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Fishing Report



Miller Creek Water Clarity: Water Temperature: 10/3/2011 Muddy 72 degrees

Fishing slow; few bass caught off rocky points on shad pattern squarebill crankbaits. Sand bass caught on chatterin' bucktail outside tree line. Report provided by David Adkisson. Nice catch & photo also thanks to David Adkisson.

Knox City Sidewalk Project Planned

The Texas Highway Department has approved a street repaving and sidewalk project for Knox City. The project will begin after Nov. 1, 2011. Imagine our downtown and main streets aglow from dusk to dawn! Now is the perfect time to initiate a street light project. Citizens wishing to enhance city pride and have an immeasurable impact on Knox City's future are encouraged to contact the Chamber of Commerce and volunteer to make this a reality. Call Emily at 658-3442.

Knox City Watering Restrictions

By Sherry Reid

On Sept. 19, the City Council of Knox City met to review a letter from the North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority (Knox City water supplier) which stated, "In light of the continuing drought and forecasts for more of the same, possible lingering into 2012, we are asking all of our customers to implement their water conservation plans". cording to City Administrator, Chad Roberts, "We are losing a lot of water through

evaporation from extreme drought and heat at approximately one foot per month at Miller Creek Reservoir". Due to this high rate of loss and the unpredictability of future rainfall, the City Council passed the Stage 1 Drought Contingency Plan which is now in effect. All water customers are asked to limit their daily use of water by 10%.

Under Stage 1, (a) Water customers are requested to WATER RESTRICTIONS continued on page 15

Looking Ahead

COLLEGE STATION

- Wildlife management
with special emphasis on
feral hog control will be
one of the featured topics at Ranch Management
University Oct 10-14 at
Texas A&M University in
College Station.

"The ongoing drought is forcing a lot of feral hogs to travel to new areas on ranches throughout Texas." said Dr. Jim Cathey, Texas AgriLife Etension Service wildlife specialist. "We will be

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1961 Reunion

The Knox City High School Class of 1961 held their 50-Year Reunion Friday, September 23 and Saturday, September 24, 2011.

Friday afternoon the group gathered at Glen Dell Large's '57 Heaven Museum for visitation and a brown bag supper with a decorated cake for dessert. It was fun browsing Glen Dell's many collections, plus his Class of '61 decorations.

The group went to the

Homecoming 6-man football game with Spur. (They also attended the Homecoming game ten years ago for their Fortieth Class Reunion.) A Ronald Reagan coin to start the game was flipped by Buddy Moon accompanied by other classmates. Special recognition was given to the Class of '61, and their picture was made in front of the Doghouse. Snacks and more visiting were enjoyed back at the museum.

All day Saturday was spent at the Wooden Nickel. Breakfast was catered by Garry Johnson's Desert Rose #2. Lunch and dinner were catered by Steve and Kay Pepper. Jimmy Hollis provided background music with his collection of recorded '50's and '60's songs. A tour of the Knox City school campus brought back many memories. Another beautifully decorated cake made by Sherry Hacker was enjoyed during the

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afternoon.

One highlight of the day was a visit by Mrs. Louise Kemletz. This was her first 1st-grade class at Knox City. Twenty-one of those students were present at the reunion, and she remembered all of them!

Bobby Robinson was the Master of Ceremonies for the program Saturday night. First on the agenda was a presentation of "Outstanding Classmate" to Glen Dell Large. A framed certificate signed by all the classmates was given to him to hang in his museum. After Bobby told jokes and stories about the classmates, he presented a slide show of pictures from the past gathered from different sources. It was a perfect ending to a perfect reunion!

Twenty-nine 1961 exes and thirty-six guests registered for the weekend.



The ones in the Class of 1961 who attended their 50th Reunion: Back row: Robbie Robertson, Garry Johnson, Jimmy Joe Reid, Richard Herring, Paul Acosta, Glen Dell Large. Third row: Joan Shaver Muller, Mary Nelle McElroy Shepherd, Buddy Moon, Lyndol Cypert, Billy Joe Large, Horace Wheeler, Curtis Smith. Second Row: Wynette Graham Burns, Peggy Crownover Smith, Jane Smith Schoonmaker, Anna Rose Rodriquez Flores, Jeannette Colson Hess, Betty Jackson Coppedge, Jerald Cypert, Donna Gayle Fitzgerald Ricks, Melanie Verhalen Mitchell. Front Row: Jimmy Hollis, Linda Caddell Rogers, Joan Lain Ludtke, Bobby Robinson, Judy Smith Leaverton, Lou Denton Vail, Sammy Bolin.

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OBITUARIES

Linda Joyce Gambill **McQueen**

Linda Joyce Gambill Mc-Queen, 61, of Naples, Florida, passed away September 26, 2011. She was preceded in death by her mother, Patricia (Bledsoe) Buell, her brothers David Gambill and Jimmy Gambill, and her father, Dr. Calvin Gambill, of Seymour Texas. She was born in Baird, Texas on July 29, 1950. She grew up in Cross Plains and Seymour Texas, where her father, Dr. Calvin Gambill, was an important part of the Seymour and Wichita Falls communities. Linda graduated high school in 1973 and continued her education at Angelo State University by earning an Associate's Degree in Nursing in 1980 and then receiving her Bachelors of Science in health education and administration at the University of North Texas in 1985.

She spent the majority of her life as a registered nurse in Denton and Krum, Texas, where her nursing practice allowed her to touch many lives. She managed a small

farm and raised quarter horses with her late husband, Philip Dudney, near Sanger Texas. Linda loved her dogs and was very fond of the many pets she adopted throughout her life. She loved the Dallas Cowboys and in her later years enjoyed her regular trips back to Texas to spend time with her children and grandchildren after retiring to Naples, Florida, in 2005. Her 31 years of nursing spanned the entire life continuum, from her work as an obstetrical nurse, to a pediatric nurse and toward the end of her career, geriatrics where she provided nursing home and in home health care in Naples, Florida.

Linda and her late husband Philip endowed several academic scholarships at the University of North Texas including the Grace Ann Dudney Memorial scholarship to assist full-time master's degree students in the Department of Applied Gerontology. She also established the Linda and Philip Dudney scholarship to assist students enrolled in the Health Promotion and Recreation programs at the university.

Linda was a loving wife, sister, mother and grandmother. Her survivors include her husband, Pat McQueen of Naples Florida; her children, Mr. and Mrs. Steven White of Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Chris L White of Plano; and Jim White of Arlington; stepsons, Jason and Sean McQueen; grandchildren, Lyndsey, Michael, Mitch, Ava, Nicholas and Payton; her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gambill of Fort Worth; stepmother, Linda Rae Gambill of Iowa Park, Grave side services and internment will be held at the Masonic Cemetery in Seymour, Texas at 12:00 P.M, on Thursday, October 6, 2011.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the University of North Texas Foundation by contacting Tena Burley at tena.burley@ unt:edu

Benny David Bradford

Benny David Bradford, 59, passed away in Wichita Falls, Texas, September 30, 2011. A memorial service was held at Abundant Life Church at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, 2011 in Knox City with Rev. Tex Cox officiating. Services were under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes, Knox City.

Benny was born March 21, 1952 in Crowell to Kenneth D. Bradford, Sr. and Lorene Henderson. He worked in the oilfield and was an avid fisherman. Benny was a true servant to neighbors ad friends in the time of need.

He is survived by his mother, Lorene of Knox City; brothers, Duane and wife Janie of Knox City and Johnny of Abilene; sisters Carolyn Bettes of Garland and Yolanda Roberts and husband Church of Midland; many nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews.

