

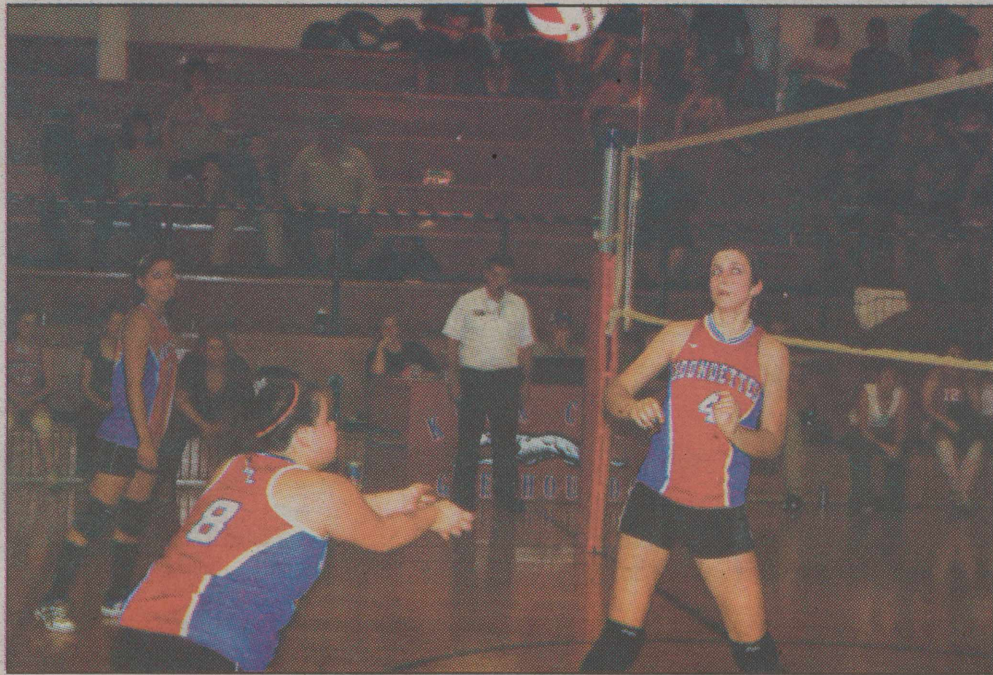
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Three Up, Three Down for Winning Houndettes



The Knox City Houndettes defeated the Lady Hornets of Aspermont last Tuesday in 3 games. Above left is Haley Ledesma setting up the ball for a Cassidy Carter slam. District play continues this week with Munday and a key district match up at Rotan, Tuesday, October 25th. Come catch the excitement of Houndette Volleyball.



"Sparky" (Fireman Alex Ledesma), and special friend, Addysen Ledesma during last week's Fire Prevention program at Knox City Elementary School.

Looking Ahead

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.

MOTORCYCLE POKER RUN Oct. 22 registration 10 am - 11am at Fort Chadbourne. Prizes awarded 1:00 pm downtown Bronte. Benefits Bronte Chamber of Commerce, for more information bronte-texas.org or 325-473-3501.

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Activities During "Fire Prevention Week"

By Sherry Reid

Last Thursday afternoon was a warm, sunny day in front of Knox City Elementary School at 2:30 in the afternoon. Excited children came from Knox City Child Development Center, Pre-K, and on up through fourth grade to meet a few of Knox County's faithful volunteer firefighters.

They came to talk and teach not only about Fire Prevention Week, but to teach the students what to do or not do if their house catches on fire. Fireman Anthony Atkins explained, asked questions, and put the children through a few drills. They sat quietly, they listened, and participated in discussions about all the do's

and don'ts. They gladly demonstrated how to stop, drop and roll if their clothing caught fire. They also learned how to get face down on the floor to escape the thickest smoke if they weren't able to find a way out, then call for help and wait for a fireman like Chris Garcia in complete fire gear to come to their

rescue. Each of the classes got to tour the fire trucks up close and personal, either climbing on board and looking inside, or getting to see all the special equipment stored in neat compartments along the sides of the fire trucks. Fireman Alex Ledesma dressed as "Sparky", received countless hugs and lots of hands

to hold. Much thought and detail went into the presentation given by Fireman Atkins and the others, and any incorrect answers were carefully discussed. Other firefighters on hand were Teddy Espinosa, Fireman "Ski", and Chris Garcia along with school and city officials, parents and friends.

In the near future, the Knox County News will begin a series of stories, based on interviews with each fireman. Every month these volunteers spend time in training, keeping their equipment in top-notch condition and working order, and as we will learn, all the things that go into keeping their community safe.

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Firemen, left to right, Chris Garcia, "Sparky" (Alex Ledesma), "Ski" and Anthony Atkins.



Fireman Anthony Atkins explains how things work on the firetrucks.

SAMMIE'S KNOX CITY CORNER AND FINAL THOUGHTS

Monday starts again and of course, thank God some things never change and looking forward to all the people I get up for and go have coffee with. Looks like everyone was happy about the rain and we were all so thankful and happy to have receive it.

As the week rolls around, Evelyn Balis is home from the care home and hopefully doing much better. I know I keep saying I'm going to visit all my home-bound friends, so I have to just make it a point to do it.

I fell the other day and had a hurt hand and a few bruises in other places, but so far I was lucky cause my fear of falling is like a nightmare for me. The same is true to those of us whose bones have been put together in so many places, we are scared to break something that's been repaired once already.

On the same day, Dan Talbot had a minor accident at Bud's café. No injuries, only the building and his wife's car. But it is all repairable so it will be okay.

We've had quite a few trips for our life chopper at the hospital. I always just pray right there and then that God will help whoever it is and their family, cause you never know when it might be yours.

I have seen that we possibly have new neighbors at the home of the Lawson's across the street from the Burkham's. I hope to meet them sometime soon. They have a great home and location, too.

As you drive through Knox City you can see that everyone is working in their yards and enjoying what the rain did for their grass and plants. Everything is turning a little green and that's great, but it's probably too late to have any pecans this year.

The Burkham's had a house full of company. Some of their kids were in to spend a great

visit and I know Leon and Leona really enjoyed it very much.

"Nicha" Estrada and I had a great visit when I went by to visit her and deliver some donations to her. She had her sister-in-law Lomita Estrada and one of her daughters and grandchild. I had not seen her in years since she lived out at the League Ranch. Her husband had been electrocuted on a water well motor he was repairing. His name was Francisco Estrada. Some probably remember him. It was so good to see her again. Sometimes you wish it was under better times for the family, but I'm sure the visit was great medicine for "Nisha".

Sunday, we attended the meal fundraiser the school put together for her. All the friends that came out to help and support was unbelievable. God makes all things possible.

