




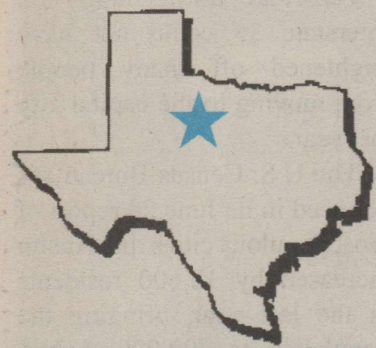


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Looking Ahead

Benjamin Chamber of Commerce FREE Pancake Supper

The Benjamin Chamber of Commerce will host a FREE Pancake Supper Tuesday, July 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the Benjamin Memorial Building. There will be guest speakers and information about the Chamber's vision for Benjamin. All business owners, citizens and anyone interested in working with the Chamber invited to attend!

Donald Johnson Memorial 19th Annual Seedless Watermelon Festival and Classic Car Show July 27-28

Watermelon Festival is set for Friday and Saturday, July 27-28. Parade will be Friday, July 27. Dance at City Park Friday, July 27.

Saturday, July 28 - Classic Car Show, Booths, Free Swimming, Games, Food, Live Music, Free Watermelon Slices, all festivities begin at 10:00 am at City Park. The Knox City Chamber of Commerce is selling Watermelon Festival shirts. The cost to buy a shirt is \$15. Call Daveine Clark at 658-3442.

Community Development Workshop

The West Central Texas Workforce Development Board will be hosting a Community Development Workshop on Thursday, August 16 and Friday, 17 at the MCM Elegante Hotel in Abilene. The 1½ day workshop will guide participants through the process of planning a community project from start to finish.

TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly. Monday evenings at 6:00 p.m. at the Knox County Hospital Break Room.

KC Circle Club

Second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. Location TBA.

Knox County Hospital District To Welcome New Doctor

Zeke Duke, M.D. is coming home.

Dr. Duke, son of Dennis and Pam Duke of Benjamin, is returning to practice family medicine with the Knox County Hospital District.

He will primarily be practicing at the Knox City Clinic, but may occasionally fill in at the Munday Rural Health Clinic. He will also work at Knox County Hospital.

Duke has been working part-time with the Knox County Hospital District for a year and a half.

Included in his duties were the Saturday morning clinic, rounds at the hospital and working in the emergency room, all one weekend a month, as his schedule allowed.

His duties will primarily be the same, but will be extended through the week on a full-time schedule.

Duke attended Benjamin ISD from elementary school until his graduation in 1996. He decided during his junior year of high school that he wanted to be a doctor.

Duke chose family medi-

cine as his practice because, according to him, it involves "a little bit of everything." It is also really the only medicine that a doctor can practice in a small community. Certainly a factor when all he ever wanted to do was come back home.

"I never really considered (practicing) anywhere else," said Dr. Duke.

Knox County Hospital Administrator Stephen Kuehler conveyed the feeling was mutual.

"He wanted to come back, and we were more than eager to try and get him back," said Kuehler.

According to Kuehler, while the hospital district is always excited to recruit new doctors, having one with local ties is a bonus.

"It's easier for them to adapt because they know what the lifestyle is like here," said Kuehler.

Duke entered Texas Tech University in the fall of 1996 and graduated in 2000, at which time he entered Texas Tech School of Medicine and graduated in 2004.

He then completed his three

years of residency through the Texas Tech School of Medicine at Amarillo.

On July 23rd Duke was named Resident of the Year in Family Practice by Texas Tech University. He shared this honor with one other family practice resident.

Duke has also been serving as Chief Resident for the past year.

Duke served as Class President his sophomore year of medical school.

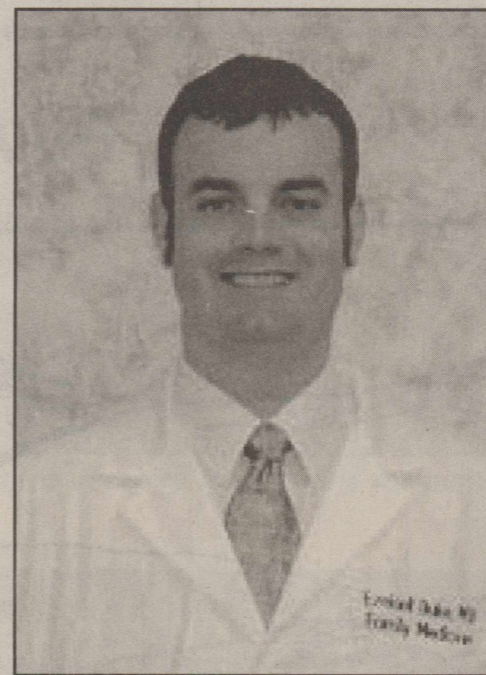
Duke met his wife, Amanda, during his senior year of college and they were married between his first and second years of medical school. They have two young sons.