Benny is preceded in death by his wife, Pam Walker Bradford; father, Kenneth; grandparents, Ben and Ester Bradford and Benjamin and Martha Henderson.

American Cancer Society urges women to put their health first

AUSTIN, TEXAS - September 26, 2011 – During the annual National Breast Cancer Awareness Month this October, the American Cancer Society is urging women to follow early detection guidelines for breast cancer and to make healthy behavioral changes to lower their risk of breast cancer. An estimated 230,480 new cases of invasive breast cancer and 39,520 deaths from breast cancer are expected to occur among women in the U.S. in 2011, according to the American Cancer Society.

"As the Official Sponsor

of Birthdays, the American Cancer Society wants women to experience the benefits of choosing to put their health first," said Joy Carthel, West Texas' regional director of health initiatives at the American Cancer Society. "Women can take action and put their personal breast health first to stay well, fight breast cancer and save lives. Thanks in part to early detection and improved treatment, more than 2.5 million breast cancer survivors will celebrate a birthday this year."

Breast cancer is a leading cause of cancer death in women, second only to lung cancer. The Society is reminding women 40 and older to have a yearly mammogram and clinical breast exam. Also, the Society recommends that women ages 20 to 39 receive a clinical breast exam once every three years. The five-year survival rate is 98% for breast cancer that is diagnosed in the earliest stages.

The Society offers newly diagnosed women and those living with breast cancer a variety of programs and services to help them in their breast cancer experience.

Reach to Recovery helps newly diagnosed patients cope with their breast cancer experience Reach to Recovery volunteers off the unique understanding, support, and hope from the perspective of someone who has survived breast cancer.

The Look Good...Feel Better program helps breast cancer patients manage the physical side effects of treatment. Patients gain beauty techniques to help improve

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Spaghetti de Italiano w/Roll or Italian Antipasto Salad w/Salami or Energy Meal w/Bologna & Cheese Sweet Corn, Green Beans, Mixed Fruit, Original Applesauce, Blue Slushy, Milik	State Fair Corndog or Fajita Chicken Salad or Energy Meal w/Turkey & Cheese Glazed Carrots, Pork & Beans, Fresh Banana, Whole Wheat Crackers, Blue Slushy, Milk	Crispy Beef Tacos or Garden Pasta Salad or Energy Meal w/Ham & Cheese Mexicali Corn, Refried Beans, Cinn. Apple Slices, Lettuce & Cheese, Blue Slushy, Milk	Chicken Strips W/Gravy & Roll or Zesty Tuna Salad or Energy Meal w/ Tuna Salad. Mashed Potatoes, Whole Wheat Crackers, Fresh Watermelon, Peaches, Blue Slushy, Milk	Tony's Pizza or Chef Salad or Energy Meal w/Po-Boy Tator Tots, Baked Beans, Strawben Applesauce, Chocolate Chip Cookie Blue Slushy, Milk
10	11	12	13	1
Italian Beefy Macaroni w/Roll or Italian Antipasto Salad w/Salami or Energy Meal w/Bologna & Cheese Glazed Carrots, Sweet Com, Fresh Kiwi Fruit, Cinn. Apple Slices, White Slushy, Milk	Chicken Nuggets w/Gravy & Roll or Fajita Chicken Salad or Energy Meal w/Turkey & Cheese Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Whole Wheat Crackers, Majestic Pears, White Slushy, Milk	Chicken Fajita Enchiladas or Garden Pasta Salad or Energy Meal w/Ham & Cheese Mexicali Com, Charro Beans, Fresh Orange, Mixed Fruit, White Slushy, Milk	Baseball Park Hot Dog or Zesty Tuna Salad or Energy Meal w/ Tuna Salad Scalloped Potatoes, Whole Wheat Crackers, Sour Green Applesauce, Peaches, White Slushy, Milk	Tony's Pizza or Chef Salad or Energy Meal w/Po-Boy Tator Tots, Pork & Beans, Fresh Grapes, Chocolate Chip Cookies, White Slushy, Milk
17	18	19	20	2
Chef Boyardee Ravioli w/Roll or Italian Antipasto Salad w/Salami or * Energy Meal w/Bologna & Cheese Sweet Corn, Green Beans, Mixed Fruit, Peaches, Red Slushy, Milk	Frito Chili Pie or Fajita Chicken Salad or Energy Meal w/Turkey & Cheese Glazed Carrots, Whole Wheat Crackers, Fresh Honeydew, Lettuce & Cheese, Red Slushy, Milk	Beef & Bean Burrito or Garden Pasta Salad or Energy Meal w/Ham & Cheese Mexicali Con, Refried Beans, Sour Green Applesauce, Majestic Pears, Red Slushy, Milk	Steakfingers w/Gravy & Roll or Zesty Tuna Salad or Energy Meal w/Tuna Salad Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Cantaloupe, Whole Wheat Crackers, Red Slushy, Milk	Tony's Pizza or Chef Salad or Energy Meal w/Po-Boy Tator Tots, Baked Beans, Original Applesauce, Chocolate Chip Cookie Red Slushy, Milk
24	25	26	27	2
Classic Italian Lasagna w/Roll or Italian Antipasto Salad w/Salami or Energy Meal w/Bologna & Cheese Green Peas, Sweet Corn, Fresh Apple, Strawberry Applesauce, Green Slushy, Milik	Chicken Fried Steak w/Gravy & Roll or Fajita Chicken Salad or Energy Meal w/Turkey & Cheese Scalloped Potatoes, Green Beans, Whole Wheat Crackers, Mixed Fruit, Green Slushy, Milk	Soft Chicken Fajita Tacos or Garden Pasta Salad or Energy Meal w/Ham & Cheese Mexicali Com, Charro Beans, Fresh Orange, Lettuce & Cheese, Green Slushy, Milk	Cheeseburger or Zesty Tuna Salad or Energy Meal w/Tuna Salad Glazed Carrots, Whole Wheat Crackers, Mixed Fruit, Lettuce & Cheese, Green Slushy, Milk	Tony's Pizza or Chef Salad or Energy Meal w/Po-Boy Tator Tots, Pork and Beans, Frest Grapes, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Green Slushy, Milk
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Spaghetti de Italiano w/Roll or Italian Antipasto Salad w/Salami or Energy Meal w/Bologna & Cheese				
Sweet Corn, Green Beans, Mixed Fruit, Original Applesauce, Blue Slushy, Milk				