Good news has come along. Norman and Sue Tolson are expecting a new great-grandbaby boy in the near future from Mathew and Priscilla Stumpy of Rochester. That's great.

Lately I haven't had a chance to talk with Jan Grimsley about Brandon but the best is no news is good news. I know Jan is also helping Diana and West with her girls while "Nisha" has doctor appointments. It's always a blessing for large families.

Our Knox City Country Club hosted a Guys & Dolls tournament Saturday evening. Not a lot of teams, but lots of fun and I understand good food afterwards. That makes for a good day. First Place went to Tommy and Shannon Mangis, Second Place to Homer and Jan Rolston, Third Place to Mingo Garcia and Missy Eates, and Wild Card drawings to Niki Gonzales and Robert Airmen-

See SAMMIE'S CORNER continued on Page 11

OBITUARIES



EDDIE WILLIAMS

Eddie Williams, age 66, of Highland Village, Texas, passed away Sunday, October 16, 2011, in Flower Mound.

He was born March 3, 1945 in Childress, Texas to Clyde Edward Williams, Sr. and Betty Pray Williams. Eddie married Joan on July 4, 1984 in Highland village. He was a member of Denton Bible Church in Denton and retired as

a captain from Southwest Airlines.

Eddie is survived by his wife, Joan; children, Dede Martin, Todd Halfmann, Scott Halfmann and Jason Small; grandchildren, Reece, Ross, Emma, Taylor, Tye, Savannah and Kelci and brother, Phil Williams. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Laci Williams in 1966.

A memorial service to celebrate Eddie's life will be held 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 18, 2011, at Denton Bible Church, Reverend Tommy Nelson will officiate the service. In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials to be made to www.marycrowley.org. For online condolences please go to www.mulkeymason.com.

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sharp with several age groups competing for cash prizes.

Booths like the Cake Walk, Soda Ring Toss, Ghostly Gold, and Fishing Booth will be available to play once again for a small fee. A full concession stand featuring hotdogs, burritos, chicken salad sandwiches, cookies, peanut brittle, peanut

patties, caramelized apples, popcorn balls, and funnel cake will be open all evening long. Then about 9:00 pm, BINGO will kick off. Great prizes, as well as some cash prizes will be offered. Bring the whole family. It's going to be a haunting good time for the entire family at very reasonable prices.

Annual Veteran's Day Program

Friends of the Knox County Historical Commission met Tuesday, October 11, at the Wichita Brazos Museum and Cultural Center to make plans for the annual Veterans Day program on "11-11-11 at 11:00". This is also the 11th year to honor our Knox County Veterans at the Veteran's Memorial in Benjamin.

The "Family Veteran's Story and Poster Contest" will be featured again

this year. Members of 6th grade classes in the Benjamin, Knox City, and Munday schools will participate.

The Wichita Brazos museum will display military memorabilia from personal and museum collections. Families are invited to bring their memorabilia and photos to the Museum on Thursday, Nov 10th, with cards that describe the articles what war or time period, and names of those known.

Following the program, a meal will be served at the Benjamin Ex-Students Center, consisting of a delicious hamburger, bowl of pinto beans, cobbler, and ice tea or coffee. Volunteers interested in helping with the Knox County Veterans Day celebration, from the museum display set-up the afternoon of Thursday, Nov. 10, to the meal service and clean up at the Center on Nov. 11, can call 459-2229.

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10/10	NA/NA	
10/11	54/79	0.01
10/12	60/80	
10/13	51/81	
10/14	53/88	
10/15	55/87	
10/16	58/91	

Total Rainfall for month 2.77
2011 Rainfall (ytd) 5.29

Local honors awarded



Left to right, RPRHP: Bonnie McGee, Penny Warren, Jane Rowan, Lorrie Coop.



Left to right, Commissioner's Court: Charles Griffith, Johnny McGown, Travis Floyd, Bonnie McGee, Johnny Birkenfeld, Jimmy Urbanczyk.

During the 2011 annual Texas Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences conference held this year in Fredericksburg, TX, three Knox County organizations and three FCS Agents were honored for their service, dedication and support to Texas AgriLife Extension Service. Award nominations were received from the 12 districts across the state of Texas and winners



Left to right, Hospital 2: Bonnie McGee, Jan Rolston

were chosen by a committee. Dr. Bonnie McGee, Associate Director for Family and Consumer Sciences, with Texas AgriLife Extension Services presented the awards.

Family and Consumer Sciences Agents, Penny Warren (Baylor County), Jane Rowan (Haskell County), and Lorrie Coop (Knox County) were honored with the Community Partnership Award for their role in working with the Rolling Plains Rural Health Partnership. The Rolling Plains Rural Health Partnership was founded in 2005 through collaboration with the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Region 2/3 Public Health Improvement Team, and with Texas AgriLife Extension Service to address diabetes education



Left to right, Community Development: Bonnie McGee, Lorrie Coop

in rural counties due to the shortage of health services and providers in rural areas. Since that time the Partnership has grown to include over 20 agencies and organizations covering Knox, Baylor, Haskell, Throckmorton and Foard counties who have come together to address issues related to total wellness and safety through community educational programs.

Lorrie Coop also received the Excellence in Community Development Award for her role in working with youth in the area of career/workforce preparation.

The Knox County Judge's and Commissioner's Court consisting of Charles Griffith (Precinct 2), Johnny McCown (Precinct 1), Travis Floyd (County Judge), Johnny Birkenfeld (Precinct 4), and Jimmy Urbanczyk (Precinct 3) was honored with the Judge's and Commissioner's Court Award for their longstanding support of the Texas AgriLife Extension Service.

Through their dedicated service of being involved in committees, volunteering at Extension functions and providing leadership to the general program, Extension thrives

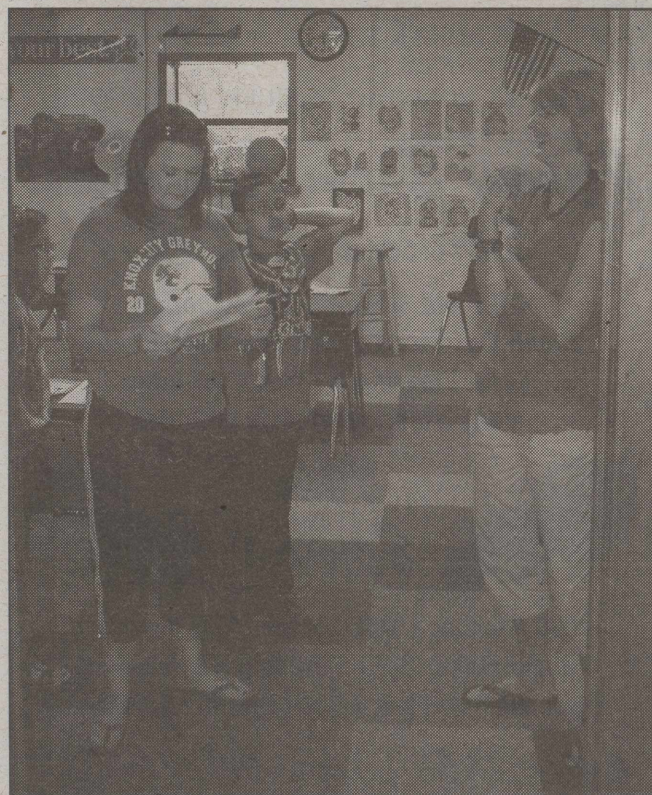
in Knox County. Each member takes an active role in seeing that Knox County is a place in which people prosper and have opportunities to better themselves and their families.