Amanda is a nurse practitioner, but is not working at this time.

Dr. Duke's first day is scheduled for Wednesday, July 11th.

A reception honoring Dr. Duke will be held Friday, July 13th from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Knox County Hospital. The reception will be held in the atrium.

The Knox County Hospital and Hospital Clinic are lo-



COMING HOME — Dr. Zeke Duke will begin working with the Knox County Hospital District on Wednesday, July 11.

A reception honoring Dr. Duke will be held Friday, July 13 from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. in the Knox County Hospital atrium.

cated at 701 and 711 SE 5th Street in Knox City, respectively.

Other doctors on staff with the Knox County Hospital District are Dr. Shirley Barretto, M.D. and Dr. Kevin Finley, D.O.

Melons Need A Little Dry Time

Wanted: Sunshine and a few breezy days. Must be strong enough to dry out current home in anticipation of relocation. Time is of the essence. Many customers anxiously awaiting taking a big, sweet, juicy bite out of me.

Recent rains have slowed work at Johnson's farm, but a week of sunshine should do the trick. "The weather is killing us," said Johnson.

However, the melons are not quite ready, still needing a week or two in the fields. "That's the only thing that is saving us right now," said Johnson.

There has been some loss this year. Freezes after planting, some hail damage and then the plentiful rain this spring and summer has drowned some of the plants. However, anticipation is high that the crop will be a good one.

"I think it's going to be a good one, once we can get in there," said Dwayne's wife, Lorie of the melon crops and the saturated fields.

Johnson's melons are a staple at the upcoming Donald Johnson Memorial Seedless Watermelon Festival and Classic Car Show, which will be held on July 27th and 28th in Knox City.

Grant Received By Friends Of KCHC For Completion Of Museum

A \$15,500.00 grant from The Meadows Foundation of Dallas, Texas, has been awarded to the Friends of the Knox County Historical Commission to be used to complete the interior of the Wichita-Brazos Museum and Cultural Center in Benjamin, Texas.

The mission of The Meadows Foundation is "to assist the people and institutes of Texas to improve the quality and circumstances of life for themselves and future generations by supporting programs and services that employ imaginative and innovative ways to solve community problems". The assets of The Meadows Foundation are in excess of \$950 million and it has disbursed over \$600 million in grants and direct charitable expenditures to over 2,900 Texas institutions and agencies and it is among the most recognized of private philanthropies in the nation. More information about The Meadows Foundation is available at its web site <http://www.mfi.org>.

Members of Friends of KCHC who helped Mary Birkenfeld, Grant Chairman from Rhineland, co-ordinate information for and the application to The Meadows Foundation included Mary Jane Young, Chairman; Kenneth Roberts, Treasure; Toby Whisenhunt and Jan Kilgore, office staff.

The problem for Knox County has been the lack of a central institution to research, and availability of historical collections and data to the present and future generations.

When the question was presented to Mary Birkenfeld as to the historic significance of this area, she stated that the past connects to the present as Americas urge to move West, unfolded in a unique way in Knox County's own setting of geological change, geography and location. The choices humans made through the centuries were with adaptation to these conditions. She traced the geological story from the time this area was the northwestern shore of the

Permian Sea to today's scientists searching here for fossils. Then she traced the human story from ancient Indian trails back and forth over the Rolling Plains from the Spanish explorers like Jose Mares to the 1841 Texas Santa Fe Expedition across the Narrows east of Benjamin, to Anglo buffalo hunters to cattlemen pushing the Texas frontier west after the Civil War, to today's use of the land for modern agriculture and oil production.

