



THE

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75CENTS

Locals Host Wounded Soldiers Hunt



Tamara Smart

This weekend, in a field in Rochester, the tale-tell explosions from the guns during a duck/goose hunt rang through the early morning sky. While, this rhythmic thunder is a normal occurrence in these parts during duck and goose season, this hunt was particularly special.

This hunt, guided by Joel Cloud and George Hall, co-owners of Steel

Rain Outfitters out of Fort Worth, was comprised of 4 Army veterans who sustained injuries rendering them completely disabled (meaning their injuries would prevent them from returning to "life as usual").

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PICTURED:

Jeremy Smith, disabled in Afghanistan

George Hall, guide & co-owner of Steel Rain Outfitters

Nell Rose Speck, High Plains Hunting & Lodging

Brian Kenney, disabled in Iraq

Tim Seckle, disabled in Iraq, representative of

Defenders of Freedom

Grant Seckle, Tim's son

Joel Cloud, Guide & co-owner of Steel Rain

Outfitters

NOT PICTURED:

Orville Speck, High Plains Hunting & Lodge

Jimmy Johnson, Guide

Gavin Williams, disabled in Korea

Dave Harford

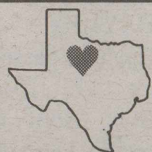
See Knox County Stock Show results on page 8

LOOKING AHEAD

Thursday, January 27, at 6:00 p.m., there will be an informational seminar concerning college financial aid in KC library. The session will cover financial aid issues, including the preparation of a future collegian's FAFSA.

Sunday, February 6th will mark the annual barbeque and fundraiser at Benjamin, TX, for the Wichita Brazos Museum, 11:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M., at the Benjamin Memorial Building. At the meal will consist of the usual brisket and sausage, turkey, deviled eggs, pinto beans, onions and pickles, and "homemade potato salad", coleslaw, and desserts. Silent Auction to follow

The Haskell/Knox Relay for Life will be on April 1 at Indian Field in Haskell from 7PM until 7AM.

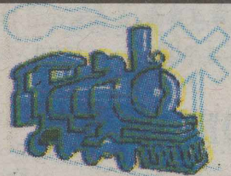


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Museum News

Plans are about complete for the annual Knox County Museum Barbeque at the Benjamin Ex-Students Center on Sunday, February 6th at 11:00 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. Take-out plates will be available. Barbequed brisket, sausage, and baked turkey; homemade potato salad and coleslaw; special pinto

beans; deviled eggs; and homemade pies will make up the February 6th menu.

You will be able to bid on dozens (104-last year) of silent auction items, including antique dishes and glasses, embroidered dish towels, lace dollies, jewelry, plus an oil change, tools and many items donated by businesses

and individuals interested in the museum.

After the auction closes at 1:30, the winner of the beautiful quilt, "Autumn Stars over Knox County", will be announced. This year's quilt was pieced and donated by Mary Cartwright and quilted by Marjorie Lake. *See quilt pictured on page*

seven. It takes a lot of long hours and hard work to put together a quilt as beautiful as this one. We would like to thank Mary Cartwright for her dedication and long hours and to Marjorie Lake for her expertise and vision to make this quilt one of the best we have had. Currently, it is displayed at the Citizens Bank in Knox City and tickets may be purchased there, at the Museum, or from Museum board members.

Starting at 11:00 A.M.,

door prizes will be announced every 30 minutes. These range from \$20 to \$50 dollar bills, and many other items. Door prizes and silent auction items can be delivered if you are not present

Besides good food, and the excitement of door prizes and silent auction, you can buy all kinds of museum and history related items for yourself or for gifts. The new 2011 Calendar "Champions of Knox County" featuring state champions from around

the county. Your family members may be shown in a calendar picture from years past.

Those who want to visit the Wichita Brazos Museum, beneficiary of the fund raiser, will find it open from 10: A.M. to 3:00 P.M. on February 6th. As the day draws to an end, if you need some delicious food to feed your Super Bowl football guests, check out the serving tables at the center. Prices will be posted and containers provided to help

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Obituaries

WINIFRED WHITE

Winifred Walker White joined her Savior on January 21, 2011. Winifred was born August 5, 1924 in Knox City, Texas, the daughter of Finnice and Othella Myrick Walker. She graduated from Knox City High School and received her bachelor's degree from Hardin Simmons University. She married the love of her life, Sammy B. White on December 28, 1947. They were married 63 years. After Sammy's graduation from Texas A&M University, Winifred and Sammy returned to Knox City and began a lifetime of farming.

Winifred was active in First Baptist Church in Knox City. She loved the Lord and loved sharing His word. She was very active in WMU, teaching Girls in Action, Young Women's Auxiliary and Vacation Bible School for many years. She, also, taught Sunday School for multiple years from four year olds to adult women.

Winifred was active in Eastern Star and Texas Federation of Women's Club. She served both of these clubs for many years

in many leadership roles. Winifred loved working with the many friends she made in these organizations, from the communities in and around Knox City and many across the state of Texas.

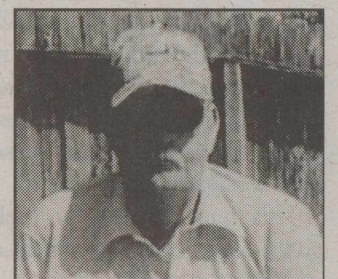
Winifred was a loving wife, mother and grandmother. Her life's work was her family. Each of us was the Light of her Life, and how she loved us and how we loved her! MeMa made life fun, she taught us how to live life and live a life for the Lord. We are eternally grateful for such a loving force in our lives.

Besides her parents, Winifred was preceded in death by her grandson, Ross Baker.