October 2011 Breakfast

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3	4	5	6	7
Pork Sausage Biscuit or "Berry Puff's" Cereal Bowl, Mixed Fruit, Juice, Milk	Biscuits w/ Sausage Gravy or "Lucky Charms" Cereal Bowl, Peaches, Juice, Milk	Breakfast Taco or "Cinnamon Toast Crunch", Cinnamon Apple Slices, Juice, Milk	Golden Waffles w/ Syrup or "Cocoa Puffs" Cereal Bowl, Majestic Pears, Juice, Milk	Breakfast Biscuit w/ Egg or "Trix" Cereal Bowl, Strawberry Applesauce, Juice, Milk
10	11	12	13	14
Biscuits w/ Sausage Gravy or "Berry Puffs" Cereal Bowl, Peaches, Juice, Milk	Cinnamon Toast or "Lucky Charms" Cereal Bowl, Majestic Pears, Juice, Milk	Scrambled Eggs w/ Sausage or "Cinnamon Toast Crunch" Cereal Bowl, Mixed Fruit, Juice, Milk	Pancakes w/ Syrup or "Cocoa Puffs" Cereal Bowl, Sour Green Applesauce, Juice, Milk	Cinnamon Roll or "Trix" Cereal Bowl, Majestic Pears, Juice, Milk
17	18	19	20	21
Pork Sausage Biscuit or "Berry Puffs" Cereal Bowl Mixed Fruit, Juice, Milk	Biscuits w/Sausage Gravy or "Lucky Charms" Cereal Bowl Peaches, Juice, Milk	Breakfast Taco or "Cinnamon Toast Crunch" Cereal Bowl, Sour Green Applesauce, Juice, Milk	Golden Waffles w/Syrup or "Cocoa Puffs" Cereal Bowl Majestic Pears, Juice, Milk	Breakfast Biscuit w/Egg or "Trix" Cereal Bowl Original Applesauce, Juice, Milk
24	25	26	27	. 28
Biscuits w/Sausage Gravy, or "Berry Puffs" Cereal Bowl Strawberry Applesauce, Juice, Milk	Cinnamon Toast w/ Sausage or "Lucky Charms" Cereal Bowl Majestic Pears, Juice, Milk	Scrambled Eggs w/ Sausage or "Cinnamon Toast Crunch" Cereal Bowl Cinnamon Apple Slices, Juice, Milk	Pancakes w/ Syrup or "Cocoa Puffs" Cereal Bowl Mixed Fruit, Juice, Milk	Cinnamon Roll w/Sausage or "Trix" Cereal Bowl Peaches, Juice, Milk
31				
Pork Sausage Biscuit or "Berry Puff's" Cereal Bowl, Mixed Fruit, Juice, Milk				

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Pumpkin crop small, but good

Lubbock, Texas – Linus of expect the overall production "Peanuts" comic strip fame might be a little disappointed if he waits for the "Great Pumpkin" in a Texas pumpkin patch this year, said a Texas AgriLife Extension Service Expert.

Dr. Russ Wallace, AgriLife Extension vegetable specialist at Lubbock, said pumpkins, like all Texas vegetables in 2011, had a hard time struggling through the record-setting high temperatures, low humidity and drought conditions. "With only limited rainfall, the quality of the pumpkin fruit itself should be excellent, but I

will be much less than normal, Wallace said. "I visited with Mark Carroll, AgriLife Extension agent in Floyd County, which is normally our leading pumpkin producing county in Texas. He told me he estimates the actual size of the pumpkin along with the yields this year will be roughly half what they normally are." So what does this mean for the annual trek to the pumpkin patch for Halloween? Wallace said the shortage in West Texas, coupled with reduced yields from pumpkin growers in the Northeast due

Irene, will likely result in fewer pumpkins, higher demand and higher prices.

Each year, Wallace grows up to 40 pumpkin varieties in replicated trials at the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center in Lubbock. This year, he had 25 varieties and said each of them struggled to make a decent crop.

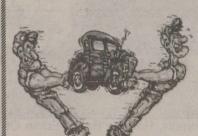
"Our small pie and minipumpkins don't appear to have suffered much but the mid- to large-sized varieties grew vines at a slow pace during the high tempera-

to flooding from Hurricane tures and really struggled to set fruit," he said. "About the only good news for the High Plains pumpkin crop this year was that the low humidity reduced the incidents of disease, especially powdery mildew, which infects pumpkin leaves and reduces yield and quality," he said.

> For more information on pumpkins and other crops, contact Wallace at (806)746-6101, rwwallace@ag.tamu. edu or visit his website at: http//Lubbock.tamu.edu/ horticulture/-3.

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Big Game Management Workshop Oct. 14

By Steve Byrns

Brackettville - The Texas AgriLife Extension Service office in Kinney County will conduct the Big Game Management Workshop from 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Oct. 14 at Kenney County Wool and Mohair Incorporated, 608 Spring Street in Brackettville.

"This workshop is meant to help area ranchers, landowners, hunters and the community better understand big game management," said Tyler Bobinmyer, AgriLife Extension agent in Kinney County. "With one of the worst droughts ever recorded in Texas history, it's vital that managers of property understand the health and management practices necessary to keep their hunting resources alive and well."

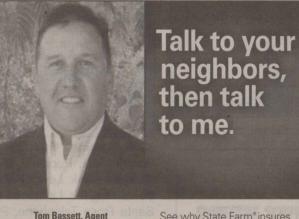
The day's topics will include: deer nutrition, deer census with game cameras, predators versus managing big game and wildlife diseases.

Three Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units will be available for those with pesticide applicators

Registration and the noon meal are free due to sponsor-

ships, but organizers ask those planning to attend RSVP by Oct. 12 by calling AgriLife Etension office in Kinney County at 830-563-2442.

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Texas Midwest Commu- communities. nity Network will host the theme for the conference is "Energizing Communities".

City and County officials, economic development professionals and board members, chamber of commerce executives and board members, civic volunteers and student leaders attend the

This year's keynote speak-18th Annual Texas Midwest er is Mayor Bob Dixson of Conference, Oct. 19th, at the Greensburg, KS who will Abilene Civic Center. The share an unbelievable story of recovery after the community was flattened by a tornado in 2007. Features of the annual conference are Solution Seminars, Information Expo, luncheon catered by Perini Ranch Steakhouse and community awards.

The TMCN annual conannual conference to learn ference is the only event more about the resources and in the region to provide ac-

businesses that provide resources and services to rural communities. Participants in this year's Info Expo include: Abilene Regional Airport, Abilene Regional Medical Center, Big Country AHEC, Choice Facility Partners, Cisco College, Digital Impact Outdoors, Hibbs & Todd Engineers, Hendrick Health System, Howard College, Jacob & Martin Engineers, Langford Community Management Services, Merritt McI ain & Hamby CPA

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> For complete details on the conference agenda and pre-registration go to Texas Midwest website at www. texasmidwestorg or call 325-795-8626.

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Important Notice: Medicare's Annual Open Enrollment Is From Oct. 15 - Dec. 7

care get to explore new choices and pick the health and drug plans that work best for them. This year, this Open Enrollment period is starting earlier - on October 15 - and ending sooner -December 7. This gives people with Medicare a full seven weeks to compare and make decisions, and ensures that they will have essential plan materials and membership cards in hand on January 1, 2012 when new coverage starts.

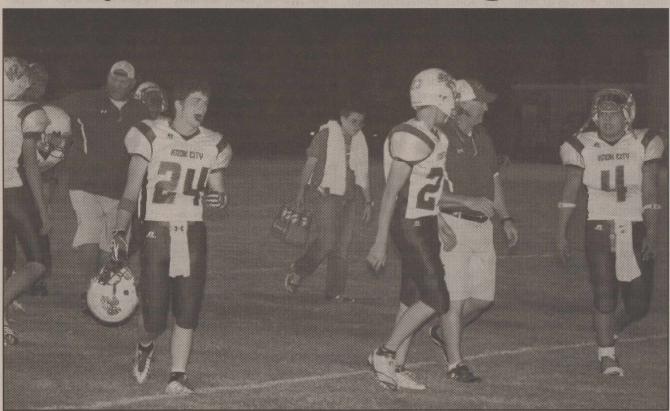
There'll be a wide range of health and drug plan options available across the country, including Original Medicare. Most

Every year, people with Medi-people with Medicare can choose a "Part D" plan to help them pay for prescription drugs. And people who have chosen to enroll in a "Part C" Medicare Advantage pan for their basic health care services have the option of staying in that plan, choosing a different plan, or going back to the Original Medicare program. Plans can change from year to year, so these are important choices that should be made with care. People can turn to www.medicare. gov, call 1-800-MEDICARE, or consult with a local State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) for help.

