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Irrigation efficiency scrutinized

By Hanaba Munn Welch
The Knox County News-Courier

As 2013 unfolds amid drought conditions, Knox County is essentially a mosaic of struggling green winter wheat, bare plowed fields waiting for spring cotton planting and stretches of native grass range, all wanting water.

A conference last week at Rhineland, aimed primarily toward cotton farmers and sponsored by the extension service and agriculture businesses, featured speakers who talked especially about one part of the big picture: irrigation. They described ways to irrigate more efficiently -- an aspect of regional water use that looms in significance as both underground and surface water sources dwindle, both for farming and for households.

Song Cui, a post-doctoral research assistant at Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center at Vernon, launched the agenda by talking about the basics of irrigation.

"Why not play it safe and over-water?" he asked, posing a rhetorical question.

If nothing else, waste is becoming less and less affordable.

"The energy required to pump out that water is skyrocketing every year," Song said.

Overwatering can cause nitrogen to leach into the aquifer, he said. Song mentioned one instance where enough nitrogen was present in the aquifer to preclude the need to add it to the soil for the crop at hand.

Computerized devices now offer ways to closely monitor water use, all without stepping into a field or digging into the ground.

David Little of Utah, representing Sentek, described his company's soil moisture measuring device as a way to irrigate at top efficiency.

"We can also monitor root growth," he said. "We can watch as roots develop, how deep in the pro-

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Hanaba Munn Welch/Special to the News-Courier

Gene Brown heads out from Rhineland on a Friday afternoon with his dogs Blondie and Buddy to feed wheat hay to his cows. In a normal year, Brown would be able to turn the cows onto wheat pasture, but a lack of moisture this year has kept area wheat from providing much winter grazing. Brown, like many other cattlemen, is both trying to keep his cows healthy and his wheat growing -- not easy with scant precipitation. PHO

Knox Notes

Events are listed free of charge for nonprofit civic organizations, schools and community events. Submit listings at least two weeks ahead of the date. Listings will run through the date of the event. Emailed submissions are preferred to kcnewscourier@gmail.com.

Red Day

February 1 is "Wear Red Day" in Knox County to support National Wear Red Day to draw attention to heart disease in women.

Sausage Meal in Scotland

The Knights of Columbus Council 1715 in Scotland, TX is holding its annual sausage dinner February 3 from 11AM to 2PM. All are invited to this "all you can eat" sausage dinner. The dinner is in the K of C Hall on US 281 in Scotland, which is 19 miles S. of Wichita Falls. The meal will consist of German Sausage, sauerkraut with spareribs, vegetables and a homemade dessert. The cost for adults is \$10.00 and for children under 12 is \$5.00. Take-out plates are available. Cooked and raw sausage will be sold by the pound.

Baked Potato Supper

Knox City Elementary PTO Baked Potato Supper Thursday Feb. 7th, 5-7 pm at the school cafeteria. Meal includes: baked potato, ham, cheese, traditional toppings, salad and dessert. Purchase tickets from elementary students!

Recycling center hours

The Munday Recycling Center is now open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursdays and 10 a.m. to noon Fridays. Plastic grocery bags are no longer being accepted. Most other recyclable materials are accepted, including No. 1 and 3 plastic containers and most electronics, including cell phones. For information, contact Cindy Zuniga at 940-445-3666

One-Act fundy

Drama students at Knox City High School are selling hand-crafted KCHS metal keychains for \$7. All proceeds benefit the One-Act Play production. For information, contact Terra Martinez at terra.martinez@esc9.net.

Munday council

The Munday City Council meets at 6:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month in the conference room at City Hall. The next scheduled meeting will be Jan. 8. For information, call City Hall at 422-4331.

Commissioners Court

The Knox County Commissioners Court meets at 1:30 p.m. the second Monday of the month in Commission Chambers at the Knox County Courthouse in Benjamin. The next scheduled meeting will be Jan. 14. For information, contact County Clerk Annette Offutt at kcdisco@srcaccess.net or 459-2441.

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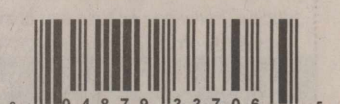
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Aquifer levels continue to drop

By Mike McGuire

General Manager, Groundwater Conservation District for the News-Courier

Many questions are being asked about this past summer's lack of rainfall and the fall and winter precipitation and their effects on the water table levels. Rolling Plains Groundwater Conservation District measured water levels earlier this month to determine the effects from the previous year's pumping and the lack of recharge.

In Knox County, well levels had dropped 2.0 feet, or 24.0 inches, since January 2012. In the same 15-year period, the average yearly decline has been .37 foot, or 4.44 inches.

Well levels in Baylor County had dropped .61 feet, or 7.32 inches, since January 2012. In the 15 years of water measurements, the average yearly decline has been .79 foot, or 9.48 inches.

Well levels in Haskell County had dropped in a range of .48 feet to 3.74 feet, with an average of 2.45 feet, or 29.4 inches, since January 2012. In the 15 years of water measurements, the average Haskell County yearly decline has been 1.30 foot, or 15.6 inches.

Due to the extreme variability of the Seymour Aquifer, varying rainfall and variations in recharge areas and pumping rates, water levels vary in the three counties.

New Clinic Has Been Long Time Coming

By Hanaba Munn Welch

The Knox County News-Courier

Snip!
When the Chamber of Commerce scissors cut the ribbon at 1:30 p.m. Sunday to inaugurate the new Knox County Clinic in Knox City, two decades of work will all seem worth it -- at least to people like Clint Jones, president of the board of the Knox County Hospital District.

"I think we've worked on this for about 20 years," he said Monday. "This is something that we've done in both communities."

It didn't happen easily. "We've saved our money, and we've gotten grants," Jones said. "It's something we felt like needed to be done, so we did it."

The previous clinic could have been upgraded, but the expense would have

been greater than the cost of building a new facility, Jones said -- hence the decision to replace the old building with a new one.

"It was the same way with the old clinic in Munday," Jones said.

Both Jones and fellow-board member, Jo Ann Albus, are quick to credit Stephen Kuehler, hospital administrator, for guiding the district through the project for the last ten years.

