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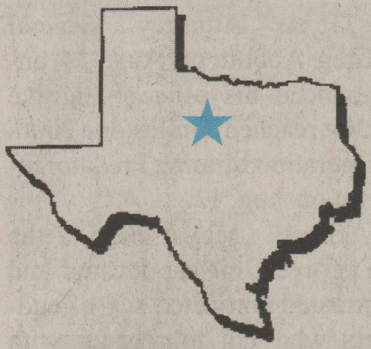
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## Looking Ahead

### REVIVAL

First Baptist Church, Benjamin, August 22-24, held by Bro. Morris Johnson, pastor of Cornerstone Baptist, Haskell Services at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, August 22 & 23, and 7 p.m. on Sunday, August 24, followed by an ice cream fellowship on Sunday

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### IT'S STILL NOT HOTTER THAN HELL GOLF CLASSIC AND MOTORCYCLE RALLY AUGUST 23

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### O'BRIEN HOMECOMING

Mark your calendar and check your mail--the O'Brien Homecoming is scheduled for October 10-12, 2008. If you are an O'Brien Ex-Student or O'Brien Ex-Teacher please share your email and postal address with us. We want to keep you informed about the Homecoming this year. Email: derobe@srcaccess.net Or O'Brien Homecoming Committee P. O. Box 11 O'Brien, TX 79539

Amanda Sandusky Reporter

## Elementary School Welcomes New Teachers

With summer winding down and students gearing up for school, the halls of Knox City Elementary will be seeing some new faces and hearing some new voices -- not just from students but also from teachers.

Mrs. Bergen Webb is the new first grade teacher. She is married to Josh Webb, who is one of the new boys coaches and junior high science teacher.

This school year is her third year teaching. The two previous years were spent at Lubbock ISD. She is a Texas Tech graduate. Mrs. Webb says that kids bring the spark to her life and keep her energized. Moving to Knox City has put her and Josh close to their families.

The new second grade teacher is Mrs. Emily Nelson. She and her husband Joe Glynn have been married for 28 years and have two grown sons. The oldest son is married and has the Nelsons' only grandchild. The other son is serving our country in the navy.

Joe Glynn is going to be the new high school AG teacher. Mrs. Nelson has her masters in educational supervision from Texas A&M University -Kingsville. She has spent 10 years of her teaching career in an elementary classroom and the other 10 years coaching.

Moving to Knox City is a good opportunity for the couple to be close to his mother.

Ms. Pamela Rueffer is the new teacher in the second grade. She went to college in Vernon for two years and Midwestern State University for the other two



Pictured above from left to right: Amanda Baker-Adkins; Brittany Lowe; Pamela Rueffer; Emily Nelson; Bergen Webb not pictured Isabel Diaz. Picture by Amanda Sandusky

years.

This is Ms. Rueffer's second year teaching. She spent the first year at a private school in Abilene teaching kindergarten and first grade. She is engaged to Josh Hall from Lufkin, Texas.

When asked why she got into education, she said, "Always loved kids. It's rewarding knowing that you have an impact on children's lives and that you help them to succeed."

The new face in third grade is Mrs. Brittany Lowe. She is mar-

ried to Jerney Lowe, and they are expecting their first child.

This is her second year teaching. Her first year was spent in Crowell. She said the reason that she got into the education field was because she had bad experiences in school and wanted to help others have a better experience.

She is a Knox County native and is excited to be in Knox City.

Mrs. Amanda Baker-Adkins is going to be teaching the fourth-

graders all they need to know their last year of elementary school. This is the start of her seventh year teaching. She started her teaching career in Decatur where she taught fourth grade for a year, followed by Lubbock Ropesville. She recently was in Midland for two years, where she taught fourth grade and looped with her class to fifth grade.

When asked why she got into teaching her comment was that she grew up in a teaching family and that when she was little she loved to play school with her brother even if he didn't want to.

Mrs. Baker-Adkins is married to Anthony Adkins and has two children -- Katelynn who is in her last year of elementary and Kyle who is 10 months old. This was her opportunity to come back home and help make the best better.

Isabel Diaz will be the new elementary aide. She has been working with children for ten

years.

Ms. Diaz has worked at a Head Start Facility for five years total and is the O'Brien City Secretary. She has four grown children and three grandchildren, two of whom live with her. She also has a foster child.

When asked about the upcoming school year she says that she is very excited and that the goals she has set for herself have been reached little by little.

When I asked Mrs. McGaughey-Quade what she thought about the upcoming school year and the new teachers, her response was "I am excited about the 2008-2009 school year! Our new teaching staff members coming to Knox City Elementary are personally invested in our students because they have Knox County and Haskell County roots. I am expecting great things at Knox City Elementary." Mrs. MchGaughey-Quade is the principal at Knox City Elementary.

## \$39,000 Raised At The Thompson - Cypert Benefit Team Roping



\$39,000 raised to benefit the Thompson brothers and Keith Cypert at the team roping on Saturday August 9. The money was raised by having a team roping, raffle and auction. One winner of the raffle won a Holland Gas Grill donated by 4K Feed and the other two won a 1/2 of beef plus processing. The beef was donated by Alpha 3 Cattle and Jay Hart, the processing was paid for by Junior Livingston. 1st place Rodie Goodwin, Cooper Hogg, 2nd place Syd Mcguire, Brad Mcguire. Pictured above are members of the Thompson and Cypert Families.



