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KC Juniors Participating in Leadership Program

By Geoff Baumgartner
 The Knox County News-Courier

The Knox County Visioning Group (KCVG) has put together three amazing teams to compete in a new leadership program piloted by the Texas Mid-west Community Network (TMCN). High school juniors, Joanna Trevino and Adrian Silva of Knox City have teamed up with mentors Gary and Amy Snabble. Elida Hernandez of Munday has teamed up with mentor Lina Trevino. These three students will complete a community project that makes them eligible to receive scholarships from TMCN in the fall. April 22 the teams completed their first leadership event in Abilene at Primetime Entertainment Center.

Tutt & Daggs, a leadership facilitator company out of Abilene, lead the teams in interactive learning experiments that drove home the message of leadership and engagement. They also discussed change and the challenges one can face when trying to make change in a community. They also learned how to find the "bright spots" in their communities.

The teams will gather again on September 23 to complete another day of leadership training.

Each student will be working on a community project throughout the summer and early fall. They will get guidance from their mentor and from the KCVG Director Jimi Coplen.



Photo submitted by Jimi Coplen/Special to the News-Courier

From left, Lina Trevino, Elida Trevino, Joanna Trevino, Amy Snabble, Gary Snabble, Adrian Silva all sit together at the Leadership Program's first event in Abilene.

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Knox Notes

Events are listed free of charge as a service by this newspaper for nonprofit groups, civic organizations, churches, schools and select community events. Listings should be submitted at least two weeks in advance and will run as often as possible through the date of the event. News staff does not guarantee placement of events. Emailed submissions are preferred to kcnewscourier@gmail.com.

Benjamin Clean-Up

The annual Benjamin Clean-up Day will be May 3. Participants are encouraged to meet at City Hall at 8 a.m. for work orders. Residents with large items to dispose of should call 459-3131 or 256-3962. Bring-your-own-lunch will be at noon at the park.

Pet Clinic

The annual reduced-cost pet vaccination clinic will be from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. May 3 at City Hall.

Basketball Tourney

3-on-3 Basketball Tournament - Saturday, May 3 - Event starts at 9 a.m. at the Knox City Gymnasium. Registrations taken that morning. Preregister by calling Jimi @ KCVG 940-459-4121. 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament with mens and women's teams. \$60 per team.

Relay for Life

Join us Saturday May 3rd at 2 p.m. at the Munday Track Field to enjoy a 12-hour, fun filled event that will be full of entertainment, games, activities, food, laughs, tears, hugs, families, friends, and lots of memories made. We will be honoring our Survivors and their Caregivers for their strength and courage and celebrate the fact that we are making progress in the battle against cancer. We will be remembering those we've lost, those still fighting and those who have fought cancer and won during the luminaria ceremony symbolizing the hope and perseverance with which we all continue to fight, and help us remember why we Relay. Every dollar you collect, every person you tell, and every step you take helps in the fight against cancer. Leann Harlan, memawharlan@yahoo.com.

Blood Drive

A blood drive will take place in Knox City on May 5. The Meek Blood Center bloodmobile will be parked at Knox County Hospital from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. Meek Blood Center supplies all of the blood used for patient care at Knox County Hospital. All of the blood donated at this blood drive will be used for patient care at hospitals in this area.

Corrections

*The deadline has passed for registration of any kind on line. They already have the t-shirts ordered.

*The Relay for Life is on Saturday, May 3, at 2 p.m. at the Munday Track. The Survivor Meal is also on Saturday, May 3.

If you spot an error of fact, contact Editor Wayne Hodgins at kcnewscourier@gmail.com.

News on the go



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Munday City Election quickly approaching

By Geoff Baumgartner
 The Knox County News-Courier

MUNDAY — The City of Munday's general election is rapidly approaching and on the ballot are several new candidates for City Alderman, as well as a proposed proposition for the improvement of city streets.

The candidates running for Munday City Alderman are as follows:

Wesley Glenn Crawford
 Trey Singleton
 Ryan Cottingham
 Karen Longan
 Kacy Latham

The proposition up for vote is Prop. No. 1 and it reauthorizes the use of local sales tax in the City of Munday at the rate of one fourth of one percent to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets.

One the ballot, a voter can either vote for or against Proposition No. 1.

The general election will be held on May 10 at Munday City Hall in the town square.

Relay for Life and 'Survivors Meal' unites champions

By Leann Harlan
 The Knox County News-Courier

MUNDAY — Please join us on Saturday, May 3, at 2 p.m. at the Munday Track Field for the annual Survivor Meal and Relay for Life events.

Enjoy a 12-hour fun-filled event that will be full of entertainment, games, activities, food, laughs, tears, hugs, families, friends and lots of memories. Participants will be honoring our survivors and their caregivers for their strength and courage and celebrate the fact that we are making progress in the battle against cancer.

Participants will be remembering those lost, those still fighting and those who have fought cancer and won during the luminaria ceremony. The ceremony symbolizes the hope and perseverance with which we all continue to fight, and help us remember why we relay. Every dollar you collect, every person you tell and every step you take helps in the fight against cancer. With Cinco de Mayo festivities in tow, this year's Relay for Life theme is "Loco for a Cure," and all events surrounding the race and fundraiser are geared along those lines.

Residents from Knox and Haskell counties have come together for Relay for Life events since 2008. Last year, more than \$36,000 was raised locally for the American Cancer Society, and about 200 residents from both counties came together in that effort. Much of this money has come back to Knox and Haskell counties.

Leann Harlan, this year's event chairwoman, said much of the money raised is returned to the communities to assist cancer patients with transportation to and from treatment centers, lodging expenses associated with overnight doctor's visits and services that provide accessories such as wigs and scarves for women negatively affected by chemotherapy treatment.

"This year, we're hoping to recognize and celebrate

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Rodeo



Photos by Geoff Baumgartner/The Knox County News-Courier

Members of the Pitchfork Ranch Rodeo team spring to action as the men attempt to compete in the Cow Milking event.



The opening ceremony on the second day commences as Munday Elementary Students hoist up their state and country's flag with pride. Even at a young age, Munday students know how to ride.



