 2tp

### Political Calendar

The following have authorized *The Knox County News* to announce their candidacy for public office.

Knox County Judge **JOE LOWE - D**  
**TRAVIS FLOYD - R**

Knox County Tax Assessor/Collector **LINDA PARKER - D**  
**BUD HOGAN - R**

Political Advertising Paid For By The Above Named Candidates

### Garage Sale

**AFTER HOURS GARAGE SALE** - Thursday and Friday, August 5 and 6, 5-8 p.m. Recliner, desk, small entertainment center, books, shelves, pillows, sheets, comforters, curtains, toys, men's, women's, teen clothes, shoes, camper shell, headache rack, gas heaters, back to school and many household items. Leona Burkham and June Moss, 408 South Avenue A. 8-5 1tp

**GARAGE SALE** in O'Brien - Friday - Saturday, 1010 Park Avenue. Lots of clothes and more stuff. Cheap! 8-5 1tp

### Help Wanted

**NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS** for Full Time Sales Associate - If interested, you must fill out a new application. Penman's Convenience Store, Knox City, 940-658-3424. 7-8 tfc 24

**LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSE-LVN** position available for motivated individual interested in working in geriatrics. Competitive pay with benefits. Please apply in person at Brazos Valley Care Home, 605 S. Ave. F, Knox City. 6-17 tfc 35

**NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS** for Part Time Deli Position - If interested you must fill out a new application. Penman's Convenience Store, Knox City, 940-658-3424. 7-8 tfc 24

**HELP WANTED** - Part-time cook needed at Bronc Buster Cafe in Benjamin. Call 940-459-2102, if no answer leave message. 7-29 2tp

**HELP WANTED** - The City of Benjamin is accepting applications for a full time city maintenance worker. Applications may be picked up at Benjamin City Hall, 303 S. Hinton, or mailed upon request. For more information, please contact Benjamin City Hall 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Monday through Friday at (940) 459-3131. 8-5 1tc 53

**KNOX COUNTY HOSPITAL** now hiring night shift LVN. Contact Sheila Kuehler at 940-657-3535. 8-5 tfc 16

**PART-TIME CLERICAL WORKER** - Computer skills a requirement. Baker Petroleum, 658-3574, Ext. 203. 8-5 tfc 13

### Legal Notice

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

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### Legal Notice

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF KNOX

In the name and by the authority of the State of Texas, notice is hereby given as follows: TO

Kaylon Dale Bederka and Debra Kay Smith, if living, and if any or all of the above named defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of each or all of said above named persons who may be dead, and the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land, and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, the unknown stockholders or any defunct corporations, their successors, heirs and assigns, owning or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property, delinquent to Plaintiff herein, for taxes, all of said property being located in said County and State, to-wit: Lots 7, 8 and 9, Block 42, Original Townsite to the City of Goree, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 279, Page 68 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiff for taxes in the following amount: \$1,444.49, exclusive of interest, penalties and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes, all said interest, penalties and costs therein allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the Knox County Appraisal District, Plaintiff, against the above named persons, as Defendants, by petition filed on July 8, 1998, in a certain suit styled the Knox County Appraisal District et al vs. Kaylon Dale Bederka et al, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Knox County, Texas, 50th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 8349, that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit are NONE. Plaintiff and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, and in addition to the taxes all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiff, Defendants, and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties and costs allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefor, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file and which may hereafter be filed in said cause by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance of this citation as set out below, said appearance and answer date being the 6th day of September, A.D., 2004, (which is the return day of such citation), before the honorable District Court of Knox County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiff and the taxing units parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

This citation is issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court in the City of Benjamin, Knox County, Texas, this the 23rd day of July, A.D., 2004.

/s/ Ronnie Verhalen,  
Clerk of the District Court,  
Knox County, Texas, 50th Judicial District  
/s/ Annette Offutt  
Deputy  
7-29 2tc

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### Public Notice

**NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING**

Whereas, the Board of Directors of Knox County Hospital District have caused to be prepared an annual budget for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2004 and ending September 30, 2005.

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing on said proposed budget will be held on Monday, August 16, 2004, at 7:00 p.m. in the Hospital Conference Room at Knox County Hospital, 701 South Fifth Street, Knox City, Texas.

Stephen Kuehler  
Administrator  
8-5 2tc 77

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Bids will close at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, August 12, 2004.

Bids may be sent to the City of Benjamin, P.O. Box 286, Benjamin, Texas 79505 or brought to City Hall, 303 South Hinton, Benjamin, Texas 79505. The City of Benjamin reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 7-22 4tc 87

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