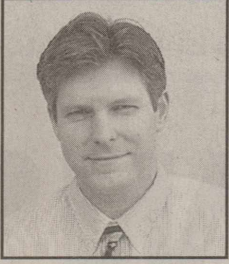
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State Capital HIGHLIGHTS



By Ed Sterling

AUSTIN - In 2006, Texas lawmakers rolled back school tax rates for maintenance and operations by one-third over the next two years in an initiative that was to provide \$7 billion in annual property tax relief.

A study released Aug. 14 by Texas Taxpayer and Research Association shows how Texas taxpayers actually did get \$7 billion in property tax relief.

The study, Property Tax Relief: The \$7 Billion Reality, by the non-profit non-partisan association's research arm,

concludes that "The average Texans' property tax bill may not be lower today than it was two years ago, but it is unmistakably much, much lower than it would have been."

The study points out that relief was made possible by a swap that included "a complete restructuring (and increase) of the state's business tax, an increase in the state's cigarette tax, and a commitment of surplus funds in the State Treasury sufficient to provide an overall net tax cut of roughly \$2.5 billion a year."

The eight-page report can be accessed at [www.ttara.org](http://www.ttara.org).

**TXDOT SIGNALS CONSOLIDATION PLAN**

The Texas Department of Transportation says it is considering the creation of four regional centers to house support functions presently located in 25 districts across Texas.

"The consolidation of sup-

port functions could create a more efficient working environment and generate a cost savings estimated at \$35 million," said TxDOT executive director Amadeo Saenz.

Sites for the regional centers would be Fort Worth, Houston, San Antonio and Lubbock.

Each would support the district design, construction and maintenance operations, with districts aligned into the support centers based on regional proximity.

Saenz said restructuring would not result in a reduction of services at the district level. "TxDOT would not cut services to the public. Our goal is to provide services in a way that is smarter and less expensive."

"Our local offices would continue to operate, concentrating on our core business functions of construction, design and maintenance," he

said.

**DPS PROMOTES ONLINE RENEWAL**

The Texas Department of Public Safety reminds Texas residents they can renew their driver's license "without leaving the comfort of your computer" by going to the Internet site [www.TexasOnline.com](http://www.TexasOnline.com).

Driver's license and identification card holders are required by law to renew their license and ID card every six years. State law also requires that they change the address on their license or ID card within 30 days of moving to another residence.

The DPS has offered eligible individuals the option of renewing their license or ID card over the Internet since 2001. Individuals are eligible to renew online as long as they are 18 years of age, within one year of the license or identification card expiring and did not renew

online, by mail or telephone at their last renewal.

Ineligible driver's license and ID card holders include those who have an expired, revoked, or suspended license or ID card, and individuals who possess a provisional driver's license or a commercial driver's license.

The online change of address service fee is \$11, but if a license holder chooses to renew at the same time as changing the address, the total charge is \$25.

**JUDGE ALLOWS DROP-OUT FUNDING**

State District Judge Stephen Yelenosky rejected the Texas State Teachers Association's lawsuit to stop state funds from going to dropout recovery programs run by private schools.

TSTA argued that Texas Education Commissioner Robert Scott did not have authority to award grants allow-

ing \$6 million in state funds to be awarded to private schools.

**200TH MISSING PREDATOR ARRESTED**

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott on Aug. 14 announced his office's Fugitive Unit reached a milestone 200th Operation Missing Predator arrest on Aug. 13.

Since May 2005, the Fugitive Unit has located and arrested convicted sex offenders who fail to register with authorities. State, federal and local authorities work together to make it happen.

**ESTIMATE: \$54 MILLION IN SAVINGS**

Before the annual Texas Sales Tax Holiday, Aug. 15-17, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Susan Combs estimated Texans would save \$54 million, taking advantage of no state sales tax on clothes, shoes and a list of other items.

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**"No need to weigh mine, 'cause I'm jist volunteerin' for the day so I can appreciate the opportunity to dig postholes!"**

**The Paperboy**  
By CHRISTOPHER BLACKBURN

School is gearing up - do yourself a favor and remind your children to stay away from substances - all of them!

We have to find a way to convey to our youth that putting harmful chemicals into our body is not the answer to anything.

Since our children are so inundated with technology, I've been working on this with my children already. With a 5 and 2-year-old, you may think I'm crazy, but I figure, what the heck?

We discuss how cool and unique the brain is and how to protect it. They know they need to wear a helmet when doing certain things and they also know not to take things to damage it otherwise.

Here's the hard part though, they've never been tempted. They've never been told a pill can make them lose weight. They've never been told a drink can make them forget the bad stuff. They've never been told a joint will help them relax.

According to a study by the Columbia University National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse, 80 percent of high school students in American have witnessed drug use or possession or drunk or high students at their schools. Over 40 percent of middle school children have.

Those statistics should tell us our kids need to learn to say "no" from day one. We probably all know people on drugs. The vast majority of us probably have someone in our family addicted to drugs. But not even an addict wants their child on drugs.

Parents and caregivers are really the last and best line of defense against drugs. If we're doing our best, we might be able to get our kids through high school safely. In other words, even a terrific parent or caregiver sometimes loses the fight, but we still must try every day.

