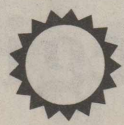


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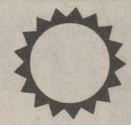
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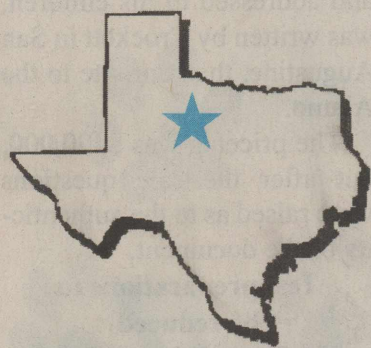
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## Looking Ahead

### ▪ Visioning Meeting

A meeting has been scheduled for September 13th, at 3:00 PM at the Community Center in Knox City. We have a lot of good news including the Economic Development Workshop in Abilene, The Work Ethic Graduates and The Ranch Country Cluster Luncheon in Benjamin, etc. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

### ▪ The Noah Project

The Noah Project — North Advisory Committee will meet at noon Friday, September 14, at the Red Rooster Restaurant. Noah — North is celebrating twenty years of helping victims of family violence in Haskell, Jones, Knox, Stonewall and Throckmorton counties. All members, old and new, are invited to attend this important appreciation luncheon. If you have any questions, please call Donna Sue Anders at 940-864-2551.

### ▪ Knox City Homecoming

The Knox City Homecoming is scheduled for Thursday, September 20 and Friday, September 21.

### ▪ Knox City Lions Club Annual Mop & Broom Sale

The Knox City Lions Club will host its annual Broom and Mop Sale at the Knox City Post Office on Thursday, September 20. The event will begin at 7:30 a.m. Products are made by the blind.

### ▪ 25th Annual King County Fair

The 25th Annual King County Fair is scheduled for November 3rd & 4th at the Arb Piper Community Center Complex in Guthrie. The fair is open to the following twelve counties: King, Childress, Cottle, Dickens, Foard, Hardeman, Hall, Haskell, Kent, Knox, Motley and Stonewall. A full schedule of events will be in the next edition of the NEWS.

### ▪ TOPS

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

## Lions Club Hopes To Sweep Up Profit - Broom And Mop Sale To Be Next Week

We all need them - brooms, mops, brushes and cleaning aids, so why not support a wonderful cause by purchasing quality made products to support the Knox City Lions Club?

The Knox City Lions Club will host its annual Broom and Mop Sale at the Knox City Post Office on Thursday, September 20. The event will begin at 7:30 a.m.

Cleaning aids are available for home and business.

The products are made by the blind.

Prices are affordable for any budget and proceeds are used to help locally.

## Knox City PD Gets New Patrol Vehicle — New Police Chief Soon

The City of Knox City recently purchased a 2007 Chevrolet pickup that is currently being used as a police department patrol vehicle.

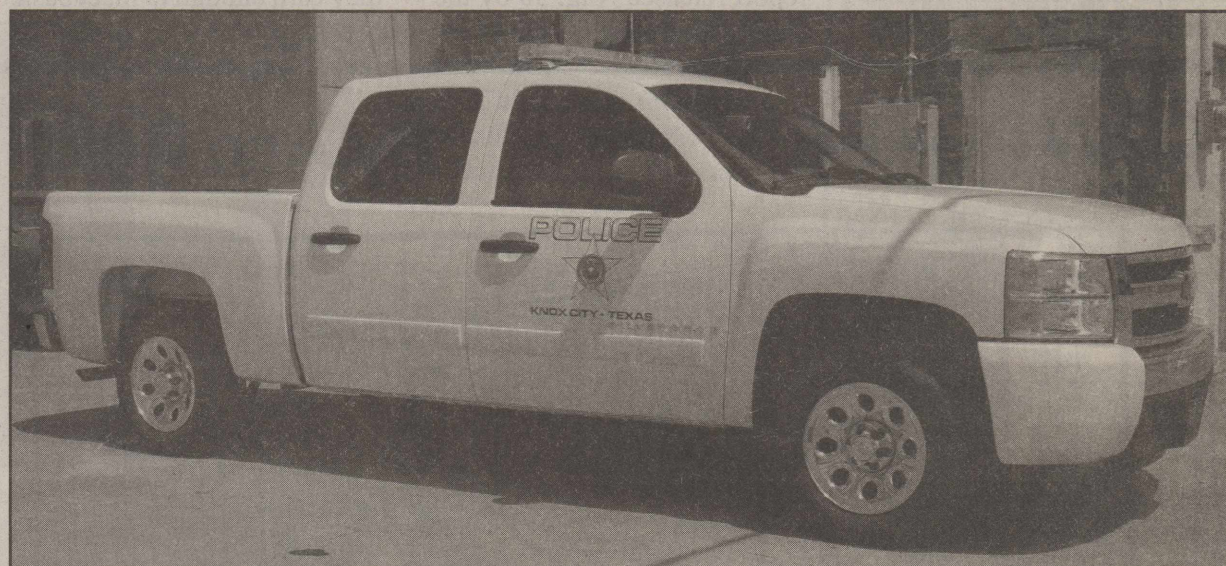
The pickup was put into use by the Knox City Police Department during the first part of August. The police department previously had two patrol cars, one of which has been retired.

The retired blue 1996 model Crown Victoria is now tied down in a grant. The vehicle is not in good working order.

The grant, if received, will send the blue patrol car to salvage and bring in a new patrol car. The City may, in a few years, also try to get a grant to replace the 2000 model white Crown Victoria. Both patrol cars were bought new.

Eventually, the 2007 pickup will be moved away from use as a patrol vehicle, when a more reliable patrol car is gained.

It will then be used by the



The new 2007 Knox City police department patrol vehicle

city as a maintenance vehicle. The City will continue to have two patrol vehicles.

Current Chief of Police Aaron Lewis has been patrolling in the new pickup since its arrival, but he will be turning the keys over in the next few days.

Lewis' last day to work for

the Knox City Police Department will be on September 19th. He will be attending Texas Department of Public Safety training school for 28 weeks to become a Texas State Trooper. Lewis has been employed by the Knox City Police Department since February of 2004.

Assistant Chief of Police Bill Glass will become the Knox City Police Chief on September 20th. Glass was hired by the City on June 19th. Glass has been in law enforcement for the past 15 years, most recently as a Patrolman with the Haskell Police Department.

## Late Texas Ranger Honored At Benjamin Cemetery



Texas Ranger Carl Weathers-Lubbock

The late Homer T. Melton was honored in a Texas Ranger Memorial Cross ceremony on Saturday, September 1st at the Benjamin Cemetery.

Melton was a former Knox County Sheriff and "C" Company Texas Ranger.

Including local daughter Mary Jane Young, many family members and friends were in attendance, in addition to Texas Rangers.