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Greyhound/Bulldog football highlights



Discussing previous play is Coaches Steele and Lawson with several of the hard hitting Greyhounds

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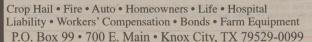


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By Tracy Carter The Knox City Greyhounds

The Knox City Greyhounds made quick work of the Woodson Cowboys Friday night with a 46-0 victory. Only running 17 offensive plays of the night and scoring on six of them, the leading ground gainers of the night were Ryan Ledesma with 107 yards and two touchdowns, and Josh Schnable with 37 yards and two touchdowns. Also crashing into the end zone were Jarek Wilde and Heath "Bulldozer" Welch for a touchdown of their own. Jose Espinal, who moved up from the J.V. team last week, threw a 49 yard touchdown pass to Brandon York to close out the touchdowns for the night. T.J. Moore had an outstanding night kicking five of six PAT's for ten points. The Greyhound Express will travel to Vernon Northside this Friday night to take down the Indians.

The Knox City JV Greyhounds

The Knox City JV Greyhounds took on the Saint Jo Panthers Thursday night where Krystofer Campos lead the Greyhounds scoring machine in a 51-19 victory. Krys found Jesus Rodriguez in the end zone to go up 6-0. Nick Short then found paydirt to take 12-0 lead. Great

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defense by Scotty Reid, Jesus Rodriguez and Zach Rodriguez held the Panthers in check, setting up a nifty TD run by Campos and following an extra point run by Nick Short, the Hounds led 19-0. With some great blocks by Z. Rodriguez and Adrian Silva, Koda Pack hit the after burners for two quick TD's before the half to make the score 31-7. In the second half, Campos hit Jesus Rodriguez with a beautiful touchdown strike and after a great extra point run by Bryson Roberts the score was 38-7. Nick Short closed out the scoring with two more tackle breaking touchdown runs and catching the final extra point from Campos making it 51-19. Great game, great atmosphere and a great night at Bulldog Stadium.

The O'Brien Bulldogs

Our O'Brien Bulldogs rolled over the Woodson Cowboys 51-25 last Thursday night. Leading the way for the Bulldogs was Jacoby Thomas with six touchdowns. Also scoring for the Bulldogs was Alfredo Martinez and Zack Overmeyer, Anthony Estrada and Samuel Schnable who threw some great passes along with some great defense by Sheldon Baty, Angel Rodriguez and Estrada. The ground game was established with great blocking up front by the beefy Bulldog line. Be sure to come out this week to Bulldog Stadium where the Bulldogs will take on Vernon Northside Indians.

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Honoring The Least Among Us

By Gary Schnable

"Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith...17 Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you" Hebrews 13:7, 17 (NIV)

The legendary Dallas Cowboys coach Tom Landry was a gifted leader, a good husband & a great man of God. When asked about how to be a great leader he responded by saying, "Leadership is getting someone to do what they don't want to do, to achieve what they want to achieve." God has asked Pastors to help do the same

thing in getting men, women and children to rise up and fulfill their God given destiny...with the incentive of eternal rewards.

Yes, much could be said about the exploits of the athletes who Coach Landry pushed to excel or the business men/women he inspired to achieve success by following his principles. However, my thoughts are not on athletes or businessmen. My thoughts are toward the dedicated pastors who serve their congregations tirelessly to honor God and see lives changed for eternity. Why? October is Pastor Appreciation Month

Do you know Jesus loved our churches & their communities so much that He gave them special gifts: "And He Himself (Jesus) gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, ¹² for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ" Ephesians 4:11-12 (NKJV).

Jesus cared for the people of the world so much that He gave His church the Holy Spirit and these five gifted ministry offices. He gave them to prepare His church to do battle with the devil and to rescue those trapped by sin and death (Not to do it all themselves...they can't).

Unfortunately today's American Pastor feels overloaded by the expectations to be as entertaining as the Super bowl, as motivating as Tony Robbins, as able as Superman, and as passive as Gandhi. All this while many Pastors move away from family to follow God's call, leaving them

and their kids away from the love and support of grandparents and extended family (Mark 10:28-30).

Lee Grady speaks about the reality of pastoral ministry: "And while we might assume all pastors lead mega-churches and drive new cars, keep in mind that the average church in this country has 75 members and the average pastor makes less than \$34,000 a year—and may work an extra job to feed his or her family. The statistics are alarming: 90 percent of pastors work more than 50 hours a week; 70 percent say they don't have any close friends; and 45 percent say they've had to take a leave of absence from ministry because of depression or burnout."

Today, as you read this article pastors are leaving the pastorate in droves

over the intense pressure to pacify people's personal desires instead of leading by what God has equipped and inspired them to do for Him.

In spite of all these challenges pastors face, I am reminded of the words of General Omar Bradley to General Patton on how they each viewed leadership in war: "There's one big difference between you and me, George. I do this job because I've been trained to do it. You do it because you LOVE it". Pastors are like General Patton... we really do LOVE to serve, to see the enemy defeated, to see God glorified, even when the battles arise with those they lead. Yet, pastors are trained to serve like General Bradley!

Today, like never before, has there been a greater need for voices who echo God's words in teaching, preaching and bringing hope to the public arena; Servants whom stand by Godly convictions and know that no one controls them except the Spirit of God to live and preach His Word with conviction by word and deed. They must honor God, even if it means standing alone like the prophet Jeremiah.

Coach Landry had it right about coaching (or pastoring) when he said: "I don't believe in team motivation. I believe in getting a team prepared so it knows it will have the necessary confidence when it steps on a field and is prepared to play a good game." This is the heart of every parent, coach and pastor!

Take time to honor and bless your pastor and their spouse for all they do all throughout the year! When you honor God's anointed servant He will amazingly bless your church and home!

Identity Theft

More than 10 million Americans become victims of identity theft each year, as crooks steal names, Social Security or credit card numbers and use them to commit fraud or other crimes. That personal information is as good as gold to criminals and they will go to any means to get it.

It is amazing to many Americans to learn how easy it is to obtain the needed information without even breaking into a house. Thieves may use something as simple as "Dumpster Diving", rummaging through trash looking for bills or other paper with personal information on it. Or, they may try "Phishing", pretending to be financial institutions or companies while sending spam or pop-up messages to get the unsuspecting victim to reveal

personal information.

The U.S. Department of Justice reports that many ID theft cases originate with "shoulder surfing", watching from a nearby location while the victim punches in a telephone calling card or credit card number or eavesdropping on a conversation as you give your credit card number over the telephone to a hotel or car rental agency.

The Internet is an appealing place for criminals to obtain identifying data, such as passwords or even banking information. Many people respond to spam, unsolicited E-mail promising some benefit but asking for identifying data.

"With enough identifying information about an individual, a criminal can take over that person's identity to conduct a wide range of crimes," The

Justice Department warned. This information can be used for false applications for loans and credit cards, fraudulent withdrawals from bank accounts, or obtaining other goods or privileges which the criminal might be denied if he were to use his real name.

To avoid becoming a victim, the Justice Department asks consumers to be stingy with personal information.

"Start by adopting a 'need to know' approach to your personal data. A person who calls you and says he's from your bank, doesn't need to know information that's already on file at the bank. Also, the more information you have printed on your personal bank checks—such as Social Security number or home telephone number, the more personal data you are

handing out routinely to people who may not need that information.