So here it is. Here's what to look for. Here are the signs that your little one may be messing their brain up:

- Missed classes, lateness, incomplete or missing assignments, falling grades.
- Accidents, mistakes.
- Sudden, unexplained weight loss or gain.
- Neglect of school, work or family affairs.
- Discontinuation of hobbies, sports or group activities.
- Deterioration in appearance or hygiene.
- Change in communication with family or good friends.
- Secretive behavior.
- Missing money or unexplained money or new and expensive items, missing items of value.
- Health problems, change in sleep patterns, runny nose, cough, irritated shin, hangovers.
- Explosive arguments, often over small matters.

No excuses. Tell them why chemicals are bad every day. Stay close to them. Check their rooms, computers and backpacks. Let them know you do it for love and to help them maximize the chances they have in life.

Most of all, just try your best to be the parent you should be.

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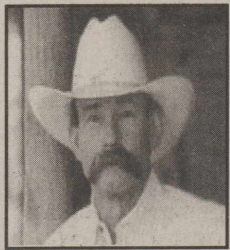
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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

## A KOREAN BEEF

Juxtaposed on opposite pages of the BBC International newspaper were two stories; "...thousands of people (in Seoul, South Korea) protesting against resumption of U.S. Beef imports..." and "The U.S. announced that it will send half a million tons of food aid to North Korea."

How can two so closely connected groups of people hold such strong opposite opinions about the safety of U.S. food exports? Easy. It's the haves vs. the have-nots. South Korea is a strong democratic nation, our ally, who owes its existence to the U.S. and the United Nations. It has the luxury to be choosy. Their protest against American Beef, as stated, is the fear of B.S.E. but is really to protect their highly subsidized isolationist agricultural trade policy. That's not a crime but they should not hide behind food safety as a reason.

Whereas North Korea, an oppressed country led by a dictator, lost an estimated one million people to starvation in the 90's and is facing another famine.

The government has nuclear weapon intentions, a cruel disregard for its own people, and has been threatening invasion against South Korea since we pushed them back in 1951. 33,000 American soldiers died protecting South Korea.

So the question that bubbles up like acid indigestion in many of us when we hear South Koreans shouting, "We don't need U.S. troops and we don't need U.S. Mad Cows!" is, "Why did we help the ingrates in the first place?"

Four days after Sadaam's

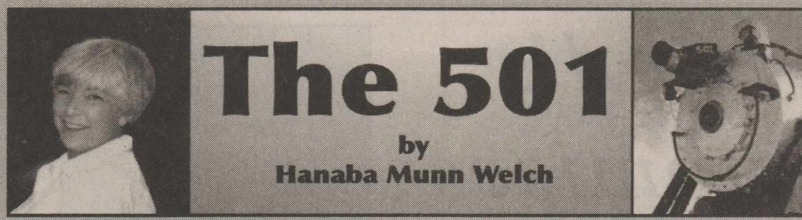
statue was pulled down in Baghdad, there were anti-U.S. Iraqi's protesting. I realize now they were Sadaam's cronies, but still. When the French politicians curse us, the British press demean us, and when our closest friends, the Canadians accuse the USDA of conspiracy to falsify our B.S.E. findings...it all hurts.

So much of our blood and our wealth has been spent protecting freedom on this planet. One cannot imagine a world today if the U.S. had refused to intervene. Paris would be a German suburb, South Korea would be a Japanese or Communist slave state, and Abu Ghraib would still be the real torture chamber it once was under Sadaam.

Why is such a powerful country, the United States of America, so generous in spite of such deliberate insults and bashings? In my opinion it is directly related to the strong religious beliefs of our founding fathers, in which we still abide.

We do not do good deeds to 'show off'. We help the down trodden, be it the homeless in San Francisco or the starving in North Korea, because Christ said, as you do for the least of these my brethren, you do unto me. And we turn the other cheek to the 'What have you done for me lately's,' because we are directed to show forgiveness and mercy to all who offend.

It is the embodiment of God's grace. And the saving grace for all the Frances, South Korea and Iraqs of the world who are free people today because America believes.



Named for the historic FW&D Engine 501, The 501 is always exactly 501 words and dashes long, whatever the topic. Welch, a freelance writer for Blackburn Media Group, divides her time mostly between Abilene and the family farm north of Vernon.

What does it take for a retired high school English teacher to be the top halftime attraction at a state championship football game in Texas?

Well, the lack of a fancy marching band helps, but it still takes an extraordinary teacher to outshine even a small drill team, especially when that teacher doesn't even take the field.

Read on.

When Northside School played for the six-man championship two years ago in Abilene, news traveled fast through the stands that Charlene Alexander was there, albeit in a wheelchair but, most important, there.

Ex-students flocked around her at the half, creating a crowd at the foot of one of the ramps on the west side of the stadium, Northside's side. The outcome of the game was still in question, but one thing was perfectly clear. Everyone was happy to see Mrs. Alexander.

Northside did manage a victory - a point of great maroon and white pride that day for everyone who'd ever played the game or cheered the team - but the greater legacy was, and is, the one that's shared by everyone who ever wrote a theme or gave a book report or recited a poem or figured out the meter of a rhyme for Charlene Alexander. We, her ex-pupils, are proud of what we learned from her.

Maybe proud isn't the right word just because it goes with legacy.

Better said, we happened to be in the right place at the right time to study English under Charlene Alexander. Just call us lucky.

As I write these words, she's turning 80. At least that many people are planning on celebrating the milestone with her at a surprise party.