She is survived by her husband Sammy B. of Knox City, daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Ron White of Graham; daughter and son-in-law, Teresa and Bobby Baker of Weatherford; son and daughter-in-law, Sam Jr. and Renee White of Georgetown. Five grandchildren survive; Chris and Matt White of Dallas, Whitney Baker of Dallas and Samantha and Meredith White of Georgetown. She is, also, survived by two sisters,

Olene Seitz of Dalhart, Texas and Jean Turnbow of Haskell. Several nieces and nephews, extended family and friends.

A Funeral Service will be held 1:00pm, Monday, January 24, 2011 at the First Baptist Church, Knox City. Burial will follow in Knox City Cemetery under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes, Knox City. A visitation will be Sunday from 3-4pm at the funeral home.



JOHN HAYLEY

John E. Hayley passed away January 19, 2011 in Baird, Texas. Born in Seymour, Texas on June 30, 1936, John was the son of Catherine Gore and John R. Hayley. On June 23, 1959 he married Daisy Coleman.

John was a sergeant in the army in the 2nd armored division and was stationed in Germany during the Korean

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Vernon College GED test dates for 2011

Vernon College has scheduled 2011 GED test dates which will enable individuals to earn their high school diploma equivalency. The test will be given on the Vernon campus February 9, March 30, April 27, June 8, September 7, October 19 & November 16. Testing will begin at 8:00 a.m. in the Testing Center, Room 213, in the Wright Library.

Pre-registration is required at least one week prior to the test date. Seating is limited, so early sign up is encouraged.

A Texas resident who is at least 18 years old (17 years old with signed parental permission), who has not graduated from high school and is not enrolled in high school, is eligible to take the test. Everyone taking the GED test must provide a government issued picture ID and social security card at registration at each testing session. If a driver's license or Texas ID is not available, a person

may obtain one through the Texas Department of Public Safety Driver's License Division.

GED Testing Service has developed a new series of the GED tests which will be released on January 1, 2012. All GED examinees should be advised that scores earned on the current 2002 series or previous tests will not be able to be combined with those earned on the new 2012 series. By December 31, 2011, examinees must have taken and earned minimum scores on all five content area tests and earned the minimum total passing standard on the 2002 series, or they will need to take the **entire** 2012 series test battery.

The cost for the full battery of tests is \$75, and a re-test for an individual section is \$15. Cash, checks, or money orders in the correct amount made payable to Vernon College are acceptable. Prices are subject to change. Payment

for testing must be made at the time of registration in the Testing Center on the Vernon campus during regular testing center hours. The Vernon campus Testing Center is open Wednesdays from 9 a.m.- 8p.m. and on Thursdays from 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.

Classes are available if a review is needed before the examination. GED classes meet on the Vernon campus only. Classes meet from 6 - 9 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday in the Biggs Arts & Science Center Room 308. Participants will register the first night they attend class, but there is no charge for attending. Instructor is Leslie Taylor.

For further information regarding the GED examinations or special accommodations, please contact Sharron Shelton at 940-552-6291 ext.2317 or register in person at the Testing Center in Room 213 of the Wright Library, on the Vernon campus.

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SAMMIE'S KNOX CITY CORNER AND FINAL THOUGHTS

Sammie Offield

Well, another week, another round of news. Mr. Bass from Rochester, who is also Danielle Rodriguez's dad, had a hard spell of bad health and was air lifted to Wichita Falls. As the week goes by, I will try to have more updates on his health. Please keep them in your prayers.

Stock Show is on it's way. They will be going to Munday for the county show. Hope that our kids will be happy and hope each one of them will come out a winner in one way or another.

Well, Good news with Mr. Bass. He just has minor problems and treatable. He

will be in Wichita Falls for a few days and hopefully return home and complete recovery. That is an answer to so many prayers.

Mrs. Renee Fisher has passed away and she's in KC funeral home for arrangements for her final interment. May God bless her family at this time and help them with their pain and sorrow.

Wednesday evening, I got to talk to my best friend, Jean Thomas, and she is doing great. She is having some health problems, but hopefully for the 2011 she will see a better year with improved health. Her daughter, Diana and Roy are doing a good job taking care

of her. We must have talked forever, but she wanted know how everyone and everything in Knox City was. She has had one grandbaby enter her family, and they are expecting another one this year. I am so happy for her, although I miss her very much.

Today (Sunday), at church, I had more news about Johnny Gaston. Johnny is Nellie Mae Watson's Son-in-law. He has been taken to the hospital for chest pain. He needs more tests to be done.

Leon and Louis Watson are in Dallas running tests on Leon for some hopefully minor problems.

Sammie B. White's wife, Winnifred White, passed on to be with the Lord on Friday.

Our deepest sympathy is with them as they deal with their loss of a wonderful woman, who raised her children in Knox City and a proud Knox City citizen.

My fundraiser for Norman Tolison is having some very good success. Our ladies from Abundant Life Church are planning a bake sale this Saturday, January 29 in front of Lawrence Bros. Please don't forget or bring something to donate. Your blessing will be greatly appreciated.

Well, I visited with Frank Garcia and he seems to be coming along well. He is still doing chemotherapy, but has made good progress and would love a visit from his

friends or a phone call. He looks good considering what he's been through the last three months.

I have not had a chance to go a visit Danny Reece, but Glenna says his spirits and hopes are great, and so are ours with prayers and blessings from God.

Alfredo Abila's progress has been wonderful. His blood clot on his calf has gone and maybe four more treatments and his cancer will also be gone. Thank you God and we praise you for what you have done in everyone's life at one time or another.