"If someone you don't know calls you on the telephone offering a "major" credit card or "prize" but asks for personal data, ask them to send a written application form. If they won't do it, hang up. If they do, review it carefully.

"If travelling, have your mail held at your local post office, or ask someone you know and trust to collect and hold it until you return. Ask a neighbor to remove and hold circulars, newspapers or other telltale items that would indicate no one is home.

"Check your financial information regularly and look for what should be there and what shouldn't. If someone has gotten your financial data and

made unauthorized debits or charges, checking your monthly statements carefully may be the quickest way to find out.

"If someone has managed to get access to your mail or other personal data and opened any credit cards in your name or taken any funds from your bank account, contact your financial institution or credit card company immediately to report these transactions and to request further action."

By taking these precautions, you can save yourself hours of sleepless nights trying to remedy the harm not only to your credit report, but to your good name and reputation.

This information is provided with the understanding that the association is not engaged in rendering specific legal, accounting, or other professional services. If specific expert assistance is required, the services of a competent, professional person should be sought.





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Congratulations to Gene Holcomb who is shown above with her "Who's Who of American Women" award. The inscription on the plaque reads: The Marguis Who's Who Publications Board certifies that Gene Ann Holcomb is a subject of biographical record in Who's Who of American Women, Twenty-Sixth Edition...inclusion in which is limited to those individuals who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in their own fields of endeavor and who have, thereby, contributed significantly to the betterment of contemporary society.

Capital Farm Credit announces \$50 million patronage distribution to Customers

Farm Credit Board of Directors recently approved a \$50 million cash distribution by retiring a portion of previously-allocated equities to be paid this fall.

This amount represents more than three times, or \$35 million, more than the 2010 retirement. Capital Farm Credit, a customer-owned cooperative, continues to demonstrate its financial strength and stability and longstand-

MUNDAY - The Capital ing tradition of sharing earnings with its customers.

> Combined with cash patronage paid earlier this year, Capital Farm Credit has returned record cash distributions, totaling \$82 million in 2011. To date, we have returned more than \$400 million to our customers in capital through its patronage program and stock reductions, reinforcing our commitment

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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE by Baxter Black, DVM

The Sheep Camp

For those of you to whom the word "sheep camp" conjures up a pastoral, nostalgic, even romantic vision of shepherds watching over their flocks by night, I suspect you've never slept in one! Sheep camp, in the real world of shepherding, is the wagon where you sleep, live and eat. It looks like a small covered wagon. A round top on a box. There is a built-in-bed with storage underneath. There is a small stove-heater propane unit and a drop-down kitchen cabinet behind. A lantern provides light. The roof could be canvas or sometimes fitted tin. The wagon has four tires and a tongue and is usually hauled or pulled to the grazing area. In it's heyday, the mid 1900's, sheep camps were as common and handy as Airstream motor homes! It was the best of years for the sheep business.

I worked in the ION country (southern Idaho, western Oregon, northern Nevada) in the 70's near the end of good times for sheep business. I worked for an outfit that ran 20,000 sheep on the high desert sagebrush. In the summer the herd would be divided into bands of 2-3,000. One man with his sheep camp, dogs and a saddle mule or horse would watch over his band. He would keep moving them to good forage and try to protect them from predators. When it was needed, he would hook up his horse and drag his camp to a new location. The boss would drive in with the supplies, including water, at least once a week, maybe more. These were self-sufficient, hard-working immigrants, often Basques from Spain. Over the years I watched the Basque improve their lot and be replaced by South Americans. In Wyoming, I have known of white American sheepherders, but that was uncommon. So, suffice it to say the kind of person who is fit to that life and can do it well, has to be a no-frills kind of person.

Fast-forward to the sheep business in the U.S. today. We import our lamb from Australia, we no longer subsidize the eco-friendly natural resource wool, and we have posted a mountain of regulations protecting predators, wildlife, grazing land, and the New Zealand sheepherd-

Now this year the Department of Labor has taken it upon itself to write an official sheepherder job description and other requirements, with the object of restricting the hiring of "foreign shepherds." These regulations assure that hiring foreign workers won't deprive any of the 14 million unemployed able-bodied Americans, of a job.

My question is, what able-bodied, evicted, food-stamped, creditrevoked, receiving government checks, American standing in the unemployment line today, is going to apply for an outdoor job on Blizzard Mountain, Idaho where you are on call 24 hours a day, know how to bed down 1800 sheep, can identify Halogeton, and castrate lambs with his (or her) teeth? Maybe before we pile any more regulations on the overburdened handful of sheep men left, the Secretary of Labor should spend a night on Blizzard Mountain in a sheep camp with a box of matches, a roll of Downy and a shaker of louse powder. I think he would be assured there is no real danger of foreign workers depriving our "nanny state" privileged citizens of proper employment.

Beside any Americans that would make good sheepherders are already at work on the Great Northern Gas Fields, Iraqi pipelines, and Afghanistan security patrols. Like I said, it takes a no-frills kind of

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The 50

Hanaba Munn Welch



Spanish explorer Francisco Vásquez de Coronado? Do you see a guy sitting tall in the saddle, his curvy silver helmet shining in the sun? I used to. Now I see a fellow with corn growing out of the top of his head. It's just one ear. It looks like the Mazola logo.

I should have begun this essay with a disclaimer:

IF YOU DON'T WANT TARNISH YOUR IMAGE OF CORONADO. READ NO FURTHER.

Too late.

So, why the corn? My granddaughter Rylee, a fourthgrader, asked her creative mother, Rachel, to help her study for a history exam. Rachel decided flashcards would help - the cornier, the better. She resorted to cartoons.

The flashcards worked. Rylee made 100 on the test. A new tradition has no doubt been established. Cartoons on flashcards will propel Rylee to greatness based on her excellent grades. She'll probably be on "Jeopardy" and win. Her brain will be laced with visual memory hook circuitry.

Rylee also had to remember that Coronado was searching for the Seven Cities of Cíbola. So her mother put seven numeral sevens on the card, all standing around Mr. Corn Head.

Whatever works.

We all learn differently, or so I've heard. I'm a memory hook person myself. I just wish my own mother had invented cartoon memory hook flashcards. Instead, I was left to my own devices - work associations and acronyms. Ho-hum.

Maybe that's why I've never met Alex Trebek.

How do you picture However, my memory tricks got me a career with the U. S. Postal Service. My score on the competitive exam was either perfect or close to it. The test, as I remember it, was all about recalling addresses. If you could remember the numbers, the street names fell into place.

> I'd seen sample questions in advance. So, while driving to take the exam, I conjured up different images for all two-digit numbers. Some were cars, like our '57 Chrysler. Some were guns, like the old .22 rifle. The California Gold Rush was 49. If you have images for all two-digit numbers, all four-digit numbers simply require two images - like somebody driving a pink and white Chrysler with tail fins to California to strike it rich in the midcentury gold rush. And so on. And that's how I ended up working ten years as a letter carrier.

Memory hooks also got me and my college friends through Music Appreciation 101. None of us will ever hear Franz Schubert's "Symphony No. 8 in B Minor' without singing along. Maybe you know the words too:

"Schubert, you died too soon, you died too soon to finish this one."

Of course nothing tops Rossini's "William Tell Overture" for bringing to mind a vision of The Lone Ranger galloping by on Silver. Where was Tonto anyway? And what was the name of his pony?