The crowd won't be just ex-students. She has friends too, but they don't know her like we do. They never lost a point for misspelling a word or another point for careless treatment of the relationship between a pronoun and its antecedent or - worst of all - 31 points for going either over or under the three-to-five-minute rule for oral book reports. We love her best.

Is it because she taught us English? We were already speaking it and reading it when we hit ninth grade. How much difference did she make?

A lot.

Mrs. Alexander, simply called "Teacher" by many, taught us rules and graded us by them, consistently. Was she strict? Yes. Harsh? No, unless you think 31 points is a lot to get whacked off your grade for concluding a book report at two minutes and 55 seconds instead of making it to the three-minute minimum. I'm not bitter.

Teacher held us accountable. I myself never called her that nickname, but Teacher is a word she wears well.

But as for why she has such a loyal fan club, go back to that word "accountable." It also says a lot.

Bottom line, we didn't get away with anything. She graded us with a fine-toothed comb. Whether we knew it or not, in a greater sense, we were getting groomed for life.

Thanks, Teacher.

## County's Sales Tax Rebate Jumps In July

AUSTIN — Knox County's July sales tax rebate climbed 9.34 percent over July of 2007 with a total of \$36,191.06. The total for 2008 is \$240,028.49, just 0.38 percent behind last year.

Knox City's July total was 21,184.92, up 21.04 percent for the month; 136,853.02 for the year, a decrease of 3.46 percent.

Munday's July total was \$13,141.20, down 4.97 percent; \$89,078.03 for the year, a 2.28 percent.

Benjamin's July total was \$1,294.68 a large jump of 75.85%; \$8,021.30 for the year, up 50.29 percent.

Goree's July total was \$570.26, down 44.72 percent; \$6,076.14 for the year, down 10.35 percent. Texas Comptroller Susan Combs said the state collected \$1.8 billion in sales tax revenue in July, up 10.4 percent compared to one year ago.

"Through July, fiscal 2008 state sales tax collections are up 6.5 percent," Combs said. "The Texas economy remains strong; however, we continue to monitor the slower growth seen nationally."

Combs sent \$583.4 million in August sales tax allocations to local governments, up 9.2 percent compared to August 2007. So far this calendar year, sales tax allocations to local governments are up 6.3 percent compared to this time last year.

Combs sent sales tax payments of \$393.1 million to Texas cities, up 8 percent compared to last August. Calendar year-to-date, city sales tax revenues surpass 2007 by 5.4 percent. Sales tax payments of \$35.3 million went to Texas counties, 13.9 percent higher than last August. So far in calendar year 2008, county sales tax allocations are up 7.3 percent compared to last year.

July state sales tax revenue and August allocations to local governments represent sales taxes collected in June by businesses that report sales taxes monthly, and sales taxes collected in April, May and June by quarterly filers.

For details of August sales tax payments to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales and Use Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Reports on the Comptroller's Web site at [www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html](http://www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html).

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**The Reconciler's Band will be putting on a free concert that evening**

## Truscott-Gilliland News

By Clara Brown

It's easing past mid August now and everyone is thankful that the high, high temperatures are easing. It's nice to look at the thermometer and see that it's 72 degrees instead of being in the mid 90s, and rising.

There will probably be some more hot days in August and September, but hopefully the 110 days are behind us until next summer.

It rained on China Creek Sunday night, August 17, only .6 but it helped and things were cooler. Joyce Williams of Floydada called to brag that they got three inches in Blanco Canyon.

Jack Horne got .25, Tomaneks got .6, The Abbott and Simmon families reported .8 each.

If you can help at the cemetery donation table let Geraldine Tomanek know. The cemetery looks good whit work done by the company from Seymour that does several rural cemeteries.

The Truscott cook books will be on sale at the reunion, still only \$20.00 and loaded with names of cooks and their recipes from now and many years ago. Cook book profits go to help support the Truscott center.

If you come through Benjamin, or come from any direction, take time to visit the Knox County Veterans Memorial August 30, also the Wichita-Brazos museum on the north side of the highway one block east of the courthouse. The museum will be open from 1-4p.m. August 30 to welcome all former Knox County residents coming in for the Labor Day weekend.

Sunday evening new Truscott residents Jimmy and Lorrie Hord were guest of honor at a community wiener roast at the center. It's nice to have new residents here.

Reports on Truscott Homecoming set for Saturday, August 30 puts present possible attendance at 40 with expectations it will rise to 80 or 100 by the day.

The center will be open at 10a.m. August 30, with snacks and drinks available all day.

Call Irma bell if you can help with registration for an hour or two throughout the day. A special effort is being made to get, as well as names, people's correct and current mailing address, phone numbers and email addresses. Bring also the same information on your kin who can't attend this year but are interested.

Be sure to let us know about anyone who has moved. A list of those who passed away the last few years will be read, so help is needed with that.

Gilliland will be having it's Reunion Sunday, August 31. For those wanting to attend a church service the Gilliland Baptist Church will meet that morning.

Romona Horne and Lula Baty can be called about the catered noon meal that day.

Registration will begin at 9a.m. at the Carroll Tank. Dinner will be served between 12 and 12:30.

Ranch Roundup at Wichita Falls on Saturday, August 16, drew several who live or have lived or worked between the Wichitas This list probably misses some who attended, but let us know and we'll add names next week.