KNOX COUNTY AGING SERVICES

MENUS FOR JAN. 31ST TO FEB. 4TH

Monday Jan. 31st

Tacos/Cheese
Salad
Fiesta Corn
Cookies

Thursday, Feb. 3rd

Chicken Spaghetti
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Salad
Hot Rolls
Carrot Cake

Tuesday Feb. 1st

Chicken Fried Steak/Gravy
Buttered Potatoes
Carrot/Raisin Salad
Biscuit
Cobbler

Friday, Feb. 4th

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|-------|-----------------|------|-----------------|
| | Low | High | |
| 11/22 | 46 | 84 | |
| 11/23 | 35 | 68 | |
| 11/24 | 47 | 84 | |
| 11/25 | 23 | 58 | |
| 11/26 | 18 | 58 | |
| 11/27 | 21 | 65 | |
| 11/28 | 33 | 69 | |

Total Rainfall for month 0.40
2010 Rainfall (ytd) 36.43

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor

My name is Elda Martinez. I was under C.P.S. care for 4 years. I had lots of visits for them. I am glad that I passed most of their demands and requirements. I was written up for 2 instances: 1) Standing water in a trough that my kids and I use during the weekend to get wet; and 2) I had a visiting child with special meds. I did have them put up, but because it was not double locked, I got written up.

Of course, before the CPS worker left, I took care of the issue.

One of the children I

adopted was a niece, family member. I still had a lot of paper work to get to and file and pass. Home studies, friends and family had to respond to inquiries on behalf of Alex and I.

I am proud to say we were successful in getting custody and are the parents of our 2 children.

But three of our residents have fallen in the cracks. This is not fair. Do not forget them. Two still need our prayers everyday, and 1 angel has gone home.

This is sad.

-Elda Martinez

KCVG makes plans for 2011

The Knox County Visioning Group met on January 20, 2011, to share information on upcoming events in each community, and to discuss a plan of action for 2011. The group had 17 people in attendance and met at the old bank building in Goree, Texas.

The Goree Events Center will be hosting the Cotton Pickin Quilt on February 26, 2011. A couple's retreat is planned for April. For more information on either event, call Tammy Trainham.

KCVG President, Dwayne Bearden shared that the gift shop at the Abilene Airport would like to have some items from around the region to sell at the airport gift shop. These items will be sold on consignments. Interested participants can contact Rusty Emmons directly at 325-518-1474.

The KCVG will be promoting Knox County at the San Antonio Stock show on Feb. 19, 2011. Director Jimi Coplen is seeking brochures from businesses and commu-

nities to take with her to the show. You can drop them by her office or call and she will pick them up. "The Texas Department of Agriculture has offered us a booth space in their pavilion at no charge for one day only. If you have brochures, please get them to me before the 19th," said Ms. Coplen.

The KCVG has big plans for 2011. Some of their top projects are listed below:

- A job fair is slated for early March.
- A heritage tourism weekend, tentatively being called Knox County Adventure Days, is slated for this summer.
- The KCVG will complete a countywide brochure featuring historic places as well as fun things to do around the county. They will also be working on an audio CD to accompany the brochure that visitors can use to take a driving tour of the area.
- Business recruit-
See KCVG on page 8

JUST JEFF

By Jeff Stanfield

I took a few weeks off writing as I have been busy with work, and just did not have time. I am sure my column was missed by at least 2 people, but I doubt no more than 8.

I do want to thank Mr. Obama i have just learned that Dr.'s accidentally kill over 120,000 people each year in the U.S., on the other hand we have 1500 people a year killed by accidental gunshots. With this statistic, I now understand why the President is trying to get rid of all the doctors with this stupid "Obamacare".

Speaking of medicine, Bill Stewart told me a very funny story this weekend. It seems Bill had some angioplasty done. The funny part was Bill explaining to me how he was laying butt-naked under a sheet and waiting for this cardiologist to start this procedure. He told me the table was ice cold, and the room was a chilling 50 degrees. Here Bill is waiting for an hour, no cigarettes in a deep freeze; with, i am sure, a bad case of shrinkage. In walks the doctor, he has a bad case of "hammerhead" (you know when the eyes are

both looking different ways). Bill said, "I sure was hoping he was gonna be looking through the scope with his straight 'eye'".

Some more comments from my mind concerning our screwed up system: How can we require our working people to take drug test for a job, but you get welfare without a drug test? In China you have to pay the government to have more than 1 kid, but here if you are on welfare, we give you a bonus for every kid you have. Boy do we have our priorities missed up. I say give a drug test and mandatory birth control to anyone on government subsidies. Heck, you have to get a license to carry a gun but you get a bonus for kids if you have NO JOB. I tell you something else that really ticks me off, each week some moron does something really stupid in this country. Some guy goes to a town hall meeting and shoots up a congresswoman from Arizona. Then the Westboro Baptist Church out of Kansas is going to protest at the funerals. My first question is: how come somebody hasn't whipped this crazy

minister's rear end? The second question is: how does he have any followers? Can you imagine being so cold-hearted that you could protest a soldier's funeral or a 9 year old girl who was at a political rally or meeting?

What the hell is happening in this country? Why do we protect these idiots? I always gripe about the crazy towel heads and their chicken crap suicide bombs and blowing up innocent people. But guess what people, we have some of our own idiots here we need to get rid of.

It seems we do more to protect these commode lickers than we do to prosecute them. I have an idea; If you burn a flag, protest a soldiers funeral, or just do something that is just anti-American in general, we ship your rear to the nearest country with no rights!

Go to Cuba, Iran, or heck North Korea and try this crap. Maybe we can learn a little from some crazy dictator. You burn a North Korean Flag or call that little crazy fish eating monger anything

other than "sir", and you will be seeing your Maker before the sun sets.