INTERNET PAUSE

Ah Internet. You're good, but I'd feel better if I could hang Scout on a memory

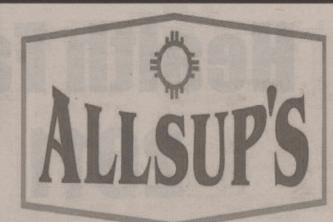
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Oct. 15, 2011 at the Knox County Hospital

Registration will start at 7:00 a.m. and the walk will begin at 7:30 a.m.

SAMMIE'S CORNER AND FINAL THOUGHTS

Well, Monday evening rolls around and guys are all doing good at the café. Marvin says he's like me and misses Sammy B. at Rally Round the Flagpole and at the football games. He spoke with Sammy's daughter in Graham and she says he's doing good.

It was a busy week for Tex Cox. He had a great revival at his church with Dave Duell and the 3 Kord band. Lots of action and lots of fun with great food every evening. Hope Dave and his granddaughter had a safe trip back and I know everyone thanked him for coming to Knox City one more time.

Chris, who is Pam Rogers son, spent a few days hospitalized with a health issue, but he is home and doing great now. His grandmother Bell Rogers had a visit with her daughter Liza and family to help Belinda (Yogi) with their mother care. She is doing good and still recovering from health problems and the death of her son, Welsey.

Benny Bradford, the son of Lorene Bradford and the late Kenneth Bradford passed away on Friday morning after a battle with cancer and kidney failure. All their family was able to be here for each other. Our deepest condolences to them. Services were Saturday at 2:00 p.m. at Abundant Life Church.

Mommy Rod (Sandy) is having a great time with her granddaughter, Angela, who is here for a few weeks with a new baby. Angela is visiting with her parents Janie and Dewyan Bradford before she returns to California.

Steve Reyes has gone to Wichita Falls for a few days. He is in the process of having hand surgery and is with his daughter and son. Believe it or not, he is 96 years old. He can remember and recognize just about everyone.

Alfredo Abila is making great progress. He has passed the swallow test and is now eating solid food. His physical and speech therapy is going great. Hopefully he will come home soon. I know his little girls are ready for him to come home.

Nicha Estrada is doing good. She still has a long ways to go but her family and everyone that loves her and knows her are right there to lend a helping hand. They are just so grateful for your donations and help from this wonderful community.

We had a great service at our church Sunday and for those who weren't there, we missed you. We had a wonderful meal afterwards. Robert and Dorothy Harrison were there from Weinert Four Square Church. It was good to see them. Afterwards they came home with me and Eddie and we had a great visit. They are one of my dearest and wonderful friends. I saw Jeannie Kent and the girls. They are always so wonderful and so full of love and happiness.

I'm still receiving letters and cards from my "Walk". It's wonderful. Hopefully I can sit down soon and touch base with all my Christian family everywhere. Let me ask one more favor. Keep us in your prayers and may God bless you and Donna Banks. I love you, sister.

Well, if you were out and about Saturday night, you probably passed the golf course. Yep. There were so many crazy people playing night golf and believe me, that is so much fun. They finished about 12:30 a.m. They did have great weather for it.

If you went to Benjamin, you probably attended the 66th birthday party for Ramon Garcia. Sandy and the girls and son-in-law had a great, big bash for him. Ramon, hope you had a great birthday. Sorry we weren't there, but wish you the best for many years to come.

Another little one is enjoying his birthday. Kyle Adkins got to go to Chucky Cheese. Happy Birthday, Kyle.

Martel was in the hospital this last week. She had a pacemaker put in and had gall bladder surgery. She may have had a stroke. I visited with her on Thursday and she was talking and doing better. Lawrie Lynn and son, Jimmy were there. She was having a very good conversation and hoping to get to go home soon. Did not talk to anyone during the weekend, so hope to have more information soon. Love you, Martel. Get well soon.

Sunday night and I'm ready to call it a good week and hope to talk to everyone this next week. Take care and be careful wherever you may be or go to. I will be doing some traveling to Abilene for a CT scan on my spine and neck for some major headaches and pain. Pray everything goes good.

See you soon. God Bless our Troops and each one of

Sammie.

Benjamin News

by Gladene Green

Fall is definitely in the air. The early mornings are gorgeous but it does get hot as the day goes on, but still it's that "fall of the year hot" and not that horrible summer heat we contended with so long. This is truly my very favorite time of the year!!

News on our ill friends continues to be encouraging. Charles Griffith might have gone home – (rather to his daughters' for a few weeks-she lives in Lubbock, so he would be close to his doctor). I talked to Linda on Saturday and things were looking better each day for him. He's finally eating solid food (& tolerating it) and seems that was what his doctors were most concerned about before releasing him. And I just imagine once he's out of the hospital, he will feel much better.

Also, Chad Tolson is still making progress. According to family, he may be in the hospital a couple of months longer, but if all goes as it has the last few weeks, maybe they are looking at release for him before too many more weeks pass. That will be a relief for everyone though they don't want him out until he's ready.

Little Andrew Baldwin is doing great since his heart surgery in late August. He's gaining weight and I saw him on Saturday and he acted just like any other 9 month old baby boy. It's always good to give those kind of reports.

Jane Gideon was in Wichita Falls Wednesday to see her heart doctor. Nothing has changed much since her last visit, but she does go back in a month for a follow-up visit.

Sympathy this week to the family of Benny Bradford who passed away Friday morning after several years of failing health. His funeral was Saturday afternoon in Knox City

SHOWER HONORS BRIDE-TO-BE

Criket Richardson, bride elect of Shawn Wilson was honored Saturday morning with a pre-nuptial shower at the Benjamin Methodist Church. Lots of useful things were received by the honoree. The young couple will be married on Saturday, October 8, here in Benjamin.

TOWN MEETING

Saturday noon, the Church of Christ Annex was filled to capacity with interested patrons of the local Post Office who were hoping to hear some positive news concerning a most

important facility in our town. However, we all left with the same idea, that unless there are some drastic changes, we probably won't have a post office very much longer. The man talking to us, Ernie James, Manager of Post Office Operations threw several numbers in dollars out to us (I'm talking billions) that the post office department was in debt and losing each year and it just sounded like there is no way around "shutting it down". He gave us some options we would have for mail delivery and emphasized this was only a study he was doing but to those of us who may not be as "up on things" as we should be, it sounded like a "done deal". But we can hope something changes.

HERE 'N THERE

Karson and Sharon Bivens of Tatum, N.M. spent the weekend with Lorene Powers. They attended church with us on Sunday morning which was the first service of our four day revival at the First Baptist Church. Brother Jerry Vincent is bringing the nightly messages. He is Pastor at FBC in Roby.

I had such a nice visit with Lewis Estrada on Thursday night. He lives in Laredo and was here to visit his sister, Dionessio who is battling pancreatic cancer. He asked me to remind all their friends to remember her in prayer. The Estradas lived on the League Ranch several years and several of the children attended school here.

Jane Gideon and I dropped by the Memorial Bldg. Saturday night to wish Ramon Garcia a Happy Birthday. His family honored him with a party and it was a good chance to visit with several friends for a while. Jane and Ramon's wife, Sandy, worked together for several years at the Knox County Aging Center.

Mike and Debi Moorhouse were in Abilene Sunday for a belated observance of daughter Jessica's birthday. The day before, they were in Amarillo to move daughter, Beckie (& Randy) to Holiday. Beckie will be working in Wichita Falls at the dialysis center.

Betty Parker of Asperment visited her mom, Gloria West on Sunday.

