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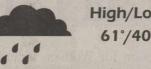
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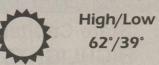


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Heavy Weight Berkshire

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Light Weight Duroc

Medium Weight Duroc

Heavy Weight Duroc

1. Cody Propps - Breed Cham-

2. Jaylon Roberson - Reserve

pion/Grand Champion

Light Weight Hampshire

1. Cassandra Ledesma

Breed Champion

2. Landon Lynn

3. Gabby Muhle

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2. Jacob Herricks

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5. Cody Propps

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3. Zach Shaver

4. Brylee White

2. Garrett Fox

3. Toni Brown

4. Trey Ledesma

Breed Champion

3. Garrett Fox

4. Brylee White

5. Rachel Ellis

2. Sheldon Baty

4. Mati Ledesma

5. Austin Valimont

6. Cassandra Ledesma

Light Medium Weight

Hampshire

1. Bandy Moeller - Senior

Medium Weight Hampshire

Light Heavy Weight

Hampshire

3. Rachel Ellis

Showmanship

2. Tanna Moeller

3. Jacob Herricks

4. Cody Trimble

1. Cody Propps

2. Brylee White

3. Lyndon Baty

5. Mea Abila

4. Kimberly Myers

5. Laquita Roberson

5. Payne Stanfield

1. Laquita Roberson

2. Brittney Gonzales

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Looking Ahead

Membership Roundup for KCRA

The Knox County Recreational Arena will be holding a membership roundup and annual meeting on January 24th at 7 p.m. at the Knox City Community Building. We invite all interested people to attend. If you have any questions, call Tony Hunter at 256-8807 or Riley Carver at 256-1866.

• King County Stock Show

King County will hold their annual King County Livestock and Project Show on Friday, January 25 and Saturday, January 26 at the King County Community Center Complex.

All animals must be in the Show Barn by noon on Friday.

• EMS Basic Course EMT BASIC: An introduction to

the level of Emergency Medical Technician (EMT). This course includes all the skills necessary to provide emergency medical care at a basic life support level with an ambulance service or other specialized services. Registration will be in Munday, on Monday, January 28, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Munday City Hall. You must bring current shot records, full tuition for EMT Basic, and book fee to register. EMT Basic Course: Classes will start on February 23 and meet for two consecutive Saturdays, then the next Friday from 6 p.m. - 10 p.m.; allowing students to be off every third Saturday. Class will be offered via ITV broadcasting from Wichita Falls Century City campus. Tuition - \$360, Book - \$93.63 (Tax included). For more information or questions call the Munday City Hall at 940-422-5222.

• Knox County Museum Annual **Fund Raising Dinner & Silent** Auction

Sunday, February 3, 2008. 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Benjamin Memorial Building. At the meal there will be the usual brisket and sausage (over 400 pounds), turkey (over 100 pounds), deviled eggs (24 dozen-430 servings), beans, onions and pickles, and homemade potato salad, coleslaw, and enough desserts to cover the stage!

Appraisal **District Board** Set

The 2008-2009 Knox County Appraisal District Board of Directors was recently elected. Elected directors are Ray Penman of Knox City, Charles Griffith of Benjamin, David Key of Munday, Larry Thompson of Munday and Bill Baker of Knox City. Other candidates who ran were Jerry Bob Daniel of Truscott, Hunter Meinzer of Benjamin, Dwayne Johnson of Knox City and Bob Cude of Goree.



Knox City youth involved in FFA, Jr. FFA and 4-H participated in the annual Knox City Local Livestock Show, Wednesday, Jan. 16. Pictured above: Judge Jimmy Carter evaluates the Chicken Broiler Division. Michael Wilburn (middle) and Andrew Ingland (right) are exhibiting their animals. Mr. Tom Farmer, Ag. Instructor/Advisor assisted the youth in the arena.

Annual KC Museum **Fundraiser Marks 10** Year Anniversary

On February 3rd, the first Sunday in February, the annual Knox County Museum fundraiser at the Benjamin Ex-Students Building, will mark its 10th year. Besides being the day for the delicious home cooked meal and silent auction, people can visit the almost completed Museum from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. It has been a long march since the first Museum barbeque. After fifty or sixty thousand dollars had been accumulated, some board members began to say, "Let's build as far as we can with what we have. When people actually see something, they will be more willing to help".

Along with the fundraising being done, floor plans were drawn, questioned, and revised. A site was voted on. Grants were applied for and turned down. A loan was even considered, which the board agreed not to pursue. Publicity about Knox County efforts for a museum was reaching residents, and beyond.

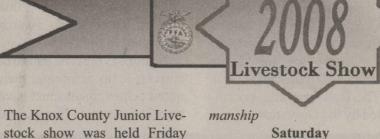
Then Jeff Jordan of Olney read a story in the Wichita Falls paper about efforts for a Knox County Museum. He volunteered to provide the labor for pouring the foundation. That made it easier to build "in the dry". The building committee began pricing materials. Steel had started up, but the committee "stepped out in faith" and bought steel based supplies early, saving thousands of dollars over what the purchases would have cost a few months later. The lot was leveled and the foundation poured. The money in the bank was growing due to efforts by the KCHC, the Friends of KCHC, and just about everybody who lived in Knox County, or had ever lived

in Knox County. When Jim Bob Bisbee passed away his family made a \$5,000 gift to the museum building, along with a request to "don't let it just sit in the bank".

The Bisbee family came to Knox County years ago, and for a long time operated the Benjamin paper. The family still owns land in Knox County. This inspired more fund raisers, and more donations. It inspired one Benjamin resident to talk about the museum to another customer in a Wichita Falls beauty shop where both were getting their hair done.