Former Texas Rangers who addressed the crowd were Carl

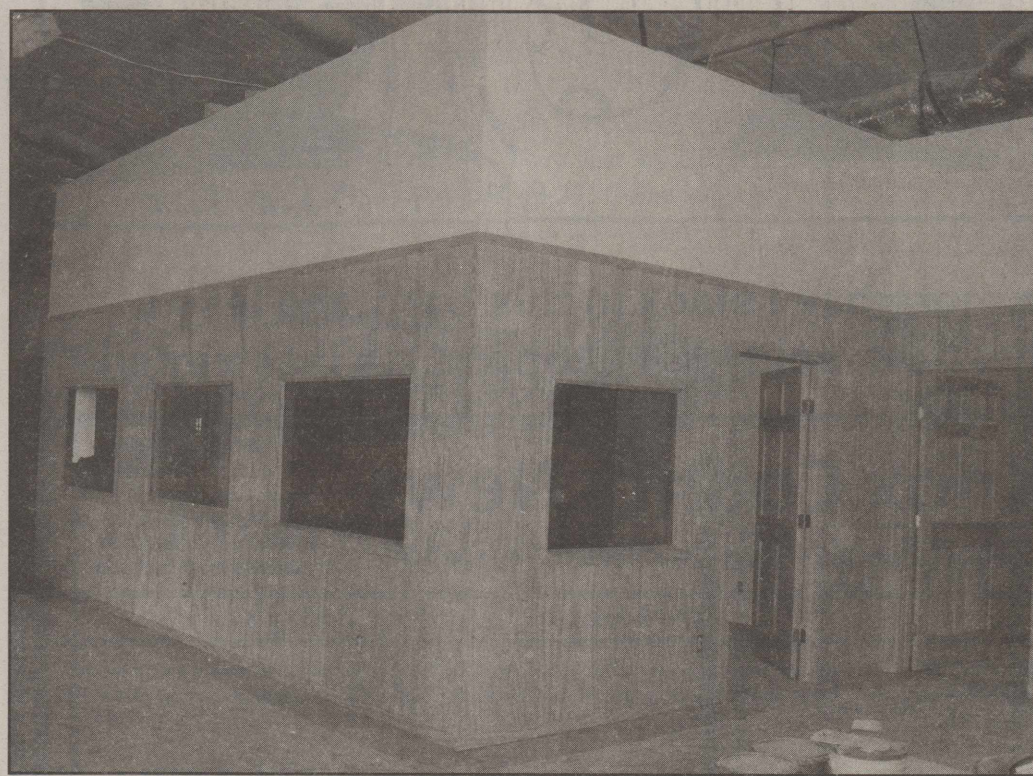
Weathers, Gary Henderson, Bill Gorth and Leo Hickman.

Melton was born in Goree in 1909 and passed away in 1990. He was laid to rest at the Benjamin Cemetery. He was a Benjamin resident most of his life.

Melton was elected Sheriff of Knox County in 1946 and resigned from that post in 1961 to fill the appointment as a Texas Ranger. He retired from the Rangers in 1974, after serving thirteen years.

■ See MELTON Page 3

## Completion In Sight For Knox County Museum



The Museums interior walls, paneled in light wood

The Wichita Valley Museum and Cultural Center, located in Benjamin, is inching closer to completion.

The museum, which held its ground breaking May 11, 2004, now has interior walls up, which are paneled in a light wood. Above the paneling, sheet rock has been left bare.

Plans are to have murals painted on the sheetrock that showcase the diversity of Knox County.

The ceiling tiles should go

up this week.

Afterwards, the air conditioning system will be completed, the concrete floors stained, plumbing will be finished and the outside walls will be rocked in a native stone.

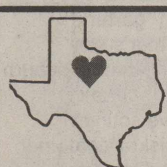
Personalized bricks and stones have arrived, and while some have to be replaced due to damages during shipping, they will be placed soon. The bricks will be placed in a special setting on the front lawn, while the granite stones will be placed on

the exterior wall above a native stone facade, about eye level.

The Masonic Lodge will hold a levelling ceremony on Saturday, September 29th and will present a cornerstone that will be added to the facade of the museum.

The Knox County Historical Commission hopes to have veterans items displayed in the museum on November 11th during the annual Veteran's Day Program.

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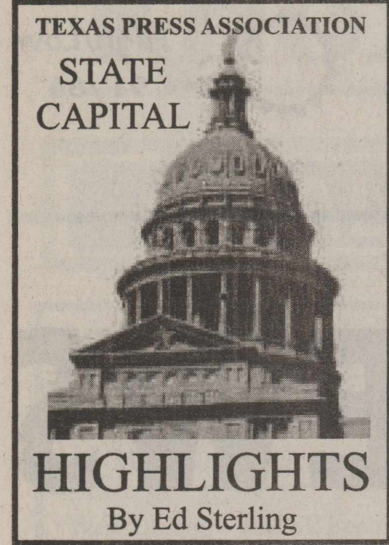
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# Hutchison Files Anti-Toll Legislation

AUSTIN - Talk of buying back certain stretches of federal interstate highway in Texas and then collecting new tolls to drive on them hit a roadblock earlier this month.

On Sept. 5, U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, filed S. 2019, legislation to prohibit the tolling of existing federal highways across the country.

"My bill will protect drivers from paying tolls on roads that were already paid for by tax-

payers," she said. The Texas Department of Transportation floated the idea of buybacks in February in its report, "Forward Momentum."

Under current law, states can apply to the U.S. Department of Transportation to place tolls on existing federal highways.

But Hutchison said she would oppose any such effort by TxDOT to toll existing interstate highways.

"I will work with members of the Texas Congressional delegation and the state Legislature to ensure that Texans are never asked to pay a toll of an existing interstate highway," she said.

### Report details high cost of living

"The Family Budget Estimator: What It Really Takes to Get By in Texas" is a new report released Aug. 30 by the Center for Public Policy Prior-

ities, a nonpartisan, nonprofit research organization based in Austin.

The report shows that living expenses in the Lone Star State are rising faster than incomes and that Texans are far less likely to receive employer sponsored health insurance than employees in other states.

The report also reveals Texas has the highest percentage of people without health care coverage in the nation and that Texas' high sales and property tax rates hit lower-paid workers the hardest.

Based on its findings, the CPPP makes a number of suggestions that if accomplished would improve the lot of Texans, such as:

- Texas should ensure that families remain eligible for CHIP and food stamps until they earn enough to meet basic needs.

• Texas should increase its commitment to community colleges and ensure that higher education remains affordable.

• Texas should adopt policies that help low-wage workers move into jobs with wages high enough to support a family.

• State and local tax abatements should be tied to employment and wage policies that require family-supporting wages and benefits.

• Texas should invest in policies and programs that increase homeownership, higher education, and retirement savings.

• Texas should convert its tax system to a low-rate personal income tax that would reduce overall taxes for middle and low-income families while providing enough money for education, job training and work supports to help Texans earn more.

The full report is available

online at [www.cppp.org](http://www.cppp.org).

### Perry spares inmate's life

Gov. Perry on Aug. 30 commuted the death sentence of Kenneth Eugene Foster of San Antonio to life imprisonment following the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles' majority recommendation.

Foster was sentenced to death for driving the getaway car in the 1996 capital murder of Michael LaHood. Foster sought to have his death sentence commuted to a life sentence, arguing that he did not shoot LaHood.

Perry said the Legislature, which convenes in January 2009, should examine the state law that allows capital murder defendants to be tried simultaneously.

### State purchases Crockett letter

Texas Historical Commission on Sept. 4 announced its purchase of the last known let-

ter of Davy Crockett from a private collection in Houston.

The letter, dated Jan. 9, 1836, and addressed to his children, was written by Crockett in San Augustine, then enroute to the Alamo.

The pricetag was \$490,000, but after the sale questions were raised as to the authenticity of the document.

### Test preparations to be reduced

The Texas Education Agency announced it would cut back on "field testing" practices at many public schools.

The agency says field testing helps educators gauge the fairness of questions on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills and other exams.

The decision to cut back addresses complaints that field testing takes too much time that could be used for instruction.