The Knox County Hospital and staff received the Friend of Extension Award for support of Extension FCS programs. All levels of staff provide direction and resources for many areas of FCS program development such as child passenger safety, disease prevention, parenting, nutrition, workforce education, positive youth development and general safety education allowing Knox County to show a strong presence in the area of FCS programming.

Accepting the award on behalf of the Knox County Hospital was Jan Rolston, LVN.

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

Knox City Elementary School Open House



Three young ladies enjoy the large selection of books during the Book Fair at Knox City Elementary Open House last Wednesday.

Parents toured the classrooms, visited with teachers, and picked up report cards during the Knox City Elementary School Open House, Wednesday, October 12, 2011.

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Pursuant to your open records request, the below is a list of those arrested within the indicated time and processed through the Knox County Jail: August 22nd, 2011 thru October 13th, 2011

1. LEIGH,DUSTIN S., 8/25/11, POSSESS MARIHUANA (M-B) FOARD COUNTY
2. RUIZ,JONATHAN S., 8/26/11, ASSAULT ON PEACE OFFICER X2 (F-3), RESIST ARREST (M-A), CRIMINAL MISCHIEF (M-A), TERRORISTIC THREAT, (M-A), DWI 3RD OR MORE (F-3) K NOX COUNTY
3. NEW,RAYMOND, 8/28/11, PUBLIC INTOX., (M-C), KNOX COUNTY, TBC, (M-B)HASKELL COUNTY
4. NEW,RAYMOND, 8/29/11, FTA:OPEN CONTAINER (M-C)KNOX COUNTY
5. TALLON,ROBERT M, 9/2/11, POSSESS MARIHUANA (M-B) KNOX COUNTY
6. RESCH,BRANDON, 9/2/11, POSSESS MARIHUANA (M-B) KNOX COUNTY
7. RAMOS,ANDRES C., 9/4/11, FAIL TO IDENTIFY, (M-C), KNOX COUNTY
8. HAWKINS,RICHARD LEE III, 9/5/11, TBC (M-B)(HALE COUNTY WARRANT) FOARD COUNTY
9. MOORE,ADA B., 9/5/11, TBC, (M-B) ARRESTED BY ROANOK PD, (KNOX COUNTY)
10. LAWRENCE,CHAD A. , 9/5/11, MTR: CRIMINAL NON-SUPPORT, (F-3) BAYLOR COUNTY
11. DELACRUZ,RICHARD M., 9/9/11, MTR/DWI 2ND, (M-A) ARRESTED IN ELLIS COUNTY (KNOX COUNTY)
12. ADKINS,DANAE, 9/13/11, TBC X 3, (M-B) BAYLOR COUNTY
13. ADAMS,LESTER JAMES JR., 9/15/11, FTA:POSSESS COCAINE (F-3), ASSAULT ON PUBLIC SERVANT ((F-3), FAIL JUMPING/FTA (F-3) BAYLOR COUNTY
14. MOYA,JOE, 9/16/11, BURGLARY OF HABITATION W/INTENT, (F-1), ASSAULT FAMILY VIOLENCE W/PREVIOUS CONVICTION (F-3)KNOX COUNTY
15. NEW,RAYMOND C., ASSAULT FAMILY VIOLENCE (M-A)KNOX COUNTY, TBC X 2, (SHACKELFORD COUNTY WARRANTS) KNOX COUNTY
16. JOSEPH,LENNIE CRIMINAL TRESPASS (M-B) KNOX COUNTY
17. FOBBS, WILLIAM JR., 9/21/11, CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL BY MINOR (M-B) BAYLOR COUNTY
18. LYNCH,JAMES E. 9/22/11, CRIMINAL TRESPASS (M-B)KNOX COUNTY
19. FORMICHELLA,RYAN T. 9/23/11, AMENDMENT TO PROBATION (F-3) FOARD COUNTY
20. GOODWIN,MICHAEL RAY, 9/26/11, FTA:DWI 1ST, (M-B)ARRESTED IN LUBBOCK (KNOX COUNTY)
21. CASTORENA,AMELIA MTR/FTA TBC, (M-B) KNOX COUNTY
22. BEERWINKLE,MATT 9/28/11, THEFT (SJF) ARRESTED IN ECTOR COUNTY
23. CARREON-PACHICANO, ADELAIDO, 9/30/11, DWI 2ND LAYOUT (M-A) KNOX COUNTY
24. RUIZ,JONATHAN SCOTT, 10/2/11, CRIMINAL TRESPASS, (M-B) KNOX COUNTY
25. THOMPSON,KRIS EARL, 10/3/11, MTR/POSSESS COCAINE W/INTENT TO DELIVER, (F-1)ARRESTED IN WICHITA FALLS, (KNOX COUNTY)
26. KINNIBRUGH, DENNIS, 10/3/11, BURGLARY OF HABITATION X 2, (F-2) ARRESTED IN BAYLOR COUNTY, (KNOX COUNTY)
27. FOBBS,WILLIAM E. 10/4/11, AGGRAVATED ROBBERY (F-1) BAYLOR COUNTY
28. CARLILE,CHARLES, 10/4/11, CRIMINAL NON-SUPPORT (SJF) ARRESTED IN JONES COUNTY (KNOX COUNTY)
29. ADKINS,DANAE, 10/5/11, MTR/TBC, (M-B) BAYLOR COUNTY
30. MALEY,SARAH, 10/8/11, ABANDONED/ENDANGER CHILD, (SJF) FOARD COUNTY
31. HAMOR,CHRIS 10/9/11, EVADING ARREST/DETENTION, (M-A)FOARD COUNTY
32. HENDERSHOT,ESTER, 10/9/11, MTR:BURGLARY OF A BUILDING (SJF) ARRESTED IN TERRY COUNTY, (KNOX COUNTY)
33. RUIZ,JONATHAN 10/11/11 RECKLESS DRIVING (M-B) KNOX COUNTY
34. GRIFFIN, JAMES 10/11/11, DWI 3RD, (F-3) KNOX COUNTY
35. BENSON,LAURAKATHRYN, 10/13/11, MTR:DWLI, (M-B) KNOX COUNTY