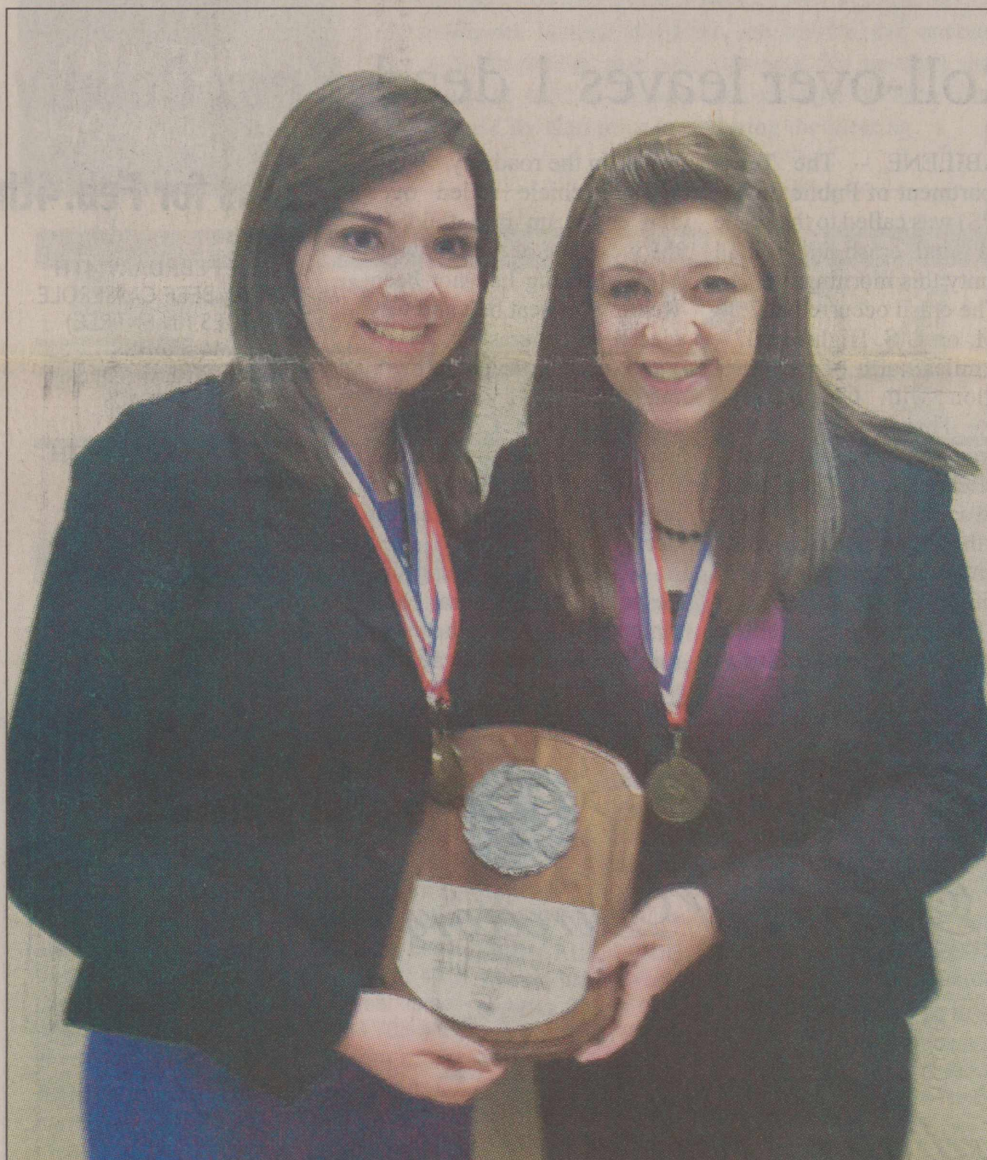
"I can't say enough good things about Stephen," Jones said.

Albus expressed similar feelings.

"Stephen has done such a fabulous job with the hospital," she said. "When he came, we wondered if we were going to be able to stay. Under his leadership, we have just consistently added more services."

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State Bound!



Special to the News-Courier

Knox City sophomores M'Kayla Ericson and Jessica Wilburn displaying their winnings from the District 10-A tournament on January 25. The two were undefeated on Thursday, their record is 6-0 going into state.

Ericson, Wilburn take district debate gold

Knox City High School sophomores M'Kayla Ericson and Jessica Wilburn qualified for the state UIL cross-examination competition by winning the District 10-A tournament Jan. 25.

"I can't believe we didn't even lose one round on Thursday," second-year state qualifier Wilburn said. "Going 6-0 at district makes me feel very confident about our chances at state."

Ericson and Wilburn defeated teams from Harrold, Jayton, Chillicothe and Spur to take the district title.

"This is my first year in debate," Ericson said. "I was so nervous when we broke to the semifinal round. I didn't expect the pressure to be so high: you win semis, you go to state—lose semis, you stay home

Spring Break."

Two teams from each of the 32 division A districts can advance to the two-day state tournament held March 11-12 in Austin.

"The first day is the trick," Wilburn said. "We debate two rounds, then we're power matched for the third and fourth preliminary rounds. If we do well enough on Monday, we'll make it to the 'out rounds' on Tuesday."

The "out-rounds" on the second day of competition consist of the top 16 A teams competing in a bracket style tournament.

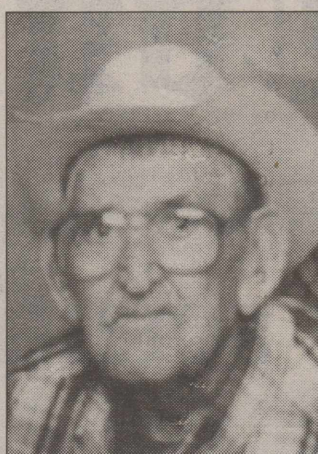
"Once you make it the Sweet Sixteen, you just can't lose," Wilburn said. "Single elimination is only fun while you're winning—and I can't wait to win."

Deaths

Manuel Vela

Manuel Vela, 93, of Moody, passed away January 17, 2013 after a long illness. Manuel was born in Cadereita, Mexico to Jesus and Maria Vela on November 17, 1919. Manuel married Juanita Vela and from this union, fourteen children were born. He was a very loving father and worked as a farmer.

Manuel is preceded in death by his wife, Juanita, son Ruben Vela and daughter, Joanie Jaramillo. Surviving children are daughter Marie and husband Gilbert, daughter Dora and husband Bobby, daughter Rosa and



MANUEL VELA

husband Pete, daughter Amelia and husband Andy, and daughter Linda and husband Darwin all of Am-

arillo; daughter Aurora and husband Daniel of Kansas City; daughter Minnie and husband Claudio Jr., daughter Lupe and husband John all of Wichita Falls; son John and wife Vickie of Waco; daughter Olivia of San Marcos; daughter Oralia and husband Orlando of Burkburnett; and son Jesse of Ft. Worth; and numerous grand-and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, January 19, 2013 at Our Lady of San Juan Chapel in Moody followed by interment at Old Perry Cemetery.

Virgil Glenn "Sonny" Crawford

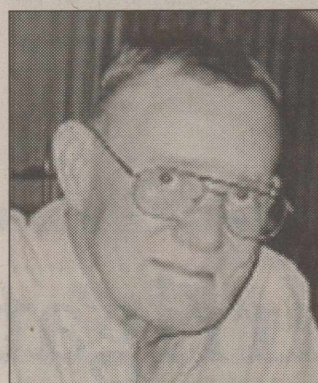
Virgil Glenn "Sonny" Crawford, passed away on Friday, January 18, 2013 at 8:43 a.m. at his home in Munday, Texas. Sonny was born in Seymour, Texas on April 17, 1933 to Thomas Monroe and Lennie Mae Crawford.

Sonny attended Seymour schools and began working for B. K. Electric as a summer intern in 1953. He later became a full-time employee and worked there for 42 years, ultimately serving as Area Supervisor.

Sonny met Tommie Mae King when they were children. The story is told by Sonny's best friend who says he and Sonny were walking down the street when Sonny saw a pretty little red haired girl walking with her friends. He told his friend he was going to marry her. By ages 13 and 14, Sonny and Tommie were boyfriend and girlfriend. They would never date anyone else and were married three years later. In May they would have been married for 62 years.

Sonny was an avid sportsman. He loved hunting, fishing, and golf. For decades Sonny and Tommie would travel to Colorado for annual deer and elk hunts with the same group of close friends and family. He was a member of the Believer's Chapel church, which he helped to build from the foundation up. His favorite thing was spending time with his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Sonny is survived by the love of his life, Tommie, 1 son, Gary Crawford and wife Cheryl, a daughter Karen Longan and



SONNY CRAWFORD

husband, Bill, and a daughter Regina (Sudy) Howry and husband, Gary. All the Crawford children make their home in Munday. Sonny is also survived by a sister, Delores Killian of Wichita Falls, a sister-in-law Violet Patterson of Vera, and his childhood, lifelong, closest friend, Thelbert Blankenship. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Billy Wayne Crawford of Seymour and Donald Crawford of Sweetwater. He is also survived by 9 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren, several nieces and nephews, his hunting buddies, and a host of other friends.