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By Ace Reid



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- 1 "\_\_\_ well that ends well"
- 5 poker hand: "full \_\_\_"
- 6 TXism: "just two whoops \_\_\_ holler away"
- 7 expression of relief at end of work week (abbr.)
- 8 Buda/Kyle newspaper (3 wds.)
- 17 \_\_\_ Ebanos, TX
- 18 TX Cindy Garner jokebook: "How Noodles?"
- 21 actress star of TX-based "Giant" (init.)
- 22 antelope at the San Antonio Zoo: "\_\_\_ lechwe"
- 23 TXism: "hot as \_\_\_ stove"
- 24 Dimmitt is seat of this county
- 29 TXism: "\_\_\_ the bullet"
- 30 TXism: "skedadle"
- 31 Holden of '41 film "Texas" (init.)
- 32 TXism: "heavy \_\_\_ end of a John Deere"
- 34 property document
- 35 TX Foreman had title of this org. in '73 & '74 (abbr.)
- 36 computer but not the software
- 37 TX Farris group: "\_\_\_ of the Pioneers"
- 38 TXism: "she's \_\_\_ ringed" (engaged)
- 39 TX hotel: "\_\_\_ Post Oak Park"
- 41 Yvonne De \_\_\_ of "Calamity Jane and Sam Bass"
- 42 TXism: "it ain't \_\_\_ in cement"
- 43 Jack of "Big Bad John with TX Dean
- 44 "All for one and one \_\_\_"
- 45 TX Bush's "Stormin' Norman" (init.)
- 46 Gov. Pease (init.)
- 47 ink \_\_\_ test
- 48 TXism: "\_\_\_ a calf crying for mamma"
- 50 ginger cookies
- 51 "The Incredible \_\_\_"
- 52 TXism: "get your ducks \_\_\_ row"
- 53 TX Reynolds film: "\_\_\_ One for Me"

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- 3 "L" of LPGA
- 4 chief of \_\_\_
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- 10 Perry's creator
- 11 wide boot width
- 12 after noon (abbr.)
- 13 "caminos \_\_\_" (early TX roads)
- 14 TXism: "it's all over but the shouting"
- 15 snow scooter
- 16 small drink
- 19 Mansfield's "\_\_\_ Rodeo"
- 20 TX biofuel
- 22 Abilene State Park is \_\_\_ miles SW of Abilene
- 24 state of Spurs, Mavs, & Rockets foe, Lakers (abbr.)
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- 29 "Star Trek" entity
- 30 Sherilyn of TX-based film "Ruby"
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- 34 "\_\_\_ and gloom"
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# BAXTER BLACK

ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

## Prairie Dog Fighting

By Baxter Black, DVM

Dog fighting is a touchy subject. Yet an NFL football player has been accused of fighting dogs. It's in the news.

For those who need further clarification, the athlete is not fighting them himself. He's not stripping to the waist, putting on a pair of boxing gloves and stepping into the cage with a 200-pound Doberman Pincher. No, although it might seem that could be part of his rehabilitation. Pitting dogs against one another in a battle to the death is inhumane. Even if these dogs are bred to fight, we in the United States do not abide it.

Cockfighting has been outlawed in the U.S. only recently, too. It does not stir the same visceral revulsion in most folks that dog fighting does. It's easy to see why. It is harder for most humans to relate to a chicken the same way we do to dogs. Besides, you can eat the dead chicken. But the deliberate baiting of animals against each other with the intent to injure, is not acceptable.

We can race dogs against each other, we can use them as security dogs, police dogs, rat terriers, bird dogs, funniest animal home video dogs, lion dogs and coyote dogs, all situations where there is some risk of getting hurt, but they are not expected to die in the line of duty.

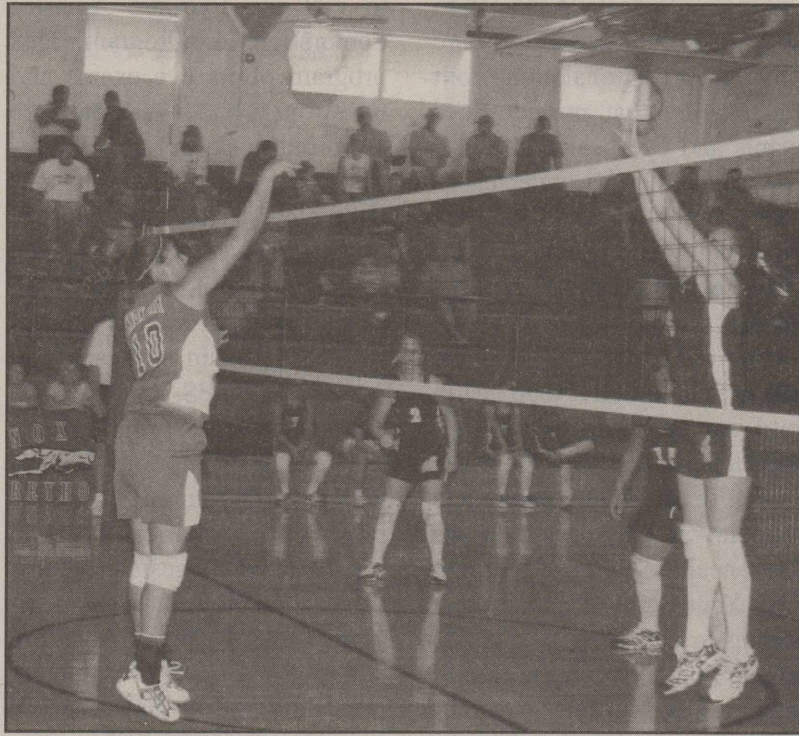
I'm wondering, are there any animals, besides kick boxers and Jerry Springer's guests, where it would be okay to allow them to fight? Not to the death, but a simple match the crowd can bet on. How about trained fighting prairie dogs! They are abundant, but how can you make a prairie dog mad enough to fight? Taunt him? "Hey bucktooth, was yer dad a beaver?" Call him names? "Hairball! Hawk bait! Yer mother lives in a hole!" Kick sand in his face? Hide his hole? Clip his fingernails?

21st Century prairie dogs have become refugees of suburban development. They are now relegated to set-aside prairie dog refuge camps, living crowded, cramped, noisy, stifled lives. They are surely mad as heck! But would they fight? Kick, scratch, bite? No! It is not acceptable under United Nations refugee rules! So the new tame prairie dog nations would be forced to compete in a more civilized manner.

Who can draw more flies, who can ovulate the quickest, have a battle of the bands ("I ain't nothin' but a prairie dog, cryin' all the time"), chili cook off (with and without buffalo chips), a marathon (tunneling for speed and distance).

The winner would get free flying lessons, courtesy of Raptors Unlimited...uh, oh. That doesn't sound right.

## Houndettes Play Several Teams In Volleyball



Mea Abila reaches up for the spike

The Knox City Houndette Volleyball Teams have been busy on the road and on the court this week. Last Tuesday, the JV and O'Brien Middle School teams faced the Aspermont Hornets in Aspermont. The O'Brien team won in two games. Coach Waggoner was pleased with the team's understanding and knowledge of the rotation and 6-2 formation they are currently using. The JV team fell short to the Lady Hornets: 23/25 and 17/25. "We (the team and I) all realize they could have taken those two games if their passing off of serves would have been better. They are eager to take care of that, this week in practice," states Coach Peters. Meanwhile the Varsity faced

off with the Benjamin Lady Mustangs at Benjamin. They lost in three games. "The girls did a good job of keeping it close even with the dimensions being so different on the court in Benjamin. The girls are ready to move on and make sure we take care of business when Benjamin comes to Knox City later in the season," commented Coach Peters.

Then on Saturday the JV and Varsity met the Munday Mogulettes in non-district action at Greyhound gymnasium. The girls needed some playing time to stay sharp. The JV came away winners: 25/10 and 25/13. The Varsity, also, swept the Mogulettes: 25/11, 25/15, 25/18.

## Texas Department Of Agriculture Commissioner To Speak At Annual TMCN Conference

Texas Department of Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples will be the keynote speaker for the annual Texas Midwest Conference, Oct. 17th, at the Abilene Civic Center.

This year marks the 14th annual conference sponsored by Texas Midwest Community Network.

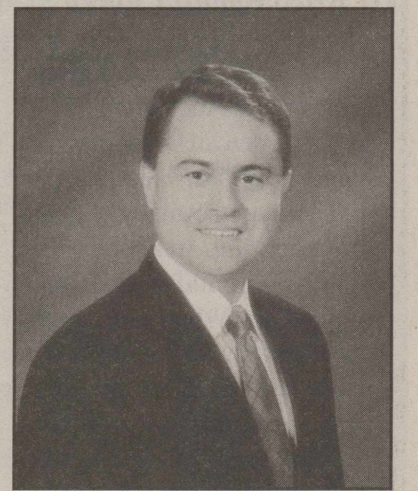
The regional organization organizes a day of networking for community leaders to find ways to enhance local community and economic development efforts.

A feature of this year's conference is an Information Expo showcasing services and programs available to small cities by state agencies and regional organizations.

