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Supreme Court OKs Texas' voter ID law

WASHINGTON, DC—The Supreme Court will allow Texas to use its stricter ID law for the Nov. 4 election. The unsigned order offered no explanation for its action, but appears to be based on views that changing the rules so close to an election would be confusing.

The U.S. Fifth Court of Appeals in New Orleans had ruled a few days earlier that dropping the ID requirements days before an election would "substantially disrupt the election process."

Prior to that, a U.S. district judge based in Corpus Christi blocked the law, calling it an "unconstitutional burden on the right to vote."

Texas has already used the new law in several low-turnout elections, but not one that included a race for governor like this time.

Voters will be required to show one of the following kinds of photo ID: a Texas driver's license, a U.S. passport, a state-issued ID card, a state-issued election certificate, a Texas concealed handgun license or a citizenship certificate with a photo from the federal government.

The Republican majority in the Texas Legislature passed the law, considered the toughest of its kind, in 2011 and it went into effect on June 25, 2013, the same day the U.S. Supreme Court watered down the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, requiring Texas and other states with long histories of racial discrimination to get federal or court approval of new election laws.

A year earlier, a three-judge federal court in the nation's capital had denied Texas the authority to enforce its voter ID law, ruling the measure had a discriminatory intent against racial minorities for whom getting photo identification is difficult. The Justice Department estimates that the 600,000 Texans, mostly blacks and Hispanics, lack the proper IDs, but the Texas Attorney General said this number was way off.

Republicans say the voter ID laws are necessary to reduce voter fraud while democrats contend such cases are rare and that they keep eligible voters away from the polls.

Early voting started last Monday and continues through Oct. 31. The general election will be Nov. 4.

Knox voters will elect judge, county clerk

Voters in Knox County will be voting Nov. 4, or earlier at the courthouse in Benjamin, on state races plus two contested positions in the county and two in the precincts.

Democrat Charles Griffin of Benjamin, currently a commissioner, will go up against republican incumbent Travis Floyd of Munday for county judge and longtime county and district court clerk Annette Offutt, democrat from Munday, will be challenged by deputy clerk Lisa Cypert, republican from Munday.

In Precincts 201 and 202, republican Daniel Godsey of Knox City, a former commissioner, is matched against democrat Kim Sealey of Benjamin while in Precinct 401, voters will choose between republican Nathan Urbanczyk of Goree and democrat Robert Bowen of Munday.

Rosie Ake of Munday and Augustin (Augie) Rodriguez of Knox City are running unopposed as county treasurer and justice of the peace, respectively.

In Precincts 201 and 302, there will be a separate ballot for voters in Truscott and Vera to cast ballots to ratify the Crowell ISD's adopted tax rate of 1.17.

USDA snag could affect cotton acres

LUBBOCK--Because of a delay in implementing a provision in the farm bill, cotton growers here in Texas, plagued by a drought for many years, may plant fewer acres next season.

The U.S. Agriculture Department planned to calculate production yields for all commodities by county in time for 2015, but recently the department's Risk Management Agency indicated it can't do it until the 2016 crop.

this means the amount of crop insurance available will be reduced because growers will not be able to exclude years caused by the drought.

While other commodity producers have other lawyers of financial protection, cotton growers are expected to be the hardest hit by the delay.

The RMA cited staffing challenges for its failure to do the county calculations, but did add that the farm bill did allow some of the work to be done by outside contractors.



Purple Cloud band receives 1 rating

WICHITA FALLS—The Munday Purple Cloud band, under the direction of Trey Singleton, received a 1 rating from the judges for its Trail of Tears performance here Saturday at Memorial Stadium in the UIL Regional Marching.

"The kids did a fantastic job," Singleton said. "It's hard going first, but they stepped up to the challenge and set the bar high for the rest of the bands. They put in a lot of hard work to prepare. I'm really proud of them."

The Munday band did get a helping hand from the composer Barry Hurt, a retired band director who now lives in

Colorado. Singleton mentioned that Hurt came to Munday and worked with the kids earlier in October. "They were really excited to meet the composer."

Trail of Tears depicts the events of when the different tribes of Indians were relocating to the Indian Territory, featuring Native American music. The band also does the program at football games.

This is a year when bands from Class A and AA do not advance, but the good news is that a pilot program was OKed Monday in Austin by the UIL Legislative Council for Class A schools to compete separately from Class 2A in 2015.