The family greeted friends and relatives at a visitation from 1 to 2 p.m. Sunday, January 20, at the McCauley Smith Funeral Home in Munday. A funeral service was held at 2 p.m. Monday, January 21, 2013 at the Believer's Chapel in Munday. Burial followed the service at Johnson Memorial Cemetery in Munday. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to be made to Believer's Chapel, the Munday Volunteer Fire Department, or Keep Munday Beautiful.

Willie Smith Rose Sr.

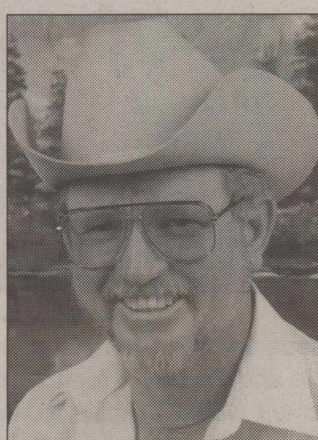
Willie Smith Rose Sr., 72 of Munday went to be with the Lord on Sunday January 27, 2013 at his residence.

Memorial service will be 2 p.m. Friday February 1, 2013 at the First Baptist Church of Munday with Brother Shane Kendrix, officiating. Arrangements are by Robert Massie Funeral Home.

Willie was born July 21, 1940 in Rowena to William Banner and Lula Sue (Holloway) Rose.

He worked as a pipeline technician for El Paso Natural Gas for over 27 years. He loved fishing, getting together with all his loved ones and going to the casinos.

He is survived by his



WILLIE SMITH ROSE SR. wife; Sandra Rose, his first wife; Martha Fough, three daughters; Cathy Pittman of Rule, Pam Rose and husband, Larry Corbell of Lewisville, and Fonda Harvell and husband, Michael

of Midland; four sons; Eddie Shipman, and wife, Vickie of Round Rock, Willie S. Rose Jr. and wife, Angelita of Georgetown, Michael Rose and wife, Sue of New Braunfels, and Keith Williford and wife, Bridget of Buffalo Gap, eighteen grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family wants to extend a special thanks to Wichita Falls hospice doctors, nurses and staff for the loving care shown to our family during this time.

Willie's obituary and memorial guestbook may be viewed at www.robertmassie.com

Roll-over leaves 1 dead Knox County Aging Services

ABILENE — The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) was called to the scene of a fatal crash in Haskell County this morning.

The crash occurred at 7:36 A.M. on U.S. Highway 277, 0.2 miles north of the intersection with County road 431. This is a one vehicle rollover with one occupant.

Michael Duke Browning, Jr. was driving a 2011 Kenworth rollback wrecker south bound on U.S. Highway 277 during a rainstorm. Browning lost control of the vehicle due to driving too fast due to

water on the roadway.

The vehicle rolled over and ended up in a field on the west side of the roadway. Mr. Browning had not been wearing his seat belt and was ejected in the crash.

Michael Duke Browning, Jr. W/M, 31 years of age from Midwest City, Oklahoma was taken to Stamford Memorial Hospital where he was pronounced dead by doctors.

This crash is being investigated by Corporal Nick Jimenez. The weather was raining and the roadway was

Menus for Feb. 4th- Feb. 8th

MONDAY FEBRUARY 4TH
MACARONI/BEEF CASSEROLE
TOMATOES (IN ENTREE)
LIMA BEANS
WHOLE WHEAT ROLL
EMERALD PEARS

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 5TH
TILAPIA/LEMON SLICE
WHOLE KERNEL CORN
COLE SLAW
HUSH PUPPIES
CHERRY CRISP

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY

6TH
SPAGHETTI /MEAT SAUCE
ITALIAN VEGETABLES
BROCCOLI
GARLIC TOAST
AUTUMN JELLO

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 7TH
BBQ CHICKEN
MASHED POTATOES
CARROT/RAISIN SALAD
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FRIDAY FEBRUARY 8TH

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DEADLINES

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SUBSCRIPTIONS

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\$35 a year outside the county



The Knox County Hospital District Board of Directors

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The Paperboy

A little midweek rant

When did we become a monarchy? I watched the presidential "inauguration" (it was on, admittedly I just glanced off and on) and it sure seemed more like a coronation. Not bad for the poorest nation on Earth.



CHRIS BLACKBURN

What? We're not poor? We're the only place on the planet with a \$16.4 trillion debt and \$100 trillion in future entitlement payouts. We're broke as a joke and to argue otherwise is moronic at best.

But man, we can sure throw down a \$200 million party to anoint our king with his adoring media in tow.

How about that Republican Party?

You mean you forgot we were mostly a two-party country?

It's not hard to see why with the Chicken Littles scrambling to get some kind of airtime.

The gutless GOP has an image problem and they seem hapless to change it anytime

soon. Funny how the left has painted Republicans in a corner. Hard to win anything when you're always playing defense.

Too bad the GOP couldn't run a stronger candidate. The one shining star I see from that party is Sen. Marco Rubio. He's the man, but he claimed to be too young and inexperienced.

Since when did that matter? Our employees weren't too happy to see less take home money on Jan. 1. They were surprised.

Guess what? They were really surprised when I mentioned that it was only the tip of the iceberg. That's right: everybody's taxes are going to keep going up and up.

I thought I heard a candidate promise that no one making less than \$250,000 a year blah, blah, blah.

The funny thing is that people actually believed it.

If you were one of those people, I hate to be the one to tell you that during the next two years, taxes will soar on everything: insurance, gas, consumption, withholdings... the list is impressive.

Face it, we are the new Europe.

Behind closed doors this is a discussion in Washington the media won't tell you about:

The main reason the pathway to citizenship is being discussed and agreed upon is money. We need more young people paying taxes into the system and what better way than to get 11 million illegals on the tax rolls and let that additional federal income help foot the bill.

Don't get me wrong, I'm actually liking much of what's being discussed regarding immigration reform. But when I hear the quotes from our elected officials I know I'm not hearing all of the reasons. What's new?

As I said a couple of weeks ago, we're on our own. Rural America's voice is gone so it's up to us to love and care for one another and make our communities stronger.

No excuses, just results.

Look around your town and make sure your local elected officials are the best and brightest your town or county has to offer. If they're not, dump the incumbent and bring in new blood.

Rant over...

Christopher Blackburn is publisher of The Knox County News-Courier and CEO of Blackburn Media Group.

Benjamin News

Another week has come and gone, and once again not much going on over here in the "Capital City." Seems routine happenings are the order of the day. There were a couple of junior high ball games Monday night. Northside came here and suffered losses at the hands of the Colts. The local girls won 16-12, and the boys' score was 30-27. There are no more home games this year. The next games are on Monday in Crowell. The girls' game will be at 5:30 PM followed around 6:30 by the boys' game. We wish them good luck.

Next week will be busy as the Historical Commission works tirelessly to get the meal together for Sunday's (Feb. 3) fundraiser. And, of course, there's work involved getting the silent auction set up as well as all that goes with preparing for that event. We hope to see a lot of friends there. Following the meal, etc., we can all go over to Knox City and "inspect" the new clinic as the Pink Ladies host the Open House. And then, top the day off with the Super Bowl. Should be a fun-filled day.

Regarding Our Ill

Corrine Parrish is a patient in Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene following a fall that resulted in a broken hip on Friday. She underwent surgery this morning (Sunday), and according to family members, is doing fine and should be up and walking pretty soon. Hopefully her stay in Abilene won't be too long. Judy and Randolph Barnett and Philomae Robertson are in Abilene with her.

Barbara Ryder spent some time in Seymour Hospital this past week. She had some blood pressure problems, but got it pretty well leveled out and is feeling better. Hopefully, she won't have any more trouble.

Bud Conner was in Lubbock Tuesday to see his doctor concerning the trouble he is having with his hand. He has surgery scheduled for Feb. 22 to repair nerve damage in his hand and upper arm. Needless to say, he's ready to get that taken care of.