Morning seminars focus on ways to grow local economies and enhance quality of life in rural settings.

The afternoon session will provide information on a new regional initiative for affordable employer group health insurance.

The announcement of "Community Achievement



Award" recipients and the "All-Star Community Award" will be made during the luncheon.

Founded in 1994 Texas Midwest Community Network is a regional organization that provides a means for communities to work together to accomplish what one cannot do alone. TMCN activities and programs include marketing for economic development and tourism, legislative awareness, education and networking opportunities.

For more information call 325-676-0329 or go to www.texasmidwest.org.

## Museum — Continued

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However, because the museum will not be completed at that time, the museum will not

be open on a regular basis.

The items have been displayed in the Knox County Courthouse in the past.

## Melton — Continued

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The 2006-2007 Texas Ranger Memorial Cross program is

funded in part by a grant from the Texas Historical Foundation.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 6, 2007

### PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 103)

HJR 103 would update the constitutional reference to Angelo State University to conform with the statutory transfer of that institution from membership in the Texas State University System to membership in the Texas Tech University System.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the continuation of the constitutional appropriation for facilities and other capital items at Angelo State University on a change in the governance of the university."

### PROPOSITION 2 (SJR 57)

SJR 57 would authorize the legislature to permit the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue up to \$500 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to college and university students, and to enter into bond enhancement agreements.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of \$500 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to students and authorizing bond enhancement agreements with respect to general obligation bonds issued for that purpose."

### PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 40)

HJR 40 would authorize the legislature to limit the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for property tax purposes in a tax year to the lesser of the most recent appraisal valuation, or 110 percent, or a greater percentage as determined by the legislature, of the appraised value in the preceding tax year.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide that the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxation is limited to the lesser of the most recent market value of the residence homestead as determined by the appraisal entity or 110 percent, or a greater percentage, of the appraised value of the residence homestead for the preceding tax year."

### PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 65)

SJR 65 would authorize the legislature to permit the Texas Public Finance Authority to issue up to \$1 billion in general obligation

bonds, the proceeds of which would be dedicated to maintenance, construction, repairs, and equipment purchases, as authorized by the legislature for the following state agencies: the Texas Building and Procurement Commission; the Parks and Wildlife Department; the Department of the Adjutant General; the Department of State Health Services; the Department of Aging and Disability Services; the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired; the Texas Youth Commission; the Texas Historical Commission; the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; the Texas School for the Deaf; and the Texas Department of Public Safety.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of up to \$1 billion in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for maintenance, improvement, repair, and construction projects and for the purchase of needed equipment."

### PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 44)

SJR 44 would authorize the legislature to permit cities with a population of less than 10,000 to hold an election to allow the city to enter into an agreement with a property owner to temporarily freeze taxes on property either in or adjacent to an area approved for funding under the Downtown Revitalization Program or the Main Streets Improvements Program administered by the Department of Agriculture.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit the voters of a municipality having a population of less than 10,000 to authorize the governing body of the municipality to enter into an agreement with an owner of real property in or adjacent to an area in the municipality that has been approved for funding under certain programs administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture under which the parties agree that all ad valorem taxes imposed on the owner's property may not be increased for the first five tax years after the tax year in which the agreement is entered into."

### PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 54)

HJR 54 would authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem tax one motor vehicle owned by an individual that is used by the individual for both business and personal use.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional

amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation one motor vehicle owned by an individual and used in the course of the owner's occupation or profession and also for personal activities of the owner."

### PROPOSITION 7 (HJR 30)

HJR 30 would allow a governmental entity to sell property acquired through eminent domain to its immediately previous owner at the original purchase price, if the public use of the property has been canceled, if no progress is made toward that public use by a prescribed deadline, or if the property is unnecessary to accomplish that public use.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to allow governmental entities to sell property acquired through eminent domain back to the previous owners at the price the entities paid to acquire the property."

### PROPOSITION 8 (HJR 72)

HJR 72 would clarify home equity loan procedures and protections and make conforming changes to the written disclosure provided to the borrower at the loan closing. The amendment would establish that the status of whether property is an agricultural homestead for the purpose of receiving homestead protection, would be determined by whether it was designated for agricultural use on the date of the loan closing. The amendment would provide that a declared state of emergency (e.g., following a natural disaster) would justify execution of a second home equity loan on the same property less than one year after the first home equity loan. It would provide that non-substantive omissions on a loan application would not affect the agreement. It would require a borrower to receive a copy of all executed loan documents, and a disclosure list of fees and costs at closing. It would prohibit the use of preprinted checks for the use of unsolicited loan advances to obtain a home equity line of credit.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to clarify certain provisions relating to the making of a home equity loan and use of home equity loan proceeds."

### PROPOSITION 9 (SJR 29)

SJR 29 would authorize the legislature to exempt all or part of the market value of the residence homesteads of veterans certified as having a service-connected 100 percent

disability rating. SJR 29 would also clarify the progression of property tax exemptions available to veterans who are less than 100 percent disabled.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt all or part of the residence homesteads of certain totally disabled veterans from ad valorem taxation and authorizing a change in the manner of determining the amount of the existing exemption from ad valorem taxation to which a disabled veteran is entitled."

### PROPOSITION 10 (HJR 69)

HJR 69 would remove constitutional references to the former office of inspector of hides and animals.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to abolish the constitutional authority for the office of inspector of hides and animals."

### PROPOSITION 11 (HJR 19)

HJR 19 would require a vote taken in either house of the legislature to be recorded by record vote, if the vote was on final passage of a bill, other than local bills, a resolution proposing a constitutional amendment, or any other resolution that is not purely ceremonial. The record vote must be archived and available for public viewing on the Internet for at least two years.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to require that a record vote be taken by a house of the legislature on final passage of any bill, other than certain local bills, of a resolution proposing or ratifying a constitutional amendment, or of any other nonceremonial resolution, and to provide for public access on the Internet to those record votes."

### PROPOSITION 12 (SJR 64)

SJR 64 would authorize the Texas Transportation Commission to issue up to \$5 billion in general obligation bonds for highway improvement projects, the proceeds of which will be used to pay for projects, costs, and payments owed under related credit agreements.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds by the Texas Transportation Commission in an amount not to exceed \$5 billion to provide funding for highway improvement projects."

### PROPOSITION 13 (HJR 6)

HJR 6 would authorize the denial of bail to a person who violates conditions of release

in a family violence case and permit the legislature to authorize the denial of bail to a person who violates certain court orders in a family violence case.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail to a person who violates certain court orders or conditions of release in a felony or family violence case."

### PROPOSITION 14 (HJR 36)

HJR 36 would limit a state justice or judge's service to December 31<sup>st</sup> of the fourth year of the term if he/she is elected to all or part of a six year term, and reaches mandatory retirement age during the first four years of said term.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting a justice or judge who reaches the mandatory retirement age while in office to serve the remainder of the justice's or judge's current term."

### PROPOSITION 15 (HJR 90)

HJR 90 would require the legislature to establish the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, and would provide for its management, duties, and powers. It would authorize the issuance of up to \$3 billion in general obligation bonds to be used for operations and grants for the purpose of scientific research of all forms of human cancer.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment requiring the creation of the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas and authorizing the issuance of up to \$3 billion in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for research in Texas to find the causes of and cures for cancer."

### PROPOSITION 16 (SJR 20)

SJR 20 would authorize the issuance of up to \$250 million in general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board to provide financial assistance to economically distressed areas of the state to help provide adequate sewer and water supply services for residential use.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$250 million to provide assistance to economically distressed areas."

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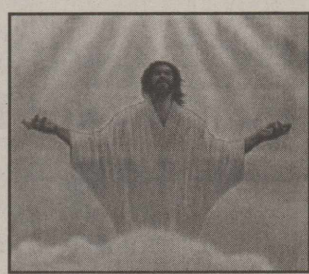
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## God's Promises

By Jim Reid, Pastor  
O'Brien Baptist Church



For most people emotional hurt comes too often. Hurt may happen in a moment or over a period of years.