UIL adds fourth team to playoffs

AUSTIN—The UIL Legislative council passed an amendment on Monday that will give Class 2A four playoff teams in all sports beginning in 2015-16.

"If we're going to have three, we might as well have four," said Munday Athletic

Director Patrick Corcoran, indicating the difference would be that district champions wouldn't get a first-round bye.

The current class 4A and 3A districts moved to this format earlier.

Munday OKs pay hike plus two ordinances

By James McAfee
The Knox County News-Courier

MUNDAY—The City of Munday approved a 2.5 % pay increase, minimum of 30 cents per hour, for all city employees starting Dec. 1 and OKed new ordinances for dogs and cats and for the use of golf carts in town during its meeting last Tuesday night.

The only change in the dogs and cats ordinance involved eliminating the word "serious" body injury under the definition of dangerous, meaning now that any kind of injury could warrant action against the owners or the animals.

Golf carts must be equipped with the following: a slow moving vehicle sign on the back and a bicycle safety flag—a minimum of seven feet from ground level—plus adequate brakes and mirrors. They can't be operated on sidewalks and on Highways 277 and 222 except to cross them. They can only be used during daylight hours,

can not exceed 25 mph or violate vehicle traffic laws. Owners and operators must obtain a permit from the city at a cost of \$15 a year and possess a valid driver's license. The permit must be displayed on the cart. Fines, not to exceed \$250, will be issued for violations, including ones to any owner, parent or guardian who allows an underage driver to operate the cart.

The council members discussed the dumping problem at the recycling location and decided that only cardboard will be accepted for the next 90 days. "It's a mess down there now," said city administrator Ricky Ake. "Until the public decides to cooperate, it's not going to work." He also noted that "no dumping" signs and a camera will be used as enforcement aids.

The council members also approved paying off the current Certificate of Obligation early, saving \$450 in interest.

The council members discussed an extension of the contract for Ake, but took no action.

Sports Calendar

Thursday, Oct. 23
Munday 7/8 football at Petrolia, 5 p.m.
Munday JV football at Petrolia, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 24
Munday varsity football vs. Petrolia, 7 p.m.
Knox City varsity football vs. Aspermont, 7:30 p.m.
Benjamin JH football at Harrold, 5:30 p.m.

Benjamin varsity football at Harrold, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 25
Knox City volleyball at Woodson, 10 a.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 28
Munday 9/JV, varsity volleyball vs. Albany, 4 p.m.

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.

Kiss the Pig contest
MUNDAY—Munday students are being asked to vote for who they want to see "kiss the pig" in a fundraiser for the Susan G Komen Foundation with the announcement scheduled for Friday's pep rally at 2:50 p.m.

Fall Festival Saturday
KNOX CITY—The Knox City PTO Fall Festival is scheduled from 4-30-7:30 p.m. Saturday in the Knox City High School Gym. Arm bands for unlimited play will cost \$10. Individual games cost 25 cents.

Blood drive Monday
MUNDAY—The American Red Cross will offer a blood donation opportunity from 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Monday at Munday High School. All donors in October will be entered in a drawing for a \$5,000 VISA gift card, courtesy of Suburban Propane.

Knox City Halloween
KNOX CITY—Knox City announced plans for children to do trick or treating on Friday, Oct. 31, the actual day to celebrate Halloween.

Munday Halloween
MUNDAY—Munday announced that trick or treating in the city will be moved to Saturday, Nov. 1 to avoid a conflict with the football game against Seymour.

Benjamin Halloween
BENJAMIN—Benjamin has announced that trick or treating will remain on Halloween night, Friday, Oct. 31.

Cemetery donations
MUNDAY—Shirley Smith is seeking donations to help with maintenance at the Johnson Memorial Cemetery. Send to PO Box 475, Munday, TX 76371.

Turkey Trot
Runners thinking of entering the Community Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving Day need to be making preparations. Cash prizes will be given in six divisions—overall male and female, 12-18 boy and girl and 12 and under boy and girl.

Corrections

If you spot an error of fact, contact kcnewscourier@gmail.com.