Here 'n' There

Steve and Judy Watson of Durant, Okla., visited her aunt, Hazel Stockton, on Saturday. They were en route home from a visit in Hobbs, N.M.

Hayden Neal of Seymour visited her grandmother, Janet Reed, Thursday and Friday. Hayden is the daughter of Blain and Gary.

Bobby and Courtney Sherrard have moved back to Benjamin after moving to Rochester and living a short while. They live in the Leola Isbell house, which they purchased some time ago. We are glad they are back "home."

I talked to Tina Sealy today. She was busy working on her daughter Lisa's wedding dress. She said Lisa and Anthony Ainsworth will be getting married on Feb. 16 in Knox City.

Maggie Seidenberger Farragamo and her husband have a baby boy born about two weeks ago. Don't have any important information on her except his name is A.J. "Grandma" Selinda Meinzer could not be reached by phone today, so maybe by next week I'll have all the facts about him.

There's going to be a Hee Haw Benjamin Style toward the last of February. The program will include local talent and should be a fun-filled evening. More on this as time nears, but start to plan now to attend. It ought to be good!!!

Gladene Green is a longtime Benjamin resident and correspondent.

The Idle American

From sharing signs to super bowls...

When this column began in '02, half-hearted promises were made to provide occasional recipes and helpful hints. Alas, only one of each has been offered so far.

With Texas Motor Speedway's introduction of bacon-flavored cotton candy to its concession menu, I'm going to provide one of my mamma's favorite recipes—salmon patties with whipped cream. Now if I can



DON NEWBURY

just find it. Today, I offer my second helpful hint: Make sure you have fresh batteries in your TV remotes. This is a "must" for the extraction of the powerful, engaging and memorable moments of Super Bowl XLVII....

Schedule practice runs to make sure all the buttons are functioning. After all, there will be frequent "pauses, fast forwards and back-ups" for an event that will be viewed—as well as recorded—in tens of millions of households.

I typically record most TV shows for later viewing—even if only 30 minutes later—to bypass commercials. (I realize, in the words of new friend Rick Dahlgren, "this is not 'rocket surgery'.") For the Super Bowl, however, I flip-flop. The game's outcome is of little interest to me, but I don't want to miss a commercial. I'm already "up to hear" (up to "see," too) with pre-game stuff, including Ma and Pa Harbaugh's 100% certainty of their sons coaching both winning and losing teams, since brothers John and Jim Harbaugh are opposing head coaches....

It's the ads that make us smile when not much else does. They'd better, since 30-second spots are going for up to \$4 million each and projected to cost \$5 mil by '16.

By recording the event, we can zip from commercial to commercial, ignoring a game known for becoming lopsided.

We'll join millions of others the next day as media experts dissect the "winners and losers." Then, for a few months, we'll remember the really good commercials. Recalling which products go with which ads, however, is quite another matter....

Ads have come a long way since Burma-Shave signs entertained a nation. At their height in the 50's, 7,000 verses were nailed on fence posts across the US.

The "ditties"—many written by Nebraska University student Warren Buffett—helped us smile through depression years. And the extra money helped him smile through col-

lege. We lived in comparative slow motion, nostrils soothed by aromatic roses along the way. Cars were slower, highways were rougher, and TV had not yet arrived. Yes, it took less to amuse us. Those signs did the trick, though, particularly during unscheduled stops along the road for tire repairs. We kids ran on ahead to see all six signs....

The signs cost next to nothing, save for the cost of planks of wood, paint and clever words. By comparison, each 30-second TV spot costs advertisers up to 40 cents per viewer!

Why wouldn't "losing" ad people groan, "Alka-Seltzer it up" and seek other lines of work?

This is the fate of ad-making dice-throwers for "the ultimate game." (In 1972, Dallas' Duane Thomas questioned, "If it's the ultimate game, how come they're playing it again next year?")...

I miss days when conversations began with "Have you heard the one about?"

Sometimes I visit websites featuring the old Burma-Shave poems. The final "dittie" was posted exactly 50 years ago for the "good-to-the-last-strop" lather: "Our Fortune/Is Your Shaven Face/It's Our Best/Advertising Space." Shortly before, this one was seen along the way: "Farewell O Verse/Along the Road/How Sad to See/You're Out of Mode."

A few whine that the Super Bowl is "much ado about nothing." These folks need to get ready for another heaping helping of "ado"...

No doubt, longtime West Texas Congressman Charlie Stenholm is happy he served in a gentler era, when folks smiled more.

He regaled audiences with a terrific Super Bowl story I have "appropriated" for repeated non-government use.

Charlie told of a Super Bowl viewing party planned for youth following church worship services....

The youth minister, afraid there might not be enough food for a larger-than-anticipated crowd, scrawled a sign for the sandwich table. "Please Take Just Two--Remember God is Watching You."

He didn't notice a 14-year-old making a cookie sign.

It read, "Take All You Want--God's Watching the Sandwiches."...

Don Newbury, former chancellor of Howard Payne University, is a humorist and motivational speaker. Email him at newbury@speakerdoc.com.

The 501

The disappearing act

Have you seen the email message that's circulating about the nine things that are on the verge of disappearing from life as we know it?

Two are ways I've been known to make a living. One is the post office, and I don't want to say what the other one is.

And just as my husband and I are finally about to get started writing a book—one reason we married—books are on their way out, except for ebooks. Oh well. Maybe we'll find an e-publisher.

Our topic? So as not to leave you wondering, it's a book about an architect who was active at the turn of the century.

And there you have proof that we've moved well into the 21st century. "Turn of the century" doesn't necessarily mean 19th to 20th now that we've gone from the 20th to the 21st. That term no doubt creates a few years'

worth of confusion every time one century follows another.

Speaking of centuries, my friend Eunice is turning 100. By the time you read this, she will be looking back over several successive decades. Eunice either makes me feel old or young. I'm not sure which. Maybe a little bit of both.

Back when 2000 rolled around, I was working as a news reporter. It wasn't news, but we reporters all did perfunctory reviews of the century that was about to be history.

What amazed me was that I could remember the entire second half of it and had a pretty good grip on the first half, thanks partly to the age of my parents (older than most) and to all the fading touches of the past still in place during my childhood. One was the ragman who went through town collecting rags, his wagon pulled by mules. No doubt, his profession had been quite ordinary at one point in history—common enough to turn "rag man" into "ragman" sort of like "e-mail" has become "email." And forgive me if I've talked about the ragman before. He impressed me. Or his mules did.

Besides the ragman, other relics still in place during my earliest years were the brass spittoons in the bank building, between the elevators on each floor. They represented a time when chewing tobacco had been in vogue.

Now that people are chewing and spitting tobacco again, spittoons should be poised to make a comeback. But who would empty them? No-body.

On the other hand, now that robots are finding work in car factories, robots could also handle spittoons. That would be a nice blend of past and future. Remember where you heard it first.

As for the nine-item list, I'll not regurgitate it for you in toto. You probably got the email too.

Besides, who's to say some things won't make a comeback anyway?

Eunice once told me that when she was a young housewife, she recycled her bathwater to mop the floor and water her plants.

Eunice the recycler and water conservationist. One of the comebacks.

Hanaba Munn Welch is a contributor and columnist for The Post Dispatch.

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Knox County Museum News

Plans are about complete for the annual Knox County Museum Barbeque at the Benjamin Memorial Building on Sunday February 3rd at 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Take-out plates will be available. Barbequed brisket, sausage, and baked turkey; Home-made potato salad and coleslaw; special pinto beans; deviled eggs; and homemade pies will make up the February 3 menu.

You will be able to bid on dozens (over 100 last year) of silent auction items donated by businesses and individuals interested in supporting the Wichita Brazos Museum.