There are so many ways to bring hurt into someone's life; young, old, child or adult, man or woman. When we experience hurt and emotional pain, many lash out in retribution or vengeance, but it seems most people simply bury this pain deep in their heart.

They wonder why you want to hurt. They don't understand why you keep doing it, especially when you say, "I love you." I want to let the Word of God encourage you in your heart. Read the following verses of scripture and let God remove the hurt and listen to Him say, "I love you". His love is always healing.

*Do not fear for I am with you; do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, surely I will help you, surely I will uphold you with My right-*

*teous right hand. (Isaiah 41: 10 NASB).*

*For God is not a God of confusion, but of peace. (1 Corinthians 14: 33a)*

*Cast your burden upon the Lord and He will sustain you; He will never allow the righteous to be shaken. (Psalm 55: 22 NASB).*

*He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds (Psalm 147:3 NASB).*

*Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of peace, dwell on these things. The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in Me practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. (Philippians 4: 8, 9 NASB)*

May God bless you this week with His love and His peace.

## Health Campaign Offers Five Tips For The Aging Eye

Austin — The Texas Ophthalmological Association in partnership with EyeCare America, a national non-profit organization that provides eye exams and eye health information to medically underserved communities, is providing 5 tips for a healthy aging eye in honor of September's Save Your Sight Month.

"We find that many people don't pay attention to their health until something goes wrong," said Steven Dunn, MD, President of the Texas Ophthalmological Association. "By providing tips for a healthy aging eye during Save Your Sight Month, we are hoping to encourage seniors to be more proactive in the care of their eyes and vision."

EyeCare America's 5 Tips for a Healthy Aging Eye:

- Vitamin A is great for your eyes and will help you maintain healthy vision. Foods rich in vitamin A include carrots, yams and dark leafy greens.

- Find out your family history of eye disease. In many cases, having a family member with an eye disease, such as glaucoma, greatly increases your chance of getting the disease.

- Protect your eyes from the sun. Over exposure to the sun's rays can lead to cataracts. Your sunglasses should have UVA and UVB protection.

- If you are over 65 years of age, have your eyes examined annually.

- Call EyeCare America's Seniors EyeCare Program 1-800-222-EYES (3937) to see if you qualify for a free eye exam. The Texas Ophthalmological

Association encourages people to call the EyeCare America Seniors EyeCare Program. This program offers eye exams and up to one year of medical care at no out-of-pocket cost for seniors who are without an ophthalmologist (a medical eye doctor). To see if you, a loved one or a friend, 65 and older, is eligible to receive a referral for an eye exam and care, call 1-800-222-EYES (3937). The Seniors EyeCare Program help line operates 24 hours a day, every day, year-round.

EyeCare America operates one of the largest programs of its kind in American medicine. Here in Texas, EyeCare America and its 364 volunteer ophthalmologists have served more than 29,621 people.

EyeCare America's Seniors EyeCare Program is designed for people who:

- Are US citizens or legal residents
- Are age 65 and older
- Have not seen an ophthalmologist in three or more years
- Do not belong to an HMO or the VA

Volunteer physicians have agreed to accept Medicare or other insurance as payment in full, resulting in no out-of-pocket cost to the patient. Individuals without insurance of any kind are seen at no charge.

The Seniors EyeCare Program is designed for seniors without an ophthalmologist and is co-sponsored by the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. and Alcon. Visit EyeCare America's website at [www.eyecareamerica.org](http://www.eyecareamerica.org).

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**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH – Benjamin**  
Sunday School at 10 a.m. • Sunday Morning Worship at 11 a.m.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH – Benjamin**  
Timothy Trimbel, Pastor  
Sunday Worship at 9:30 a.m. • Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.

**GILLESPIE BAPTIST CHURCH – Gillespie**  
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Sunday School at 10 a.m. • Sunday Morning Worship at 11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship at 6 p.m. • Mid-Week, Wed. at 6 p.m.

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**One of the best ways to lower higher electric bills is to shop around for a less expensive retail electric provider (REP). Finding different offers can be done quickly and efficiently.**

- 1) Visit the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) electric choice website at [www.powertochoose.org](http://www.powertochoose.org). If you don't have access to a computer, you can call the PUCT's Electric Choice hotline at 1-866-PWR-4-TEX (797-4839).
- 2) Use the information you receive to contact different REPs to collect more information on various services and offers. Also contact your current REP at the number listed on your electric bill for other offers that may be available. Ask about contract terms and prices and be sure to look at the REPs' Electricity Facts Labels to make a good comparison.

### Need some help?

Customers having trouble paying their electric bills and wishing to avoid disconnection should discuss their concerns with their current retail electric provider. All REPs are required to offer deferred payment plans to eligible customers who express an inability to pay. REPs also offer balanced billing plans, which allow eligible customers to pay an average amount each month year-round.

Additionally, many community action agencies may be able to help with electric bills or energy efficiency programs. For more information, contact the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) at 1-800-525-0657, e-mail at [info@tdhca.state.tx.us](mailto:info@tdhca.state.tx.us) or visiting one of the following websites.

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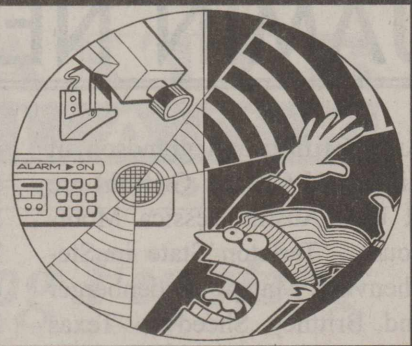


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# Dumb Crook News



## "Oops! Wrong Number!"

Boy, did one guy in Escatawpa, Mississippi, dial the wrong number.

The resident, identified as 53-year-old Curtiss Coleman, had just watched a news report about Hurricane Katrina and needed an emergency trailer. But he missed the number that was given out, so he intended to call 411 to get the hotline of the TV station. If you've read dumb-crook stories like this before, you can probably guess what happened. For the benefit of those who haven't, I'll explain. Coleman accidentally dialed 911 instead. And when he realized his error, he immediately hung up.

Unfortunately, what he didn't know was that 911 tracks all calls to the number that they originated from — and that includes those who get off the phone right away. And then cops came to his home to investigate. When there was no answer at the door, they were afraid that someone was injured inside, so they broke in. And that's when discovered three people all safe and sound — along with a huge meth lab. Four suspects, including Coleman, have been arrested, with a fifth still on the loose.

Maybe this guy needs glasses so that he can read the keypad on his phone better.

## "I Have Your Bike On Craigslist. Come And Get It!"

A woman a Palatine, Illinois, says that she was the victim of a dumb crook (which we here at DumbCrooks.com specialize in) who attempted to sell her bike on the classified ad website Craigslist.com.

The thief took Kim Inman's trek road bike in the downtown area of this Chicago suburb the morning of September 2.

Later that day, Inman noticed a posting for a bike like hers on Craigslist.

The phone number of the seller was listed, so Inman called the cops, and an undercover officer arranged a meeting to buy the bike.

"I was just afraid the guy was going to get away, or it would be suspicious, or somebody else would buy it," Inman said. "I knew my bike was out there."

The thief, identified as 34-year-old Kenneth Franklin of Mount Prospect, is now charged with one count of felony theft. As of this writing, he is being held on \$15,000 bail in Rolling Meadows.

## Knox County 4-H And Youth Project Fair To Be Held September 24

All Knox County youth are invited to participate in the Knox County 4-H and Youth Project Fair to be held on September 24 at the Benjamin Ex-Students Building in Benjamin.

The fair is held in conjunction with Knox County Extension Education Association Achievement Fair in which EEA members come together to compete in various categories including crafts, foods, photography, horticulture, fine arts, and needlework.

The youth have a separate division and there is no entry fee.

This year a special prize of \$25.00, given by the Knox County 4-H and Youth Committee will be awarded to the youth in each age division with the most entries.

The age divisions for youth are: Kindergarten through 4th grade, 5th through 8th grade, and 9th through 12th grade.