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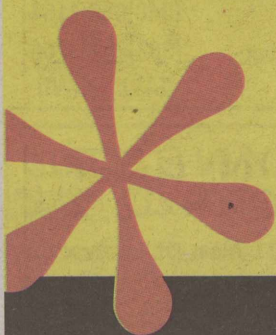
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GREYHOUND SPORTS

GREYHOUNDS VS THE PANTHERS

It was a beautiful evening for football Thursday night at St. Jo, where the Knox City Greyhound J.V. made quick work of the Panthers. QB Jose Espinal hit Zach Carter for a quick touchdown pass to take a 6-0 lead. The defense led by Isreal Rodriguez,

Krystofer Campos and Zach Rodriguez took the ball back from the Panthers. Isreal Rodriguez made a terrific 40' yd. touchdown run and with the PAT kick by Z. Rodriguez the Hounds led 14-0. After a big hit by Campos and a fumble

recovery, Jose Espinal hit Jesus Rodriguez for a nice touchdown pass to go up 22-0. A safety by Campos and Z Rodriguez set up a kick-off return by Isreal Rodriguez, for a 45 yd. touchdown. Z. Rodriguez then kicked his third PAT of the night

to make it 32-0. Another great defensive stand by Scotty Reid, Campos and Z. Rodriguez led to another safety and 2

points. After the kick-off by St. Jo, Isreal Rodriguez, jetted 41 yds. For his third TD of the night and after

a great PAT run by Bryson Roberts it was 41-0. The combo of Espinal and Carter hooked up again on a 25 yrs. TD pass to close out the panthers 47-0.

Thanks to the fans for making the long trek to St. Jo and thanks to the Hounds

for ending the game at the half.

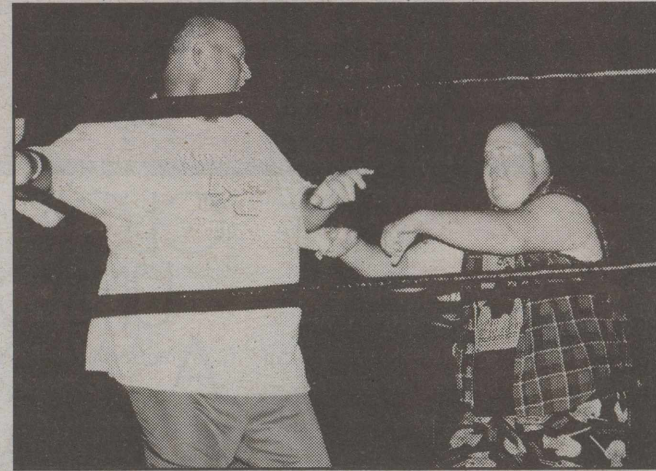
The Greyhounds will open Distict play with Gorden, Friday night at 7:30 at Greyhound stadium. Please come out and support the Hounds in this very important district match-up.

SATURDAY NIGHT SHOWDOWN AT GREYHOUND STADIUM

By Sherry Reid

The really big KNOX CITY SHOWDOWN, sponsored by the Knox City Greyhound's Booster Club and Wild West Wrestling Production, was just that last Saturday night when wrestlers of all sizes, shapes, and colorful attire, came together to thrill, chill and entertain a crowd of approximately 200 spectators. The young and the older enjoyed the beautiful evening, sitting in the grandstands directly overlooking the ring or in folding chairs up close and personal at ringside. There wasn't a bad seat in the "house". The

highlight of the evening and last to enter the ring, was our very own coach, Charles "The Animal" Steele and his worthy opponent, the "Infamous" Fan Chad McGhee along with their tag team partners. All took their parts seriously and went through very impressive moves of a knockdown drag-out match to the delight of everyone present. It ended with fans crowding around Coach Steele and Chad giving high fives of definite delight. "Hats off" to Coach and to Chad for entertaining everyone and putting on a great show for the benefit of the Greyhound Booster Club.



From left to right, Charles "The Animal" Steele and "Infamous Fan" Chad McGhee.

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Benjamin News By Gladene Green

It's Monday night, the Rangers are in the World Series, the Cowboys have lost again and we have a norther that sure has put a hint of fall in the air. After a pretty warm day, it has cooled off considerably the last hour or so. It feels good! But the cool air sure makes one's arthritis act up or at least it seems that way. Lots of folks are saying their aches and pains are acting up.

News again on our ailing friends is varied. Dutch Young is now residing in the Munday Nursing Center, being there for some therapy following a stroke last week. He's doing much better and hopefully, his stay there will not be long and he can return home.

Donnie Ryder had knee surgery last Monday and came back to Knox City on Thursday for a few days of therapy. He's doing great, not having near as much trouble as he did when he had his other knee done a couple of years ago. And maybe he will also be able to return home soon.

Corrine Parrish will go to Abilene tomorrow (Tues.) for a shot to reduce swelling in her spine, which should relieve her pain, or at least some of it. She's hoping to get by without surgery and maybe this will give her the relief she's hoping for.

Hazel Stockton was in Abilene Friday to see her eye

doctor. Got a fairly good report. He told her that her eyes didn't seem any worse than from her last visit. She suffers from macular de-generation. Of course, it was encouraging to know they are "holding their own".

I tried unsuccessfully to reach Janice Tolson tonight to learn of the latest news regarding their son, Chad. I know he has left Dallas and they were looking to move him into a care facility (possibly Graham) for some rehabilitation. By next week I should have more definite facts. He and all their friends continue to need our prayers.

NEW ARRIVAL

It's a baby boy for Enrique and Kaitlyn Acevedo. Enrique Carter was born Monday, Oct. 10, 2011 at 7:42 p.m. in Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. He weighed 9 lbs.6 oz. and according to his mom, he's just perfect. Besides his very proud parents, his grandparents, Stephen and Sheila Kuehler and Emelia and Poncho Acevedo think he's a wonderful addition to their family. He also has maternal "great grands", Gerard and Dale Kuehler of Rhineland and 2 paternal great-grandmothers who live in the Sweetwater area. Kaitlyn Carter and Enrique are all doing great.

HERE 'N THERE

Lorene Powers was in Abilene today for some heart tests before she sees her cardiologist next week. It's routine and as far as she knows, there's not new problem.