The quilt "Rose Wreath", a beautiful old pattern, will be displayed. Tickets may be purchased at this time, but the quilt will be given away on November 11th at

the Veterans Day celebration.

Starting at 11 a.m., door prizes will be announced every 30 minutes.

As the day draws to an end, if you need some delicious food to feed your Super Bowl football guests, check out the serving tables after the meal. Prices will be posted and containers provided to help you take some home.

The Museum will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for visitors to view this year's exhibits, entitled, "Knox County Wildlife", courtesy of Ronnie Urbanczyk, taxidermist, from Munday.

This annual event is a wonderful time to have a delicious meal, pickup a good bargain at the silent auction, visit the Museum, and enjoy visiting with friends. For more information, call 940-459-2229.



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Terry Porter, a Knox County spray pilot, who often views wildlife from a distance from the air, looks up close at some of the work of Munday taxidermist Ronnie Urbanczyk at the Wichita Brazos Museum in Benjamin. Narrating Porter's tour is Mary Jane Young, museum curator. The Urbanczyk exhibit will be viewable Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. At the Benjamin Memorial Building, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., the museum will serve barbecue dinners and hold a silent auction. The traditional event is the museum's main fundraiser of the year.

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IRRIGATION

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file those roots are going."

Changing the speed for a pivot can enable a farmer to get more good out of the same amount of water, Little said.

"Slow your pivots down," he said.

The moisture probes, devices that fit in tubes, are positioned at different spots across a field. They transmit information via various configurations and means.

"It can send you an email or a text to your phone: 'Hey, turn your pivot off,'" Little said.

Monitoring soil moisture can save from ten to 50 percent in irrigation costs, Little said.

"We are in a situation with our water management that we need to use some common sense," he said. "You cannot manage what you do not measure."

Several area farmers attended the event, gaining

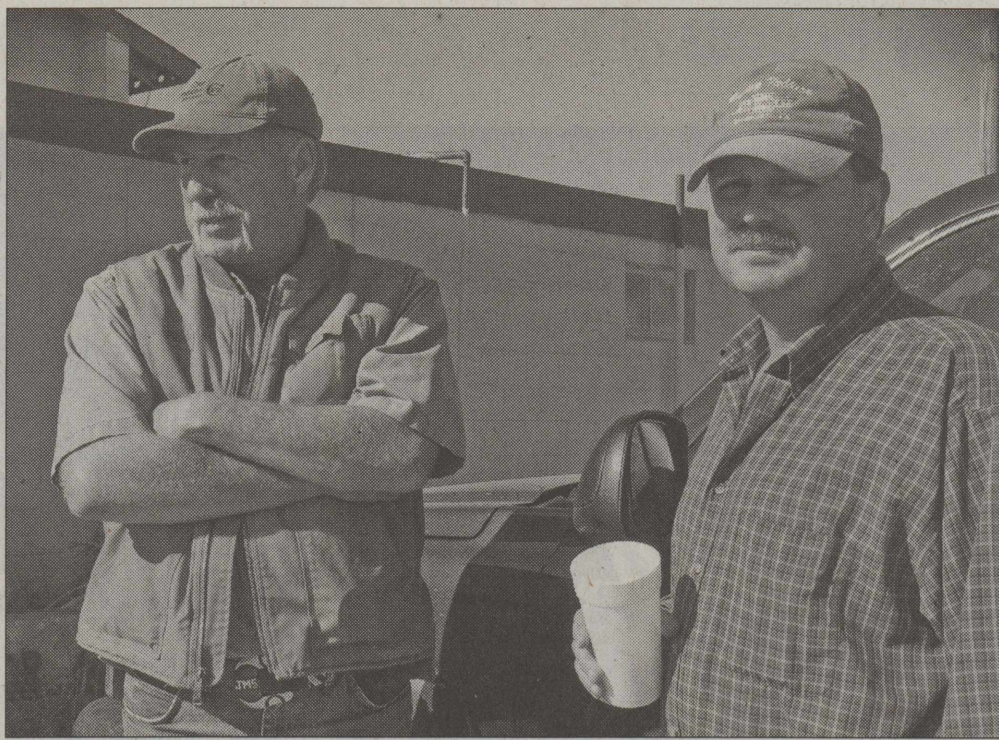


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Jerry McCown, left, a sales rep for Crop Production Services at Knox City, and Chris Orsak, a Baylor County cotton farmer, stand outside the gym at Rhineland last Wednesday at the conclusion of a conference on cotton root rot and irrigation practices. McCown's employer sells Topguard, a fungicide tested last year on cotton grown near Munday by Crespin Avalos.

both knowledge and the continuing education units required to keep their herbicide applicator credentials up

to date.

Ways to treat cotton root rot was another topic on the agenda, with a two-pint

topical planting-time treatment with Topguard touted as a cost-effective way to deal with the fungus.

Railroad Stove Radiates History

By Hanaba Munn Welch
The Knox County News-Courier

A cheery little pot-bellied stove is the focal point of the interior of the old corner bank building in Goree, now the headquarters for Trainham Ice.

The historic building, renovated by ice company owners Kent and Tammie Trainham, still looks much like a formidable bank on the outside, but inside few traces of the bank remain. To the keen eye, the floor pattern shows a delineation between the lobby and where teller cages once stood. The spacious interior is accommodating and welcoming, especially when the stove is blazing away in the dead of winter, its little door open to show off the hearty orange flames.

It's not the first time the stove has cheered spirits and taken the chill out of the air. The letters on the base identify it as a relic from the Fort Worth and Denver City Railway, a railroad company chartered by the Texas Legislature in 1873. The Colorado and Southern Railway acquired the FW&DC in 1899, but both railways continued to operate under their separate names. The history of the stove, as Tammie Trainham understands it, is that it once stood in the old Wichita Valley Railroad station in Goree. The first WVR train ran through Goree in 1906. Interestingly, the WVR was a subsidiary of the Colorado and Southern. Whatever the original location of the little stove, it apparently could have been shuffled from one place to another, all under the same general ownership.

By design, it could have been used originally in a caboose, particularly in view of its small size and solid footing.

For years it belonged to Goree residents Byron and Shirley Gass. Tammie Trainham remembers the day they decided to give it to her for the bank building.

"One of these days I'm going to get a pot-bellied stove," Tammie Trainham said she remarked to the couple.

Shirley and Byron Gass immediately exchanged looks and Byron Gass gave his wife the go-ahead.

"We've got the old railroad depot stove on our back porch," Gass told Trainham, explaining that the couple's children didn't want the antique.

"I just happened to have a place it needed to be," Trainham said. "She got a kick out of the fact that she knew I would continue to tell the story when people came by."

For a while, the Trainhams themselves lived in the bank building in an upstairs living quarters at the far end of the lobby space.

"When Kent and I moved down here and we were sleeping in the loft, it was our source of heat," Tammie Trainham said. "I called it the fire-breathing dragon because it took so much wood. Kent decided he didn't want to go back to the pioneer days because he would have to spend all his time cutting wood."

The stove still has a hearty appetite for fuel, but the Trainhams now use it primarily as an auxiliary heating source -- a bright spot still making history in Goree as a little stove with a past that may never be fully known.



Photo By Hanaba Munn Welch/ The News-Courier

End-of-the-month IRS deadline looming, Caroline Garcia plunks away on a typewriter in Goree as she fills out 1099 forms. Looking over her shoulder is Tammie Trainham. Even more old-fashioned than the 1980s vintage typewriter is the wood stove, a relic from the Goree train station, according to Trainham, even though the letters at the base indicate the stove was originally made for the Fort Worth and Denver City Railway. The little stove is a significant source of heat for the old First National Bank building. Renovated, the historic building now houses the main office and employee break area of Trainham Ice.