Sherry and Ronnie Simmons visited Sybil Simmons while in Wichita Falls and then made the Roundup. Others at the Ranch Roundup were Randy Reed, Bob Gillespie and family, Bill and Roberta Klapper, Jerry Bob and Eugenie Daniel, and Jack and Clara Brown. Also seen were Sharon and Joel Brownlee, Formerly of Crowell and now of the Panhandle.

Zach and Adam Eddy returned Friday to college at Corpus Christi after visiting relatives, Ronnie and Sherry Simmons, in Gilliland and Crowell.

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## John R. Staats

John R. Staats, 70, of Knox City passed away Wednesday. Gravesite services were held on Thursday at 1 p.m. at the Knox City Cemetery, Tex Cox officiating under the direction of Smith Funeral Home.

Mr. Staats was born on December 19, 1938 and went home to be with his Lord on August 13, 2008. He served in the U.S. Marines. John was known by many as a man with a big heart for helping others. A member of the Abundant Life Christian Fellowship church of Knox City since 2004, John was known affectionately as "John Boy." John Boy was most known in church for his love for Jesus Christ and his willingness to share that love with others; his kindness and love will be greatly missed.

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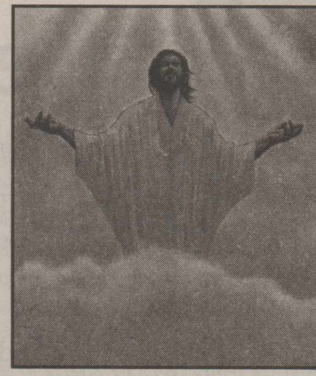
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## God's Promises



By Jim Reid, Pastor  
 O'Brien Baptist Church

How will the Church reach the lost of our community and area? What about the un-churched who are trying to live the Christian life alone? Can they truly be satisfied watching TV church? They will still feel alone and ignored spiritually. We as the Church in our community must accept the responsibility to share Jesus Christ in every way, every day. Those who do not understand the need of salvation must hear the gospel message. The un-churched need to feel your love and care. We must reach out and touch each and every one. I know that each Pastor in our community shares this same desire and encouragement. The following is a short poem of a friend of mine. I ask you to read it and think upon it and share the love of Jesus today.

One hundred years from now, It won't matter  
 Who you thought you were,  
 Or who I thought you were.  
 It won't matter  
 How much money you had,  
 What kind of truck you drove,  
 Or even how many seeds you sowed.  
 It won't matter about your position at work  
 Or which rung you're on with your career ladder.  
 But it will matter about the responsibility you shirk  
 And if you shared Jesus Christ will still be the crux of the matter.

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## Knox County Commissioners Court Minutes from July

The Knox County Commissioner's Court held a regular meeting on July 14, 2008.

Gene Gloria representing Benjamin ISD discussed and was granted the allowance of county inmates to work for the school and other non-profit organization.

The court passed the issue of the county mileage reimbursement. The motion was made by Commissioner Birkenfield.

The court passed the audit proposal from Davis, Kinard and Co. P.C. Atmos Energy had requested to construct a drive way on the east side of CR4451 Commissioner Urbanzeck made the motion and it was passed.

The annual Interlocal Agreement between Knox County and Helen Farbee MHR Centers was passed they were also allowed additional funding when the motion was brought to the table.

Ray Cragar was hired as Veterans Service Officer. The Interlocal agreement between Knox County and the Knox County Visioning Board was unanimously agreed upon.

The health care renewal rates were approved. The request made by Richard Rogers to grant an easement on CR 3691 for Tri County to provide electricity to his property was approved.

The courts opened the sealed bids on the property that is in Munday and they voted to unanimously to transfer the two properties to Yunior Montia.

The bid of Johnny and Nancy Birkenfield parcel was accepted also all other bid except the Bitter Creek Energy Services were agreed upon. A purchase of a Rhino Shredder is being looked into.

The court unanimously agreed to lease a trailer to haul the box culverts, and a motion to post notice to put up the old lawn mower up for bids was agreed on.

The motion to approve the financials for March, 2008 was passed five to zero.

Commissioner Urbanczyk made the motion to approve the financials and pay the bills and Commissioner Godsey seconded, and the motion was passed.

No further business came before the Court.

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In the name and by the authority  
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Jerry Brown, Randal Brown, Addie Lee Smith, Mrs. L.C. Porter, Buelah Hornbeak, W.D. Nicholson and B.E. Gray, if living, and if any or all of the above named defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of each or all of said above named persons who may be dead, and the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land, and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, the unknown stockholders of any defunct corporations, their successors, heirs and assigns, owning or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property, delinquent to Plaintiff herein, for taxes, all of said property being located in said County and State, to-wit: .270 Acre out of Abstract 1812 of the H & TC Survey, Section 82, Block 45 (west of school), Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 198, Page 519 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; 4.730 Acres out of Abstract 1812 of the H&TC Survey #82, Block 45, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 198, Page 519 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; 0007665, Lot 10, Block 134, Reeves & Musser Addition, City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 162, Page 318 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; 0006742, Lots 17, 18 and the North 50' of Lots 15 and 16, Block 26, Original Townsite to the Town of Knox City, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 69, Page 304 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; 0004080, Lot 12, Block 123, Reeves & Musser Addition, City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 75, Page 577 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; and 0003295, Lots 5 and 6, Block 17, Original Townsite to the Town of Truscott, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 20, Page 71 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiff for taxes in the following amount: \$2,767.13, exclusive of interest, penalties and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes, all said interest, penalties and costs therein allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the Knox County Appraisal District, Plaintiff, against the above named persons, as Defendants, by petition filed on May 23, 2006, in a certain suit styled the Knox County Appraisal District et al vs. Jerry Brown et al, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Knox County, Texas, 50th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 9016, that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit are NONE.