The other customer was connected with a Wichita Falls foundation, and urged the Benjamin resident to apply for a grant. As a result, the Museum was awarded a \$30,000 grant. Later a \$15,500 grant was received from a Texas foundation based in Dallas. Getting grants is not easy; many questions must be answered, both for planned use of the money and specific use of the money. Displays need to be planned, built and installed, before a formal dedication of the museum building can be held, but anyone who wants to visit the building from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., on the day of the museum barbeque, is welcome to drop

The silent auction is also an interesting and intriguing part of the day, plus the recipient of a beautiful hand quilted quilt will be named. Those wishing to contribute any item for the silent auction, please call 459-2229 or 459-2205. We are very proud of the Knox County Museum and thankful for all the support. An army may travel on its stomach, and it's a sure bet that all the museum supporters deserve thanks for loaning their appetites to a good cause.



stock show was held Friday and Saturday, January 18th and 19th in Knox City at the Knox City O'Brien CISD bus barn. Friday broilers, lambs and market goats were shown. There were no rabbits in this year's show. On Saturday, market swine and steers were shown, followed by the premium auction. Results are as follows:

Friday **Broilers**

1. Andrew Ingland - Grand Champion/Senior Showmanship

2. Christian Abila - Reserve Grand Champion/Junior Showmanship

- 3. Christian Abila
- 4. Andrew Ingland
- 5. Michael Wilburn
- 6. Michael Wilburn

Lambs **Medium Wool**

1. Blake Jones - Breed Champion/Grand Champion/Junior Showmanship

2. Devon Jones - Reserve Breed Champion/Senior Showmanship Southdown

- 1. Brittany Coop Breed Champion/Reserve Grand Cham-
- 2. Brittany Coop Reserve Breed Champion

Goats

Light Weight Market Goats 1. Brittany Coop - Senior Showmanship

- 2. Taylor Wilson
- 3. Chase Wilson
- 4. Heath Welch

Medium Weight Market Goats 1. Brady Finley - Grand Cham-

- 2. Justin Rainwater
- 3. Sheldon Baty
- 4. Lyndon Baty
- **Heavy Medium Weight Market Goats**
- 1. Holly Wilson
- 2. Reagan Clark
- 3. Brylee White
- 4. Austin Smith
- **Heavy Weight Market Goats**
- 1. Parker Finley Reserve
- Grand Champion 2. Jonathan Rainwater
- 3. Brittany Coop
- 4. Clay Clark

- 6. Brylee White Junior Show-
- 1. Shannon Reeves Junior Showmanship
- 5. Sonora Escamilla

- 2. Bandy Moeller 3. Tanna Moeller 4. Brylee White 5. Jade Brown
 - **Heavy Weight Hampshire**

- 1. Tori Thompson Breed Champion 2. Tanna Moeller - Reserve
- **Breed Champion** 3. Sarah Reeves
- 4. Brylee White
- Poland
- 1. Bandy Moeller Breed
- Champion
- 2. Tanna Moeller Reserve **Breed Champion**
- 3. Bandy Moeller
- 4. Cody Propps
- 5. Jessy Schur
- Spot 1. Garrett Fox - Breed Cham-
- 2. Shane Strickland Reserve
- **Breed Champion**
- 3. Whitney Collins
- 4. Jordan Carter
- 5. T.J. Moore
- 6. Orrin Myers
- 7. Sharria Hearn Yorkshire
- 1. Shannon Reeves Breed
- Champion
- 2. Cody Propps Reserve
- **Breed Champion**
- 3. Zach Shaver
- 4. Jacob Herricks 5. Cody Trimble
- 6. Austin Valimont
- **Light Weight Cross**
- 1. Jordyn Eaton
- 2. Payne Stanfield
- 3. Lyndon Baty
- 4. Laquita Roberson
- Medium Weight Cross
- 1. Cody Trimble
- 2. M.J. Abila
- 3. Kendall Thompson
- 4. Heather Moore
- 5. Kimberly Myers
- Medium Heavy Weight Cross
- 1. Brylee White
- 2. Sheldon Baty 3. Cody Propps
- 4. Garrett Fox Heavy Weight Cross
- 1. Kendall Thompson Breed
- Champion/Reserve Grand Champion
- 2. Garrett Fox Reserve Breed
- Champion
- 3. Kendall Thompson
- 4. Jade Brown
 - Steers
- 1. Krystynn Myers Grand Champion/Senior Showman-
- ship 2. Logan Groves - Reserve Grand Champion/Junior

Showmanship 3. Trey Tidwell



See Knox County Junior Livestock Show Pictures on Pages 8 and 9





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TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION **State Capital** HIGHLIGHTS By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - Last summer, the Interstate 35 West Mississippi River bridge collapse in Minneapolis woke people up.

Inspection crews fanned out across each state and assessed the condition of bridges under their care.

The Texas Department of Transportation ran bridge safety inspections and declared Texas bridges safe.

Now, U.S. Secretary of Transportation Mary E. Peters has told Texas and the other states to address how changes

Inspectors Told To Focus On Metal Bridge Component

in bridge weight, capacity and bridge conditions might affect "gusset plates." Gusset plates and girders hold up certain bridges. They work like a hub and spokes. Peters' directive suggests inspectors should take a closer look at gusset plates when calculating load capacity on the nation's 13,000 steel truss bridges. Texas has more than 300 of

According to TxDOT, there are only six bridges in Texas like the one that collapsed in Minnesota and all of them have either been inspected within the last year or are scheduled for replacement.

Guv calls for nominations to hall

Gov. Rick Perry is calling for nominations of outstanding women for the Texas

Women's Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame, coordinated by the Governor's Commission for Women, includes among its many inductees Lady Bird Johnson, educator and lawmaker Barbara Jordan. Gov. Ann Richards, rancher Hallie Stillwell, Pulitzer Prize winning newspaper reporter Caro Crawford Brown, musician Lydia Mendoza, and newspaper publisher and

Oveta Culp Hobby. This year's categories for nominees are leadership, historic preservation, health, physical fitness, education and performing arts.

presidential cabinet member

An independent panel of judges will review the nominations and the governor will induct the women the panel recommends into the 2008 Hall of Fame at an awards ceremony in the fall.

Nominees must be native or current Texas residents, their noted achievement must have significant ties to Texas, and they must have been involved in the noted achievement during the past 12 months.

In related news, a 1986 Texas Women's Hall of Fame inductee, former State Rep. Wilhelmina Delco of Austin, has been named by House Speaker Tom Craddick as a member of the Texas Ethics Commission. Her term, effective immediately, will end in November 2011.

AG withdraws benefits opinions

Attorney General Greg Abbott withdrew two letter opinions released in 2006, disqualifying certain veterans from receiving college tuition exemptions available under the Hazlewood Act.

The San Antonio-based Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund filed a federal lawsuit on behalf of six Gulf War veterans who are now U.S. citizens.

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The veterans were denied the Hazlewood exemption because they were legal residents but not U.S. citizens at the time they entered the mili-

After Abbott vacated the opinions, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board adopted temporary rules to provide that qualified veterans are eligible for the Hazlewood exemption whether they were U.S. citizens or legal resident immigrants at the time they entered the military.