Shaylee Propps of Canyon spent the weekend with her mom, Shannon and other relatives and friends.

Pam Duke and Carol Dick-

son have been to several quilt shows during the past few weeks. They were in Gainesville this past weekend and think they have one more before "shutting down" for a while. Jan Carver keeps their store (Front Porch Quilts) open while they are gone.

I saw Tom and Beckie Moorehouse Sunday. They are doing real well considering the health problems she has had. And we don't get to see them as often as we used to

since they have moved to the Tongue River Ranch.

Irene and E. O. Reed had a busy weekend helping a granddaughter get moved into her apartment in Seymour. And Irene said she and E.O. were fighting an early fall cold with allergy-like symptoms plus the achy joints that go with it. Today she said they both felt better, though.

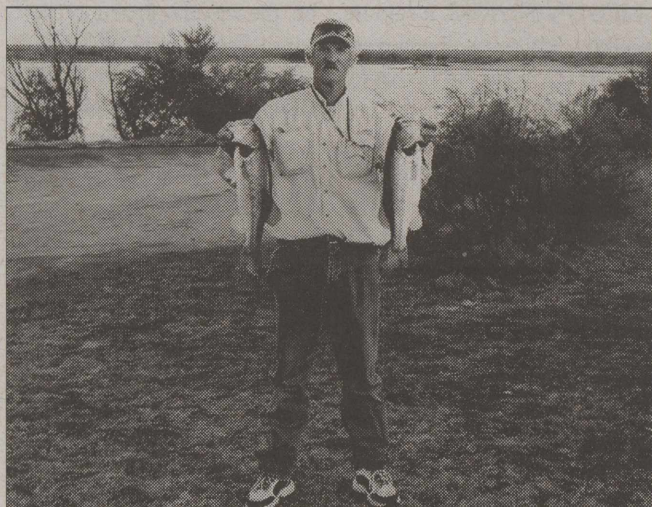
Butch Young of Saginaw and Billie Faye Cummings of Henderson were here today to visit

their brother Dutch Young in Munday.

Mary Young was in Saginaw during the weekend to visit with Butch and Letha Young and attended the wedding of their grandson, Jared Graves.

The latest news on Charles Griffith is that he's doing better every day. Has a doctors appointment tomorrow and if all continues to do well he will have another surgery in early Nov. They hope to come home for a few days before then.

DAVID'S FISHING REPORT MILLER CREEK



10/15/11

Water Clarity: Muddy

Water Temperature: 67 degrees

Bass were slow, but could be caught on steep rock banks and wood next to them. Hit these banks with crappie colored square bill crank baits or spinner baits. Due to the bright moon these last few days, I believe the fish are feeding more at night.

God Bless and Good Fishing.

David

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to los votantes registrados del Condado de Knox, Texas:

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on November 8, 2011, for voting in a special election to adopt or reject the proposed Constitutional Amendments as submitted by the 82nd Legislature, Regular Session, of the State of Texas.

(Notifique, por las presentes, que las casillas electorales situadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 8 de noviembre 2011 para votar en la Elección Especial para adoptar o rechazar las enmiendas constitucionales propuestas así como fueron sometidas por la 82^a Legislatura Sesión Regular, del Estado de Texas.

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

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Prec. #3 (Gilliland), #4 (Vera) & #6N (Munday)—Vote at Munday City Hall
Prec. #5 (Goree) & #6S (Munday)—Vote at Goree Community Center
Prec. #7S, & #8 (Sumet)—Vote at Aging Center in Knox City

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(Location) (sitio)

between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. beginning on October 24, 2011
(date)

(entre las ocho de la mañana y las cinco de la tarde empezando el 24 de octubre del 2011
(fecha)
and ending on November 4th, 2011 (y terminando el 4 de noviembre del 2011)
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(Emitióse este día 6 de octubre, 2011.)

James C. Floyd
Signature of County Judge (Firma del Jefe del Condado)

Knox County Aging Services

Menus For Oct. 24 to Oct. 28

Monday October 24th

Cheeseburger On Wheat
Bun
Potato Wedges
Tomato Wedge Salad
Melon Medly

Tuesday October 25th

Cream Of Mushroom Steak
Mashed Potatoes
Peas & Carrots
Whole Wheat Roll
Emerald Pears

Wednesday October 26th

Chicken Spaghetti
Carrots
Zucchini
Wheat Bread
Vanilla Pudding With
Bananas

Thursday, October 27th

Beef Tips With Noodles

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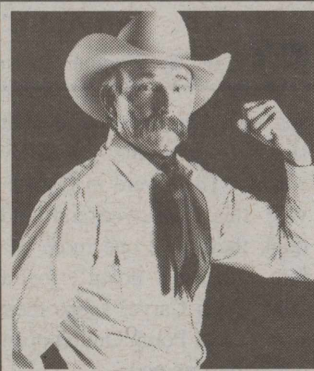
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ON THE EDGE OF COMMON SENSE

by Baxter Black,
DVM

DEER HUNTING COW LICK

I've got a mule deer hangin' on my wall from northern New Mexico so I could relate to Rafael's story.

He had joined two of his cousins for a deer hunting trip near Cuba, NM where his uncle had a cabin. They arrived late and missed the first day because cousin Dee Dee was going through changes in her life. To be fair, Dee Dee was a good hunter so her ditsy behavior was unexpected.

Rafael had agreed to guide, cook and pack. He was up at 5 am getting the cook stove ready, the firewood gathered and making a racket. By 5:30 he could hear Dee Dee getting ready. A waft of something floral floated from her room. A sugary sweet lilac scent filled the cabin and made his coffee taste funny!

"What the heck are you doing?" he asked.

"Putting on lotion," she answered. "Women of a certain age need to protect their skin."

He knew she was recently divorced and maybe she was trying to be more desirable. That could explain her mood swings. He was understanding.

They left the cabin at 6:30 am. Rafael knew the better hunting areas, so he led. In his backpack he stuck in a bottle of water, a skinning knife, twine and trail mix for himself. The rest of his backpack carried her essentials; Sugarless Gatorade, cookies, sardines, crackers, smoked oysters, aspirin, Alka-Seltzer, toothpaste, toothbrush, energy bars, peanut butter, hair brush, half a cantaloupe, matches, Steno, clean T-shirt and socks, binoculars, extra ammo, GPS, 2-way radio and TP. All this in spite of the fact that he had casually reminded her that they planned to be back to the cabin by Beer:30.

By 10 am they had picked a blind along a well-traveled trail. In a short time they heard a small herd of cows coming their way. They had been handled and were not spooked by the humans. Bringin' up drag was a big red-brown Beef Master bull. He sniffed the air and cautiously walked toward our hunters. Dee Dee got itchy.