All of the competing teams are lined up in the center of the Rodeo Arena, right before the competition begins on April 26.

MVFD hosts Knox Prairie Ranch Rodeo

By Geoff Baumgartner
 The Knox County News-Courier

MUNDAY — The Seventh Annual Knox Prairie Ranch Rodeo took place last week in Munday and needless to say, the crowds showed up to demonstrate their support. The event was hosted by the Munday Volunteer Fire Department as a part of their fundraising efforts.

This event was a Ranch Rodeo, consisting of the activities performed on a ranch, such as the Cow Milking event, the Calf Roping event, and even Team Pinning. Other events, such as Bull Riding or Bucking Bronco Riding are typically seen at larger, more individually competitive rodeos.

Ranch Rodeos are seen as more of a team event,

because it is typically large ranches competing against one another, not just individuals for prize money and buckles. This Knox Prairie Ranch Rodeo truly brought the community together.

The contests were judged by Brand Cude as he was assisted by Jay Hart, Mike Stewart, and Justin Yates.

The team ranch winners of the competition are as follows:

First place winner was the Wines Ranch with 60 points.

Second place winner was Mule Creek Ranch with 58 points.

Third place winner was the Tub Handle Ranch with 55 points.

Fourth place winner was the Five Flat Ranch with 48 points.

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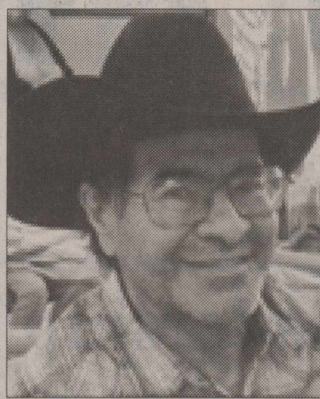
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Deaths

Jesse G. Dena

Jesse G. Dena, 57, passed away Tuesday, April 22, 2014 in Abilene. He was born January 12, 1957 in Mexico to Juan and Dolores Dena. Jesse and Diana Arismendez were married June 28, 1979 in Munday.

Jesse is survived by his wife Diana of Goree, two daughters; Rebecca and husband, Ismael Rodriguez of San Diego and Arica and husband, Brock Patera of Caldwell, Idaho, two sons; Mark and wife, Mandy Dena of Munday and David Dena of Georgia, four brothers; Jaime and wife



JESSE DENA

Maribel Dena of Houston, Isias and wife Shari Dena of Houston, David and wife, Magdalena Dena of Houston and Eli Dena of Hous-

ton, two sisters; Vera and Daniel Palomo of Grand Prairie, and Liz Dena of Abilene. Also, eight grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

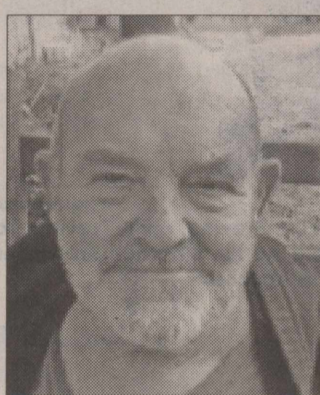
Visitation was held from 6-7 p.m., Thursday, April 24, 2014 at the funeral home. Services were at 2 p.m., Friday, April 25, 2014 at the First Baptist Church in Munday with Sonny Smart of Seymour officiating. Burial will follow in Johnson Memorial Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Smith Funeral Home of Munday.

Jimmy Luther (J.L.) Hunter

Jimmy Luther (J.L.) Hunter passed away Tuesday, April 22, 2014 at the age of 70. He was born March 10, 1944 in Knox County to J.E. and Gladys Hunter. He was a farmer most of his life.

J.L. was preceded in death by his father, J.E. Hunter and two sons; John David Hunter and Jimmy Paul Hunter.

Survivors include his mother; Gladys Hunter of Knox City, four daughters; Kathrine Hunter of Geor-



JIMMY HUNTER

gia, Jennifer and husband, Joel Martinez of Junction, Cindy Hunter of Aus-

tin, and Kristen Hunter of Huntsville, two grandchildren; Haley Martinez of San Marcus, and Drew Martinez of Junction, his companion; Pam Miller of Munday, one brother; Johnny Hunter of Knox City, and one sister; Judy Hunter of Cedar Hill.

A memorial service was held at 11 a.m., Saturday, April 26, 2014 at the first United Methodist Church in Munday under the direction of McCauley-Smith Funeral Home.

Menus: Week of May 5-9

Knox City-O'Brien Breakfast

Monday: Pork sausage biscuit or cereal bowl, toast, mixed fruit, juice, milk

Tuesday: Biscuits with sausage gravy or cereal bowl, toast, pears, juice, milk

Wednesday: Breakfast pancake wrap or cereal bowl with sausage, cinnamon apples, juice, milk

Thursday: Waffles with syrup or cereal bowl, toast, peaches, juice, milk

Friday: School holiday

Lunch

Monday: Spaghetti or antipasto salad with salami or bologna and cheese, corn, green beans, mixed fruit, slushy, milk

Tuesday: Corn dog or fajita chicken salad or turkey and cheese, carrots, pork and beans, fruit, slushy, milk

Wednesday: Chicken fajita tacos or garden pasta salad or ham and cheese, Mexicali corn, lettuce, cinnamon apple slices, slushy, milk

Thursday: Chicken tenders or zesty tuna salad or tuna salad, gravy mashed

potatoes, green beans, peaches, slushy, milk

Friday: School holiday

Munday Breakfast

Monday: Biscuits with sausage gravy, honey graham and applesauce, slushy, juice, milk

Tuesday: Cereal bowl with sausage, mixed fruit, slushy, juice, milk

Wednesday: Mini corn-dogs, honey graham, cinnamon apple slices, slushy, juice, milk

Thursday: Cereal bowl with sausage, pineapple, slushy, juice, milk

Friday: Pancakes with syrup, honey graham, peaches, slushy, juice, milk

Lunch

Monday: Lasagna or bologna and cheese, green peas, corn, apple, slushy, milk

Tuesday: Chicken fried steak or turkey and cheese, peppered gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, mixed fruit, slushy, milk

Wednesday: Crispy beef tacos or ham and cheese, Mexican style beans, lettuce, orange, slushy, milk

Thursday: Cheeseburger or tuna salad, carrots, lettuce, pineapple, slushy, milk

Friday: Pepperoni pizza or po-boy, tator tots, pork and beans, grapes, slushy, milk

Knox County Aging Center

Monday: Charbroil beef patty, peppers, onions, garlic, mashed potatoes, beets, bread, applesauce.