Student testing is rescheduled

Education Commissioner Robert Scott moved back the state testing calendar so Texas school students will not take the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills exams on the March 4 statewide primary election day.

"By moving testing dates, we can preserve schools as

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Scott said. Tests scheduled for March 4-6 will be given one day later

than originally scheduled. About 2.6 million students will be affected.

Texas' role in primaries may rise

Even though the Lone Star State's primary comes a month after the Feb. 5 Super Tuesday primaries or caucuses in 24 other states, a general sense of the importance of Texas in the presidential primaries seems to be improving.

This may be attributed to the fact that no clear frontrunner has emerged for the Democrats or the Republicans.

Texas, second in population among the states, has 34 electoral votes, and may emerge as a key to victory for any of the campaigns.

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By Ace Reid



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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

Polling For Presidents

By Baxter Black, DVM

Parents Magazine polled readers about which of the 2008 presidential candidates would make the best babysitter.

It's something I've always pondered when I look at Andrew Jackson or Kinky Friedman. And, the relationship between getting unruly 3rd graders to bed on time and getting the House of Representatives to pass your legislation is equally frustrating. It all goes back to relating to the candidate as a person. I remember in the 1992 election hearing that all three candidates; George H. Bush, William J. Clinton and Ross Perot were left-handed! No matter who lost, I won! I could be confident that the next president would be math deprived, less-disslick, and smear everything he wrote!

There are always politically incorrect insinuations that women would vote for a woman candidate for the primary reason, that they are both women! Or that blacks would vote for a black candidate, simply because they are black. Of course, they would! Or at least give it serious consideration.

The same with cowboys, vegetarians and paroled felons! It's natural to want to have someone in office who understands you. What percent of the Mormon vote will candidate Romney receive...99%?

How big a piece of the parasailing electorate did John Kerry garner? How many brush clearing cedar whacks went for George W. Bush? There have been many bright visionaries who toyed with the idea of running for president, but they registered low on the EMP factor, they were hard to empathize with; Ralph Nader, Jesse Ventura, Donald Trump. So, the EMP factor cannot be ignored. Given the opportunity to poll candidates, there are several questions I would proffer; i.e.,

1) Do you consider Miracle Whip and Jalapeños essential nutrients in the Food Pyramid?

2) Do you prefer Copenhagen or Skoal?

3) Do you have any nieces, nephews, cousins or children named after coon dogs...Blue, Jake,

Badger or Whoop?

4) Do you Head or Heel?

5) How long 'till you have to renew your (a) Farm Bureau Membership, (b) your subscription to

Sports & Field, (c) the warranty on your wife's 4 x 4 Pickup? 6) And finally, do you already own one of my books or CDs?

This last one would show if you were a discriminating reader with a literary bent or were simply into recycling paper.

Remelle Farrar Named Knox County Community Development Director

Remelle Farrar was recently named Community Development Director by the Knox County Visioning Committee. Farrar took the position on January 1st. Farrar was raised in Crowell and currently resides there.

Farrar will work closely with the Knox County Visioning Committee, the chamber's of commerce in county, businesses and other organizations. She will, however, report only to the visioning board. She will be available for meetings with chambers and others who are interested.

"Through our work (visioning committee's), we realized that in order to get the results we needed, we had to get a full-time person. She is way over qualified...but she wanted to get closer to home and she has been interested in our group for some time," said Knox County Judge Travis Floyd.

The vision of Farrar and her team is to "provide a road map so that our friends and neighbors in Knox County can come together, plan for and take action to insure that our future on the Knox Prairie is what we want it to be."

Farrar plans to tell the county's story, get the message of commitment out and help people to understand how urgent it is to do the necessary work, with

their help, to leave a "thriving, sustainable" home and future in Knox County.

Farrar has stated that "this is not a sad and desperate last chance for survival reaction, but a great opportunity to decide for ourselves, who we are, where we are now in Knox County, what we want Knox County to be like, what we want to see happen here and what are we willing to do about it".

While this is still all in the planning stages, according to Judge Floyd, "we want a lot of folks involved."

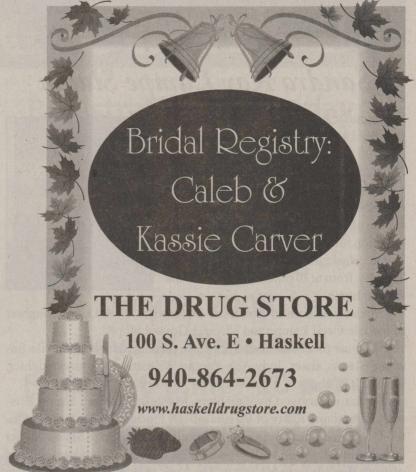
"This is an ongoing effort," stated Floyd.

Farrar's salary will be funded from local economic development corporations, the cities, county and businesses. Additional funding support is also being sought.

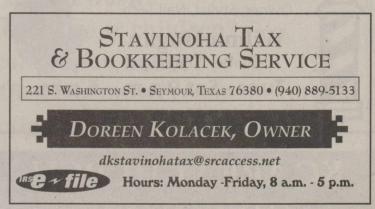
Currently, Farrar is sharing an office with the Knox County Veterans Service Officer at the Knox County Courthouse, but will move into the Knox County Historical Commission's office when that office is moved to the new county museum.