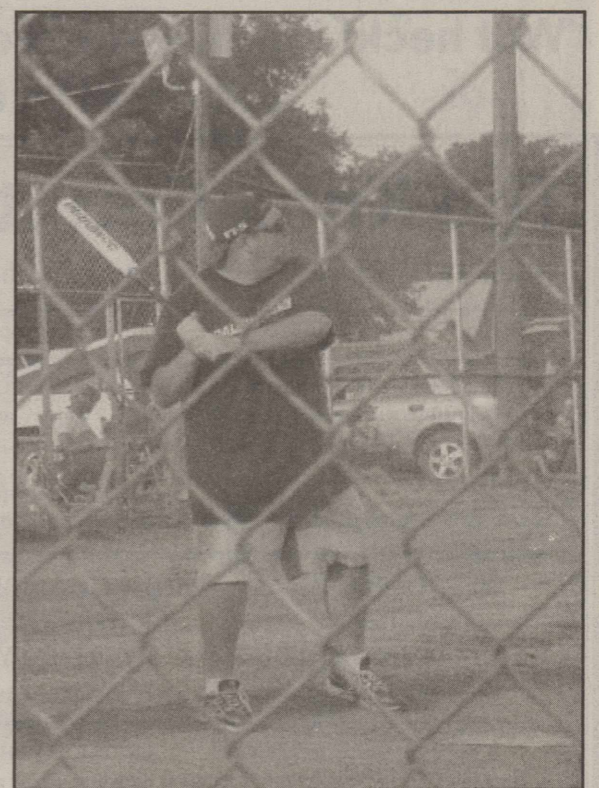
If determination to tell these stories and a vision of a place to tell them as expressed by Friends of KCHC in their constructing a shell of a building in 2005, was important to The Meadows Foundation's impression of the people of Knox County, then The Foundation was seeing a reflection not just of Friends of KCHC, but of hundreds of Knox County residents and former residents who have helped the Friends of KCHC move slowly forward with fundraisers, large and small to make the museum a reality.

KC Youth Baseball Fundraiser Held Tuesday

The Knox City Volunteer Fire Department along with the Law Enforcement played against the Knox City Youth Baseball Coaches in a softball fundraiser held Tuesday, June 26 to help raise money for the Knox City Youth Baseball League.

There were lots of homeruns for each team and no strike outs for either team, but score was not officially kept.

The Baseball League held several other fundraisers through the season this year. All the money will go for field renovations and to help with next year's season. We would like to extend a big thank you for everyone who helped with the fund raisers and with the teams.



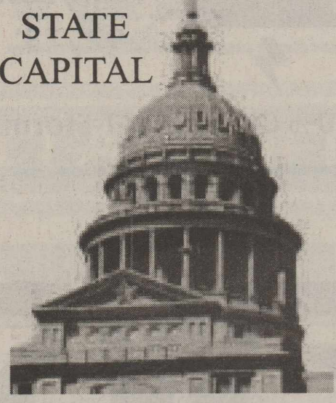
Jeff Stanfield bats for the Knox City Youth Baseball Coaches team.

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HIGHLIGHTS
By Ed Sterling

Rain, Flooding Create Disaster In 37 Counties

to President George W. Bush, seeking federal assistance. The White House announced it was making federal funding available to help with the disaster areas.

Attorney General Greg Abbott warned residents in stricken areas to beware of scammers and price gougers, who seem to come out of the woodwork when disasters strike.

More rain is in the forecast. Some longtime weather watchers have called the unusually wet spring and early summer a signal that a 50-year drought cycle has ended. Others say it's a symptom of global warming. Others say it's El Niño. Still others say it's just a wet spell that was bound to come.

NT toll project moves forward

The Trans Texas Corridor project is on hold for the next two years.

Lawmakers wanted to use that block of time to study the possible effects of building the proposed massive network of toll roads stretching from the Mexico border to the Oklahoma border.

But legislation signed in June by Gov. Rick Perry allows certain regional toll projects to move forward.

Perry put his signature on the agreement, even though he appeared to have the whole Trans Texas Corridor project ready to go with Cintra of Madrid, Spain, and project partner Zachry Construction Corporation of San Antonio.

Now, one of those regional toll project proposals moved forward on June 28.

The Texas Transportation Commission voted 4-1 to tentatively approve a plan for the North Texas Tollroad Authority to accelerate the building of

Texas 121 through Denton and Collin counties and do 30 other North Texas traffic congestion-relieving projects.

For things to really get going, the Texas Department of Transportation has to make sure certain things are in place.

Before making a final decision, the agency must be satisfied with the regional authority's preliminary studies, project timing, funding and payment schedules.

Next, the Texas Transportation Commission - TxDOT's governing body - would have to ratify the decision.

Court rules in favor of DeLay

The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals decided 5-4 to uphold a Travis County state district court ruling stripping off a charge of conspiracy stemming from the 2002 state election against former U.S. House majority leader Tom DeLay.

The charge is one of several brought in 2005 by Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle, who serves as the state's chief ethics prosecutor. Earle said he plans to appeal the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals' decision.

DeLay, is still in hot water, facing charges of money laundering and conspiracy to launder money. He said he is appealing those charges, too.

Health agency's survey begins

The immunization branch of the Texas Department of State Health Services is conducting a survey on customer satisfaction with its Austin-based programs and services.

Feedback from parents, legal guardians, vaccine providers and other professionals will be used to improve services.

The survey period ends July 17. Call (800) 252-9152 for a paper copy of the survey or visit

www.immunizetexas.com to do the survey online.

Census says we grew last year

Perpetual traffic clogs on Interstate 35 could not have frightened off many people from moving to the capital city last year.