NEW CLINIC

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Branching out to offer more services serves two purposes -- to meet the needs of the community and to keep the operation of the hospital financially viable, Albus said.

Albus enumerated some of the services now offered: home health, physical therapy, cardiac rehabilitation, swing-bed units.

"We have the ambulance service," she said. "The hospital owns both of the clinics now."

The hospital district also owns a Seymour-based medical equipment business.

And a new pharmacy is also part of the mix.

"The biggest thing about the pharmacy, it's just going to be more convenient," Kuehler said. "They'll be able to keep more stock than what we've been able to keep."

A drive-through window will be convenient for motorists who simply need to pick up prescription medicine.

The pharmacy is attached to the clinic, but a door separates the two facilities.

Kuehler expects many people to stop by Sunday to see the new clinic and to imbibe Pink Lady hospital auxiliary punch served with cookies. The timing of the clinic open house -- 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. -- will allow Knox County residents time to eat lunch at the museum

fundraiser in Benjamin and even to squeeze in a nap before the Super Bowl at 5:30.

"Obviously we're very proud of it," Kuehler said.

He's also proud of the hospital's medical and pharmaceutical staff.

"I think they're as good a physicians as you'll find anywhere in family practice," Kuehler said.

Physicians are Shirley Barretto, MD; Ezekiel Duke, MD, and Kevin Finley, DO. Barretto will be reducing her workload by working Mondays only, Kuehler said.

"She's not going to take any calls," he said.

Nurse practitioners Chris Scott and Jamie Caldwell work in Munday and Knox City, respectively. The pharmacists are

David Lee and Patsy Malone.

"We do speech therapy too," Kuehler said, referring to Laurie Urbanczyk, speech therapist.

The hospital has changed over the years as hospital services have changed in small communities.

"It's getting harder and harder for people to meet the criteria for admission to a hospital," Kuehler said. "They want people treated more on an outpatient basis."

But even as traditional services have shrunk to exclude things like obstetrics and surgery, other services have expanded.

"There's lots of things we can do," Kuehler said.

The new clinic and pharmacy are part of the bigger picture.

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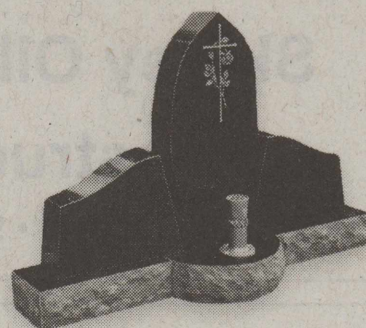
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Food pantry



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Thanks to a matching grant gift from the Knox City's Orient Lodge No. 905 and the Texas Masonic Charities Foundation, A Helping Hand Food Pantry in Knox City has a new 12-foot enclosed cargo trailer. Haskell native Don Comedy, third from the right, was in Knox City last Tuesday, Jan. 22, to see the trailer presented to the food pantry. Comedy, a resident of Marble Falls, is executive director of the foundation and also a member of the Orient Lodge. Others, from left, are Paula Williams, David Counts, Temi Webb, Jerry Webb, Steve Pepper and Trish Rogers. The Webbs manage the pantry, a benevolent effort supported by many people in the Knox City community.

Local QuickBooks Training Feb 5

The Knox County Visioning Group is kicking off the new year of Business Development Workshops on Tuesday, Feb. 5. It will be held at the Knox City Chamber of Commerce office in Knox City starting at 5 p.m. The workshop will feature advanced training in QuickBooks.

Gayla Fullerton, CPA and ProAdvisor for QuickBooks, will be teaching the group all

aspects of using QuickBooks for payroll. It includes setting up for payroll, setting up employee information, using employee defaults, setting up payroll schedules, adding a new employee, running a payroll schedule, viewing the paycheck, printing paycheck or stubs, tracking tax liabilities, and paying payroll taxes

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Workshops are free to the public. There will be door prizes as well as refreshments. The workshop is sponsored by the Texas Tech Small Business Development Center out of Abilene.

For more questions, call the Knox County Visioning Group at (940) 459-4121 or like us on facebook at www.facebook.com/catch.the.vision.

Tres Corley coming soon

The newest houses in Knox City are a matched pair at the corner of South Second Street and South Avenue D -- the latest dwellings in a growing series owned and rented by Kay and Steve Pepper.

"We're calling it Tres Corley," Steve Pepper said in a phone interview with the News-Courier earlier in the month.

The manufactured units represent the Peppers' way of meeting the demand for temporary housing during the current boom in construction and oil-field activity.

Back in 2009, when the Peppers first tested the guest house and short-term rental market, their original project was Corley Manor, a full-fledged bed and breakfast operation named to honor Bonnie Corley, a former owner of the ca. 1920 house.

"Bonnie Corley owned that place from the 1940s on," Pepper said.

Now the Peppers are operating Corley Manor simply as a guest house, meaning breakfast isn't part of the package. A duplex built to replace a former servants' quarters on the same

lot is called Corley Too, making it logical for the Peppers to call their third and newest units Tres Corley, the third phase of their housing business, "tres" being Spanish for three.

Call it third time charm, except it didn't take the Peppers three shots at the business to succeed. It's been a go from the start, despite some changes in the way their houses fit the ever-changing market.

"Just kind of speculating" is Steve Pepper's term for their first venture.

"It seemed to work out," he said, describing how things have developed over the last three years.

At first, after tearing down the old servants' quarters, the Peppers didn't intend to expand, he said. But demand for Corley Manor was great enough to dictate replacing the original secondary dwelling with Corley too.

"Time rocked on, and we were just renting those little apartments," Pepper said. "More and more folks coming in here working needed a place to live."

The Peppers began renting the duplex apartments by the month and the historic Corley Manor by the day as a guest house. Then they rented part of Corley Manor to someone who needed a place to stay long-term.

"That kind of cut into our day-renting of the house," Pepper said. "We bit the bullet and put these two units (Tres Corley) in over there to put our full-time renters in and free the house up for our day-renters. As it's turned out, through the holidays we haven't gotten everyone moved. We're day-renting one of those units."

But whether everything is working exactly as planned, it's working.

"We feel like it's going to be something that's going to be needed for the next five-plus years," Pepper said.

The two new units have separate addresses -- 409 S. Second St. and 202 S. Ave. D -- to distinguish them the purposes of 9-1-1 emergency services.

The Peppers maintain a website for Corley Manor and Corley Too: www.corleymanor.com.

Car crash

ABILENE - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) was called to the scene of a one vehicle fatal crash in Haskell County. This crash occurred this morning at 8:30 A.M. on Farm Road 618, 1.3 miles south of the intersection with Farm Road 600.

The driver is sixteen years of age. He was driving a 2002 Ford Expedition with five other children in the vehicle. The Expedition was headed north on Farm Road 618, traveling to school at Paint Creek ISD. Due to the driver's age and

inexperience, the vehicle traveled off of the roadway. The driver overcorrected several times and the Expedition overturned, ejecting three of the six occupants. None of those in the vehicle were wearing seatbelts. The driver and a 14 year old female and a 15 year old female were not injured in the crash.

DECEASED:

1. Amber Conn W/F, 14 years of age from Stamford, Texas was pronounced dead at the scene by Judge Dodson. The body was taken to Holden-McCauley Funeral Home

in Haskell, Texas.

INJURED:

1. Zander Elias W/M, 4 years of age from Stamford, Texas.
2. Danica Elias W/F, 9 years of age from Stamford, Texas.

Both children were taken to Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene, Texas. From there, the children were taken to Cook's Children Hospital in Fort Worth. Both are listed in serious condition.

The weather was clear and the roadway was dry. This crash is being investigated by Trooper Jimenez.