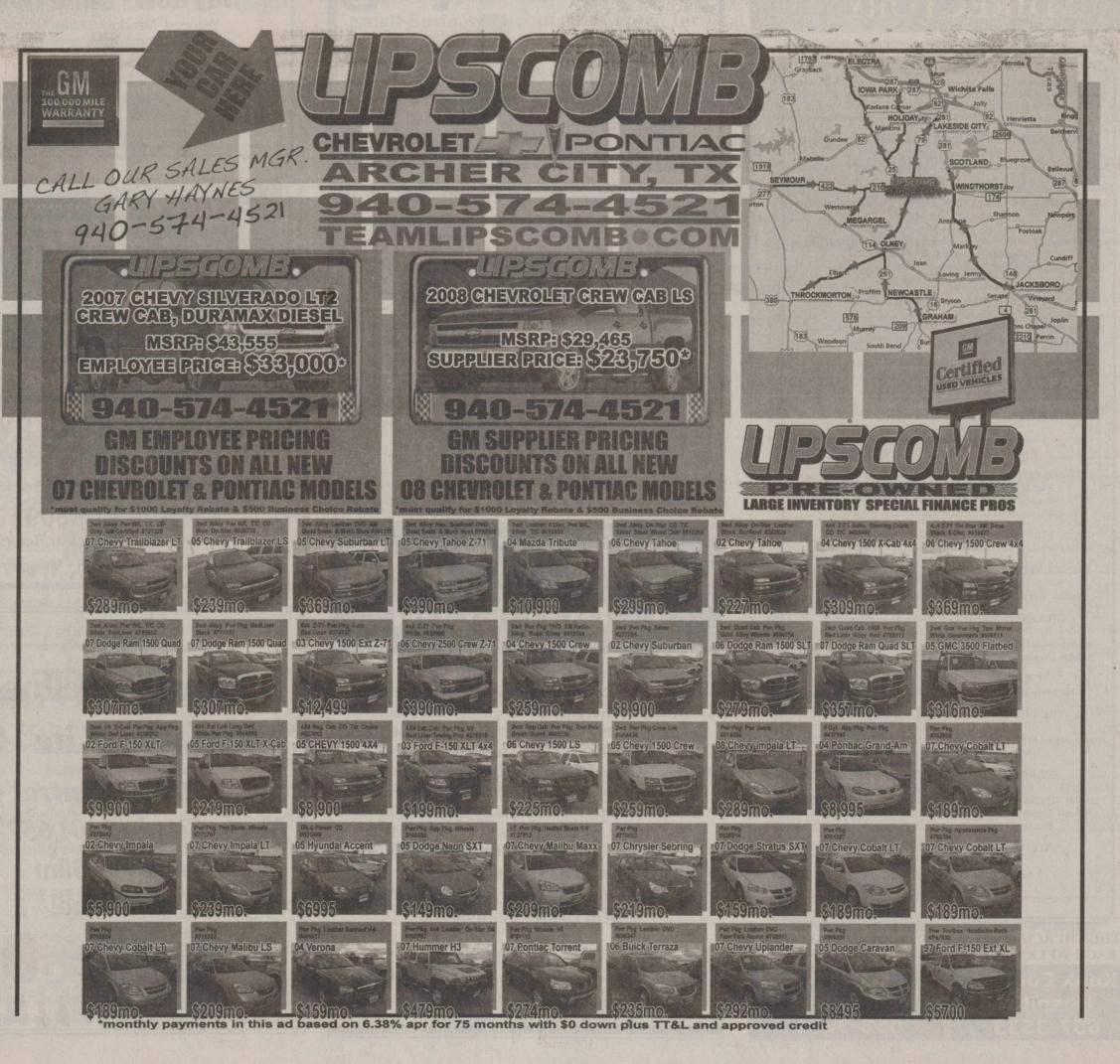
The visioning committee has been working together for about 18 months.

Plans are to host a job fair and business technical support center kick off in February. The *News* will pass along more information as it become available.









OBITUARIES

Sandra Kay Lampe Slaton

Sandra Kay Lampe Slaton, 64, died January 19, 2008. A Funeral Service will be 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 23, 2008 at First Baptist Church, Haskell, with Pastor Greg Gasaway and Reverend Karen Byrd officiating. Burial will follow at Rochester Cemetery, under the direction of Holden McCauley Funeral Home, Haskell. Visitation will be held Tuesday from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home.



Sandra was born in Rochester December 12, 1943, the daughter of the late Cecil Lampe and Virginia Goins Lampe.

She was preceded in death by her parents, daughter, Sheila Suzanne Slaton, sister, Judy Ann Lampe Williams and granddaughter, Larissa R. Cooper.

Sandra is survived by daughters, Marcelle Veronica Slaton Blissett and husband Rusty of Pt. Charollete, Florida; Shelly Suzette Slaton Cooper and husband D.L of Haskell; Cicily Jolette Slaton Muniz and husband Jesse of Abilene; son, Rocky Joe Slaton and wife Yvette of Fort Worth; grandchildren, Tre York, Shauna J. York, Patricia Kay Lindsey, Randall J. Lindsey, Cassandra Vasquez, Artie Vasquez, Leslie J. Slaton, Cassidy Cooper, Dylan R. Cooper, Amy Muniz, Miranda Muniz, Marissa Muniz, great grandchildren, Tristian Wallace, Gisselle Garcia, Samantha Garcia, Matthew Sosa, Sebastian Vazquez and brother Cecil Lee Lampe Sr. of Abilene.

Donations for funeral expenses may be made to the Sandra Lampe Slaton Fund at First National Bank, Haskell.



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God's Promises

By Jim Reid, Pastor O'Brien Baptist Church

Are you frustrated because it seems you just can't reach your child? Many parents find themselves searching for the way, or a way, and frankly sometimes any way to communicate to their children.

Their children may tune them out or turn them off; sometimes children simply refuse to answer. Unfortunately there may be times that we as parents simply shut down out of frustration. But we can't just give up. We must always maintain a positive attitude and live with the hope that we can find a way to reach our children. We want them to respond to us, because we know that we're not only raising children, but we're actually raising adults.

The Word of God has great insight into teaching children and living in a right relationship with our children. The more that we study God's Word, the more we realize that Jesus considered the children to be the insight to the Kingdom of God. Luke 18: 16 "But Jesus called for them, saying, "Permit the children to come to Me, and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

The book of Proverbs in the Old Testament contains a

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wealth of insight into teaching and training our children. One specific verse really keys in on the most prevalent interruption in communication; Proverbs 23: 7 "For as he thinks within himself, so he is."

When children sinfully express themselves by disobeying, throwing temper tantrums, talking back, lying, etc., they are drawing from what is in their hearts. We as parents need to realize the importance of reaching past the outward behavior and pulling out the issues of the heart. The heart of the problem is the problem of the heart. The heart is the well from which all of the responses to life gush forth. "Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life" (Proverbs 4: 23) The behavior a child exhibits is an expression of the child's heart. To put it simply...the heart determines behavior. With God's help and diligently studying His word we all can be parents who will resolve issues with the heart, and our children will love us for it.