Tuesday: Polish sausage BBQ, pinto beans, coleslaw, cornbread, peaches

Wednesday: Beef taco bake, Spanish rice, cauliflower, tossed salad, country apple crisp

Thursday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, Italian vegetables salad, garlic toast, Jell-o

Friday: Hamburgers, potato wedge, tomato wedge salad, melon medley

Come eat with us and support your aging center program.

Please call in your orders by 10 a.m. to 657-3618. Orders can't be taken after 11 a.m. please pick up by 11 a.m.

Blood drive May 5 in Knox City

For The News-Courier

A blood drive will take place in Knox City on May 5. The Meek Blood Center bloodmobile will be parked at Knox County Hospital from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m.

Meek Blood Center supplies all of the blood used for patient care at Knox County Hospital. All of the blood donated at this blood drive will be used for patient care at hospitals in this area.

Volunteer blood donors play a vital role in the community by providing lifesaving blood transfusions to patients with many different medical conditions. The biggest user of blood and blood products are cancer patients who are undergoing chemotherapy treatment. While a cancer patient may require multiple units of blood at one time, as little as three teaspoons of blood can save the life of a premature baby.

Changes have been made to streamline the screening process and some previous restrictions regarding medical conditions and medications have been lifted. Those who have eligibility questions can speak with the Meek Blood Center supervisor at 325-670-2880.

Each donor will receive a T-shirt and a complimentary total cholesterol test.

Knox County Visioning Group to hold basketball tournament

By Geoff Baumgartner
The Knox County News-Courier

KNOX CITY – The Knox County Visioning Group will be putting on the 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament to raise funds.

The tourney will be taking place on May 3 at the Knox City gymnasium and will begin at 9 a.m. The tournament will be a three game elimination and will consist of four person teams. There will be men and women's categories and a \$60 dollar early registration fee.

Other businesses sponsoring the event are First Bank Texas in Munday, The Knox County Hospital District, The Circle Bar Ranch in Truscott, and Knox County Abstract Company Inc.

If you would like to register, please call 940-459-4121 or email kcvg@srcaccess.net.

Cattlemen's Column: Understanding We're All Connected When it Comes to Water Stewardship

By Richard Thorpe,
TSCRA First Vice President

It's been a big month for Mother Earth. We've celebrated Earth Day and this week we celebrate Soil and Water Stewardship Week. This week is designed to highlight the important connection between voluntary land stewardship and sustaining water availability—something that will only become more and more important as our state continues to grow.

Those of us who make a living off the land know that the way we manager our resources directly impacts the water resources that all Texans need.

This is a big responsibility and one we take very seriously, not only because it's the right thing to do, but because it's a part of the ranching heritage that has been passed down through generations.

We have two primary goals on my ranch. One is to show a profit. The other is to leave our natural resources in the best possible condition for the next generation. These are the same goals shared by my fellow landowners across this state. This is important because how we manage our resources in the country directly affects the amount of water available to those of you who live in the city.

When we effectively manage our land we increase its ability to absorb rainfall, replenish aquifers, and ensure that water drains slowly and steadily into springs, streams, rivers and lakes. Some ways of effectively doing this include prescribed grazing management, the use of cover crops, wildlife habitat enhancement and targeted removal of invasive brush species.

These management practices are efficient, cost-effective and sustainable, and they create more water for homes and businesses. So it's fitting, this week in particular, to understand the connection we all have when it comes to preserving and conserving our most valuable resource.

Those of us who farm and ranch the vast amount of private lands throughout our state will continue to do our part in order to keep Texas thriving for all of us.

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Benjamin News

By Gladene Green

After a terrible day of wind and dust, Monday has dawned clear and still. Hopefully that will be the way the entire day goes. We need a day or two of settled weather. The little bit of rain we got last week has caused the grass (and weeds) to grow and the lawn mowers and weed eaters have been humming around town. Everything looks pretty after a shower.

Regarding Our Ill

Barbara Ryder was in Lubbock Tuesday to have her arm (the one she broke) checked and the stitches from the surgery removed. She got that done but later in the week. She fell again and hurt the same arm! Didn't break anything, but bruised it pretty badly and it was still swollen Sunday. She said it hurts but she's sure thankful she didn't break another bone. Maybe her recuperation time won't be as long as with her other mishap.

Matt Tyson who lives in Lubbock will undergo back surgery this morning (Monday) in a Lubbock hospital. Matt has had trouble for a long time and this surgery is to relieve pressure on some discs that have caused his pain. He is the son of Amy and Vince Tyson and the grandson of Linda and Charles Griffith. Linda is in Lubbock with him and will stay a few days with him as he recuperates.

Sympathies Extended

My sincere sympathy to the family of Jessie Dena today. Jessie passed away early last week and his funeral was on Friday in Munday. He had been in failing health for quite some time and had been on dialysis for a good while. His death leaves a void in many lives and he will be missed by so many.

We learned last week also of the death of former Benjamin resident Gaye Neal. Gaye and her husband Larry and family lived here in the 80's and again in the late 90's. He was pastor of the First Baptist Church the first time they lived here. Gaye passed away in a nursing facility in the Metroplex after suffering a stroke several years ago. Her funeral was Friday in Marlowe, Okla. Of course, sincere sympathy goes to that family as well.

Here 'n There

Lonnie Bohannon of Abilene and Chase and Chance Bohannon of Eastland spent the weekend with their parents (and grandparents), Roger and Betty. Roger and Betty are having a roof replaced on their house and Lonnie was to help but the wind Sunday slowed that project down, considerably. The workers couldn't stay with it.