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Knox 4-H Club elects new officers

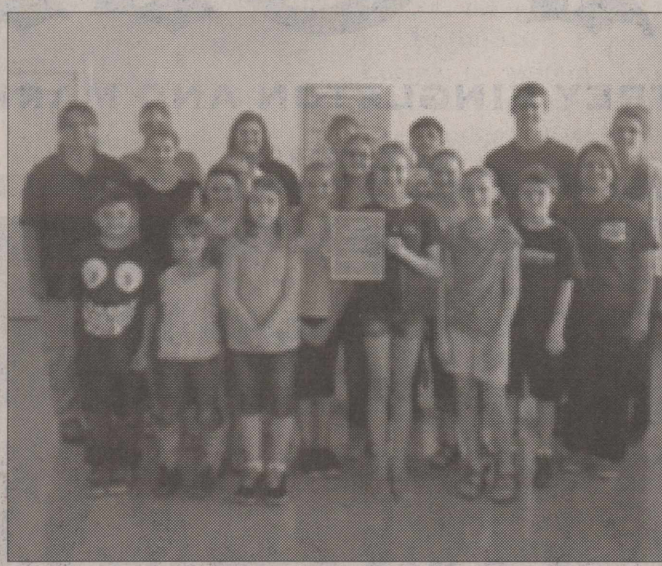
By CORRIE EARTHMAN
Knox County 4-H reporter

The 4-H year is back in full swing here in Knox City!

The first meeting of the Knox County 4-H Club was held at the United Methodist Church in Knox City with the following officers elected: Kathryn Cude, president, Ryan Earthman, Knox City vice president; Grace Tidwell, Munday vice president; Shawn Earthman, Secretary; Josiah Coplen, health and safety officer; McKayla Coplen, historian; and Corrie Earthman, reporter.

The annual Little Caesars Pizza Fundraiser is under way, so residents should watch for 4-Hers selling pizza, cookie dough, and more. The money goes to the club so that it can send members to leadership camps, buy club T-shirts and give awards at the end of the year.

A Food and Nutrition workshop was held last Wednesday at the courthouse in Benjamin. Future



Members of 4-H practice for Food Challenge

Food and Nutrition activities were discussed and Global Hand Washing Day was observed.

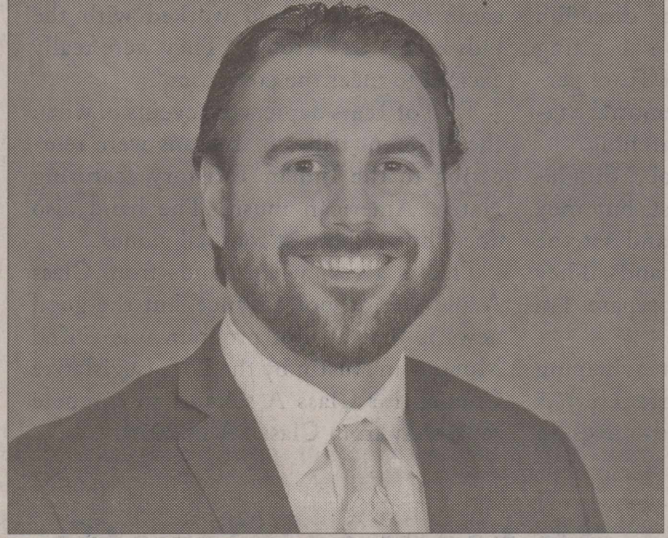
The 4-H members practiced for the Food Challenge, a 4-H competition where teams are given a mystery sack of ingredients that they must use to create a dish. They must prepare a dish and fill out a form with nutrition questions with only 40 minutes on the clock. Afterward, the team must present what they

made to the judges. All of this must be completed as a team, which is part of the challenge. Sixteen 4-Hers practiced together making applesauce pancakes.

"It was educational, challenging and fun, which is what it's all about!"

If you are interested or have questions about the Knox County 4-H Club, please contact the Extension Office at: (940)-459-2651

Chiropractic care



Dr. Ryan Bailey will be seeing patients the first three Tuesdays of each month at the Stamford Memorial Hospital, offering chiropractic services.

School Menus

Knox City-O'Brien CISD
School menus Oct. 27-31

Breakfast
(milk and juice included daily)
Monday: Biscuits w/sausage & gravy or Fruit Loops cereal bowl, toast, apple, pears.
Tuesday: Cinnamon toast w/sausage or Lucky Charms cereal bowl w/sausage, watermelon, mixed fruit.
Wednesday: Mini corndogs or Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal bowl, toast, orange, pineapple.
Thursday: Pancakes w/syrup or Cocoa Puffs cereal bowl w/sausage, red applesauce, grapes.
Friday: Cinnamon roll w/sausage or Trix cereal bowl, toast, cinnamon apples, banana.