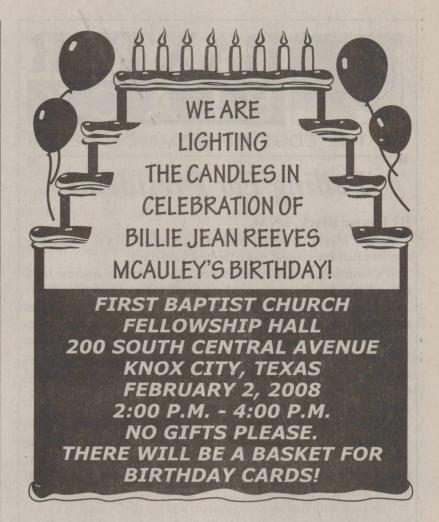
I believe that you will pray and know that the Lord will strengthen you and give you His wisdom in all that you do this week

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Wednesday, Jan. 30 - Chicken Alfredo, Carrot and Raisin Salad, Sweet Peas, Hot Rolls and Cobbler Thursday, Jan. 31 - Baked Turkey with Gravy, Sweet

Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls and Cookies Friday, Feb. 1 - Chicken Fritter on a Bun, Lettuce, Tomato, Potato Chips and Dessert

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608,278

7,254

4,531 17,477

10,798

21,310 43,248

74,618

152,849

122,405

34,284

26,077 1,123,214

(125,509)

13,974

(13,974)

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Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Article 258.002(c) of the Texas Transportation Code, the Commissioners Court of Knox County, Texas provides this notice to the public of its intention to convene a public meeting to receive comment upon the adoption of a County Road Map including each road in which the County claims the continued existence of a public interest and a right of access and egress for maintenance of an existing County Road. The roads in which the County claims a public interest have been maintained for many years, beginning some time prior to 1981, have previously been listed in a notice included in the 2007-08 Ad Valorem Tax statement. A proposed County Road Map depicting each road in which the County claims a public interest has been available for inspection by the public at the County Judge's Office in the County Courthouse during business hours, beginning December 1, 2007.

The Commissioners Court will conduct a public hearing on 1/30/2008, at 10:00 a.m., in the Commissioners Courtroom in the Knox County Courthouse. At this time, pursuant to Article 258.002(b), Texas Transportation Code, any person asserting a private right, title or interest in a road may appear before the Commissioners Court to object or protest the County's claim of its right to continue maintenance of the public roads depicted on the County Road Map. Any person asserting a private fight, title or interest in a road may also file a written protest with the County Judge at any time before the time and date of the scheduled public hearing. By way of this procedure, the County makes no claim affecting title, acreage, or ownership of the land, but seeks merely to establish and document the right of the County to continue maintenance of the existing county road in it present location and dimension.

/s/ Travis C. Floyd Knox County Judge

(Published January 3, 2008, January 10, 2008, January 17, 2008 and January 24, 2008)

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The Railroad Commission of Texas has disposed of equipment and/ or hydrocarbons pursuant to Section 89.085 of the Texas Natural Resources Code. Any person with a legal or equitable ownership or security interest in the equipment or hydrocarbons, that was in existence on the date the Commission mailed to the operator of record the Notice to Operator and Request for State Funds to plug the following well(s) or clean the following leases/facilities, may file a claim with the Commission. Contact the Wichita Falls District Office at (940) 723-2153 to obtain a claim form.

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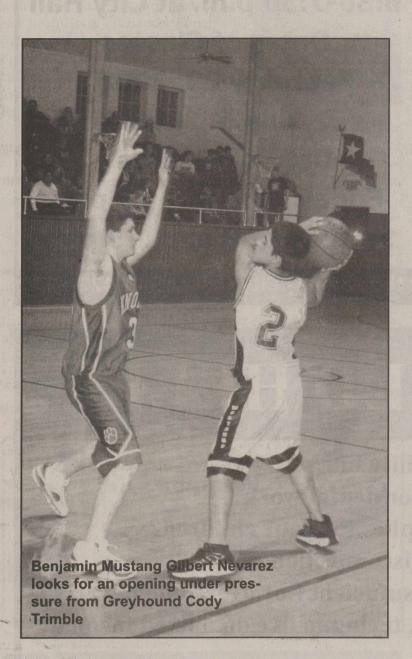
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STATEMENT OF REINUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2007

		General Fund			Other Funds		
EVENUES							
tal Local and Intermediat6ources	\$	401,075	\$		4,491	\$	
ate Program Revenues		477,075			11,875		
deral Program Revenues		4,320			98,869		
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	882,470	\$		115,235	\$	
PENDITURES							
nstruction	\$	522,581	\$		85,697	\$	
nstructional Resources id Media Services		7,254			_		
Curriculum and Instructival Staff Development		4,531			-		
School Leadership		17,477			-		
Guidance, Counseling & Evaluation Services		10,798			-		
Health Services		85					
Student (Pupil) Transptation		21,310			-		
Food Services		200			43,248		
Cocurricular/Extracurrular Activities		74,618			-		
Seneral Administratio		152,849			-		
Plant Maintenance at Operations / Security		122,405			-		
Data Processing Serces		34,284			-		
ntergovernmental Pyments to SSA's		26,077			-		
TOTAL EXPENDURES	\$	994,269	\$		128,945	\$	
CESS OF REVENES OVER EXPENDITURES	\$	(111,799)	\$		(13,710)	\$	
HER FINANCINISOURCES (USES)							
ransfers In	\$	-	\$		13,974	\$	
ransfers Out (Us		(13,974)					
TOTAL OTHERINANCING SOURCES (USES)	\$	(13,974)	\$		13,974	\$	
T CHANGE IN UND BALANCES	\$	(125,773)	\$		-	\$	
nd Balance - Setember 1 (Beginning)		1,047,396					
ND BALANCE AUGUST 31 (ENDING)	\$	921,623	\$		264	\$	

Benjamin Sports

Mustang and Lady 'Stang Basetball Action





Benjamin ISD Stats —

Benjamin vs. Guthrie

Boys - Benjamin 24, Guthrie 34

Points: Gilbert Nevarez 1, Dylan Benson 9, Cody Propps 4, Derrick Northrup 10

Girls - Benjamin 27, Guthrie 53

Points: Leah Vanderpol 2, Karla Benson 4, Judit Acevedo 7, Julia Acevedo 3, Nafeesa Ebraheim 6, Raquel Ace-

Benjamin vs. Knox City 1-17-08 Boys - Benjamin 23,

Points: Gilbert Nevarez 2, Dylan Benson 9, Dusty Stevens 4, Lucas Cartwright 2, Cody

Girls - Benjamin 35,

Propps 5, Dillon Loftiss

Points: Leah Vanderpol 2, Devon Jones 4, Karla Benson 12, Judit Acevedo 4, Julia Acevedo 4, Nafeesa Ebraheim 2, Raquel Acevedo 7

BENJAMIN NEWS

By Gladene Green

This has been a pretty good weekend. The county stockshow took up most of Friday and Saturday for many.