Plaintiff and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, and in addition to the taxes all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

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

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance of this citation as set out below, said appearance and answer date being the 6th day of October, A.D., 2008, (which is the return day of such citation), before the honorable District Court of Knox County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiff and the taxing units parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

This citation is issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court in the City of Benjamin, Knox County, Texas, this the 11th day of August, A.D., 2008.

/s/Clerk of the District Court,  
Knox County, Texas, 50th Judicial District  
/s/Deputy Michelle Esquivel

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF KNOX

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

Alonzo Zavalas, if living, and if any or all of the above named defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of each or all of said above named persons who may be dead, and the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land, and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, the unknown stockholders of any defunct corporations, their successors, heirs and assigns, owning or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property, delinquent to Plaintiff herein, for taxes, all of said property being located in said County and State, to-wit: The West 130 feet of the South one-half of Lot 11 and the North 5 feet of the East 70 feet of Lot 11, Block 42, Lee Addition to the City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 292, Page 913 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas; and The West 130 feet of Lot 12, Block 42, Lee Addition to the City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 292, Page 913 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiff for taxes in the following amount: \$863.09, exclusive of interest, penalties and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes, all said interest, penalties and costs therein allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the Knox County Appraisal District, Plaintiff, against the above named persons, as Defendants, by petition filed on December 7, 2007, in a certain suit styled the Knox County Appraisal District et al vs. Alonzo Zavalas, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Knox County, Texas, 50th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 9134, that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit are NONE.

Plaintiff and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, and in addition to the taxes all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

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

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance of this citation as set out below, said appearance and answer date being the 6th day of October, A.D., 2008, (which is the return day of such citation), before the honorable District Court of Knox County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiff and the taxing units parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

This citation is issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court in the City of Benjamin, Knox County, Texas, this the 11th day of August, A.D., 2008.

/s/Clerk of the District Court,  
Knox County, Texas, 50th Judicial District  
/s/Deputy Michelle Esquivel

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF KNOX

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

Hipolito Guzman, if living, and if any or all of the above named defendants be dead, the unknown heirs of each or all of said above named persons who may be dead, and the unknown heirs of the unknown heirs of said above named persons, and the unknown owner or owners of the hereinafter described land, and the executors, administrators, guardians, legal representatives, legatees and devisees of the above named persons, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, the unknown stockholders of any defunct corporations, their successors, heirs and assigns, owning or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property, delinquent to Plaintiff herein, for taxes, all of said property being located in said County and State, to-wit: a 250' x 55' tract of land, more or less, out of the D&W RR Co. Survey #74, Block 2, out of Abstract 1746 and being located in the City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Vol. 262, Page 680 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiff for taxes in the following amount: \$295.36, exclusive of interest, penalties and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes, all said interest, penalties and costs therein allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the Knox County Appraisal District, Plaintiff, against the above named persons, as Defendants, by petition filed on September 24, 2007, in a certain suit styled the Knox County Appraisal District et al vs. Hipolito Guzman, for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Knox County, Texas, 50th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 9124, that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit are NONE.

Plaintiff and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, and in addition to the taxes all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

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

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/s/Clerk of the District Court,  
Knox County, Texas, 50th Judicial District  
/s/Deputy Michelle Esquivel

CITATION BY PUBLICATION - Rule 114 & 101 - Rules of Civil Procedure

CLERK OF THE COURT

Annette Offutt, Clerk Attorney: Michael A. Henry  
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**NOTICE TO RESPONDENT:** "You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty two days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you."

To: JUAN ESPINAL, SR., Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's petition at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation, the same being Monday the 1st of September, 2008 at or before 10 o'clock a.m., before the 50th District Court of Knox County, at the Courthouse in Benjamin, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Motion to Modify Parent-Child Relationship was filed on July 17, 2008 in this case, numbered 8990 on the docket of said court, and styled IN THE INTEREST OF: ISAAC FLORES AND JUAN ESPINAL, JR., MINOR CHILDREN.

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: TANYA DENA is Petitioner and ALLEN RHODES AND JANICE RHODES are Respondents.

A brief statement of the nature of the suit is as follows, to-wit: Motion to Modify Parent-Child Relationship, as is more fully shown by Petitioner's Motion on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved. The officer executing this writ shall promptly served the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Benjamin, Texas, on July 17, 2008.



ATTEST: Annette Offutt, District Clerk  
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By: Michelle Esquivel, Deputy  
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# Notice of Tax Revenue Increase

The KNOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

conducted public hearings on August 21st and August 25th on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of KNOX COUNTY from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by 7.8 percent.

The total tax revenue raised last year at last year's tax rate of .7566 for each \$100 of taxable value was \$1,119,669.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of .7566 for each \$100 of taxable value, excluding tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$1,193,204.

The total tax revenue proposed to be raised this year at the proposed tax rate of .7566 for each \$100 of taxable value, including tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year, is \$1,207,209.

The KNOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on August 28th, 2008 at 10:00 A.M. at The Knox County Courthouse Assembly Room.