"Just don't move," whispered Rafael, "Don't be aggressive and he won't hurt you."

They stood like Easter Island statues as Big Red walked up to Rafael and took a might whiff! Then he stepped to Dee Dee. "Hold still," she heard Rafael say. She froze in fear, her eyeballs about to pop out. Big Red stretched out his huge neck, ran out his big ol' slobbery tongue and licked Dee Dee across the mouth!

Epilogue: the bull ran over Rafael trying to escape Dee Dee's screaming! Rafael went down, smashing the cantaloupe in his backpack trying to escape! And Dee Dee hung her pant leg upside down on a barb wire fence trying to get away! Finally they managed to evade a swarm of bees by dousing Dee Dee with toothpaste and the sugarless Gatorade mix. It came off like stucco.



The magazine cover got me. It happens.

I'd gone into the dollar store to buy cheap makeup. My day's agenda wasn't demanding enough for me to use my costly good stuff. Besides, I'm running low.

A bottle of something that looked like it might be my shade (taking a calculated risk is part of the dollar store experience) was priced right. I grabbed it and headed to the checkout counter, intent only on getting out and putting on enough of a new face to be in public and get away with it. Then a woman's magazine caught my eye.

"BOUNCE BACK: 3 STEPS TO GET YOUR LIFE ON TRACK" it said in yellow letters on the cover. For \$1.99, what did I have to lose?

Answer: \$1.99.

Other cover blurbs indicated I could learn simple ways to save \$3,653, add 20 years to my life, fix surprising stuff in a slow cooker and win \$250,000.

But it was the three-step bounce that got me. Who doesn't need to bounce back?

I once read part of a book by a Jewish rabbi who said that the one service a year that packs people into the synagogue is the Day of Atonement service. Who doesn't need to be forgiven? It's a new start.

I'm not Jewish, but I'm all for new starts. In fact, during my postal career one of my co-workers remarked, chomping on his cigar, "Every day is a new day for you, isn't it Hanaba?" (If he didn't have a stubby unlit cigar in his mouth, he should have.)

He made his wry observation because I couldn't remember one particular family's address from one day to the next. They got their mail general delivery. Shouldn't have been that hard.

But he was right. Every day is new, and I like to take them that way. Fresh coffee, fresh day.

MAGAZINE PAUSE.

Well, I don't know who wrote those words on the cover, but they were somewhat misleading. The article — once I finally found it under the title "When Things Don't Go as Planned" — was about what you should do when things don't go as planned. So why didn't they say that on the cover? Probably because disappointment doesn't sell magazines; hence, the BOUNCE BACK stuff.

If you're interested, here's a thumbnail version of the magazine advice:

Allow yourself time to grieve, counter your negative thoughts with positive ones and regroup. If you want to know more, buy the latest "Woman's Day." If you're a guy, you're out of luck.

Men miss a lot. Women's magazines are full of good information.

Sometimes it's stuff you already know. It's just nice to see it in print with illustrations.

As for bouncing back in three steps, if I were qualified to tell you how, I'd write this formula:

Forgive whoever needs to be forgiven, even if it's you, eat some chocolate and move on. It's a new day. It's always a new day.

If some new makeup will help, make it four steps.



Bud Reynolds of Bud's Café breathes in the morning air through the broken window of the café from an accident that happened earlier that day. Additional damage was done to the front of the building when a customer's car failed to stop as they were parking.

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“If It’s Not Your Money - It’s a Crime!”

Fighting financial exploitation is everyone’s business

Adult Protective Services (APS), a division of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS), is urging all Texans to make it their business to protect people who are older or have disabilities from financial exploitation.

APS investigations confirmed 1,544 victims of financial exploitation in Texas last year, although there are likely many more that went unreported.

That is why, each October, APS embarks on a community-based campaign that includes financial exploitation conferences, expos, and other events to shed the light on this serious and under-reported crime. APS is also handing out brochures and meeting with banks and local organizations that can help intervene to protect exploitation victims all year long.

“Financial exploitation

remains a serious threat,” said Beth Engelking, DFPS assistant commissioner for Adult Protective Services.

“Victims are sometimes exploited by their own adult children, other relatives, paid caregivers, or others who win their confidence. It’s critical that everyone understands that if it’s not your money, it’s financial exploitation, and it’s a crime,” said Engelking.

Financial exploitation is

the illegal or improper use of another person’s money or property for personal profit or gain. Signs of financial exploitation include:

- Sudden changes in bank accounts or banking practices.
- Unexplained or unexpected withdrawal of large sums of money.
- Adding names to someone’s bank signature card.
- Unfamiliar people accompanying bank cus-

tomers to withdraw large sums.

- Unauthorized withdrawal of funds using ATM cards or sudden transfers of assets.
- Sudden changes in financial documents.
- Unpaid bills despite having enough money.
- Previously uninvolved relatives who suddenly claim rights to a person’s affairs and possessions.
- Abuse of power of attorney.

APS urges all Texans who know someone with a disability or who is 65 or older to be on the lookout for signs of financial exploitation. If you suspect exploitation, call 1-800-252-5400 and file a report so APS and law enforcement can investigate. Or you can report online at TxAbuseHotline.org.

Find out more at EveryonesBusiness.org, including tips on how Texans can protect themselves from financial exploitation.

LOOKING AHEAD continued from page 1

METHODIST CHURCH will not serve its 3rd Sunday meal until after the first of the year.

CIRCLE BAR RANCH in Truscott, Texas is having a free street dance this Saturday, Oct. 22 beginning 7pm. Johnny Rogers from Chicago is playing music. Bring lawn chairs and snacks. Everyone welcome.

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made his trip home and glad of it. He is still receiving physical and speech therapy at home out of Haskell, Texas home health services. He is doing good. Still has a lot of trouble remembering some things and people, so if you talk to him, please be patient and help him to remember.

Derrick Magana and his girlfriend were in this weekend to visit his mom and dad, Chuco and Mae. He looks great and is taking good care

of himself.

I would like to take this time to say I’m sorry about last week’s articles, but apparently some things got messed up and my news didn’t get printed, but yes, I will still be doing the KC News column. Please, if you have news, call me and I’ll be glad to put it here. Thanks for your support and concern.

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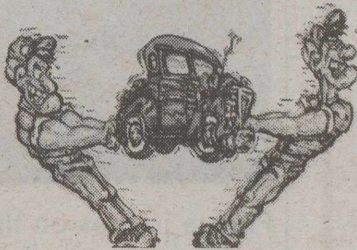
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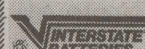
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TEX TALKS

By Tex Cox

Sorry for the delay in the last couple of weeks worth of Tex Talks! Our computer has been trying it's best to bite the dust, but we **refuse** to let it!!