The weather was cold, but dry, so it was not too unpleas-

Then Sunday afternoon was taken up with the ball games and now we know who will be playing in the Superbowl (and who won't!). Guess I'll watch the game, but sure would like to have seen the "Boys" playing. Maybe next year!

Museum Dinner

The museum dinner plans re in the late stages. The annual fund raiser will be February 3rd at the Benjamin Ex-Students building. Within the next few days, calls will be made to different folks to provide deviled eggs or pies for the lunch. When you are contacted, please be courteous and obliging. This project is so near completion and all money made is so deeply appreciated. That's Superbowl Sunday at noon- you will be home in plenty of time to see the game.

Basketball

Last week was not too good for the Benjamin "Round Ballers" On Tuesday night they traveled to Guthrie only to suffer defeat at the hands of their hosts. Then on Thursday night, our "southern" neighbors, Knox City, came over, hit the floor, and played hard and took home wins in both the boys and girls games.

In Nursing Center

Omitene Barnett is now a

resident of the Munday Nursing Center. She was taken over there early last week after falling at her home and breaking her pelvis. She is there for some therapy and hopes her stay there will be a short one, but she realizes right now she's where she needs to be. Our other residents, Lewis Lyles and Pat Benson, who are over there are doing pretty well.

Here 'N There

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

Visiting Mike and Debbie Moorhouse last Tuesday was Todd and Teresa Washington of Matador.

Weekend guests of Gloria West were her daughter, Cathy Tomlinson of Justin and Betty Parker and daughter, Chelsea of Aspermont and a granddaughter, Sabra Parker, of Texas Tech.

Visiting Charles and Linda Griffith several days last week were his brother and sister-in-law, Ronald and Verna Griffith, who live in Minnesota.

Sharon and Karson Bivens of Tatum, New Mexico and Weldon and Margie Patterson of Fresno, California left Sunday for their respective homes after being here for the funeral of their mom, Maretha Patterson on Thursday and attending some business matters the last of the week.

Betty Lyles spent a couple of days in Sherman last week with her daughter, Judy Robinson and her husband, John.

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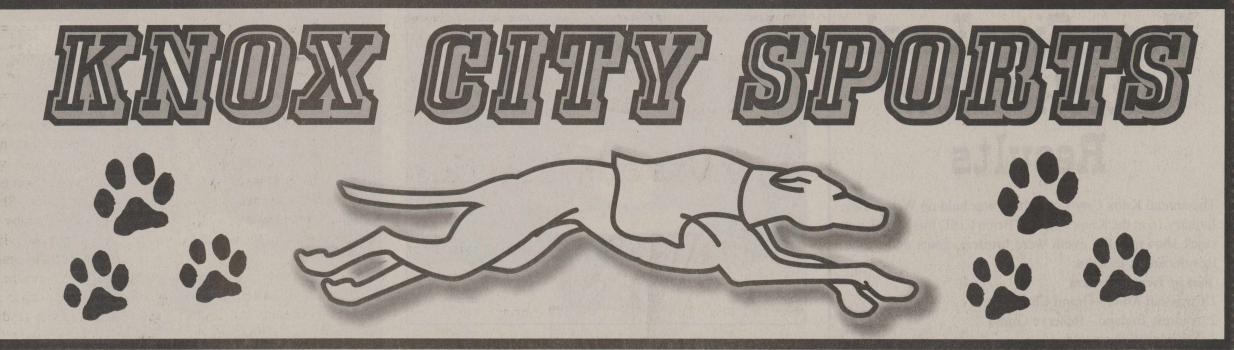
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Go Lady Hounds!

Hounds Defeat Mustangs 75-23

The Knox City Greyhounds and Benjamin Mustangs faced off on the hardwood in district basketball action at Benjamin on Thursday, January 17.

The Greyhounds took the win 75-23. Jordan Carter led the Hounds at the hoop with 18 points while Derrick Coleman added 16 points.

Shane Strickland shot 12 points; and Bandy Moeller and M.J. Abila tallied 11 points each. Orrin Myers scored 4 points, Andrew Ingland 2 points and Cody Trimble 1 point. The Greyhounds outscored the Mustangs 52-13 in the first half.

The Hounds outscored the

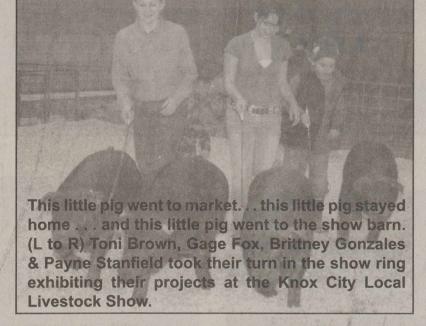
Stangs 23-10 in the 3rd and 4th quarters of play. Coach Moore commented, "The guys played some really good aggressive pressure defense that resulted in some quick points for us.

Now we have to get ready for Spur on Tuesday and Jayton on Friday.

They will be very tough, physical games. We're just trying to get better every week and concentrating on one game at a time."

The Greyhounds meet the Jayton Jaybirds, Friday, January 25 at the Greyhound Gymnasium. Tip-off is at 8:00





Houndettes Beat Lady 'Stangs 51-35

The Knox City Houndettes met the Benjamin Lady Mustangs in basketball action on the road last Thursday evening in Benjamin.

The Houndettes took their first district win of the season, 51-35. Mea Abila led the team on the scoreboard with 16 points and three-point shots. Sarah Burt added 12 points followed by Samantha Esquivel and Tiffany McCrary's 8 points each. Brittney Gonzales shot 5 points in the hoop; and Brittany Baker added 2 points for the team. The Houndettes led the Lady 'Stangs 33-25 at the half. Coach Peters commented after

Knox City's Mea Abila #10 takes pressure

from Benjamin's Julia

Hounds and Houndettes

Jayton Jaybirds

Friday, January 25

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Starting at 6:30 p.m.

Acevedo as she hits

the T-H-R-E-E!

the game, "I couldn't be more pleased with how the girls executed against Benjamin. They put everything together from practice and culminated it into the game. The girls came together as a team and were very aggressive offensively and defensively. We cut our turnovers in half and our offensive boards increased dramatically.