The U.S. Census Bureau announced in its June 28 report of most populous cities that Austin increased by 18,600 residents in the last year, bringing the population to 709,000. Austin is among the top 10 in numerical gain nationwide, the Census noted.

Bush picks Texan for Census

President Bush nominated Dr. Steve Murdock, Texas' state demographer, to be the next director of the U.S. Census.

Current Census Bureau Director Louis Kincannon is leaving the agency. Murdock's nomination must be approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee.

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By Ace Reid



"Wul heck! I'm over-worked, over-drawn, over-taxed and now I'm over-loaded!"

Knox County Hospital District
Cordially invites you to a reception
honoring
Ezekiel Duke, M.D.
On July 13, 2007
4:30 - 6:30 p.m.
In the Hospital Atrium
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Knox City, Texas
Dr. Duke begins his practice in
Knox County on July 11, 2007.
Please join us in welcoming him home.

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ACROSS

1 Cowboy Troy is in NFL Hall of _____

5 TXism: "just sat there like a bump on _____"

6 what TX Janis Joplin used to do before TAKS, there was this test

8 TX cosmetics queen Mary Kay U.S. Congressman Ted of 2nd TX dist.

9 4-run "grand" hits by Ranger or Astro at Aransas Pass: _____

19 TX Renaissance Festival features medieval _____

21 TXism: "hard _____"

22 TXns in '07 "Friday Night Lights" episode in TX Stadium

23 fancy "give aid"

28 TX-sized electronics company

29 TXism: "he _____ barbed wire for dental floss"

30 lizard

31 talker or speaker

35 TX Trevino won this Open (abbr.)

36 the smallest hurricane that can hit the coast (2 wds.)

42 TXism: "you're a little green _____ gills"

44 TX _____ Perot

DOWN

1 TXism: "_____ rafter" (quickly)

2 assumed names

3 Ward Co. seat

4 TXism: "skunk _____" (27-down)

9 suffering

10 TX Charley Pride's "My Eyes Can _____ You"

11 feminine ending

12 TXism: "never let 'em _____ you sweat"

13 describing 46-across (2 wds.)

14 in Houston: "Remington _____ Park"

48 New _____, TX

49 abbr. for architects or anesthesiologists organization

50 a flag over TX (abbr.)

51 units of matter

52 a flag over TX (abbr.)

53 TX actress Tierney

54 TXism: "he couldn't drive _____ into a snow bank"

56 "_____ and rave"

57 what TX Renee Zellweger can do

58 TXns do it on water or snow

14 in Dallas: "Biblical _____ Center"

15 TXism: "the _____ you work, the luckier you get"

16 hot tubs

18 _____ Tse-Tung

20 "is" south of the border

23 "yes" south of the border

24 he's buried in Grant's Tomb (init.)

25 USS Texas delivered Pres. Hoover to Havana, _____

26 orange vegetable

27 see 4-down

32 Greg Abbott's TX title (abbr.)

33 Ranch with longhorn cattle

34 TXism: "let _____ rip"

36 today's media for TX singers

37 TX-sized communications co.

38 thy is its possessive

39 actor & director Welles

40 answer to "Who did it?" (2 wds.)

41 "those" south of the border"

43 TXism: "he's _____ spring chicken"

45 with an "L," abbr. for Sat.comedy show in Harrison Co. on FM 134

48 "Don't _____, Compost It"

55 opposed

BAXTER BLACK

ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

Independence Day 2007

By Baxter Black, DVM

Happy July 4!
This Independence Day the tragicomedy infotainment news is presenting America as suffering from malaise, in a funk, stingy, frivolous and circling like a man with one oar.

There is another side, not the opposite side, just a view that looks at a cup half-full instead of half-empty. Polls show that Americans have become disenchanting with the war in Iraq.

That we have lost patience with the administration, resent spending so much money, and are disappointed that the Iraqis have muffed such a great chance to become a free people. Why, we ask, lose one more American life for such ingrates?

Yet, in spite of everybody's dissatisfaction, a British opinion poll of all Iraqis this spring found that by a 2 to 1 margin, they preferred life under the new government to life under Sadaam.

1992 President Clinton used his campaign slogan "It's the economy, stupid!" It worked, yet America's economic woes in 1992, compared to the two years post 9-11 pale in comparison.

Today one has to really dig deep to find any economic negatives to denigrate our miraculous comeback; increased jobs, increased productivity, increased personal income, huge increases in total taxes being paid, declining national deficit and a soaring stock market all indicate a healthy economy.

But for the half-empty, the price of gas is up, the real estate market is in a slump, and football season is still 2 months away.