I had a nice visit with Eddie Martinez and his wife on Thursday night. He is a former Munday resident who now lives in California. They were in Texas to visit his sister Eva Flores and her husband, Joe in Knox City before going on to Austin to a niece's wedding. He said his sister-in-law, former Benjamin resident, Betty Escobar Martinez is not well at all. He has had lots of health problems and is now on dialysis. It was good to see him and catch up on what's going on in his life.

Charles Griffith, Commissioner of Precinct 2, was in San Angelo most of last week for a Judges' and Commissioners' conference.

Earlene Meinzer called on Wednesday and said she's looking forward to a visit from her daughter Patti and husband, Bob Tavernia in May. Patti and Bob come about once a year and she always enjoys that. They live in Maryland.

Carol Dickson seems to be doing pretty well. She's at the quilt shop almost every

day and that's a good sign that she's getting her strength back. That's great news!

Ronald and Verna Griffith, who live in Minnesota, have been in Texas several months, staying away from the cold weather of their state. They have visited here a good while but have also traveled around the state. They came back here last week and said they would be going home pretty soon. We always enjoy visiting them when they are here.

My daughter Diane and her family suffered lots of hail damage to their vehicles and home last Sunday. They live in Childress and she said their cars were not under a carport as they are rebuilding it. So needless to say, they took a big hit. The hail was from tennis ball to softball size and lasted about 25 minutes so that can do a lot of damage. She was just glad they were home. They had been here and had not been back in Childress long when that happened.

Jill Jackson along with some Munday friends attended a women's retreat at Glenrose during the weekend. They went with a group of women from Belt Way Baptist Church in Abilene.

Susan Spake was telling me that her daughter Jill and her husband, Todd Phillips would be graduating from West Texas A&M in Canyon in May. Jill will be getting her masters degree and he will be getting a degree in engineering. Jill and Todd will be moving to the Dallas area and Jill and her mom were in that area Saturday to look for suitable housing. She will be a teacher after graduation and he will be in the engineering field. Susan is a teacher here so we claim her (and Jim) as part "Benjamin-ites" though they live in Munday.

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

Debi and Mike Moorhouse were in Snyder Saturday for a party honoring granddaughter, Kaylie Rogers on her third birthday. Kaylie is the daughter of Michael and Lynn Moorhouse Rogers.

Betty Bohannon visited Mike Young Sunday at HMC in Abilene. She said he's doing well but still no word on when he may return home. He will have to have some more surgery before he is released. Just what kind, I'm not sure, but it has to do with the original surgery.

San Juana and Michael Gallegos of Munday have a new baby girl, Natalie, who was born April 22 in an Abilene hospital. They are all home now and doing well. San Juana and Michael are well known all over the area as they were employed at Bud's Café in Knox City for about 10 years; he as a cook and she as a cook/waitress. They have a little girl, Isabella, who is a little jealous of the new baby. She'll get over that being the only little one in the house and the center of attention all her life, then having another one come into the picture takes some getting used to. Isabella will be two in September.

Saturday, May 3 is City-Wide Cleanup day here in Benjamin. There's a lot of vacant places that need attention plus our own places probably could use a little "sprucin'" up. So grab a trash bag and get busy! Anything that is done will help. With homecoming just over a month away, we want the town to look good for our visitors. Lunch will be in the park at noon. It's always pot luck so bring yours and everyone can share. Not only is it a good time to get some work done, but also a good time to visit.

Gladene Green is the longtime Benjamin correspondent for the Knox County News-Courier.

The Paperboy Enemy of the State?

Republican or Democrat - Are you happy with our government?

Does it make you nervous that non-military/non-law enforcement employees of the government are armed and have their own SWAT teams?

Are you curious as to why the Bureau of Land Management wants 90,000 acres between Texas and Oklahoma?

Are you angry because of excessive spying on Americans by federal agencies and the fact the IRS has targeted non-profit organizations unfairly?

Does it trouble you that the mainstream media is in the pocket of the Obama Administration?

The questions above are legitimate. Our government will not allow us to properly secure our own borders, but will give government agencies enough guns, ammunition and drones to wipe out our own cities.

I did not sign up for this and it really scares the hell out of me.

Now, there are some people reading this, and many more around the country, that would view this as an extreme opinion. In fact, just writing what I've written, would earn me several labels in certain circles.

But which label fits?

Am I a racist? I don't feel I am. I have friends and family members of many races and I do not condone speech or action that reflects negatively on any race.

Am I a religious zealot? I'm a Christian man who sins just about every day in some way. I have a personal relationship with Jesus and I do ask for forgiveness out of necessity.

Am I a right-wing conservative or member of the Tea Party? No. I'm just a man who sees little attraction in any political party because I don't see much leadership.

So here we are. I've aired it out. I'm an angry American who is sick of being lied to and who has completely lost faith in our government.

I'm writing this because there are many of you who feel as I do and who probably also feel that we lack a voice. I'm also writing this to illustrate this point: I don't care about labels, opinions or the sheep who blindly follow leaders who do not produce the results we pay them for.

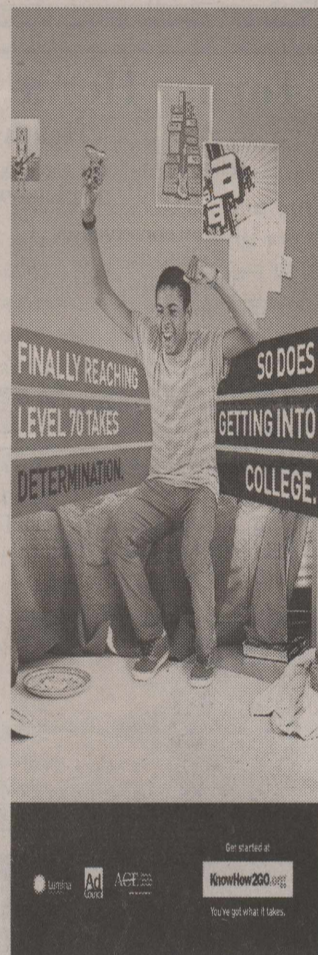
We are quickly approaching a time when America will officially be "fundamentally transformed" into something very unAmerican. In my opinion, it is a travesty.