If we can duplicate this effort in our next games, we have the potential to finish well enough to make a playoff spot." The Houndettes will meet the Jayton Lady Jaybirds at home on Friday, Jan. 25. Varsity tip-off is scheduled for 6:30 p.m.





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Hnox City Local Stock Show Results

The annual Knox City stock show was held on Wednesday, January 16 at the Knox City - O'Brien CISD bus barn. Livestock shown at the event were broilers, goats and swine. Results are as follows:

Pen of Three Broilers

- 1. Christian Abila Grand Champion
- 2. Andrew Ingland Reserve Grand
- 3. Michael Wilburn

Goats

- Class 1 1. Sheldon Baty
- 2. Lyndon Baty
- 3. Chance Baty

Class 2

- 1. Reagan Clark
- 2. Brylee White

Class 3

- 1. Clay Clark
- 2. Brylee White

Swine

Berkshire

- 1. Tylynne Bernal
- 2. Landon Lynn 3. Gabby Muhle
- 4. Gabby Muhle

Duroc

Class 1

- 1. Brittney Gonzales
- 2. Skyler Eades
- 3. Toni Brown
- 4. Gage Fox
- 5. Payne Stanfield
- 6. Zach Shaver Class 2

1. Jaylon Roberson - Breed Champion

- 2. Garrett Fox Reserve Breed Champion
- 3. Brylee White
- 4. Laquita Roberson
- 5. Dustin Ledesma

HAMPSHIRE Class 1

- 1. Bandy Moeller
- 2. Cassandra Ledesma
- 3. Kaetlin Ledesma
- 4. Laquita Roberson

5. Austin Valimont Class 2

- 1. Cody Tremble
- 2. Brylee White 3. Lyndon Baty
- 4. Cheyenne Roberson
- 5. Mea Abila

Class 3

- 1. Bandy Moeller Breed Champion
- 2. Tanna Moeller Reserve Breed Champion
- 3. Brylee White
- 4. Tanna Moeller
- 5. Brylee White

Poland

- 1. Bandy Moeller Breed Champion
- 2. Tanna Moeller Reserve Breed Champion
- 3. Mason Shipp
- 4. Jessy Schur

Spots Class 1

- 1. Jordan Carter
- 2. Shane Strickland

3. Orrin Myers Class 2

- 1. Garrett Fox Breed Champion
- 2. T.J. Moore Reserve Breed Champion
- 3. Whitney Collins

- 1. Payne Stanfield Breed Champion
- 2. Austin Valimont Reserve Breed Champion

Cross

- Class 1 1. Jordyn Eaton
- 2. Chance Baty
- 3. Laquita Roberson
- 4. Chance Agraz

Class 2

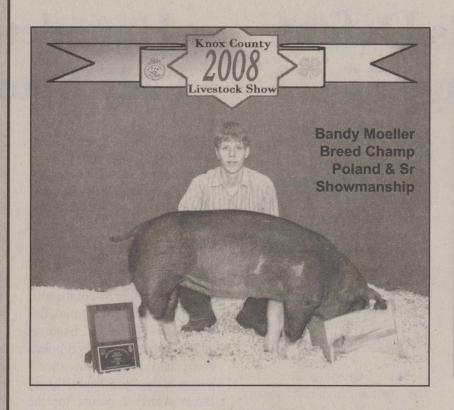
- 1. Garrett Fox Breed Champion
- 2. Heather Moore Reserve Breed Champion
- 3. Sheldon Baty 4 .Bandy Moeller
- 5. M.J. Abila
- 6. Brylee White
- **GRAND CHAMPION SWINE** Garrett Fox

RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION SWINE - Bandy

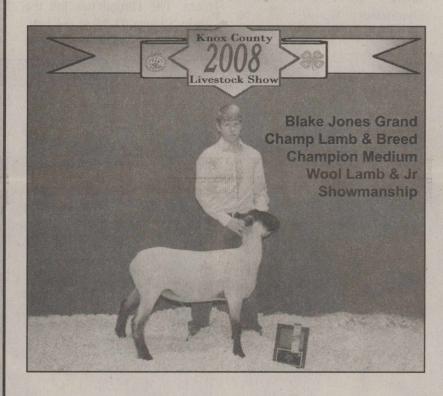
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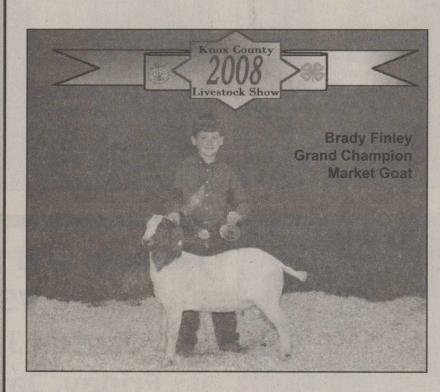