In my typical Texas eyes, I see that we have become a country that is too easy on idiots with way too many spineless people running things. Most of our politicians tend to have been that nerdy little kid who tattled on everyone in school. What we need is a real man in charge someone who is not afraid of hurting a little feelings, or not always being politically correct. And what the heck is being politically correct anyways? The problem with this world is everyone is so damn sensitive. Call a fat chick "Large Marge", she gets her big ol' Drawers in a knot. But call a Big Eared Village Idiot an "American", and he ends up as the President. Call me "Plump", "Lard Butt" or just "Slim" and I will laugh. Wake up America- it is time for some people with a backbone to stand up for what our Country was founded on.

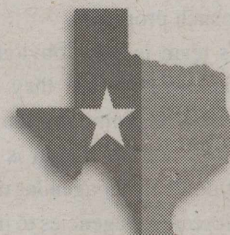
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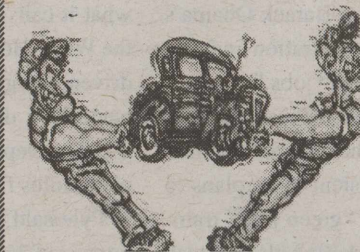
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The Paperboy

Old dog learning new tricks!

By **CHRIS BLACKBURN**

Some have said the newspaper is dead. Not so fast my friend!

Your newspaper is going to change for the better. This particular change will make this publication much more than a standard newspaper. It will make it interactive tool in a variety of ways.

In the coming weeks, you'll begin seeing QR codes in Blackburn Media Group publications.

A QR Code is a specific matrix barcode (or two-dimensional code), readable by dedicated QR barcode readers and camera phones. The code consists of black modules arranged in a square pattern on a white background. The information encoded can be text, URL or other data.

Basically, if you have a smartphone with a camera, you can download any number of free phone apps which allow you to scan barcodes and QR codes. You can then use your phone to scan the QR codes placed in stories and advertising. Once scanned, your phone will link to what it has been directed to from the code.

Common in Japan, where it was created by Toyota subsidiary Denso-Wave in 1994, the QR code is one of the most popular types of two-dimensional barcodes. QR is the abbreviation for Quick Response, as the creator intended the code to allow its contents to be decoded at high speed.

A few uses for QR codes as they relate to your newspaper:

- A realtor can use a QR code to show a virtual tour of a house they're listing.
- A bank with the code leading to their Website.

- A restaurant with a code leading to a coupon which can be printed off and redeemed.

- A hotel using the code to link you to their reservation system.

As readers and advertisers being seeing and using the codes, the personal interaction between the reader and the newspaper is complete.

In this manner, newspapers have gone from near extinction to a vital way to interact and connect with the story or the store.

Beyond the introduction to QR codes, BMG has the capability to build websites, mobile phone applications and integrate them all seamlessly.

Furthermore, we will soon unveil regional Internet radio stations in certain markets and begin using more video in our news coverage and in advertising.

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Now BMG can't offer all of these products and services at the same time in every market. They must be phased in.

The Childress area market is our test market. QR codes are being introduced there this week and for those that have used them with their smart phones, they have been blown away by the interactive possibilities!

At BMG, we have an awesome team focused on the future. We are fighting for perpetuation of the towns we're involved in. There is no reason for rural Americans to linger behind our city neighbors when it comes to technology and innovation. Together we can incorporate new technology with hard work and bring you products you can be proud of.



This sample QR code can be scanned by your phone and will take you to a video shot at The Childress Index.

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Christopher Blackburn is the president of Blackburn Media Group, owner of this publication.

Obama's Rubber Stamp

By **MATTHEW BOYLE**

When it comes to President Barack Obama's "green jobs" push, the administration may be more interested in "green" than "jobs."

Institute for Energy Research President Tom Pyle told The Daily Caller the Obama administration has been fairly consistent in its plans to use taxpayer dollars to fund "green jobs" training programs, partly as a marketing ploy to push its energy agenda.

"Nobody knows how to define what a 'green job' is so, what are they training for? I have no idea but I do know guys like Van Jones, Obama's self-proclaimed energy czar, has been very, very vocal about using the government's resources to jobs programs in the inner cities," Pyle said in a phone interview. "They've been using this 'green jobs' rhetoric to kind of gloss up, if you will, what I would argue is nothing but a govern-

ment program."

The Obama administration is focused on what it calls "renewable energy," but Pyle said the White House is really pushing a few agenda-driven energy programs: wind, solar and "efficiency" — things like new windows and caulking. The Department of Energy got \$16.8 billion of stimulus funds for such programs.

Pyle said Obama's team is also "obviously" interested in "electric cars, because they own General Motors and they're promoting the hell out of that." He said the administration is hassling companies that don't fit its agenda, using the EPA and other enforcement agencies to make it more and more difficult for them to grow and create jobs.

"They were responding to public pressure to allow drilling for oil and gas offshore in March, then the BP spill happened in April, and they've used that not only as an excuse to go backwards

but also to basically stop issuing permits to drill for oil and gas offshore," Pyle told TheDC. "They've just shut down the entire process."

Rick Manning from Americans for Limited Government told TheDC that if the Obama administration was serious about job creation, it would loosen the restrictions its agencies and administrations have on the private sector energy companies.

"If this administration wanted to jump employment, they could re-open drilling, end the EPA's attack on the Texas oil refineries, and stop killing jobs in the coal sector, and millions of jobs would be created," Manning said in an e-mail.

These "renewable energy" programs are not sustainable industry drivers though, because they start falling apart once the government funding dries up. Pyle's organization commissioned studies documenting the failure of simi-

lar programs in other countries.