For those who watch with dread our collision course toward national healthcare, they can take heart that the prescription drug bill that was passed 2 years ago has taken a lot of pressure off the problem. It has done a great good for our aging

citizenry.

Man-made global warming theory supporters have gained ground in convincing the public to support their cause. For those skeptics, so far the solutions... alternative fuels, carbon offsets and restricting use of motor vehicles, have not taken much of your personal income to support their ideas.

So for those who feel uneasy about America this 4th of July, just hang tough. Comparing our situation today with the Great Depression, the dust bowl days, World War II, the Cold War, the Vietnam era, even Monicagate, or Gonzalesgate, we as a country have survived much worse. Not because we have good leaders or bad leaders, droughts or floods, treaties or wars, deficits or surpluses, but because we, as a people, even if we err, do it trying to do the right thing. Compassion and generosity, not nuclear weapons, are our greatest quality.

Our Independence Day, our flag, our 4th of July, represent a ray of hope to the world's oppressed.

We keep the light burning for "the tired and poor, the huddled masses yearning..." to drink out of our cup, regardless of the depth of our riches.

Knox County Sheriff's Report

June 14 - July 1

Birdow, Antonio DeJuan
6/17/07 - DWI 2nd (Misd-A) (Foard County)

McCrary, James Zell
6/18/07 - MTR/Criminal Trespass (Misd-A) (Knox County)

Passman, Steven Basil
6/20/07 - Disorderly Conduct/Discharge of Weapon (Misd-B) (Knox County)

Hornbostel, Saran Diane
6/22/07 - Theft (Misd-B) (arrested in Mineral Wells) (Knox County)

Exiga, Eduardo Olvera
6/23/07 - DWI 1st (Misd-B) (Knox County)

Rubio, Armando Wayne
6/22/07 - Fail to Identify (Misd-B) Evading Arrest (Misd-B) (Knox County)

Macias, Michael Ray
6/22/07 - Interfering with Duties of Public Servant (Misd-B) Hindering Apprehension (Misd-A) (Knox County)

Luna, April Jean
6/22/07 - Hindering Apprehension (Misd-A) (Knox County)

Collins, Phillip Michael
6/24/07 - DWI 3rd (F-3) (Knox County)

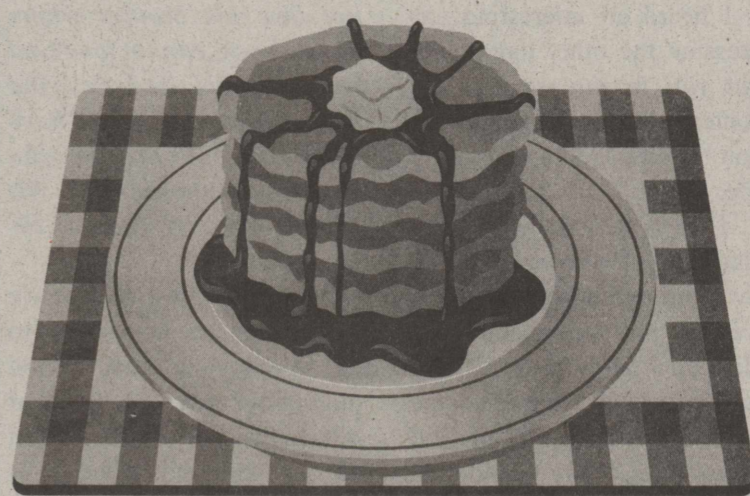
Formichella, Ryan Thomas
6/25/07 - Burglary of Building (SJF) (Foard County)

Roberson, Daryle 6/26/07
DWI 2nd (Misd-A) (Knox County)

Williams, Jason Lee
6/27/07 - MTR/Possession of controlled substance (Tom Green County)

Spells, Quentin Tykee
6/29/07 - MTR/Burlary of Habitation (F-2) Knox County Public Intox. (Misd-C) (Foard County)

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BENJAMIN NEWS

By Gladene Green

The rains have been wonderful and everything sure is wet. The yards are growing and the mosquitoes are increasing in numbers rapidly. Today (Monday) is cloudy and I heard thunder during the night but don't believe there was any more rain. That's two days of no moisture!! Can't tell what today may bring. The rain has been good on friends' gardens and the "non-gardener" folks like me are sure enjoying the products from their squash, tomatoes, zucchini, cucumbers - you name it - It's all wonderful!! (And appreciated)

Regarding The Ill

Leroy West was in Abilene to see a pain doctor Friday. He still is having lots of trouble with his back and hip. He was feeling some better Sunday night but doesn't know how long that relief will last.

We learned that Jimmie Pierce, Jr. is quite ill in a Wichita Falls Hospital. Jimmie is a former resident of Benjamin where he grew up. His parents are Ivalene and Jimmie Pierce, Sr. I urge you to remember this family in prayer as they face the difficult days ahead.