Entries will be received on September 24 until 11:00 AM. Doors will open again at 5:00 PM for viewing of entries, awards and a meal sponsored by Knox County EEA.

If you are interested in learning more about the Knox County Extension Education or Knox County 4-H or just want to come see what talent Knox County has and share a good meal, please join us on Monday, September 24 at 5:00 PM in Benjamin.

For more information on entering the fair please contact the Knox County Extension Office at 940/459-2651.

Educational programs of the Texas Cooperative Extension are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin. Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service, or accommodation in order to participate in a meeting or program are encouraged to contact the Knox County Extension Office.

## KC Extension Education Association Achievement Fair And 4-H Project Show

Monday, September 24, 2007

Benjamin Ex-Students Association Building, Benjamin

### PROJECT SCHEDULE:

11:00 a.m. - Entries must be in place • 1:00 p.m. - Judging of entries (Doors closed to public)  
5:00 p.m. - Public viewing of entries • 6:00 p.m. - Meal - Provided by Knox County EEA  
7:00 p.m. - Awards Program, Release of entries

### YOUTH CATEGORIES:

Primary (K - 4th grade), Junior High (5th - 8th grade), High School (9th - 12th grade)

\*Youth may enter one item in each class.

\*A Best of Show will be awarded in each age group.

\*All items must have been made within the last year and not entered previously.

\*\$25.00 cash award will be given to person in each age group with the most entries

### YOUTH CLASSES:

**A. Clothing (item must have been sewn by exhibitor):**

1. Dress, 2. Blouse, 3. Pants or skirt, 4. Lounge Wear, 5. Denim Wear, 6. Vest, 7. Jacket, 8. Miscellaneous sewn item not listed above.

### B. Fine Arts:

1. Landscape, 2. Still Life, 3. Figure portrait, 4. Animal Subject, 5. Miscellaneous

**C. Perishable Foods (need to provide recipe with entry):**

1. Bread, 2. Candy containing cereal, 3. Nut Bread, 4. Cookies, 5. Chocolate Candy, 6. Miscellaneous, 7. Muffins

### D. Crafts:

1. Jewelry, 2. Decorated Clothing, 3. Wreath, 4. Holiday, 5. Household item, 6. Punched Tin, 7. Woodwork, 8. Dec. wood, 9. Leather Work, 10. Misc.

**E. Photography: 35 mm or digital (Can enter one black/white and color photo in each class and must be at least 4X6 in size.)**

1. Animals, 2. People, 3. Architecture, 4. Flowers/Plants, 5. Landscape/Seascape, 6. Special Effects, 7. General

**F. Canned Foods: (must have dated canned on bottom)**

1. Cucumber pickles, 2. Other vegetable pickles, 3. Jelly, 4. Jam, 5. Preserves, 6. Relish or salsa, 7. Miscellaneous

### G. Needlework:

1. Embroidery, 2. Cross-stitch, 3. Latch hook, 4. Needlepoint, 5. Quilt, 6. Plastic Canvas, 7. Pillowcase, 8. Pillow, 9. Misc.

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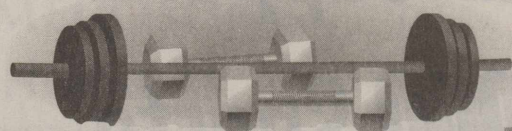
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## Notice of Public Hearing on Budget

KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

The KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2007 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on SEPTEMBER 17, 2007 at 5:30 p.m.

at the KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT OFFICE, BENJAMIN, TEXAS

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget.	\$ 187,010.00
The total amount of increase over the current year's budget.	\$ 2,700.00
The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget.	3 1/2 (full-time equivalent)
The number of employees compensated under the current budget.	3 (full-time equivalent)

At 6:00 p.m. budget will be approved by the Knox County Appraisal District.

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the appraisal district board of directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the appraisal district office.



# Benjamin Sports



## Weather Hands Mustangs An Early Loss

The Benjamin Mustangs traveled to Lubbock on Friday for an early evening game against the Christ the King Trojans.

The Mustangs hit the field ready for battle, but approaching storms finished the game before the Mustangs could bring home

a win. While the Mustangs got inside the 5-10 yard range for the score several times, they just couldn't put the ball over the line. The momentum was there, though. When the game was called, about the half, the Mustangs were at 3rd down and 16.

The disappointed Mustangs left the field with a loss of 28-16.

The Mustangs will host the Paint Creek Pirates at home on Friday at 7:30 p.m.

The Pirates lost to Ira last week with a final score of 45-0.

## Lady Stangs Beat Lady Houndettes In District Opener

The Lady Stangs hosted the Knox City Houndettes on the volleyball court for the teams' district opener.

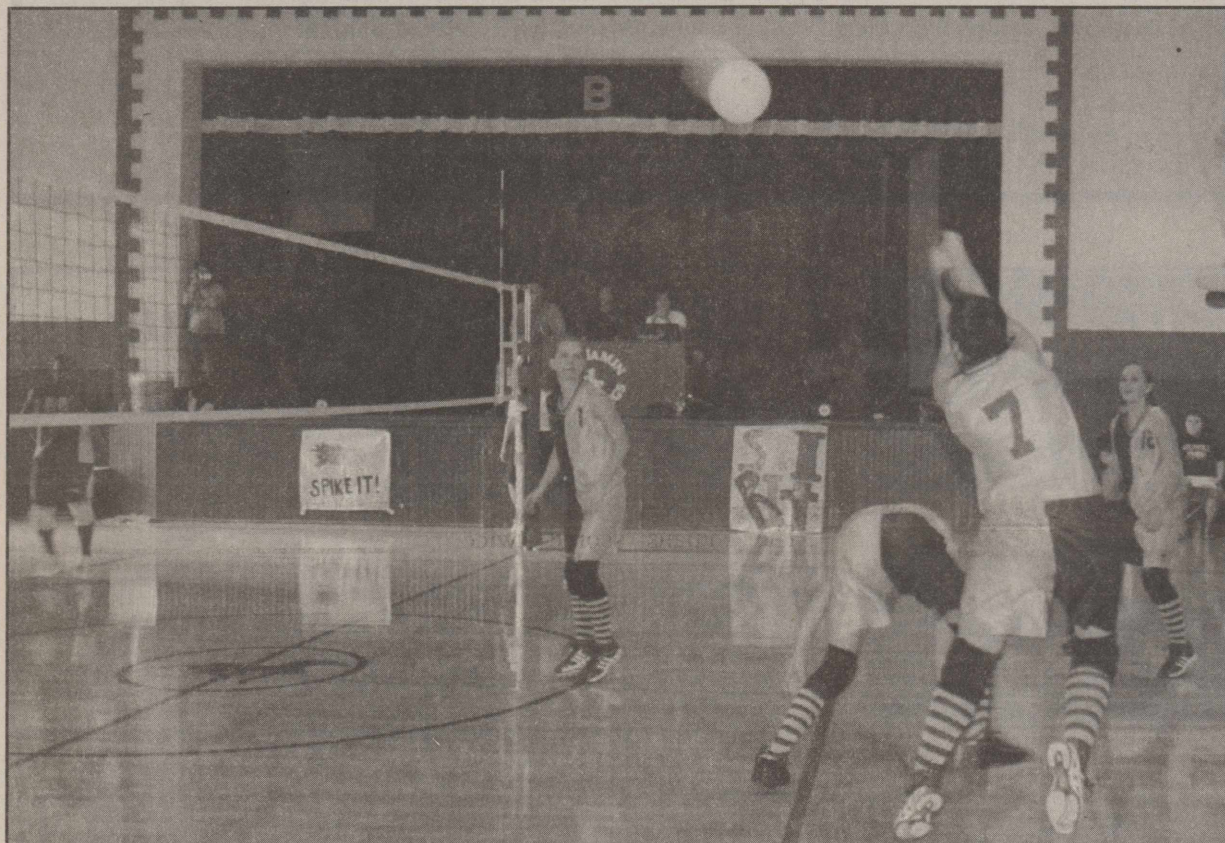
The cross county rivalry always heats up as the Houndettes

head to Benjamin. The Lady Stangs took the floor ready for the battle.