Perhaps one day, when enough people wake up, we can once again feel like we have a Democracy that is of the people, for the people and by the people. But right now, we are a far cry from such a thing.

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

To: **IRIS AZUCENA LEDEZMA**, Respondent, and Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Petitioner's petition at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this citation, the same being Monday the 9th of JUNE, 2014 at or before 10 o'clock a.m., before the 50th District Court of Knox County, at the Courthouse in Benjamin, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed on FEBRUARY 26th 2014 in this case, numbered 9643 on the docket of said court, and styled **IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF**

JUAN CARLOS LEDEZMA
AND
IRIS AZUCENA LEDEZMA

AND IN THE INTEREST OF
LEONARDO GAEL LEDEZMA,
CHILD

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: **JUAN CARLOS LEDEZMA** is Plaintiffs and **IRIS AZUCENA LEDEZMA** are Defendants.

A brief statement of the nature of the suit is as follows, to-wit: **ORIGINAL PETITION FOR DIVORCE** as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Benjamin, Texas, on APRIL 28, 2014.



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The 501 Earth Day at the farm

Earth Day was last week. You knew that. I observed the special occasion by harnessing the power of wind and sun to dry clothes the natural way. I didn't really plan my clothes-drying experience to coincide with Earth Day. Sometimes things just work out. And yes, "harness" is probably too strong a word, but it's the kind of term that sounds right here on the farm.

Maybe it's a stretch to say hanging clothes outside does very much to save the earth from pollution, but I'm sure we saved electricity. Doesn't that count? And I felt closer to the earth. It was right under my

feet. If you're picturing me reaching up to hang everything on a clothesline, guess again. I pinned everything to the fence. The cows were somewhat puzzled, but they kept their distance. Not one long-horn got wrapped up in a sheet. If you're imagining a barbed wire fence, guess again. It was hogwire - smooth and sturdy net fencing that lends itself to drying stuff. Our regular clothesline got taken down last week to make way for some dead tree felling. Then we carried it off to measure the water column in the well. That clothesline is somewhere. Anyway, here's to hogwire.

Here's to dead trees too. They make perfect firewood for people who don't want to be responsible for the death of a living tree. Some folks I know who trim trees and sell firewood got a call from a woman who wanted a cord of wood made

from dead trees only. They obliged. If my husband and I can figure out a cost-efficient way to turn all the dead trees on this farm into firewood for that trending market, we'll make a fortune. I'm working already on the sales pitch: "No trees were harmed to make this product." You can't harm a dead tree, can you? I'm asking. Back to clotheslines and Earth Day. Why not make it a global day for people to dry their clothes outside? Drawback: People in the Southern Hemisphere, through no fault of their own, observe Earth Day in the fall. Spring is a more inspiring season for things like spring cleaning and hanging clothes outside to dry and beating rugs. Fall is when you get ready for winter and make sure you've got a big enough woodpile.

Obvious solution: Proclaim Earth Day a time for the top half of the earth to hang clothes outside and for the bottom half of the earth to cut firewood from trees that are already dead. You heard it first right here. By the way, how about rug beating? Do people anywhere still beat rugs? I've seen rug beaters only in classic cartoons. Usually somebody ends up using one on someone else instead of the rug. RUG BEATER RESEARCH PAUSE. Very good reading for anyone interested in rug beaters - even for anyone not interested in rug beaters - is the Wikipedia article on "carpet beater." I suspect it was translated from Polish. That's all folks!

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Photo by Sheri Baty/Special for the Knox News-Courier
 Newly inducted members of the Knox City High School Chapter of the National Honor Society are, from left: Makaylie Steele, Shailee Manning, Cheyanne Camp, Kylie Deville, Sheldon Baty and Ryan Heard.

KC sends athletes to State Meet

By Geoff Baumgartner
 The Knox County News-Courier

SAN ANGELO – Knox City varsity track and field teams competed in the Regional State qualifying meet last week and while several students placed high in certain heats, Knox City will still be sending several student athletes to the upcoming State Meet in Austin.

Girl's Results:

1600 Meter Run: Shailee Manning, eighth place.
 3200 Meter Run: Manning, sixth place.
 4x100 Meter Relay: Andrea Lynn, Zinzilly McCrary, Jordyn Eaton, and Essence Ward-eighth place.
 4x200 Meter Relay: Eaton, McCrary, Ward, and Caitlyn Baxter- second place.
 Long Jump: Kirstin Tuckness, ninth place.
 Triple Jump: Tuckness, eighth place. Ward,

16th place
 Shot Put: Makaylie Steele, seventh place.
 Discus: Eaton, eighth place.

Boys Results:

Long Jump: Jacoby Thomas, seventh place.
 Triple Jump: Thomas, sixth place.
 Shot Put: Krys Campos, ninth place.
 Discus: Eaton Tyllyne, first place.
 Knox City's 800 Meter Relay team earned third in state last year and are hoping to pass that success this year. Coach Jason Josselet is seeking the victory as well and has confidence in his girls.
 "I'm proud of all of our girls. We were hoping to be better in some areas, but it was a great experience. With our 800 relay, we'll be working hard to compete in Austin for the second straight year. I'm proud of the work these girls have put in, and I'm excited about their opportunity to run at the state track meet," said Josselet.

KCHS inducts new members into NHS

By Geoff Baumgartner
 The Knox County News-Courier

KNOX CITY — The Knox City High School chapter of the National Honor Society has inducted several new students into the group. KCHS students Makaylie Steele, Shailee Manning, Cheyanne Camp, Kylie Deville, Sheldon Baty, and Ryan Heard were all recently included into the local chapter of this national group.

This is a very distinguished organization and selection is based on four criteria: scholarship, leadership, service, and character. The NHS requires some sort of service to the community, school, or

other organizations. The projects help students meet the required service hour total monthly.

The National Honor Society was founded in 1921 by the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

National Honor Society groups are commonly active in community service activities both in the community and at the school. Many chapters maintain a requirement for participation in such service activities.

In addition, NHS chapters typically elect officers, who, under the supervision of the chapter adviser, coordinate and manage the chapter as a student organization.