Here 'N There

Recent visitors in the home of Fred and Jan Carver were Stasia and Kallie Antilley of Wingate; Ryan Antilley of Abilene; Virginia McAnally of Glen Rose; Ricky and Bella Carver of Willets, California; Dorothy Carver of Knox City; Tyler Collins of Seymour; Jara Gray, Talon and Jacy Collins of Munday and Tammy Lyles and Cassie of Benjamin.

Visiting Charles and Linda Griffith this weekend were their daughters, Amy Tyson and husband, Vince of Bemidji, MN; Lori Lashomb of Lubbock and Becky Jones and her husband Kemp and children, Blake, Devon, Brooke and Kamron of Benjamin. The Tyson's were in Texas for him to attend a conference in Dallas so they

combined some visiting with it. Went to Austin to visit son, Matt, a student at University of Texas, and other relatives along the way. Meanwhile, their other son, Drew, who is in college in Oregon, was back in Benjamin taking care of his twin sisters Kate and Abby or as Linda said "They may have been taking care of him"! They had a good time and since the girls are scattered, sort of a rare occasion when they can all be together at the same time.

Word was received here last week of the death of Clay Antilley, the 19 year old son of Tommy and Kei. The young man was killed on Tuesday and his funeral was Thursday at Robert Lee, where the family now resides. The Antilley's are former Benjamin residents. Tommy was County Agent and Kei worked in the tax office. We extend sincere sympathy to the family during this time. Tammy Lyles attended the funeral Thursday.

Jim Bob and Mixie Conner and children of Slaton were here Tuesday for a brief visit with his mom, Judy and Randy Barnett and to attend the funeral of Robbie Feemster at Vera.

Hank and Linda Wagner of Lubbock were also here for Robbie's funeral. Hank did the service. Though it was a sad occasion, it was good to see the Wagner's and they are doing well. The Wagner's are enjoying living in Lubbock.

Tammy and Mike Lyles visited with Tommy and Julie Thomas in Midland recently. Tommy had by-pass surgery about a month ago and while Julie was caring for him she had a heart attack. They both are recovering nicely and Tommy said they are about ready to start traveling again. That's great news! We miss them since they moved from here.

Earlene Meinzer attended the Nichols reunion Sunday at Vera. They are long time friends and

acquaintances of hers and she welcomed and appreciated the opportunity to visit. She said on Sunday morning the Grays met at the Baptist Church in Vera for special services conducted by the family. (Regular services are not held there anymore).

Dorothy Spikes was very appreciative of someone's efforts recently. She said the storm of a couple of weeks ago broke many limbs off her trees and she wondered how she would get them picked up. She was in BJ's grocery discussing her dilemma and when she returned home later in the day, her yard was clean as could be. Doesn't know who did it but is sure glad some good Samaritan "pitched in" and did. Just wanted to say how much she appreciated it and thanks the one or ones who were so caring.