Lunch
(lunches include slushy and milk)
Monday: Italian lasagna or antipasto salad or energy meal w/bologna & cheese, green peas, corn, apple, pears.
Tuesday: Chicken fried steak or fajita chicken salad or energy meal w/turkey & cheese, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, watermelon, mixed fruit.
Wednesday: Crispy beef taco or garden pasta salad or energy meal w/ham & cheese, Mexican style beans, lettuce, pineapple, orange.
Thursday: Cheeseburger or zesty tuna salad or energy meal w/tuna salad, glazed carrots, lettuce, fresh grapes, red applesauce.
Friday: Pizza or chef salad or energy meal w/po boy sandwich, tater tots, pork & beans, banana, cinnamon apples.

Munday CISD
School menus Oct. 27-31

Breakfast
(slushy, juice and milk included)
Monday: Biscuit w/sausage gravy, Fruit Loops, fresh apple, majestic pearst, honey graham.
Tuesday: Cinnamon toast w/sausage, Lucky Charms w/sausage, fresh watermelon, mixed fruit.
Wednesday: Mini corndogs, Cinnamon Toast Crunch, fresh orange, pineapple tidbits, honey graham.
Thursday: Pancake w/syrup, Cocoa Puffs w/sausage, fresh grapes, strawberry applesauce.
Friday: Cinnamon roll w/sausage, Trix, fresh banana, cinnamon apple slices, honey graham.

Lunch
(green apple slushy and milk included)
Monday: Classic Italian lasagna or energy meal w/ bologna & cheese, sweet corn, green peas, fresh apple, majestic pears.
Tuesday: Chicken fried steak or energy meal w/turkey & cheese, peppered gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, mixed fruit, fresh watermelon.
Wednesday: Crispy beef tacos or energy meal w/ham & cheese, pinto style beans, lettuce topping, fresh orange, pineapple tidbits.
Thursday: Cheeseburger or energy meal w/tuna salad, glazed carrots, lettuce topping, fresh grapes, strawberry applesauce.
Friday: Pepperoni pizza or energy meal w/Po Boy, sweet tater tots, pork & beans, fresh grapes, cinnamon apple slices.

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*Member of local draft board
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*Member Knox County Livestock Board
*Knox County Commissioner, Pct. 2
*Knox County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1

Family
Married to Linda Hawkins, May 1964
Three daughters and sons-in-law, 10 grandchildren

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2013-2014 School FIRST Rating Report – For 2012-2013 Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas

Texas Academic Performance Report State & Federal Program Reporting

November 10, 2014– 7:00 pm in the LIBRARY

School Administration Building

303 Hays Street

Benjamin, Texas

Knox County Aging Center Menu

Lunch menus for week of Oct. 27-31

Monday: Lasagna, Brussels sprouts, broccoli & raisin salad, garlic bread & pears.

Tuesday: Pork chops, black-eyed peas, green beans, corn bread & chocolate chip cookies.

Wednesday: Chicken and rice casserole, black-eyed peas, carrots, roll & fruit cups.

Thursday: (no info)

Friday: (no info)

Vote for Lisa Cypert
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We're doing it wrong and history proves it

We have not fought a war the right way since World War II and at a greater cost than that war.

We have not done justice to our fighting forces. We have not taken advantage of our superior weaponry, equipment, technology and personnel.

Why? What happened following the surrender of Japan at the end of World War II? To ask that question,

you must first ask how we won the war. We won it by conquering the country. We demanded a complete and total surrender and we fought until we got it.

We have not conquered a country since. I believe this has more to do with our mentality as mostly caring and loving people and the fact that technology has truly showed us how horrific war is.

Today, with factions of bad people across the globe, wars are fought entirely different than they once were. When you're fighting groups and not the armies of countries, it's a much different battle.

But history tells us a couple of things. It tells me that if we would have conquered the countries beginning with Korea and continuing through the Gulf War, we may not have had the issues that exist today.

When we conquered Japan, we dismantled their war machine, set up an advanced educational system and helped them become an economic force and a great ally. That has remained a constant since that time.

Had we conquered China during the Korean War, Vietnam may have never happened.

Today, we may not have the stomach for conquering countries because, in my opinion, society has changed. Unfortunately, war has not. It is just as horrible as it has always been.

Now our enemies know we don't conquer countries. We

try and force peace. That's a big difference. You can hack at the snake all day, but if you don't sever the head, that snake is going to heal and make other snakes.

So what do we do? Perhaps we should start by telling the world that from this day forward, when the United States declares war on your country, territory or people, we will completely decimate the opposition in short order until we are certain that the head is cut off.