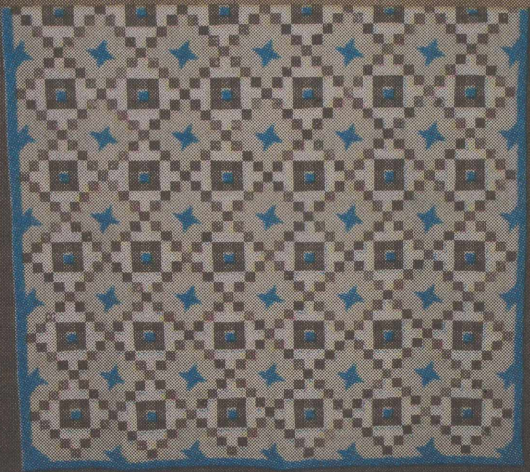
"The government was going to guarantee either market share or help with production or some combination thereof to spur the industry," Pyle said. "It worked great. People were lining up to build these facilities."

But, after the windmills were built and the facilities were put together, the companies behind them only had to hire people to "mow the grass" and "lube the windmills," Pyle said.

Pyle also said Denmark, for example, generates about 20 percent of its electricity from wind, but exports most of that to other countries because they can't store it when they collect it.

"So, the result is, the people who got rich is the people who got in line to produce the windmills," Pyle said. "They're exporting the actual electricity, and, meanwhile, they're subsidizing the project that has the highest rates in Europe."

Museum News



"Autumn Stars Over Knox County" Quilt, to be given away at Museum Annual February Dinner.

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HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS

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AG-USE EXEMPTIONS

Annual applications for qualifying land for agricultural use are not required. If you have been receiving the AG-USE exemption on your land in prior years, you need not reapply for the exemption. If you recently purchased a farm, you need to report this to the Chief Appraiser. AG-USE exemption forms are also available at the Appraisal District Office. Deadline for filing new exemptions are between January 1, 2011 and May 1, 2011.

DISABLED VETERANS

EXEMPTIONS

These exemptions need not be applied for annually. If you received your exemption on the 2010 tax roll, you will automatically receive it for the tax year of 2011. However, if your disability percentage has changed, you need to report the change to the Chief Appraiser. Deadline for filing new exemptions are between

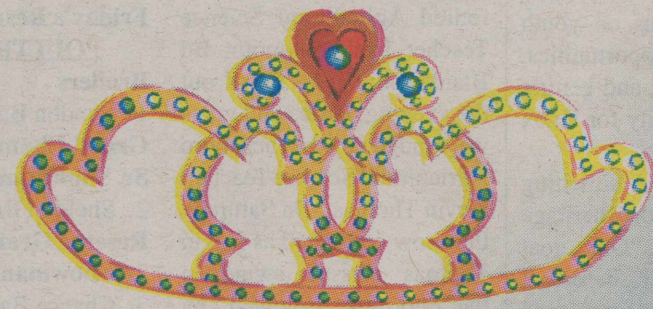
January 1, 2011, and May 1, 2011.

Renditions

Taxpayers are reminded that it is still their responsibility to render their personal property to the Chief Appraiser. These rendition forms are also available at the Appraisal District Office. Deadline for tax renditions is between January 1, 2011 and April 15,

2011.

If you have any questions about your exemptions, or any other ad valorem tax related question, you are invited to write the Knox County Appraisal District, P.O. Box 47, Benjamin, Tx.79505, or call (940)459-3891. If Appraisal District employees can be of assistance, please let us help.



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KCVG

ment efforts will be made to bring a veterinarian to the area as well as an additional pharmacy in Munday. The possibilities of a saltwater fishery are being explored for Brine Lake.

Business development workshops are planned for every-other-month in 2011, bringing educational opportunities to the area for current businesses as well as entrepreneurship.

The group will also continue to focus on youth engagement opportunities, growing leaders, and getting statewide publicity for Knox County

The KCVG is soliciting volunteers for the heritage tourism event. "Our goal is early summer, before it gets too hot, so we need volunteers now! This event is going to be a fun, one-of-a-kind event featuring unique things to do only in Knox County. But, we can't do it without volunteer support," said Ms. Coplen. For more information on this event, call the KCVG office at 940-459-4121 or check the website at www.thescoopofknoxprairie.blogspot.com.

The KCVG is a non-profit organization supported by Knox County, Development Corporation of Munday, Knox City EDC, City of Munday, City of Knox City, City of Goree, First National Bank of Munday, Citizen's State Bank, Circle Bar Ranch, Quality Implement, AEP, and Knox County Abstract.

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2011 Knox County Jr. Livestock Show Results

This past weekend the Brazos Valley Young Farmers Barn, now the Munday Events Center, was filled with excitement as exhibitors from all over Knox County came to show case their animal projects. There was an abundance of quality animals occupying the barn. The judging began on Friday with the broilers and rabbits by retired Agricultural Science Teacher from Seymour, Ed Blankenship. To finish out the evening, lambs and goats were judged by the Jacksboro Agricultural Science Teacher, Kevin Thomas. On Saturday the show continued as Kevin Thomas classed swine in the morning followed by the steers in the afternoon. The bidding started around 1:00 for the premium sale as crowds of local businesses

and individuals filled the stands to place bids on the exhibitors. All exhibitors did a tremendous job preparing their animals months in advance for this past weekend and should be commended on their work. Special thanks goes out to all of those who helped with setting up the barn and getting everything prepared for this years show. Results are as follows:

Friday's Results

POULTRY SHOW

Broilers

1. Lyndon Baty
Grand Champion
2. Sheldon Baty
Sr. Showmanship
3. Chance Baty
Reserve Grand Champion
4. Chance Baty
Jr. Showmanship

RABBIT SHOW

Pen of Three Fryers

1. Makayla Harrington
Grand Champion

2. Kate Baker
Reserve Grand Champion
3. Caitlyn Baxter
Jr. Showmanship
4. Jaylee Flowers
5. Kate Baker
6. Sonora Escamilla
7. Holly Wilson
Sr. Showmanship