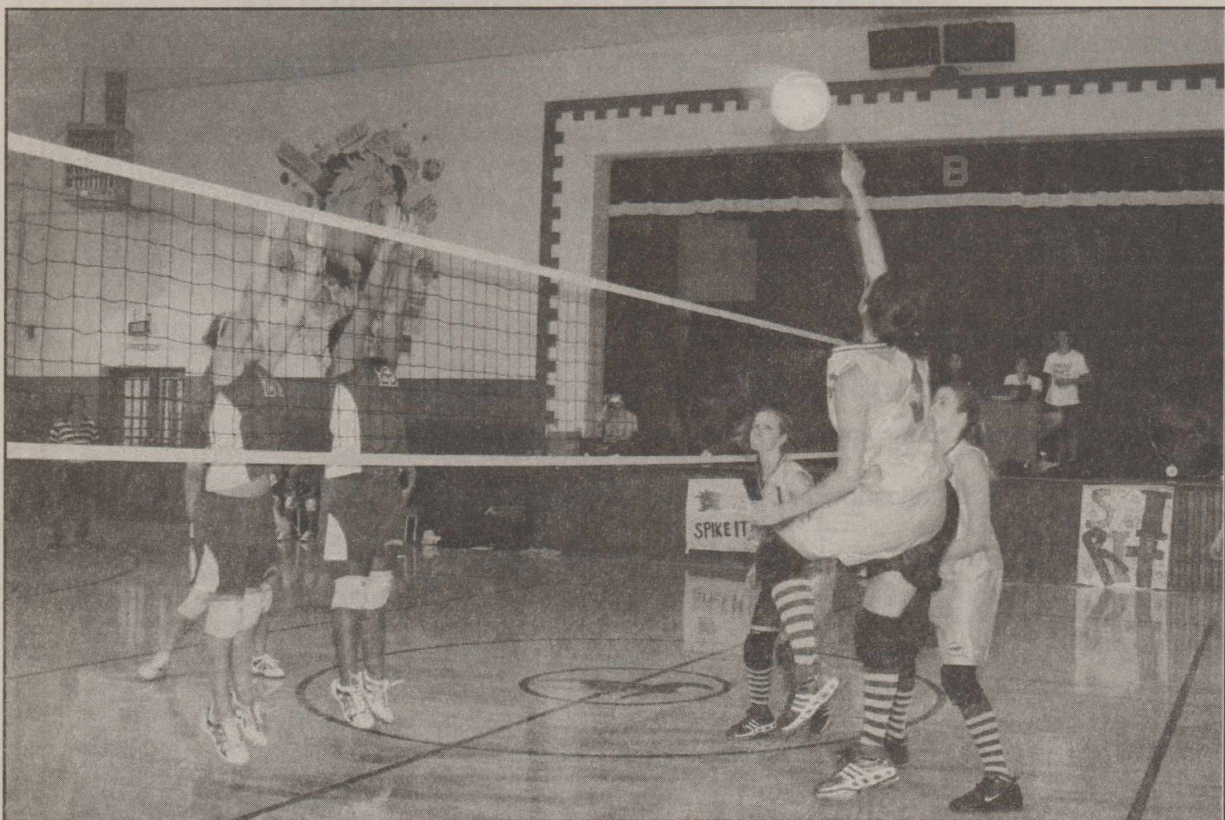
The Lady Stangs came together with good serves, passes and sets; then followed up with

vital blocks, digs, and spikes to sweep the Houndettes in the three game series.

The Lady Stangs won the game. Stats were unavailable at press time.



Judit Acevedo hitting with Karla Benson and Tina Siemens



Nafeesa Ebraheim hitting with Teri Miller and Tina Siemens at the net.

## BENJAMIN NEWS

By Gladene Green

It's been another pretty busy weekend for Benjaminites. Starting with Friday night's ball game in Lubbock and continuing through Saturday night there was plenty for folks to do, and the rain Sunday afternoon added to the "pleasantness" of things and with another blowing tonight, Monday, the temps continue to be nice, and fall is defiantly in the air.

The girls and boys split the victories Friday night when they met the Trojans from Christ the King school of Lubbock in Lubbock.

The JV volleyball girls played early and won, and then the football teams took to the field. The game had to be called in the third quarter due to lightning and rain, and the host team was ahead.

Had it been able to go on perhaps the score would have been in our favor, but far better to lose a game than chance getting someone hurt or worse. Mother Nature can be vicious.

**Shower Honors New Bride**

Jessica Lamb, recent bride of Anthony Lamb, was honored Saturday morning with a come and go shower in the home of Lorene Powers. A variety of brunch foods and punch was served to the guests.

The young couple, who married August 18th, received a very nice selection of gifts that will be very useful as they begin their new life together.

Hostesses were Emelia Acevedo, Linda Griffith, Janet Reed, Betty Lyles, Tammy Lyles, Carol Dickson, Debbie Moorhouse, Sylinda Meinzer, Lorene Powers and Gladene Green.

**Here 'N There**

Among the Benjamin kids off to college this year are Chance Propps and Matt Tyson (son of

Amy Griffith and grandson of Linda and Charles Griffith) are at U.T. Austin. Jessica Moorhouse - Tarleton State in Stephenville, Maggie Seidenberger and Brittney Sheedy - Texas Tech, and off to VRJC in Vernon are Brittney Kuehler, Jenna McCanlies, Kaitlyn Kuehler, Shaylee Propps (Wichita Falls campus) and Cassie Lyles.

Jan Carver and her brother, Dennis Anderson, and his wife, Evelyn, of Abilene spent Labor Day weekend in the home of their other brother, Jerry Anderson and wife Barbara in Hewitt. She said they had a fun weekend of card playing, eating and shopping. This past weekend Jan and Fred had guests, including Stasia Antilley and two month old grandson, Ryder Antilley of Wingate, Jacy, Jara and Talen Collins of Munday, Tyler Collins of Seymour, Dorothy Carver of Knox City and Tammy Lyles of Benjamin.

Little great grandson, Mason Herring, is still in Children's Hospital in Dallas. Had thought he may come home today, but another little problem developed, so he had to stay. He sees his cardiologist Thursday and maybe after that consultation he will be able to be dismissed. Please continue to remember Mason and his family in prayer.

The camp meeting at Moorhouse Ranch Saturday night was well attended, according to those in attendance.

The meal, song service and message were all great (they tell me). I hate to miss those sort of things, but there are times when it just can't be helped. This event was sponsored by the Guthrie Baptist Church and special guest was Susie Luschsinger, sister of Reba McIntyre.

Sheri Monroe and Nati Escobedo were united in marriage

on Saturday, September 8th in the backyard of Linda and Jerry Parker, the bride's parents, in Benjamin. The early evening ceremony was officiated by Pete Parker. *Guests included Jerry and Linda Parker, the brides parents, Sean and Kyle Wilson and Tanner Monroe, sons of the bride, sister Shannon Crinion and husband Danny of San Diego, Chief Escobedo, father of the groom, Jackie Escobedo, brother of the groom, and children Jacklyn, Jarred and Jerica, of Haskell, sister Louisa and husband Hollis of Graham, Hampton Howard, Alan and Holly Slater of Garland, Erin and Jerimiah Parker of Austin, Gabe, Kristi, Marissa, Ava and Sean Allen, Ruben Garcia of Rotan, Tammy and Morgan Kreger of Haskell, Jerry Spinks of Haskell, Marsha Vasquez of Rule, Blondie Hamilton of Seymour, Richard, Debbie and Megan Goforth of Haltom City, Jamie and Alex Espinoza, Nicholas, Lilly and Josh of Knox City, Lonnie and Misty Bohannon, Chance and Chase, Jay Bob and Reba Eaton and Domy Gee of Rochester, Sonny and Doris Bufkin, Michelle Brown, Kelsey and Emily, Kathy Rainwater, Jonathan and Justin, Tabby Golden, Nafeesa Ebraheim, Karla Benson and Kinsey Benson, Cody Propps, Shaylee Propps, Devon Jones, Julia, Judit and Raquel Acevedo, Laura and Jenna McCanlies, Shane and Mitzi Welch, Mitchell Ham, Ray and Mary Ham, Wesson, Nicholas and Paulina, Lorene Powers, Darryl and Brenda Parker of Knox City, Ashley Escobedo Gaudlazar, Tony Mahan and Tammy Vick of Austin, Roger and Betty Bohannon, Dean and Gracie and Brandy Homstad and Cindy and Maggie Parker.*