Photo by Sheri Baty/The News-Courier
 Jordyn Eaton, Zinzilly McCrary, Caitlyn Baxter, and Essence Ward stand on the regional platform with their silver medals for earning second place in the 800 Meter Relay. The team earned third at the event in the State Meet last year, and is hoping to surpass that success this year.



Photo by Sheri Baty/The News-Courier
 Tyllyne Eaton stands atop the winner's podium in the first place position wearing his gold medal for placing first in the Regional State qualifying meet. Eaton is attempting to win the state event this year; he earned third in the State Discus event last year.

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Nine new members for Munday NHS

For The News-Courier

Munday High School's National Honor Society, local chapter of the NHS, held its induction ceremony on Monday, April 28 at 6 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Nine new members join the current 15 members into this select group. The National Honor Society is the nation's premier organization, established to recognize outstanding high school students. More than just an honor roll, NHS serves to honor those whose students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of: Scholarship, Leadership, Service and character.

These characteristics have been associated with membership in the organization since its beginning in 1921. Today,

it is estimated that more than one million students participate in activities of the NHS. Chapter membership not only recognizes students for their accomplishments, but challenges them to develop further through active involvement in school activities and community service. New members include: Kathryn Cude, Skylar Gomez, Alexis Nunez, Kamille Redder, Kimberly Shahan, Taylor Thompson, Grace Tidwell, Ana Vega, and Brenley Waters. Current members are seniors: Tatum Bufkin, Rylie Decker, Haley Ericson, Yadi Gonzalez, Kelsie Hobert, Mariela Jasso, Tiffany Serrato, Trey Tidwell, Mayte Torres and Kaylan Urbanczyk. Junior members are: Raci Dillard, M'Kayla Ericson, Mitchell Lowrance, Janie Salinas, and Rebecca Serrato.

UIL



MHS photo for The News-Courier
 UIL District place winners from Munday High School are, front row: M'Kayla Ericson - 1st place Prose; Raci Dillard - 1st place Poetry; Kathryn Cude - 3rd place Computer Applications; back row: Haley Ericson - 4th Ready Writing and Kamille Redder - 5th Spelling Advancing to regionals: M'Kayla, Raci, Kathryn, and Haley. Regional UIL Academic Meet will be held on the campus of ACU in Abilene on May 3.

Munday qualifies several for State Meet

By Geoff Baumgartner
 The Knox County News-Courier

ABILENE — Munday's varsity Mogul and Mogulette teams competed in the UIL Regional Track Meet last week at Abilene Christian University, and while only L.J. Collier progressed on the boy's side, several girls qualified for the upcoming State Meet.

Collier won the shot put with a throw of 54' and also won the gold in the discus with a 194'-2" throw. LJ's discus throw set a new MHS school record, breaking his own previous record, and a new record for the regional track meet at Abilene Christian by over 20 feet.

In addition to Collier, Mogulette's Janie Salinas, Kaylan Urbanczyk, and Raci Dillard will all be progressing to the state meet. The State Meet will be in Austin from May 9-10.

Girl's Results:

3200 Meter Run: Janie Salinas, second place.
 1600 Meter Run: Salinas, sixth place.
 300 Meter Hurdle: Kaylan Urbanczyk, fifth place.
 Shot Put: Raci Dillard, second place.
 Pole Vault: Urbanczyk, second place.

Boy's Results:

Shot Put: L.J. Collier, first place
 Discus: Collier, first place.

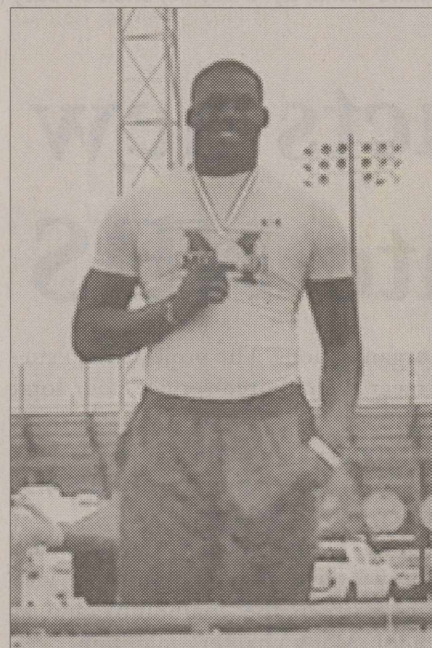


Photo by Janet Dillard/Special to the News-Courier
 L.J. Collier grips his shiny new gold medal that he won at the Regional Track Meet at Abilene Christian University. In addition to the Shot Put event, Collier also won the Discus event at the regional meet this year. Collier, having won second place in State in Discus last year, is a favorite to win the whole thing this year.



Photo by Janet Dillard/Special to the News-Courier
 Raci Dillard, Kaylan Urbanczyk, and Janie Salinas smile and proudly wear their medals as they will all be heading into the UIL state track meet in Austin on May 9-10. They were the only Mogulette state qualifiers this year.

Coins for a Cure



MES photo for the News-Courier
 Munday Elementary Students' the Coins for a Cure event raised \$1,011.86 in one week for the Knox/Haskell County Relay for Life. The fourth grade raised \$267.60 and were treated to a coke float party on Friday and all of the students were given popsicles. The Knox/Haskell County Relay for Life organization expressed their gratitude for the students' efforts.