Single Fryer

1. Sonora Escamilla
Grand Champion
2. Jaylee Flowers
Reserve Grand Champion
3. Makayla Harrington
4. Kate Baker
5. Kate Baker

LAMB SHOW

1. Kristen Kuehler

2. Kate Baker
Grand Champion
3. Caitlyn Baxter
Jr. Showmanship
4. Jaylee Flowers
Reserve Grand Champion

GOAT SHOW

Lt. Weight Market Goats

1. Brylee White
2. Bradyn Durham
3. Bradyn Durham
4. Marisol Ledesma
5. Emily Brown

Lt. Medium Weight Goats

1. Tori Everson
2. John Ross Shaver
3. Brogan White
4. Brylee White
5. Bradyn Durham

Medium Weight Goats

1. Austin Smith
2. Parker Finley
3. Brogan White

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4. John Ross Shaver
5. Holly Wilson
Sr. Showmanship
6. Austin Smith

- Lt. Heavy Weight Goats**
1. Brylee White
Reserve Grand Champion
2. Carson Lewis
3. Carson Lewis
4. Brogan White
5. Brady Finley
6. Tanna Moeller

- Heavy Weight Goats**
1. Parker Finley
Grand Champion
Jr. Showmanship
2. Parker Finley
3. Brylee White
4. Brogan White
5. Brylee White

**2010 Knox County
Jr. Livestock Show,
Saturday's Results
SWINE SHOW**

- Chester**
1. Kristen Kuehler
Breed Champion
2. Kristen Kuehler
Reserve Breed Champion
3. Shannon Reeves
4. Kristen Kuehler
5. Jordynn Eaton
6. Chase Wilson

- Lt. Weight Duroc**
1. Tanna Moeller

2. Payne Stanfield
3. Kaetlin Ledesma
4. Laquita Roberson
5. Reylee Ledesma

- Heavy Weight Duroc**
1. Madison Thompson
Breed Champion
Grand Champion
2. Alexia Jimenez
Reserve Breed Champion
3. Elissa Sepeda
4. Tanna Moeller
5. Alexia Jimenez
6. Preston Lynn

- Lt. Weight Hampshire**
1. Kolbey Brown

2. Ryder Dillard
3. Reylee Ledesma
4. Reylee Ledesma

- Lt. Medium Weight
Hampshire**
1. Jade Brown
2. Cody Propps
3. Ty Baker
4. Dylan Rankin

- Medium Weight
Hampshire**
1. Elissa Sepeda
2. Tylynne Eaton
3. Cody Propps
4. Travis Self
5. Laquita Roberson
6. Sheldon Baty

- Lt. Heavy Weight
Hampshire**
1. Kendall Thompson
Reserve Breed Champion
2. Shannon Reeves
3. Landon Lynn
4. Weldon Fitzgerald

- Heavy Weight Hampshire**
1. Denise Havner
Breed Champion
2. Sierra Boyd
3. Ryder Dillard
4. Sheldon Baty

- Lt. Weight BOPB**
1. Kristen Kuehler
Breed Champion
Reserve Breed Champion
2. Will Patterson
3. Skylin Ledesma
4. Jordyn Eaton
5. Whitney Collins

- Heavy Weight BOPB**
1. Katelyn Brown
2. Laura Maberry

3. Chance Baty
Lt. Weight Yorkshire
1. Shannon Reeves

2. Tylynne Eaton
3. Rachel Rodriguez
4. Rebecca Rodriguez

- Heavy Weight Yorkshire**
1. Kristen Kuehler
Breed Champion
Reserve Breed Champion
2. Cody Propps
3. Austin Valimont
4. Will Patterson

- Lt. Weight Cross**
1. Zach Shaver
2. Madison Thompson
Jr. Showmanship
3. Callie Cude
4. Chance Baty
5. Reylee Ledesma

- Lt. Medium Weight Cross**
1. Tori Thompson
2. Toni Brown
3. Cody Propps
4. Cheyenne Roberson
5. Toni Brown

- Medium Weight Cross**
1. Alexandria Wilson
Reserve Breed Champion
2. Kendall Thompson
3. Kaetlin Ledesma
4. Ryder Dillard
5. Tanna Moeller

- Lt. Heavy Weight Cross**
1. Alexia Jimenez
Breed Champion
Reserve Grand Champion

RESULTS

2. Shannon Reeves
3. Sierra Boyd
4. Jade Brown
5. Chase Wilson

- Heavy Weight Cross**
1. Tori Everson
2. Cody Propps
Sr. Showmanship
3. Shannon Reeves
4. Tanna Moeller

- STEER SHOW**
1. Logan Groves
Grand Champion
Sr. Showmanship

2. Trey Tidwell
**Reserve Grand
Champion**
3. Grace Tidwell
Jr. Showmanship

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Lynn

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Knox County prepares for emergencies with state-of-the-art notification system

When a crisis affects Knox County and the Municipalities, Emergency Management and Law Enforcement officials must be able to reach residents with warnings, information, and updates. In order to ensure that residents can be contacted quickly and effectively, the County and Municipalities has begun using Global Connect's Emergency Notification System, which gives the county and municipalities the ability to call thousands of residents, staff members, and volunteers within minutes.

"The Global Connect system will allow selected Emergency Management Personnel to record a message in his or her own voice and send that message to every telephone number listed in the directory within a matter of minutes," explained Craig Bird, CEO and Founder of Global Connect. "Whether residents need to be informed of a fast-moving fire, approaching storm, or other crisis, the Global Connect Emergency Notification System is the most efficient way to reach them with the news."