Over the last five to six weeks, I have been asked to preach four funerals. This Saturday will include another funeral! In just a few short weeks, I have watched

as emotions within the various family members have run from one extreme to another.

One verse I always try to put into a funeral service is in John Chapter 14 verse one: Jesus said, "Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in Me." I want to especially focus on the "heart not be troubled" portion of this

Scripture.

Whether you just recently lost someone, are missing someone who you've lost before, or just need some words of comfort to have handy when someone close to you needs comforting - - - let me share with you what I have shared with EVERY family have ministered to over the last few weeks.

People often ask me how it was that Melesha and I did not "fall apart like a \$2 suitcase" when Mom passed away last year. "How are you able to handle it, much less preach her funeral?"

Because of John 14! I trust in Jesus, that **His Word is True**. That my Mother is not in my "past", but in my "fu-

ture!" I never said goodbye - - - I just said, "See you in a little while!!!"

2 Peter 3:8 reads, "But do not forget this one thing dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day."

My Mom has been gone a little over a year now, but in "heaven time" she has hardly

hit the gate! Amen? When I preach a funeral, I sometimes use an illustration I heard many years ago.

A man I know had an open vision of his Mother entering into heaven - - - he said, "Tex, you know how when you go to a funeral and the people in the congregation stand up when the family comes in to honor them as they come down the center aisle to say goodbye to their loved one? Well, I saw the neatest thing! As my Mom entered heaven, the crowd parted, and down the center came all the loved ones who had gone on before her to **WELCOME** her!!!"

Wow! Awesome!

Now, put this with the thousand years/day thing - - - - If I live to be 120 yrs old on this earth, how long is that in comparison to eternity??? **SNAP!** Just like that! It's nothing! Not even a blink of an eye!

So, if I live to be 120, by the time I get to heaven, my Mom will **barely have had time to even say hello** to all the loved ones before she turns around to say hello to **me!!!**

Do you see this????? I'm not saying goodbye! I'm saying "see you in a little while!!!" And it is **LITERAL!!** Amen?

Now, don't get me wrong, I still have my little moments! And that's ok! You'd probably be surprised how many times I pick up the phone to call her and tell her something that has just happened in my life or my kids' lives only to realize I am not going to make the connection! **Ouch!** But, I **quickly** realize how soon we will be together again and rest in that!

Don't let your heart be troubled! You don't have **TIME** for that! You are still here and have much to accomplish for the Kingdom! You've probably heard me say before, "You know, every day when I wake up I check to see if I am breathing. If I am, well, I get up out of bed and go on about my day! When the day comes and I wake up and discover that I am not breathing.....I'm not even gonna get out of bed!!!" Amen?

Grieve, yes - - - fall apart, **NO!** Rejoice, **YES!!!**

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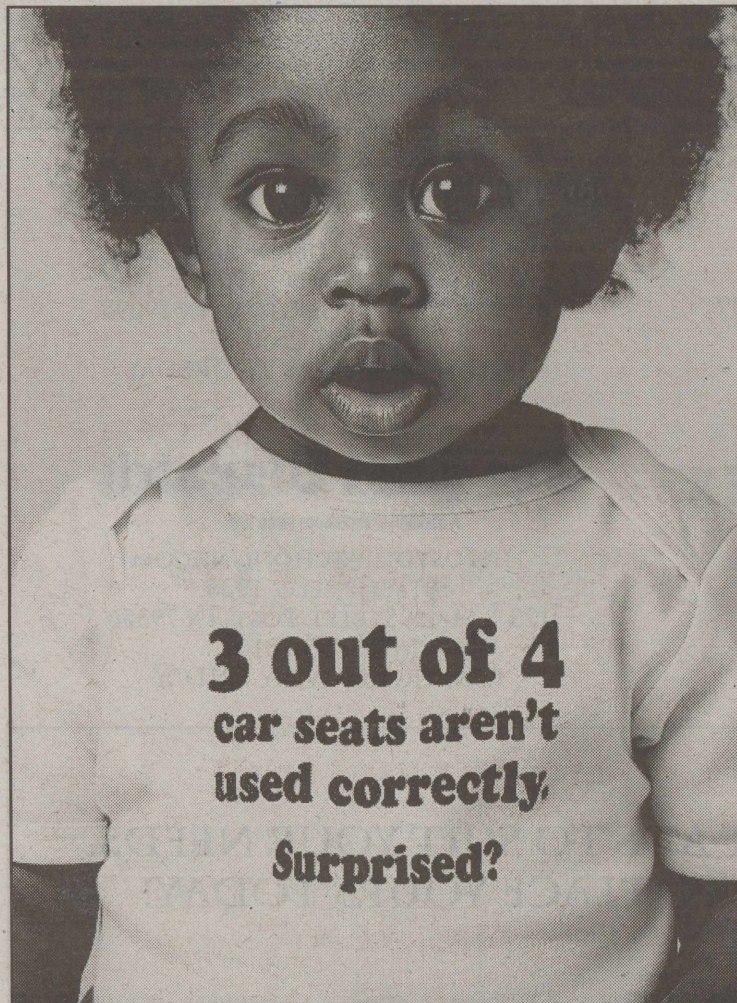
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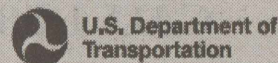
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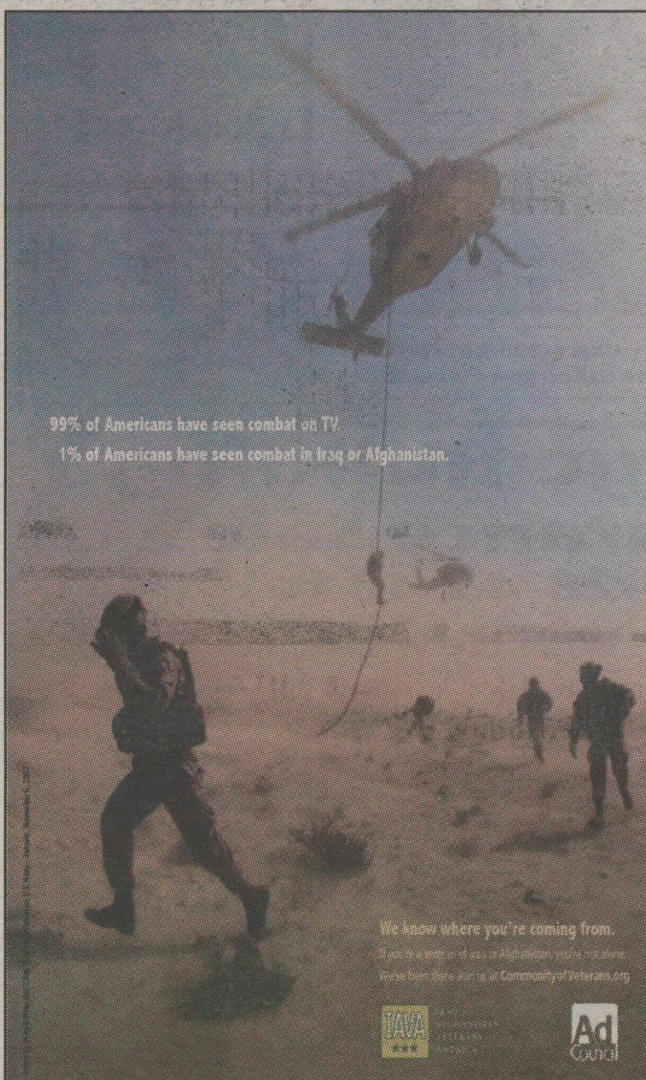