Erika Holmes was in Lubbock Saturday for the Race for the Cure. She said there were 9,000 in the walk and she walked 3 miles. She felt it was a day spent well and though she didn't know how much money was raised, she felt like it was a good amount.

Cordially Invites You To Our Annual Health fair:

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KNOX COUNTY ANNUAL 4-H AWARDS BANQUET



From left to right, Commissioner Johnny McCown, County Agent Anthony Munoz, Honorable Judge Travis Floyd. Not pictured are Commissioners Charles Griffith, Johnny Birkenfeld, Jimmy Urbanczyck (Friend of 4-H).

Monday, September 19 The Perry Patton Community Center was home to the Annual Knox County 4-H Awards Banquet. 4-Her's from the Munday, Knox City, and Benjamin clubs were recognized for their 2010-2011 4-H accomplishments. Attendees enjoyed smoked brisket and delicious side items. The night's ceremony began by the leading of the American pledge and 4-H Pledge by Trey and Grace Tidwell. A special presentation was given by Ryder Cude. Cude delivered a speech covering Free En-

be presenting at the district contest in Wichita Falls in October for the Farm Bureau. If he advances, Cude will be able to participate at the state contest to be held in Corpus Christi. Shannon Reeves was the Master of Ceremony for the night in which he recognized and thanked all those who assist and are involved with the 4-H Program. These included the 4-H & Youth Committee Members and the Knox County Extension Education Association

terprise in which he will tions, 4-H members who have participated in certain 4-H projects, judging and quiz bowl teams, food shows, and photography contests were awarded certificates and project pins. For those 4-Her's who completed detailed and accurate record books, they were awarded with t-shirts. To go along with the program, special awards were given to a few 4-H members who have excelled in their certain events. These awards included "Rookie of the Year", "Silver Star Award", "Gold Star Award", Following the introduc- and "Friend of 4-H". The

recipient of "Rookie of the Year" was Bryanne Cude. Bryanne is a first year member of the Munday 4-H Club and has participated in various 4-H activities which include 4-H Food Show, 4-H Food Challenge, and District/State Horse Show. This year the "Silver Star Award" recipient was Kathryn Cude. Kathryn has been an active member of the Munday 4-H Club for the past 5 years and has participated in Foods & Nutrition, Clothing & Textiles, Educational Presentations and competed in many horse shows, rodeos, and play days. She has also completed a record book and has dedicated time and

effort into community ser- vice. These men are eavice/leadership. Receiving the "Gold Star Award" this year was a 7 year member of the Munday 4-H Club, Ryder Cude. Ryder was a member of the state qualifying beef quiz bowl team, able Travis Floyd, Johnny as well as with his educational presentations. Ryder has also been focused on his horse project where he has competed at the district and state levels of competition where this past year he won champion in the Poles. This year the Friend of 4-H Award went to a group of deserving individuals who are in constant support of the Knox County 4-H Program as well as the Texas AgriLife Extension Ser-

ger and willing to help out when called upon, no matter if it is to assist with the livestock show or to serve on committees. Recipients this year were the Honor-McCown, Johnny Birkenfeld, Jimmy Urbanczyk, and Charles Griffith of **Knox County Commission**ers Court. Congratulations to all 4-H members on their accomplishments and good luck on next year's events.

Educational programs of the Texas AgriLife Extension Service are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability religion, age, or national



Pictured left to right, Kathryn Cude (Silver Star Recipient), Bryanne Cude (Rookie of the Year), Ryder Cude (Gold Star Recipient).

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discussing trapping methods, design, placement and other methods pertaining to the feral hog along with other aspects of wildlife management on the ranch.

THE TEXAS RETIRED TEACHER'S ASSOCIA-TION is hosting a Retirement Seminar for ALL school employees to be held at the Region 9 Education Service Center on Saturday, November 12, 2011. Registration is scheduled from 9:30 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. with the seminar beginning at 10:00 a.m. Lunch will be provided by the Wichita Falls Teachers Federal Credit Union. Please register at www.esc9. net, where you will click on the Professional Development button, login and use 43.8652 as your workshop number.

Information will be provided by the Teacher Retirement System of Texas concerning updated options from the latest Legislature as well steps needed to actually prepare for the retirement process. Admission is free to all school personnel in the Region 9 service area. Educators are encouraged to attend even if it will be several

years before retirement.

Region 9 Education Service Center is located at 301 Loop 11 in Wichita Falls.

GOREE JESUS JAM will be Sat., Oct. 22. It is a joyous celebration unto the LORD! Any bands or individuals interested in performing contact us on facebook.

KNOX CITY ELEMEN-TARY SCHOOL will have a Book Fair, the week of Oct. 10th. Then plan to attend their Open House on Wed., Oct. 12th at 5:30 p.m.

OPEN JAM SESSION, every second Tuesday of each month at the Aging Center in Knox City at 7 p.m. Come eat play, sing or just listen. There's no charge. Call Cheryl for questions at 657-3618.

EARLY DISMISSAL for Knox County schools on Monday, Oct. 10th, 1:00 p.m. All buses will run.

BENEFIT LUNCHEON to be held in the high school cafeteria, Oct. 16th, on behalf of Dionisia Estrada..

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to our customers' financial success.

"Our Board of Directors is committed to the cooperative principle of managing our capital for the benefit of our customers," said Ben Novosad, chief executive officer. "This additional payment, when our customers are facing the worst drought in our history reinforces our commitment to be the leading value provider for agricultural credit in the state of

Capital Farm Credit, part of the nationwide Farm Credit System, is the state's largest rural lender making loans to farmers ranchers and other rural property owners for 95 years. It is headquartered in Bryan and has offices located throughout the state of Texas. For more information about Capital Farm Credit, its patronage program and its office locations, visit www. CapitalFarmCredit.com.

tomers with a street address ending in an even number (0, 2, 4, 6, 8), and Saturdays and Wednesdays for water customers with a street address ending in an odd number (1, 3, 5, 7, or 9), and to irrigate landscapes only between the hours of midnight and 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. to midnight on designated watering days. (c) Water customers are requested to practice water

> non-essential purposes. According to the American Water Works Association, the average U.S. family uses water inside the home at the following rates: toilets 28%, clothes washing 22%, showers 21%, faucets 12%, baths 9%, toilet leakage 5%, dish washing 5%. Because

> conservation and to minimize

or discontinue water use for

voluntarily limit the irrigation

of landscaped areas to Sun-

days and Thursdays for cus-

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such a large percentage of water use is in the bathroom, this is where water conservation efforts should begin. Install water-saving devices on faucets and showerheads. This can be surprisingly inexpensive. Take shorter showers. And when filling the tub, don't let the water run down the drain while waiting for it to get hot. This also applies to showers. A full tub requires up to thirty-six gallons of water.

Place "toilet dams", which are rock-filled containers in the tanks of OLDER FLUSH TOILETS. use the toilet to flush away facial tissues or just paper. Repair leaks in your faucets and toilets.

Turning off the water while brushing your teeth can save a family 5 to 10 gallons per day. Rinse hand razors in a filled sink rather than under running water. When shampooing, turn off the water while lathering the hair.

In the kitchen, don't let faucets run for washing or rinsing. Instead fill a container with water or use the sink by stopping up the drain. Wash all the vegetables for a meal at the same time. When washing anything, use a brush, washcloth, or your hand to dislodge particles of dirt rather than relying on the force of water to do the job.