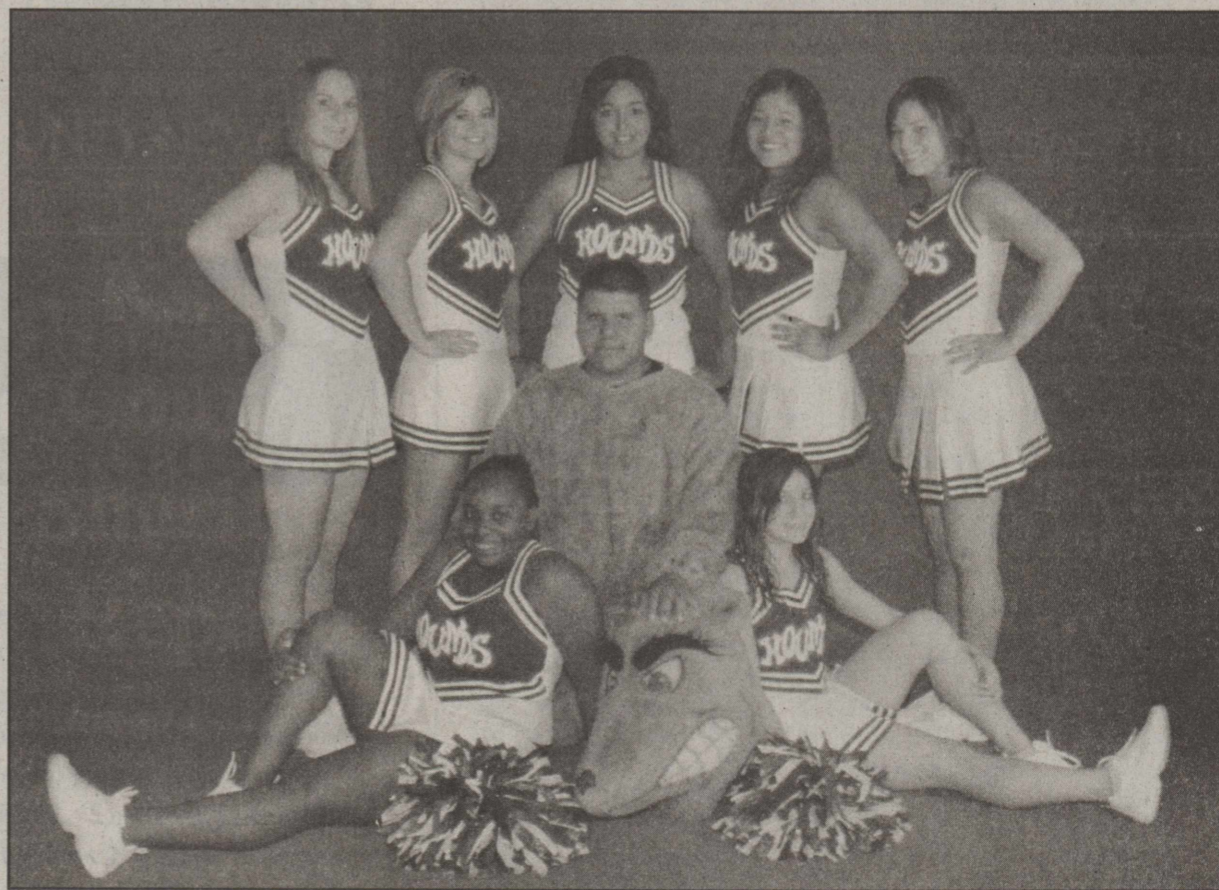
Betty Bohannon returned home Sunday after a two week visit with her daughter, Bonnie Howell and family in Missouri. Bonnie and her children came home with Betty for an extended visit.

Visiting Judy and Randolph Barnett are grandchildren, Peter and Elyssa Barnett of Bartlesville, Oklahoma. They will return home this week.

Chloe Strickland has been back in the hospital. She fell ill Thursday while visiting friends near Abilene and was immediately taken to an Abilene Hospital and later transferred to Lubbock. She was checked out good, given lots of medical advice and medication and was able to come home Saturday. Chloe was feeling much better Saturday evening and that's good to report.

Stacia, James and Cody Propps, Shannon Propps and Shaylee and Danny Owenby, Chance Propps of University of Texas and Don and Jimmie Kay Liles of near Longview vacationed in Cancun, Mexico last week. Stacia said they all had a marvelous time.

Knox City Cheerleading Camp Held



The Knox City High School cheerleaders met with the National Cheerleader Association instructor last Thursday and Friday for their training camp. The ladies learned a variety of cheers, dances, and stunts which will be performed throughout the upcoming 2007-2008 school year.

"The squad worked very hard to learn many new exciting and difficult moves. Several members earned All American honors and for that we are very proud. We are looking forward to the new season to showcase our skills," stated sponsor Brinn Ball. Cheerleaders are (Bottom l-r) Tiffany McCrary, Mascot - Eric Casilles and Shelby Gutierrez. (Top - l-r) Brittany Baker, Jessy Schur, Samantha Esquivel, Mia Abila and Britney Gonzales.

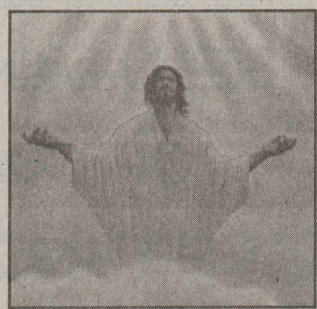
Cheerleaders earning All American Cheerleaders honors were Brittney Gonzales and Jessy Schur. Nominees included Brittney Gonzales, Jessy Schur, Samantha Esquivel, Mea Abila and Brittany Baker.

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By Jim Reid, Pastor
O'Brien Baptist Church



I heard an interesting expression the other day, "God put you in my way". The context of the statement is that you become God's will in my life.

This is a wonderful revelation of God working in our lives through other people. If we take just a moment to realize how many people, "God puts in our way", we can come to understand the will of God in our lives. Why would God put so many people in our way?

God speaks from His Holy Word saying, "We love, because He first loved us. If someone says, 'I love God,' and hates his brother, he is a liar; for the one who does

not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from Him, that the one who loves God should love his brother also. (1 John 4: 19-21 NASB).

We are to love so that we may express the love of God to all; to everyone whom, "God puts in our way". A five year old boy in our church said it so well yesterday, "God loves everyone, even bad people, but He doesn't love what they do."