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Munday AR Winners



5th six weeks AR Winners: Kameron Redder, Reymie Monasterio, Trevana Dennis, Aaron Quintero, Gabie Castorena (not pictured)

Munday Perfect Attendance



5th Six weeks Perfect Attendance winners: Arturo Ramos, Manny Nunez, Bruno Perez, John Mendez, Rolando Perez, Carlie Willison, Ella Johnson, Lynn Strebeck

Munday 5th Six Weeks Honor Roll

A Honor Roll

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Ann'Elyse Clark
Talan Collins
Campbell Corcoran
Eryn Cottingham
Alexis Garcia
Kierslynn Myers

Grade 2

Melissa Carmona
Kyson Latham
Caramey Ledezma
Dalaney Leija
Kayton Shahan
D'Keydren Toliver

Grade 3

Jaxon Bowman
Dustin Cottingham
Hunter Jagers
Conner Moore
Stephanie Scott
Brice Thompson
Cheney Thompson

Grade 4

Karley Myers
Andrea Nunez
Elli Oustad

Justin Tidwell
Allie Willison

Grade 5

Destyn Mauldin
Carlie Willison

Grade 6

Emily Cottingham
Bryanne Cude
Evan Hunter
Madelyn Mendoza
Isabella Nunez
Karsyn Sanders
Sydney Thompson

A-B Honor Roll

Grade 1

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Itxel Davila
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Natalie Garcia
Bayley Lyles
Zenaída Nunez,
Aaron Quintero
Jacob Ramos
Connor Willison
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Daniela Nunez
Brooklyn Rodriguez

Grade 3

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Bryson Wilson

Grade 4

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Chris Rodriguez
Corbin Rogers
Julie Valk

Grade 5

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Jonah Hernandez
Claire Redwine
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Alexa Vega

Grade 6

Zoe Harris
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Ryleigh Waters

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES AND PUBLIC GROUPS:

As provided by the state environmental review process adopted in the permanent rules of the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) 31 Texas Administrative Code §371, subchapter E, for projects to be funded through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program and consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S. Code §4321, et seq., the Executive Administrator of the Board has determined that the proposed action identified below may be exempted from formal environmental review requirements:

City of O'Brien, Haskell County, Texas
Water System Upgrades
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This decision is allowed because the specified project elements should not entail significant adverse impacts to the quality of the human environment. Documentation supporting this determination is on file at the TWDB.

This determination shall be revoked if it is found that:

- (1) because of changes in the project the proposed actions no longer correspond to the description provided above;
- (2) the project may have significant adverse environmental effects; or
- (3) Federal, State, or local laws are being or may be violated by implementation of this project.

The project also must comply with the following standard emergency conditions:

- Standard emergency condition for the discovery of cultural resources; and,
- Standard emergency condition for the discovery of threatened and endangered species.

Comments regarding this determination may be submitted to the Director of Regional Water Planning and Development, Texas Water Development Board, P.O. Box 13231, Austin, Texas 78711-3231.

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QUANAH, TX. – You may have watched “Survivor,” or “The Hunger Games,” but can you survive the Copper Breaks? You can take that challenge on Saturday, May 10, 2014, from 10 am to 2 pm.

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After the games, you can join in the Meet the Longhorns program at 2:00 p.m. and then you

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Staples sends letter to BLM urging fed to halt attempt to seize private land from Texans

The Honorable Neil Kornze
Director
Bureau of Land Management
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C Street NW, Rm. 5665
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Director Kornze:

I am extremely alarmed by recent reports the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) may lay claim to an estimated 90,000 acres of land along a 116 mile stretch of the Red River. The possible federal takeover and ownership of privately-held lands is outrageous. These lands have been the deeded property of Texas landowners for generations. I strongly encourage your agency to immediately cease any attempt to seize these private lands from Texas citizens, as well as clarify BLM intentions for developing the Resource Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement, and work to conduct extensive outreach to landowners and stakeholders in the area.

Regarding BLM's intent to conduct a cadastral survey along a 116 mile stretch of the Red River, BLM already has on file numerous cadastral surveys that delineate the Oklahoma-Texas border pursuant to the U.S. Supreme Court decision in Oklahoma v. Texas 260 U.S. 606 (1923). In October 2000, House Joint Resolution 72 was signed into law ratifying the Red River Boundary Compact agreed upon by Texas and Oklahoma, and setting the Red River boundary at the vegetation line on the south bank.

These facts bring me to the inescap-

able conclusion that BLM does not have a legitimate claim to private lands on the Texas side of the border.

Federal confiscation of these lands would have a severe negative economic impact on our state. Using data from the U.S. and State-Level Farm Income and Wealth Statistics prepared by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service, our agency calculates the federal acquisition of 90,000 acres of privately-owned agricultural land along the Red River would result in an estimated \$14 million in lost revenue annually with an economic impact of more than \$74 million. Over 20 years, the lost income would total approximately \$420 million with a total economic loss of \$2.2 billion.

Texas has thrived under the faithful stewardship of private landowners. In fact, ninety-five percent of Texas' land is privately-owned, while many western states have a vast majority of their land owned by the federal government. Losing private land to the federal government in such a manner is nothing short of an illegal land seizure that runs contrary to the rule of law and our bedrock respect for private property rights.

Again, I urge BLM to halt any attempt to seize these private lands from Texas citizens, clarify BLM intentions for developing the Resource Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement, and work to conduct extensive outreach to landowners and stakeholders in the area.

Sincerely yours,
Todd Staples

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the lives of even more survivors in our community during our special Survivor Dinner, Survivor Lap and Luminaria ceremonies," said Harlan, who is being assisted by 17 other volunteers.

This year's Relay for Life will be organized differently

These leadership skills will equip them to be future leaders in college, in the workplace and in their communities. There are scholarships up for grabs upon completion of these projects. Each team is competing independently and there are 12 teams total around the region involved in the program. The KCVG is working in partnership with the Knox County Extension Service

who received a grant to help pay for a portion of this program. They are also working in partnership with the Knox City ISD and the Munday CISD.

"It takes several people to make this program successful. We want these students to have a great experience, learn some leadership skills, and make an impact on the future of Knox County," said Jimi Coplen, KCVG Director.

than in year's past. Instead of an eight-hour event, the committee has extended fundraising to a 12-hour event.

Harlan said Relay for Life events can range from eight to even 24 hours long.

"We will once again join with our friends and neighbors whose lives have been affected by cancer to take turns walking a track for 12 continuous hours," Harlan said. "The transition from day

to night and walker to walker represents the arduous journey through cancer treatment, reminding us that while cancer never sleeps, we are always there with our loved ones to walk beside them in the darkest moments."

Relay for Life event will be from 2 p.m. to 2 a.m. May 3-4 at the Munday High School track.

The public is invited to attend.