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Sealed proposals for contracts listed below will be received by TxDOT until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

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Dist/Div: Childress Contract 6184-03-001 for ON-CALL STRIPING in CHILDRESS County, etc will be opened on September 18, 2008 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of \$299,550.00.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov) and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 27381

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Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

# BENJAMIN NEWS

By Galdene Green

We have had a wonderful rain - nothing like some places but enough to sort of "green up" the grass and give a new look to the world around us. And the cooler temps have been wonderful! And the TV guy says we may get more - We hope so.

### About Our Ill

Reports on Don Hertel are that he is resting and feeling pretty well. Some days, I'm sure are better than others. He has had quite a bit of company which he enjoys. His sons have been here but I'm not sure if they are still here or not. I think some one is with him most of the time.

Jessie Roberts spent one night last week in the Knox County Hospital. She said yesterday she was feeling better. Not real sure just what her problem was but thankful she's making progress back to better days.

And an update on Lorene Powers who underwent heart surgery in early June. She's doing great! Is getting out more now and staying by herself and making it fine. So wonderful to be able to give a good report like that.

### Here 'N There

Megan Sherman, of San Antonio and ACU in Abilene was a weekend guest in the home of Debbie Clower and family. Megan is a friend of Debbie's son, Michael.

Nancy McGreger told me last week that their son, Chris and his wife Nancy were here in late July for a visit. (Some how I missed that) Chris and Nancy live in Fressing, Germany and don't get back to Benjamin real often. They brought two friends with them and they all had a good visit. And Chris and Nancy attended his cousin, Mark Roberts wedding in Alvin while here.

Beckie Keys and children, Dillon and Randi of Childress were here Saturday for the memorial service for Jeff Herring at Rhineland. After lunch, they and her mom, Debbie Moorehouse met Jessica Moorehouse in Abilene for an afternoon of fun!

Failed to mention in the news of our "not feeling well" groups, Dutch young is having some problems. Has a pinched nerve - ( or something similar in his neck) - and is in quite a bit of pain. Will probably have to have some surgery to correct the problem. Goes back to

the doctor in about a week and will learn then what lies ahead for him.

Betty Parker and Chelsea of Aspermont visited her mom, Gloria west on Sunday.

It's back to school and off to college for the first time for several of our Benjamin graduates. The following is a list of who is going where for the fall semester. Midwestern University Nafeesa Ebraheim, Saidie Benson, Karla Benson and Shaylee Propps. Abilene Christian University Michael Clower. South Plains College Lucas Cartwright, Tina Siemens, Sharria Hearn, Donnie Gee, and Samijo Russell. University of Texas Chance Propps. Tarlton State Jessica Moorehouse, ETSTC at Nacodoches Carmen, Julia and Judit Acevedo. Vernon Regional Junior College Kyle Wilson, Gina McCanlies and Brittany Kuehler.

If I have missed anyone, please let me know. I want to include everyone.

Bud Conner and I attended the Golden Wedding Anniversary party for Joyce and Ray Lynn Hardin at Munday Saturday p.m. Was a lovely "to do" hosted by their daughter and her family and a good crowd was on hand to congratulate and wish them well

Linda Griffith said their daughter, Amy and her family are finally getting gall their belongings to Texas. They have lived in Minnesota several years but have moved back to Lubbock.

Took a while to get their house sold there and one bought in Lubbock and all the things done that go with that kind of transition but have it all taken care of and left Minnesota on Saturday. Should be in Texas Tuesday or Wednesday. I know they are glad to get that all done.

Don't forget the revival at First Baptist Church here in Benjamin Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Services Friday and Saturday night at 8p.m. Sunday night at 7p.m. With an ice cream social following. Everyone is invited to attend.

And one last item - thanks to my friend, Laurie Kemletz of Knox City who had nice things to say about my weekly column. I appreciate it so much. Sometimes I think I'll stop doing this but then folks like her encourage me and I keep going! Thank you for reading it week in and week out.

## NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 152.013, Local Government Code, notice is hereby given of salaries, expenses, or allowances of elected officials proposed to be increased for FYE 09/30/2009.

Elected Official	Present		Proposed	
	Salary	Increase	Total	
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County Treasurer	\$25,617	\$769	\$26,386	
County Sheriff	\$30,193	\$906	\$31,099	
Commissioners Prcts 1 & 4	\$26,639	\$1,799	\$28,438	
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Commissioner Prct 3	\$36,939	\$1,108	\$38,047	
Justice of the Peace	\$25,617	\$769	\$26,386	
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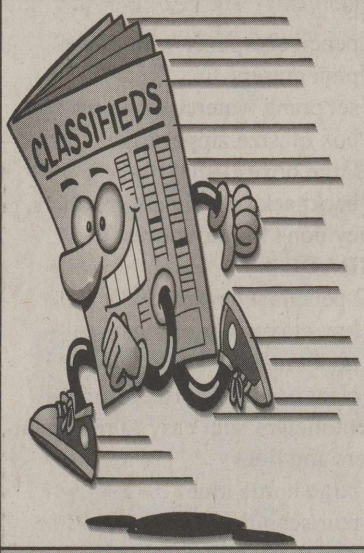
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On July 25, 2008, James Falcon filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission to assign the permit of KTSX(FM), Channel 297, Knox City, TX to South Texas FM Investments, LLC.

James Falcon, the permit holder, is an individual permittee.