Keep a bottle of water in the refrigerator rather than letting water run in the sink to get a cool drink. And use only the minimum amount of water to cook foods.

Run an automatic dishwasher only with full loads. Don't use the extra-long prewash and scrub cycles unless absolutely necessary. Do not use a garbage disposal except at the end of cooking or cleanup periods or when it is full. Whenever possible, don't use the disposal at all. Compost vegetable peelings or put them in the garbage

Avoid washing your car. Taking it to a car wash can save water because many commercial installations recycle their water.

When cleaning up outside, sweep sidewalks and driveways instead of hosing them down.

Are we currently wasting water? Yes. The average North American consumes over 170 gallons per day, more than seven times the per capita average in the rest of the world and nearly triple Europe's level. According to the World Health Organization, good health and cleanliness require a total daily supply of about 8 gallons of water per person.

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their self-esteem and quality of life, but also a sense of support, confidence, courage and community with other cancer patients in the program.

The Hope Lodge program offers patients free lodging for those receiving treatment far from home.

The Society offers free information to help make treatment decisions and access to its programs 24/7 through 1-800-227-2345 or cancer.org.

Women can reduce their risk of breast cancer by taking additional steps to stay well by maintaining a healthy weight, eating a well-balanced diet, and engaging in physical activity for at least 30 minutes on five or more days of the week. Also, limiting alcohol consumption can reduce breast cancer risk - one or more alcoholic beverages a day may increase risk.

In addition to helping

women stay well and get well, the American Cancer Society has a long history of commitment to finding cures for breast cancer. The Society has invested more on breast cancer research than on any other cancer, and has played a part in many of the major breast cancer research breakthroughs in the past century, including the discoveries that led to the development of Tamoxifen and Herceptin. The American Cancer

Society and its affiliate advocacy organization, the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN), continue to fight back against breast cancer by engaging in activities to increase funding for the Nation Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (NBCCEDP) that provides low-income, uninsured and underinsured women ac-

cess to mammograms, Pap tests, follow-up care and treatment. Current funding only enables the program to serve fewer than one in five eligible women ages 50 to 64 nationwide. ACS CAN encourages anyone touched by this disease to let Congress know that support for the NBCCEDP is important and that an increase in funding for this program is vital to its continuation. To get involved, or to learn more about this effort, please visit acscan.org/breastcancer.

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LOCAL PUMPKINS THRIVING

By Sherry Reid

As I was driving east of Knox City recently, I spotted several very attractive pumpkin displays at the home of Kevin and Amy White. Situated around the area of their attractive Victorian home, it was quite eye-catching.

Since the Knox County News has just run an article about how scarce pumpkins might be this year, due to the drought, I decided to pull in and check it out. I met Amy White. This very energetic

and creative young woman cision was onions. explained how she and her husband, Kevin, had 33 acres west of O'Brien.

Since the cotton didn't do well there last year, they put their heads together to decide on a different crop. The de-

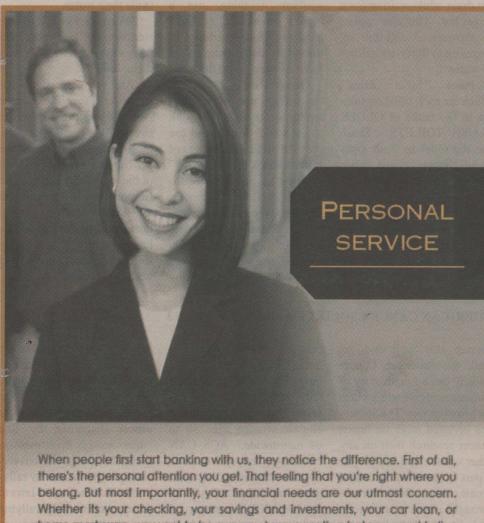
Then one thing led to another and they planted cantaloupes, then watermelon, tomatoes and all kinds of peppers, squash and okra. When the onions were finished, they got the "pumpkin" idea and "partnered" with Jim Dillon to use his greenhouse to sprout the seeds.

The pumpkins were then transplanted where the onions used to be. They have a good water well on this acreage so they used drip tape to keep the seedlings nourished. This produced an excellent pumpkin crop. The largest yield was a 65 pounder!

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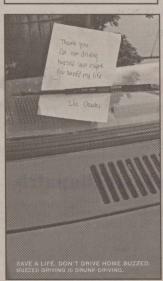
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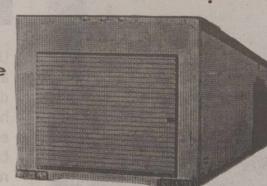
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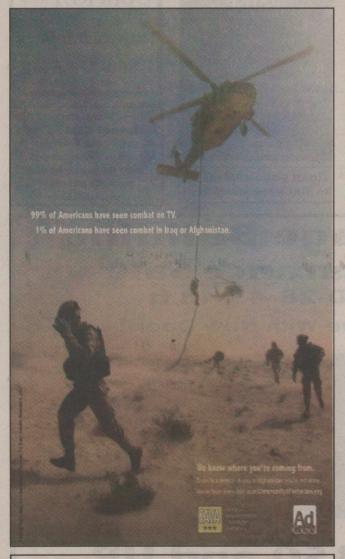
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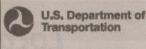


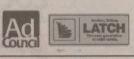
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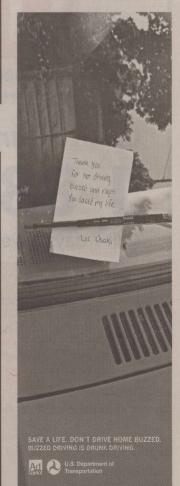
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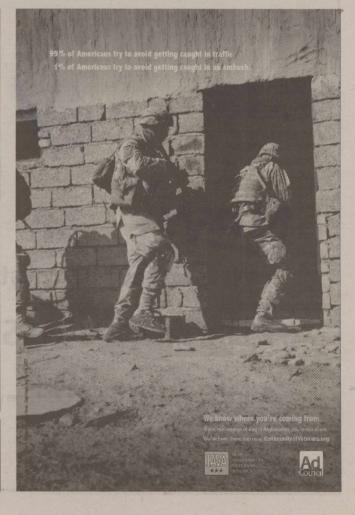


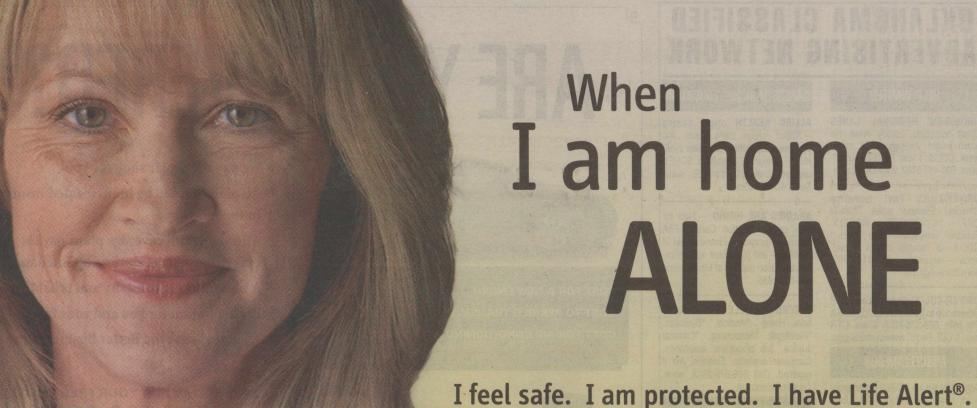




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