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Hector Martinez lifts a piece of foundation skirting from a trailer at the site of Knox City's newest houses, manufactured units moved onto a previously vacant lot on South Second Street. Martinez is an employee of J & R Services of Abilene, specialists in underpinning, skirting and decking. The houses are a project of Knox City residents Steve and Kay Pepper. The Abilene crew worked on the units early in January, adding the finishing touches to the project.

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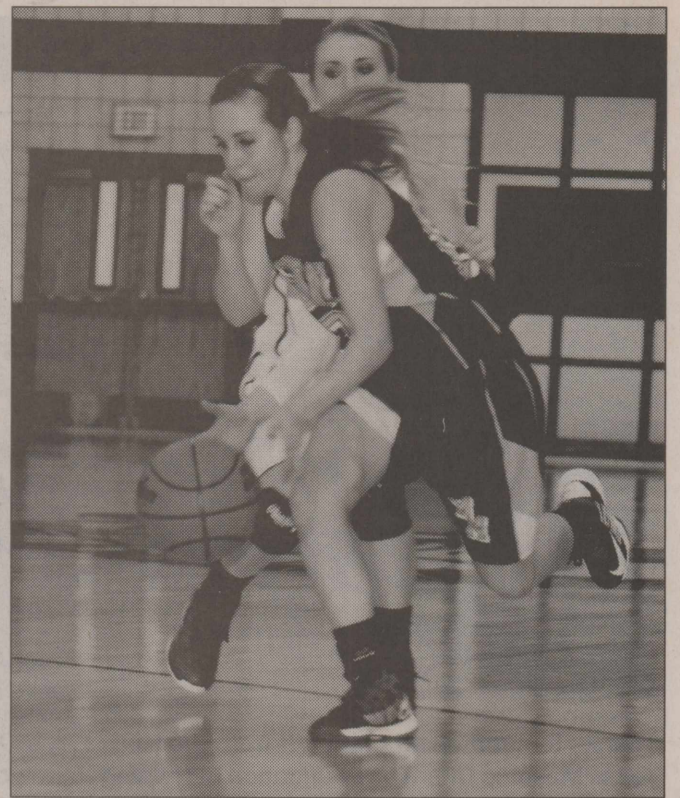
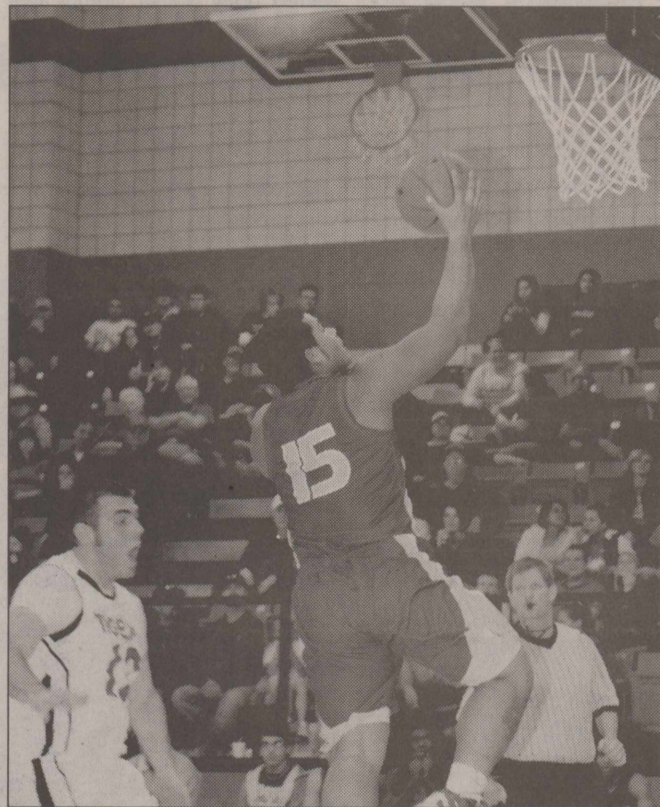
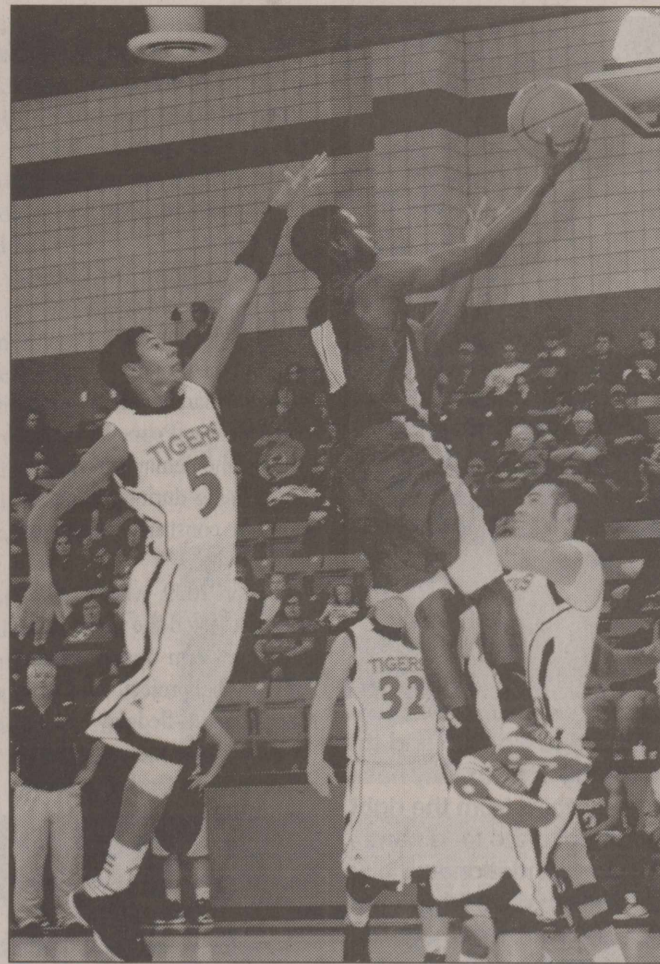
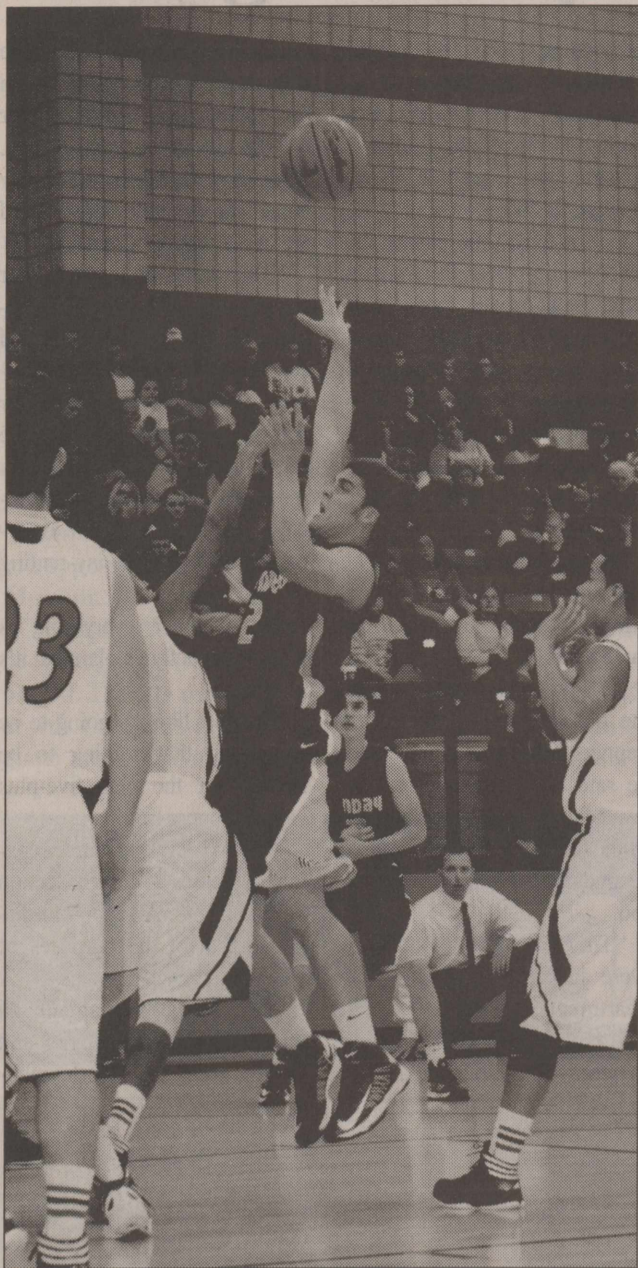
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BENJAMIN ISD BID NOTICE