I pray for all of us this week that we will practice the love of God to everyone we meet. We want to be mindful that, "God put you in my way".

Thank You

The family of Ross Baker would like to express its gratitude for all the thoughtfulness and kindness expressed to us. Thank you for the prayers, visits, food, donations, cards, and kind words shared. Each brought comfort during our time of loss. God richly blessed our lives with Ross. He was a loving son, grandson, brother, nephew, cousin and friend.

In Christ's Love,
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Romans 8:28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

O'Brien Baptist Church Youth Attend Camp At Oakridge Ministries Camp



(Photo courtesy of Terri Pepper)

Attending Camp were (front row) Scotty Reid, Shelby Houk, Eli Reynolds, Sheldon Baty, Lyndon Baty; (Back Row) Sequoyah Reynolds (Sponsor), Austin King, Zach Carter, Tayler Pepper, Jessica Wilburn, Leighton Pepper, Sheri Baty & Pastor Jim Reid (Sponsors). The youth from O'Brien Baptist Church spent a week at Oakridge Ministries Camp in Anadarko, OK. The youth spent time in bible study, chapel and many team activities such as human foosball, swimming, volleyball and the ropes course. In their free time they enjoyed the go carts, swimming, water slide, archery and a trip to the lake which included tubing, canoeing and other water activities. The youth were revitalized and look forward to sharing their experience with others.

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The t-shirts are yellow, fitted tees. The sizes available are extra small through extra large, and tend to run small.

The t-shirts are \$15 and must be paid for when ordered. Deadline for orders is Thursday, July 5.

The Chamber will also be selling other Watermelon Festival t-shirts, but the color has not been decided.

Please contact Daveine Clark at the Knox City Chamber of Commerce at 940-658-3442 to order your t-shirt or see Marla Hawkins, Barbara Barnard or Paula Carter.



Debit Cards Replace Unemployment Insurance Checks In Texas Cards Provide Faster, More Secure And Convenient Access To Benefits

Austin - The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) announces the statewide launch of Unemployment Insurance (UI) debit cards to replace the traditional paper UI checks.

TWC has partnered with JPMorgan Chase, the state's largest bank, for the conversion to the TWC UI Debit Card, offering more secure, convenient and fast access to UI funds for unemployed Texas workers.

"With the new UI debit cards, TWC continues to streamline the unemployment insurance process," said TWC Chair and Commissioner Representing the Public Diane Rath. "UI benefits will arrive faster and safer than ever before, making work search and that all-important new job the main focus."

TWC UI Debit Cards can be used for purchases and to receive cash back. The cards can be used at any merchant that accepts Visa, and cash can be obtained from automated teller machines (ATMs) and at Visa-member banks and credit unions in Texas.

Once the claimants receive and activate their debit cards, their cash benefits will be automatically deposited to the debit card account

each payment period, eliminating mail delays and claimant costs associated with cashing, and/or depositing traditional paper checks.

"Texas employers continue to add jobs at record pace, helping UI claimants re-enter the workforce quickly," said TWC Commissioner Representing Employers Ron Lehman. "The upgrade from traditional paper checks to debit cards adds to the efficiency of the UI process."

UI Debit Cards Claimants can call Chase toll-free at (866) 865-1273 with any questions about the TWC UI Debit Card or to check the status of their accounts. Online account statements are available at www.myaccount.chase.com. For questions about benefits, cardholders may visit the TWC web site at www.texasworkforce.org or contact the TWC UI Tele-Center office at (800) 939-6631.

"Unemployed Texas workers will find the debit card system fast and secure, so claimants can focus on getting back to work," said TWC Commissioner Representing Labor Ronny Congleton. "The days of waiting for the check to come in the mail are over."

Will Williams, JP Morgan

Chase's Southwest Market Manager for Government Banking, who is based in Texas, said: "We are proud to partner with the Texas Workforce Commission on this innovative program that gives Texas workers faster, more secure and convenient access to benefits."

The Texas Workforce Commission is a state agency dedicated to helping Texas employers, workers and communities prosper economically.

For details on TWC and the services it offers in unison with its network of local workforce development boards, visit www.texasworkforce.org.

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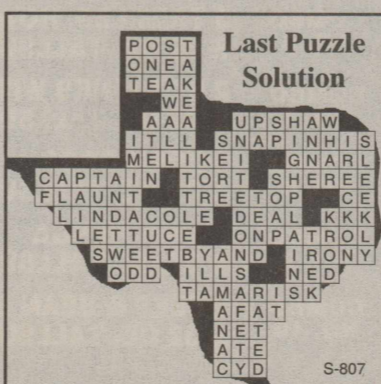
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