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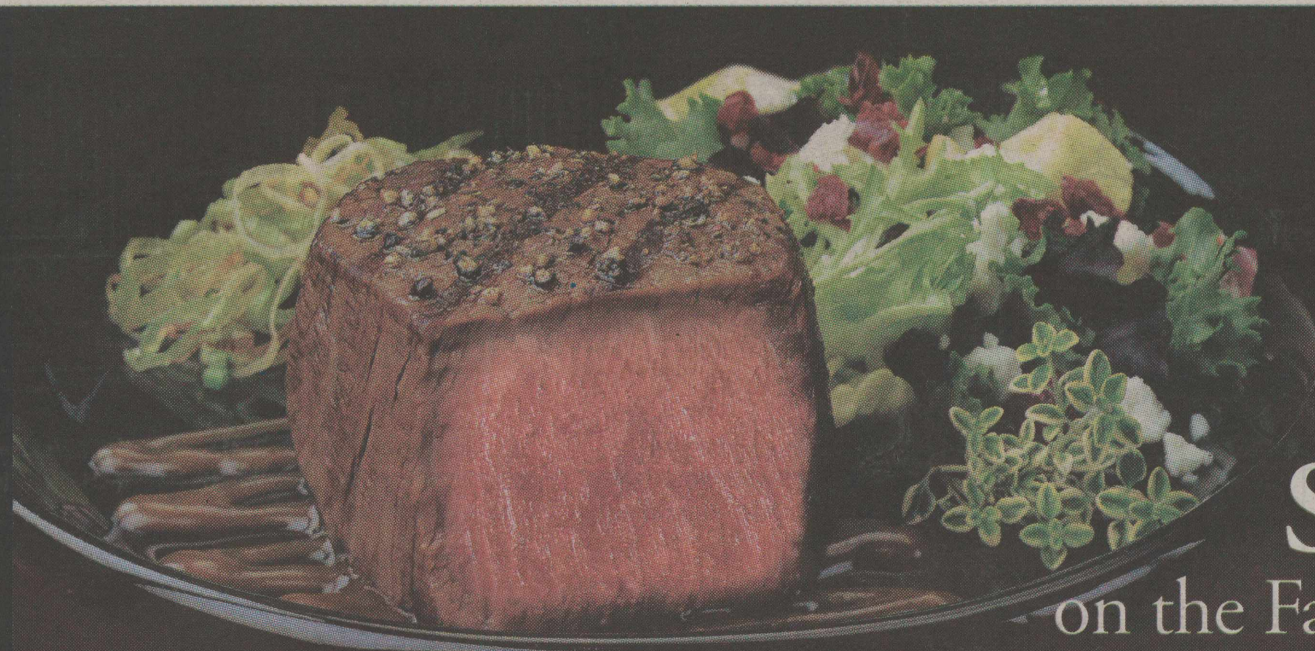
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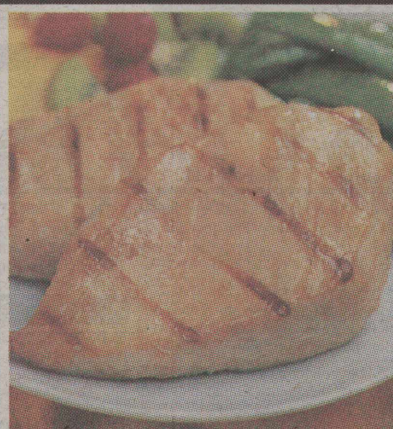
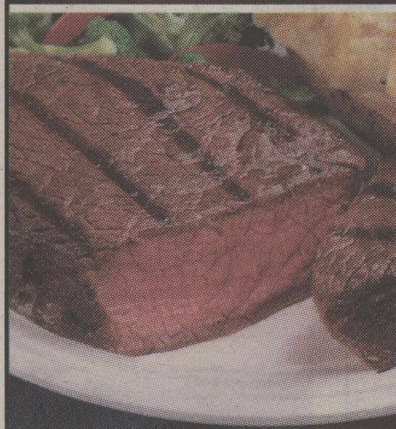
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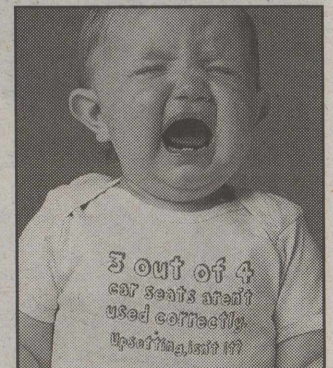
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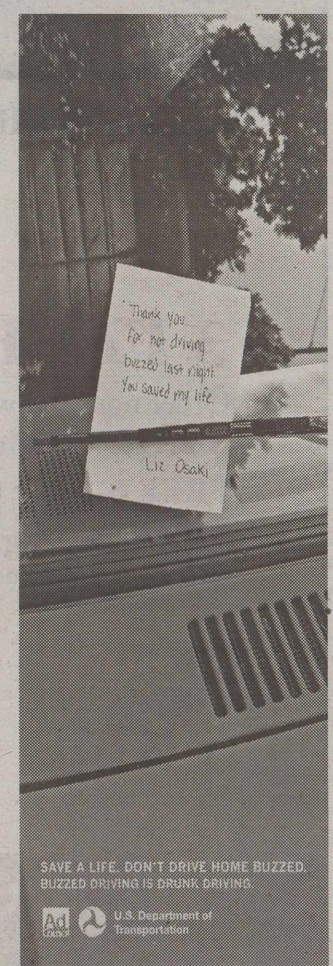
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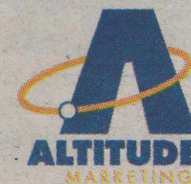


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