3 School Properties Benjamin ISD is inviting sealed bids on three properties, January 23, 2013-February 13, 2013:

- (1.) 301 N. Hinton, Benjamin LEGAL: BLK 31, LOTS S/2 OF 5 & ALL 6 ORIG
- (2.) 304 N. CHURCH ST.,BLK. 29 LTS 1 & 2 ORIG BENJAMIN
- (3.) 506 N. HINTON, BLKS 1-3 ORIG BENJAMIN

Bids should be mailed to PO Box 166, Benjamin, Texas 79505, or submitted in sealed envelope no later than February 13, 2013 at noon. Responses will be opened on February 13 at the Regular School Board Meeting at which award selection will be made and notification to selections will follow, Thursday, February 14. (940-459-2231).

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A sealed bid was received on the following property: Parcel number #7101Account 00600-00050-00560-000000, further described as being, Blk 17, Lots E 25' of 9 & 49' of 10 Davis, Knox City, Knox County, Texas., The Knox County Appraisal District, acting as trustee for the taxing units is offering this property for sealed bid to all interested parties. Sealed bids may be sent to Knox County Appraisal District, P.O. Box 47, Benjamin, Texas 79505, along with a cashiers check or money order for the amount of the sealed bid. Please put the parcel number on the outside of the envelope of the sealed bid. The taxing units, owners of the property, reserve the right to reject all bids. If your bid is rejected, your cashiers check or money order will be returned. Sealed bids will be opened and considered at least quarterly. For further information please contact the Knox County Appraisal District at the above address or phone: (940)459-3891.

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Grant Performance and Closeout
City of Munday
Contract No. 711529

The City of Munday will hold a public hearing at 6:30 PM, February 12, 2013, at the City Hall, for the purpose of reviewing its performance on a recently completed TxCDBG grant, Contract No. 711529. All citizens, particularly low and moderate income residents, are invited and encouraged to attend. Individuals with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact the City Hall at 940/422-4331 to arrange for assistance. Written comments will also be accepted at the City Hall prior to or during the meeting.

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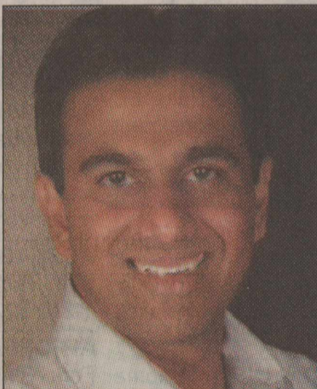


From left, Ryder Gude and Trey Tidwell.

World Trade Center survivor to speak at First Baptist Church

Special to the News-Courier

First Baptist Church is pleased to host Sujo John. Sujo will be here Sunday, Feb. 17 to share his testimony about September 11, 2001 at our 11:00 A.M and 6:00PM services.



SUJO JOHN

Sujo John was on the 81st floor of Tower 1 when the first airliner exploded into flames just above his office. Sujo, whose pregnant wife's office was in Tower 2, will recount the details of the incredible events he witnessed during his narrow escape from death. His inspiring story has been covered in the New York Times, The B.B.C. and the London Times, The 700 Club, TBN, Billy Graham Specials and other national and international media. Sujo has spoken nation-

wide and around the world to thousands since September 11, 2001. The City of New York had asked him to speak at the dedication of the memorial at Ground Zero on September 11, 2011.

Please come and hear the amazing testimony of Sujo John. If you have questions please call First Baptist Church at 422-4559.

Espinosa headed to Europe

For The Knox County News-Courier

Knox City High School student, Emily Espinosa, has been accepted into the People to People Student Ambassador Class of 2013. Emily will be taking an educational journey of a lifetime, experiencing the best of Western Europe in 20 days. The trip is scheduled some time in June.

President Dwight D. Eisenhower founded the People to People movement because he believed that ordinary citizens of different nations could solve their problems and live harmoniously with one another. Students will learn about new cultures, travel to new places, and forge new friendships.

Students will start off in London, exploring the home of Henry VIII, visiting Buckingham Palace, and the Tower of London. They will ride the world's largest Ferris wheels, the London Eye, and discuss politics with a representative from Parliament. They will then travel to France to honor the fallen at the Normandy American Cemetery, the last resting place of 9,386 young soldiers who were killed in 1944 during the Battle of Normandy, meet and talk with a surviving witness to World War II and receive an ambassadorial welcome from the mayor of Saint-Laurent-sur-Mer. In Paris they will see the city from the top of the Eiffel Tower.



EMILY ESPINOSA

Next on the itinerary is Bruges, Belgium where they will sample Belgian chocolate and see how Belgium waffles are made. The next stop is the Netherlands where they will learn about the life of Anne Frank. Then off to Germany to meet their host family. Here they will experience local life and culture with a German family who will graciously open their home and share their way of life as they dine on traditional foods, meet their friends and learn about their unique way of life.

Then they will travel to Switzerland to experience the art of cheese making, take a hike amidst the Swiss Alps and soar over a lake on a zip line. They will then wrap up their travels by ending it with a stay in Zurich, where they will participate in a scavenger hunt to learn about the city and the sights.

Emily has ideas for some fundraisers to help fund her trip.

Taylor County Sheriff's Deputy killed in crash

ABILENE - The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) was called to the scene of a two vehicle crash in Jones County. This crash occurred on U.S. Highway 83, one mile north of Abilene City Limits at 7 p.m. One person was killed and one person is injured.

David Lowewenstern was driving a 2004 Mack Truck (eighteen wheeler) from the east frontage road of U.S. Highway 83 at a crossover, attempting to cross the north bound lane and onto the south bound lane

toward Abilene, Texas. As he crossed, he stopped in the median to allow south bound traffic to clear, leaving the trailer in the north bound lane of travel. Taylor County Sheriff's Deputy Woodruff was driving a 2003 Ford Pickup north bound on the same highway and did not see the black trailer blocking the roadway in time to avoid the collision. The pickup struck the left tandems of the trailer.

DECEASED:

Taylor County Sheriff's Deputy William Woodruff W/M, 50 years of age from Anson, Texas was pronounced dead at the scene by Judge Geurnsey at 8:21 P.M. The body has been taken to Abilene Professional Services in Abilene, Texas.

INJURED:

Ann Marie Woodruff W/F, 6 years of age from Anson, Texas was taken to Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene, Texas. She is listed in critical condition. Anna is the granddaughter of William Woodruff.

VEHICLES INVOLVED:

1. 2003 Ford Pickup driven by Deputy William Woodruff of Abilene, Texas.

2. 2004 Mack Truck (TTST) driven by David Loewenstern W/M, 60 years of age from Abilene, Texas.

The weather was windy and the roadway was dry. This crash is under investigation by Texas Highway Patrol Corporal Chuck Wheeler.

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