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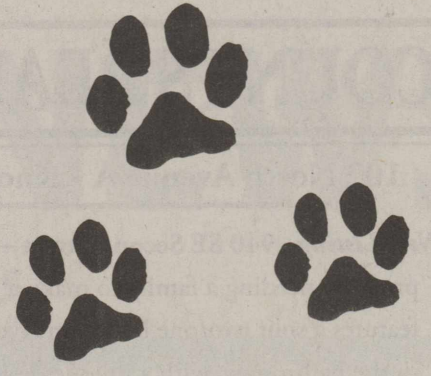
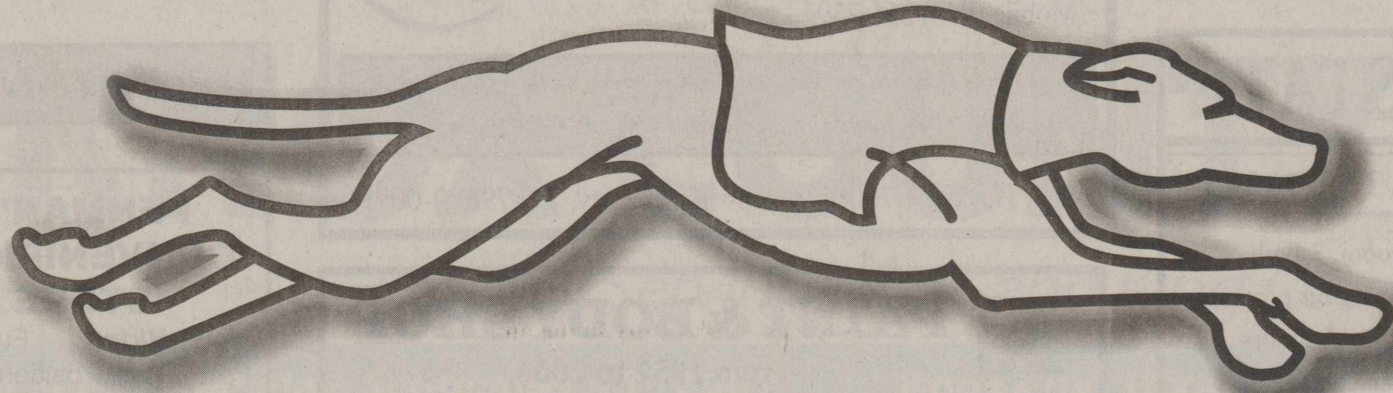
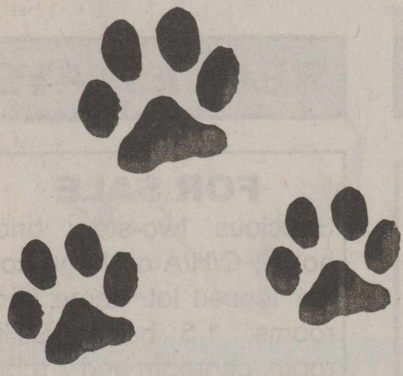
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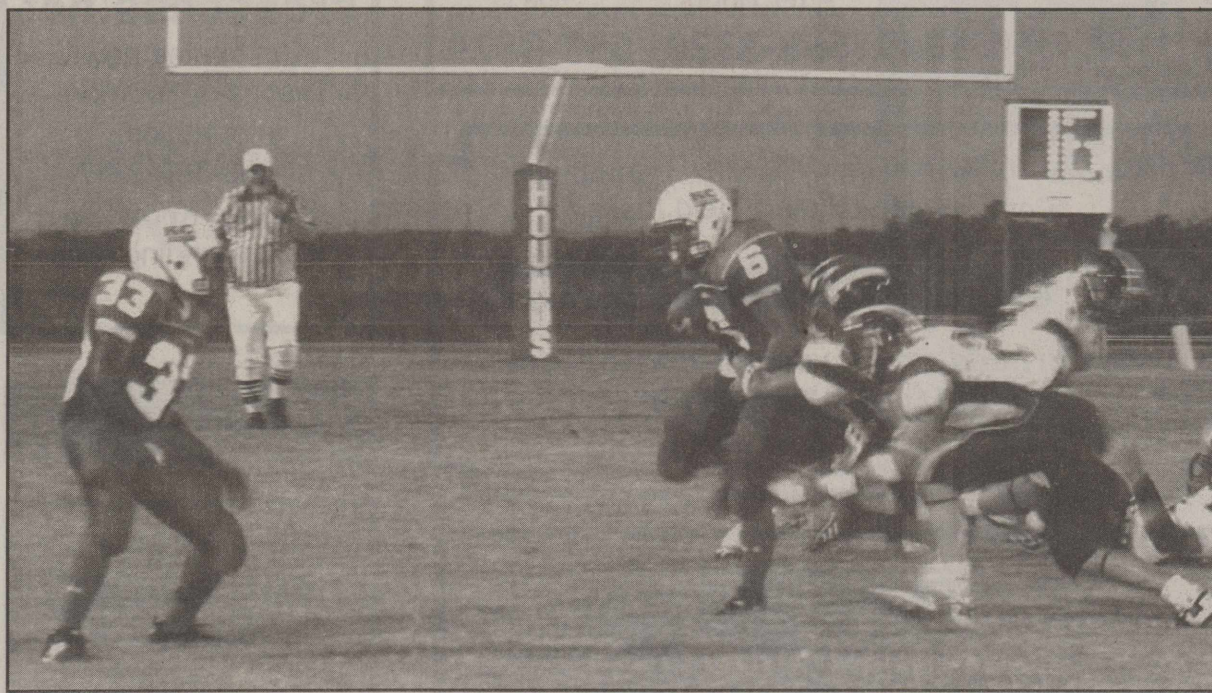
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## Hounds Lose To Divison II Defending State Champs 64-14



MJ Abila gets wrapped up by a tribe of Indians at the line of scrimmage.



Jordan Carter makes the fast break and gets the first down.

The Knox City Greyhounds met the defending Division II State Champions, the Vernon Northside Indians on the home turf Friday night at Greyhound stadium.

In pre-game activities Knox City Graduate and Marine Platoon Honorman, PFC Cody Wainscott honored his country, community and alma mater by raising the United States flag at the home town football game. Assisting with the flags were Veterans Sammy B. White and Marvin Jones.

The Greyhounds took the field ready for action.

Early in the first quarter, Kenyin Thompson got a 30 yard pass off to Joe Albus for the touchdown, putting the Hounds on the scoreboard.

The Indians scored twice, then MJ Abila ran back a 75 yard kickoff return for the touchdown.

The field goal attempt was good to give the Hounds 14 points on the scoreboard.

The Hounds lost the battle 14-64 with the game being called early in the third quarter.

The Greyhounds will travel to Newcastle on Friday for the third game of the season.

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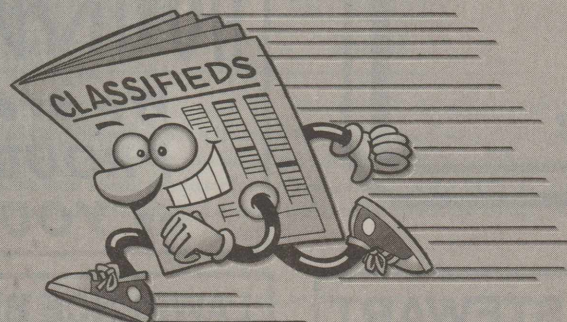
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