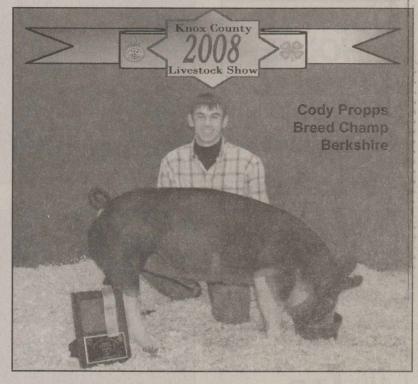




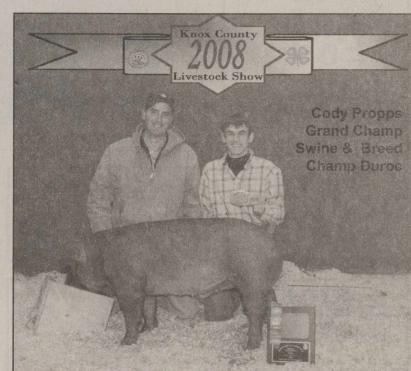


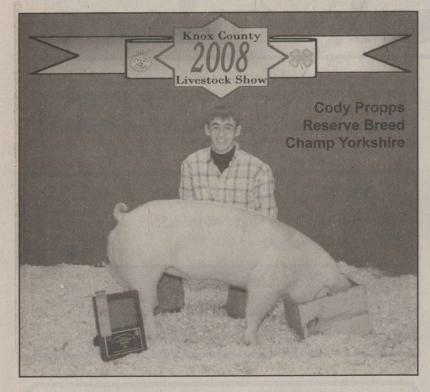


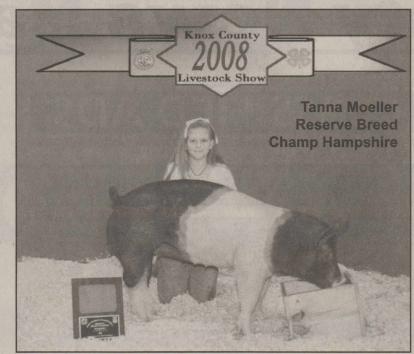


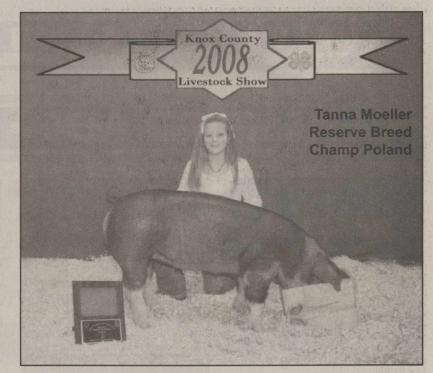


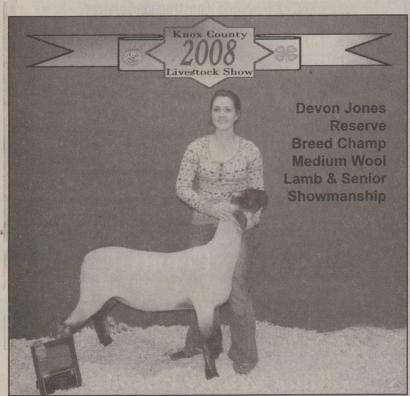




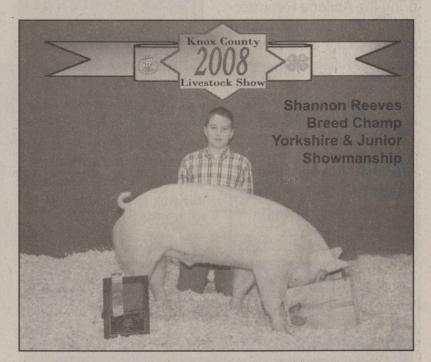


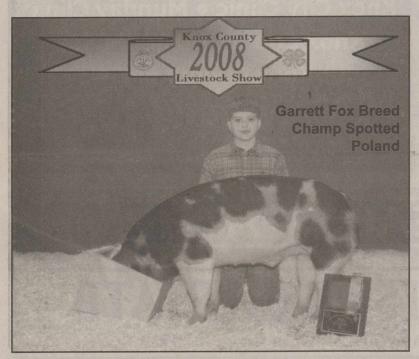




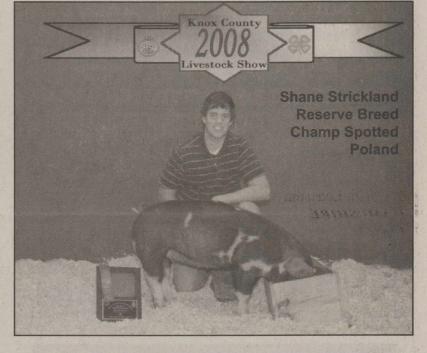




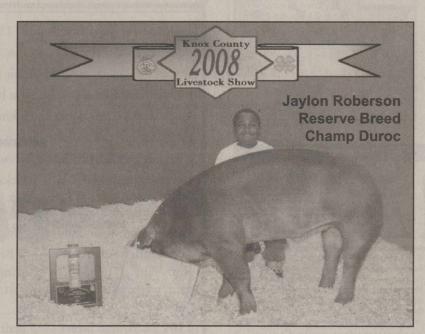


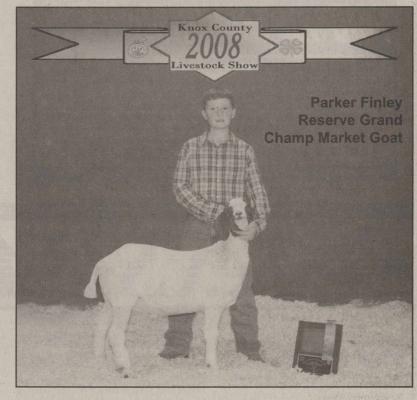


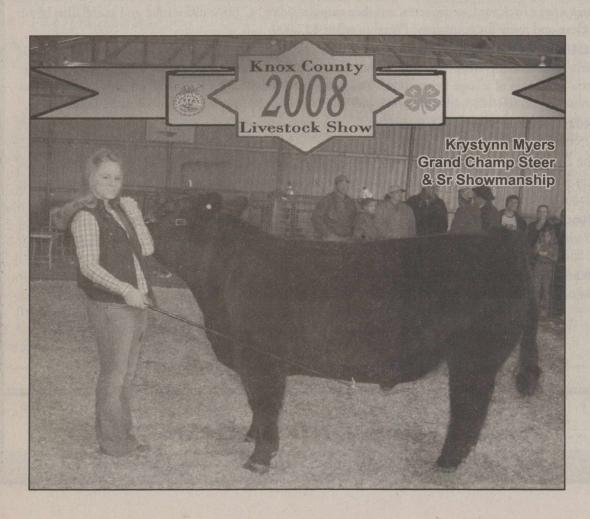


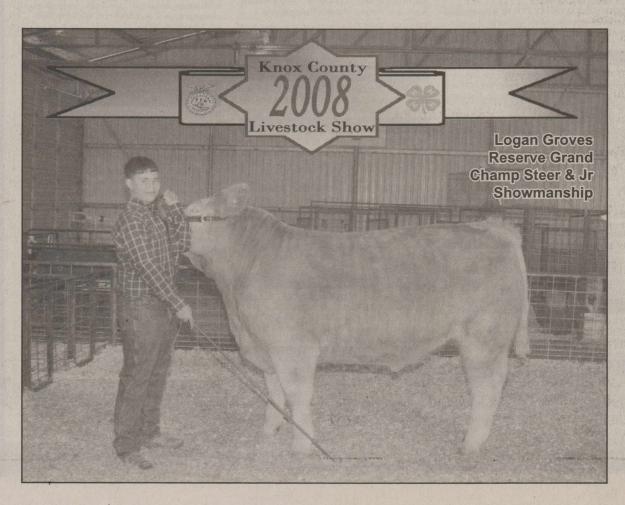












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