TxDOT campaign urges motorcycle caution

AUSTIN — In an effort to reverse a 5-percent year-over-year increase in motorcycle crash fatalities, the Texas Department of Transportation is launching its month-long "Share the Road: Look Twice for Motorcycles" campaign. Starting May 1, the campaign will coincide with the first day of national Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month.

"Drivers who hit motorcyclists often say they never saw them," said John Barton, TxDOT deputy executive director. "Our roads in Texas are crowded, so we all have to stay alert and be on the lookout for motorcyclists. For those driving cars and trucks, we urge you to check your mirrors, leaving extra room and use turn signals in order to prevent crashes and save lives."

In Texas last year, crashes killed 494 motorcyclists. That is up from 470 motorcycle-related deaths in 2012. Because 4,339 motorcycle crashes in Texas last year involved at least one other vehicle, TxDOT is asking drivers to look twice, leave plenty of space and use signals before making lane changes. About one-third of these deadly crashes happen at intersections where cars and motorcycles meet.

To help raise awareness, TxDOT is hosting dramatic motorcycle processions across the state featuring the Texas Patriot Guard Riders, who will carry eye-catching, yellow-and-black flags emblazoned with specific safety messages. The volunteer riders usually attach American flags



to their motorcycles while taking part in funeral processions for fallen soldiers, law enforcement officers and emergency workers.

Additionally, TxDOT has added a new request to drivers — "Look Twice for Motorcycles" and count them. This strategy for saving lives is based on travel games like "Slug Bug." People who have played Slug Bug still take notice when they see a Volkswagen Beetle on the road. In the same way, counting motorcycles will condition Texans to look out for drivers on two wheels. Kids can play along with a downloadable game sheet.

The "Share the Road" campaign will appear at events around the state, inviting visitors to have their photo taken on a stationary motorcycle in a virtual reality setting. Those who participate can sign a pledge to share the road and look twice for motorcycles, and also earn the chance to win a donated prize such as tickets to local events.

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR TPDES PERMIT FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. WQ0010416001

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. City of Knox City, 902 East Main Street, Knox, Texas 79529, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of TPDES Permit No. WQ0010416001, which authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 200,000 gallons per day. TCEQ received this application on September 12, 2013.

The facility is located approximately 0.5 mile north of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 143 and State Highway 6, on the eastern bank of China Branch in Knox County, Texas 79529. The treated effluent is discharged to China Branch; thence to the Brazos River Above Possum Kingdom Lake in Segment No. 1208 of the Brazos River Basin. The unclassified receiving water use is minimal aquatic life use for China Branch. The designated uses for Segment No. 1208 are high aquatic life use and primary contact recreation. All determinations are preliminary and subject to additional review and/or revisions.

The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The Executive Director has made a preliminary decision under this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, Executive Director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Knox City Hall, Front Desk, 902 East Main Street, Knox City, Texas. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=33.424166&lng=-99.821944&zooom=13&type=1>

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

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

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

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

The Commission will only grant a contested case hearing on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised in timely filed comments that were not subsequently withdrawn. **TCEQ may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The Executive Director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the Executive Director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and request to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

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

All written public comments and public meeting requests must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Public Education Program, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.TCEQ.texas.gov.

Further information may also be obtained from City of Knox City at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Sam Watson, City Administrator, at (940) 658-3313.

Issuance Date: April 4, 2014

UNITED WE STAND

AN ORDER CALLING A REGULAR ELECTION IN THE CITY OF MUNDAY ON MAY 10, 2014 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FILLING THREE VACANCIES ON THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN FOR FULL TERMS

Section 1. An election is hereby ordered to be held on May 10, 2014 for the purpose of:

Holding a regular election to fill three vacancies on the Board of Aldermen of the City of Munday, such vacancies having been caused by:
Expiration of terms

Section 2. This order for the special election is adopted not later than the seventy first (71st) day before the election day.

Section 3. This election will fill vacancies for full terms which will both expire in May 2016.

Section 4. That early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted each weekday at Munday City Hall 121 E. Main Munday, Texas 76371 between the hours of 8 A.M. and 5 P.M. beginning on Monday April 28, 2014 through Tuesday May 6, 2014 except that on, May 1, 2014 and May 2, 2014 early voting shall be conducted from 7 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Polling places for election precincts are as follows:

Precinct #301: Munday City Hall 121 E Main Munday, Tx 76371
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Section 5. Applications for ballot by mail and completed ballots shall be mailed to:

Bianca Harrimon
Early Voting Clerk
121 E. Main PO Drawer 39
Munday, TX 76371

Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on Thursday May 1, 2014.

Section 6. First day to file an application for a place on the ballot is January 29, 2014.

The deadline for filing an application for a place on the ballot is February 28, 2014.

ISSUED THIS THE 14th DAY OF JANUARY 2014.

Robert Bowen

Mayor Robert Bowen

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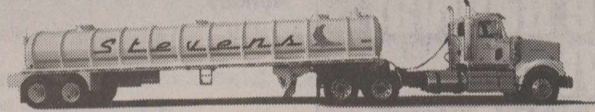
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Contest winner



Photo by Geoff Baumgartner/The Knox County News-Courier
Maria Sanchez (middle left) stands with her daughters Crystal (left) and Cielo (right). Cielo won the Knox City Lawrence Brothers coloring contest this year. General Manager Jaime Lopez (far right) awards Cielo with her \$50 gift certificate to the store while Store Manager Mary Tatum (far left) smiles on.

Memorial Golf Tournament



Courtesy photo for The News-Courier
The 31st Kiwanis Donny Doster Memorial Golf Tournament was held at the Stamford Country Club April 26-27. Top: Winning second place in the first flight were, from left, Wes Crawford, Gary Crawford and Kevin Smith, all from Munday. Bottom: tying for second place in the second flight were Micah Yates (front), Josh Myers (back left) and Cody West (right), all from Munday.

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Pam Miller, the "floozy" of J. L. (Jimmy) Hunter would like to express unbounded gratitude to the community of Munday. J.L.'s family, friends and neighbors as well as the EMS crews for everything done to ease the situation.

We will deeply miss his smile, his laugh, and wicked humor.

Much love to everyone...

Pam Miller