South Texas FM Investments, LLC, the assignee, is a limited liability company with the following five member-owners: Eloy Vera, Mario Mascorro, Juan Diego Posada, Eugenio Falcon Jr. and Jose Vasquez.

A copy of the application and related materials is available for public inspection at Munday City-County Library, 121 East B St., Munday, TX 76371 during regular business hours.

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The first public hearing will be held on August 25th at 12:00 noon in the City Hall located at 902 E. Main.

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# The KC Greyhounds Held Their First Scrimmage Against Benjamin This Past Saturday



2008 scrimmage season is now in session. On Saturday, August 16th, the Greyhounds traveled to Benjamin to take on the Mustangs and the Harold Hornets. During this battle the Hound coaches were trying determine the capabilities of both the experienced and inexperienced group of guys. This being Knox City's third season of six-man football; Coach Charles Steele feels that the team is getting a good grasp of the game. He believes the Hounds played the scrimmage well. Coach Steele stated, "Benjamin was a good starting point, they have a good team and a good coach." The scrimmage helped point out the potential varsity players as well as the weak areas of the team. The younger group of Hounds took on the Hornets. The coaches were impressed with the game that the young team stepped up and played. Overall, Coach Steele was especially impressed with offense players: MJ Abila, Brandon Bradley, Ryan Ledesma, TJ Moore and Zachary York; and defense players: Skyler Eades, Landon Lynn, Bandy Moeller, Shane Strickland and Jarek Wilde. The Greyhounds will be hosting Abilene Christian High School in a scrimmage scheduled for Friday, August 22nd at 6 p.m.. Picture By Mellias Casllias

**Scrimmage On Friday, August 22nd Hounds Vs. Abilene Christian High School Beginning At 6 P.M. Meet The Hounds, Houndettes And the KCHS Band Following Scrimmage. Both Girls And Boys Athletic Departments Will Be Taking Donations Of Towels And Laundry Detergent. Watermelon Festival Golf Tournament Winners**




Pictured left to right: Cooper, Channing and Tom Denton of Plano. This team won the Watermelon Festival Golf Tournament both this year and last year. Making up a second team are Tim Denton, of Burnet, Danny Denton of Flower Mound and Donny Denton of Haslet. They were all in Knox City to attend the A.P. and Ruth Denton Reunion. Picture by: Aunt Lou Denton Vail

## Knox City Elementary School 2008 - 2009 School Supply List

- PRE - KINDERGARTEN**
- 8 crayola twistables crayons ( not pencils)
- 1 pair fiskars scissors for kids
- 2 glue sticks
- 10 ct. watercolors
- 1 box soft tissue
- 1 container clorox wipes
- KINDERGARTEN**
- 3 boxes regular size crayons or 1 pkg. crayola twistables
- 10 #2 pencils (not jumbo)
- 2 pink erasers
- 1 watercolor set
- 1 pair fiskars school scissors
- 3 stick "dab 'n stick" glue
- 2 bottles elmer's glue
- 2 plastic folders with pockets- no brads
- 1 plastic pencil box
- 2 large boxes tissue
- 1 pkg. 3x5 index cards
- 1 box qt. size zipper bags (boys only)
- 1 box gallon zipper bags (girls only)
- backpack ( no rolling backpacks)
- GRADE 1**
- 2 boxes of 24 crayons
- 12 #2 pencils with erasers (yellow pencils only)
- 2 pink erasers
- 1 pair fiskars school scissors
- 1 bottle white glue
- 5 glue sticks
- 1 three-subject spiral notebook-wide ruled
- 4 plastic folders with pockets (blue, red, green,yellow)
- 1 set prang watercolor paints
- 1 roll scotch tape
- 1 box qt. size zipper bags (do not label)
- 2 large boxes facial tissue (do not label)
- 3 pkgs. 3x5 index card
- 1 backpack (no wheels or rollers, please)
- GRADE 2**
- 2 plastic folders w/ pockets and brads
- 12 # 2 pencils
- 1 pkg. glue sticks
- 1 bottle blue
- 1 pkg. bic #2 mechanical pencils
- 2 boxes crayola brand crayons
- 1 pair fiskars school scissors
- 1 plastic school box ( not over-sized)
- 1 box crayola brand colored pencils
- 1 pencil sharpener with cover
- 2 pink erasers
- 1 set prang watercolor paints
- 1 box qt. size zipper bags
- 2 large boxes facial tissue
- 1 backpack (no wheels or rollers, they don't fit into lockers)
- GRADE 3**
- #2 pencils w/erasers
- 1 box crayons or markers
- 2 pink erasers
- 1 clear or wooden ruler (inches/centimeters with easy to read numbers and lines)
- 1 large bottle glue
- 1 pair school scissors
- 1 box facial tissue
- 1 pkg. wide-rules notebook paper
- 4 plastic folders
- 2 spiral notebooks
- 2 dry erase markers
- 3 red grading pens
- 1 box gallon zipper bags
- GRADE 4**
- 1 large plastic school box
- 1 pkg. highlighter markers
- 1 pink eraser
- 1 pkg. pencil top eraser
- 12 #2 pencils
- 1 box crayola crayons
- 1 box crayola markers
- 1 box crayola colored pencils
- 4 folders w/pocket and brads
- 1 large bottle white school glue
- 1 pair fiskars school scissors
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08/13	67/96	
08/14	69/98	.01
08/15	67/87	.11
08/16	66/77	.16
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