"In the past few years it has become evident that when emergency situations arise we need to alert residents in a timely fashion of the conditions that exist and any actions the resident must take" stated County Judge Travis Floyd. "We investigated other emergency alert systems over the past six months and found that Global Connect will afford us the communication tool

that will effectively and swiftly reach our residents to alert them to conditions. This system will not only allow us to reach County residents but also County & Municipal Employees to keep them updated."

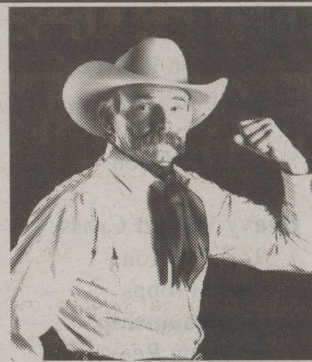
The Global Connect Emergency Notification System uses state-of-the-art technology to rapidly send messages to a database of telephone numbers. The system offers a number of features that render it particularly useful during a crisis:

Customized Mapping Capability – The Emergency management personnel can create a customized list of call recipients by selecting the area(s) affected by the emergency at hand. Global Connect will instantly develop the list of telephone numbers for residents in that area.

Remote Access and Deployment – Emergency management officials can deploy a message from any location. Only a telephone is required to record and send a broadcast.

Real-Time Reporting – Emergency management officials can see immediately which residents have been reached by telephone, and which have received messages. The system will continue to call residents who have not been reached as frequently and as many times as desired. 911 Central has stated, "we have noticed through the ESL List that many businesses and residents in town have

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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

by Baxter Black,
DVM

PORT-A-GONE

Say you were climbing Mt. Everest with your co-ed bowling team. You cover the last hundred yards to the summit. It takes five hours. After everyone has touched the flag pole they begin looking around and finally spot the official Tibetan Parks & Recreation A-One chemical toilet!

"Whew!" says one of the climbers, "I never thought we'd get here!" As she raced down the well-worn path, shoving a sherpa out of her way!

All of us know the feeling. At the county fair, tractor show, outdoor concert, rodeo, or construction work-site, it's one of the first things we scout-out when on location.

I was visiting a friend in Texas who had built a beautiful log home. When they moved in 15 years ago they designed a lavish master bedroom on a second story hand-hewn loft. The peaked roof made it look like the lobby of a ski resort. It reminds one of a Paul Bunyan blueprint decorated by Martha Stewart! Lip Gloss on Babe the Blue Ox.

My hostess said that at the time (in their youth) it didn't occur to them to put a bathroom in their bedroom. She said now days they often wake in the middle of the night, come downstairs to do their business and fall asleep on the living room sofa.

I remembered Grandma's chamber pot but suggested to her that they put a full-sized Porta-John upstairs in the corner of the bedroom. Install an I-beam out over the loft with a block and tackle like a hay barn. Bolt a big eye-hook on the unit to get it up there. Or how 'bout building a ledge outside on the upstairs wall beside the stained glass window. Cut a door in the wall for easy nightly access! One might even be able to drain the unit through a spigot that runs to the garden.

I could tell she was impressed by my suggestions the way she kept squinting her eyes and grimacing. I pointed to the success of chemical toilets in submarines, Boeing 737's, space shuttles and protest rallies. Can you imagine the presidential inauguration or the Battle of San Juan Hill without Porta-pots? I mean how many legislative bills might have been passed or battles lost for the lack of a good chemical toilet.

I was losing her attention. "Wait," I said, "How 'bout a compromise somewhere between rubber sheets and a major house renovation? We'll cut a hole in the bedroom floor..."

She gasped!

"And," I said, "Put in a fireman's pole!"

She was speechless. I like it when I can be helpful.



When the little boy cried wolf, he probably did it with an exclamation point.

The overuse of such punctuation brings that proverbial story to mind. When there really is a wolf, how do you let everyone know you really are exclaiming? Help! The wolf is at my throat! This will be my last outgoing email message ever!!!

Thanks to computers, it's an easy task to intensify any exclamation. You simply use 25 exclamation points instead of your normal three or four.

Wolf!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Very little extra energy is required. Your finger is already on the key. Hold it down, and voila! A string of exclamation points! See above.

Don't you suppose the humble typewriter first led to the overuse of the exclamation point? It's easy enough to pound a key repetitively once you've got it under your finger – even a poor left little finger, the weakest digit for all us right-handed keyboard users. (Unless maybe the ring finger is even weaker, although it is bigger. We digress, but at least we do so parenthetically.)

Whoever designed the prototypical typewriter keyboard may have decided to assign the exclamation point to its obscure location to discourage overuse. You've even gotta shift. On second thought, it's more likely that back in those times the exclamation point was used more sparingly and therefore didn't need to be so easily reached. I could be wrong. I'm only musing. I haven't looked any of this tstuff up on the Internet to assure accuracy!

When I first learned a little Spanish back in high school

it struck me as significant that if you're going to use an exclamation point, you have to know ahead of time so you can put an upside-down one at the start of the sentence as well as a regular one at the end. No waiting around to decide.

Am I biased or what? Who's to say which exclamation point is upside down? If my mother tongue were Spanish, I'd probably say it's the second one you invert, since you've already set the pattern with the first one. Incidentally, it doesn't seem to me the explanation point carries quite the same meaning in Spanish as in English. Otherwise, why would an ordinary "Hello," as in "Hola," have to be sandwiched between exclamation marks? Or maybe in the language of people known for showing their emotions, it's logical to make greetings exclamatory. Fine.

But what if you wanted to exclaim strongly in Spanish, and you wanted to express the intensity of your feelings with extra exclamation points? Presumably, you'd have to know in advance just how much emotion you wanted to pack into your clause. Or maybe there's a computer program that matches the beginning number of exclamation points with how many you ultimately use at the end.

Meanwhile, if you are a habitual exclamation pointer, Latin or not, you're probably just an extra expressive person. Keep on exclaiming. It's who you are.

Just don't forget to add extra ones if there really is a wolf.

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multiple telephone lines assigned to their home or business. In an effort to reach all residents in a timely manner we would ask that each homeowner and business review their phone lines, and specify the one or two lines that they would like to receive the emergency notification on. The information on which line or lines the homeowner or business would like to receive the notification, and the numbers they would like to have removed can be called to dispatch at 940-658-1166. This removal in no way will eliminate the address from receiving a call but will allow us to reach all residents in a quicker manner."

Resident Self-Registration – Knox County has obtained an emergency list containing all landlines in the county, but residents who wish to register a cellular telephone number or VOIP (Voice Over Internet Protocol) number can do so via the Emergency Notification System contact form on the County's website, www.knoxcountytexas.org. "We understand that some residents and business owners

may have telephone service that is not listed through Santa Rosa or Windstream, or may have lines that connect to faxes, computers, etc. We are asking these residents to add or remove these lines from the system so we can make it as efficient as possible. The format to add the numbers is (111)111-1111 (NO SPACES)" Norton said.

"Many municipalities and school districts have already seen the benefits of the Global Connect Emergency Notification System," said Bird. "The speed, simplicity, and flexibility of this cost-effective system make it a natural choice for public entities."

The County has already tested the notification system to selected personnel with much success. The County plans on conducting a test to all residents and businesses on February 8th, 2011. According to Judge Floyd, "the test will begin at approximately 7:00 PM and if everything goes as planned we will have contacted all residents within minutes." This project is a joint effort between Knox County and all Municipalities.

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war era. He was a retired truck driver and carpenter. He loved to fish and hunt and was a member at the First Baptist Church, Rochester.

John is survived by his wife Daisy Hayley, sons John Ed Hayley, Jr and his wife Kyle of Benbrook and Wesley Don Hayley and wife Melinda of Santo, daughters Jerrie Klenk and husband Randal of Richardson, brothers Glenn Hayley of Rochester and Jerry

DonHayley of Clear Lake City, sisters Peggy Massie and husband Kenneth of Mineral Wells, and Sylvia Patterson of Ft. Worth, 9 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 pm Saturday, January 22, at First Baptist Church in Rochester with Rev. Joseph Barrett officiating. Interment will follow at 3:30 at the Masonic Cemetery, Seymour.

Legal Notice

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Notice of Receipt of Application and Intent to Obtain Water Quality Permit Amendment
Permit No. WQ0010228002

Application: City of Munday, P.O. Box 39, Munday Texas 76371, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) to amend Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0010228002 (EPA I.D) No. TX0119105) to authorize the disposal of effluent to non-public land via irrigation around the existing and on land immediately south of the existing facility. The domestic wastewater treatment facility is located immediately south of the Farm-to Market Road 1587, approximately 2.3 miles northwest of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 1587 and Farm-to-Market Road 266 in Knox County, Texas 79371. The discharge route is from the plant site to an unnamed tributary of Lake Creek; thence to Lake Creek; thence to the Brazos River above Possum Kingdom Lake. TCEQ received this application on November 12, 2010. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at Munday City Hall, 121 East Main Street, Munday, Texas.

Additional Notice: TCEQ's executive Director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After technical review of the application is complete, the Executive Director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the countywide mailing list and those who are on the mailing like for this application. That notice will contain the deadline for submitting public comments.

Public comment/ Public Meeting: You may submit public comments or request a public meeting on this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. TCEQ will hold a public meeting if the Executive Director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or is requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

Opportunity for a contested case hearing: After the deadline for submitting public comments, the Executive Director will consider all timely comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material or significant public comments. Unless the application is directly referred for a contested case hearing, the response to comments, and the Executive Director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments and to persons who are on the mailing list for the application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the Executive Director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court.

TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING, YOU MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IS YOUR REQUEST: your name, address, phone number, applicant's name and proposed permit number; the location and distance of your property/activities relative to the proposed facility; a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the facility in a way not common to the general public; and the statement "I [We] request a contested case hearing." If the request for contested case hearing is filed on behalf of a group or association, the request must designate the group's representative for receiving future correspondence; identify an individual member of the group who would be adversely affected by the proposed facility or activity; provide the information discussed above regarding the affected members location and distance from the facility or activity; explain how and why the member would be affected; and explain how the interests the group seeks to protect are relevant to the group's purpose.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the Executive Director will forward the application and any requests for reconsideration or for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission Meeting.

The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commissions decision on the application. Further, the commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in a timely filed comment that were not subsequently withdrawn.

Mailing list: If you submit public comments, a request for a contested case hearing or a reconsideration of the Executive Directors decision, you will be added to the mailing list or this specific application to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. In addition, you may request to be placed on: (1) the mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (2) the mailing list for a specific county If you wish to be place on the permanent and/or the county mailing list, clearly specify which list(s) and send your request to TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

Agency Contacts and Information: All written public comments and requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.tx.us/about/comments.html. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si Desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about TCEQ can be found at our website at www.tceq.state.tx.us

Further information may also be obtained from City of Munday at the address stated above or by calling Ms. Cheryl Crawford, City Secretary at 940-422-4331.

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1. Lyndon Baty Grand Champion Sr. Showmanship

RABBIT SHOW

Pen of Three Fryers
1. Makayla Harrington Grand Champion
Single Fryer
1. Sonora Escamilla Grand Champion

LAMB SHOW

1. Kristen Kuehler Grand Champion

GOAT SHOW

1. Parker Finley Grand Champion

SWINE SHOW

1. Madison Thompson Grand Champion

STEER SHOW

1. Logan Groves Grand Champion

Knox County Jr. Livestock Show Merit Scholarship Recipients
Cody Propps & Landon Lynn