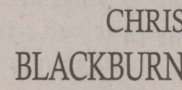
After that declaration, perhaps it would be smart to pull out of hot zones around the globe and begin the process of healing and rebuilding. Of course war would rage overseas, but doesn't it always?

In the interim, we could focus on ourselves in a spirit of nationalism.

Then, next time, we declare war the right way and unleash the hell required to totally wipe out the enemy. Then take it over, rebuild it, reeducate it and control it.

Of course I seriously doubt current leaders or future leaders would run on such an outlandish proposition. We'd rather string this stuff out for decades and suffer along the way...

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CHRIS BLACKBURN

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I'm Travis Floyd and I'm asking for your vote for Knox County Judge in the General Election on November 4th. There are hard decisions associated with this position and the judge has to possess certain qualifications to perform his duties. Some of these are:

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- Problem Solving Skills
- Communication Skills
- *Written and Verbal
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COUNTY OF KNOX

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Cause No: 8987 KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS. NELDA DOCKINS
 Lot 12, Block 50, Lee Addition to the City of Munday, Knox County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 258, Page 766 of the Deed Records, Knox County, Texas;

Cause No: 9545 KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS. CHARLIE FLYE
 Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 2, Warren Addition, to the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas, as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk, Knox County, Texas;

Cause No: 8988 KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS. PATSY JANELLE FORD
 Lots 1, 2, & 3, Block 135, Reeves & Mudder Addition to the City of Munday, Knox County, Texas, as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Knox County, Texas;

Cause No: 9443 KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS. PATRICIO GARCIA
 The South 1/2 of Lot 12, Block 13, Original Townsite of the Town of Knox City, Knox County, Texas, as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Knox County, Texas;

Cause No: 9380 KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS. JOE GUTIERREZ
 Tract 1: Being all of Lot 9 and part of Lot 8, Block 30, Original Town of Knox City, Knox County, Texas, as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Knox County, Texas; 404 NE 2nd per KCAD
 Tract 2: Lots 10 and 11, Block 30, Original Town Knox City, Knox County, Texas, as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Knox County, Texas; 408 NE 2nd per KCAD

Cause No: 9526 KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS. ANTONIO GUZMAN JR
 Block 39 E/2 Original Town of Goree, as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Knox County, Texas;

Cause No: 9383 KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS. MARK MCAVOY ET UX
 Tract 1: 0.340 acres, more or less, out of Abstract 1801, D&W RR Company Survey, Section #56, Block 2, as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Knox County, Texas;
 Tract 2: 6.930 acres, more or less, D&W RR Company Survey, Abstract 1801, Section 56, Knox County, Texas, as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Knox County, Texas;
 Tract 3: Lots 1, 2, & 3, Block 56, Original Townsite Addition, to the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Knox County, Texas;

Tract 4: The South 40 feet of Lots 1 & 2 and all of Lots 7, 8, 9 & 10, Block 39, Original Townsite, to the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas, as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Knox County, Texas;

Cause No: 9575 KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS. JAUN D MENCHACA
 Lots 1 & 2, Block 21, to the City of Goree, Knox County, Texas as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Knox County, Texas;

Cause No: 9384 KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS. JOYCE NIX ET AL
 Tract 1: Lots 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 & 18, Block 10, Original Townsite of the City of Goree, Knox City, Texas, as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Knox County, Texas;
 Tract 2: Lots 19 & 20, Block 8, Original Townsite of the City of Goree, Knox County, Texas, as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Knox County, Texas;

Cause No: 9568 KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS. ABEL ARISA PEREZ
 Lot 3, Block 13, Warren Addition, 707 NE 5th, City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas, as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Knox County, Texas;

Cause No: 8108 KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS. TERRY WATSON ET AL
 Lot 10, Block 22, Davis Addition to the City of Knox City, Knox County, Texas as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Knox County, Texas; 504 SE 2nd per KCAD

Cause No: 9607 KNOX COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT VS. ELOISE WILSON
 The North One-Third (N/3) of Lots 13, 14, and 15, Block 20, Original Town of Knox City, Knox County, Texas, as the same appears on a map or plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Knox County, Texas; 305 N Aspen per KCAD

Levied on the _____ day of _____, 2014, as the property of said Defendants to satisfy the judgments rendered in the above styled and numbered causes, plus all taxes, penalties, interest, and attorney fees accrued to the date of sale and all costs recoverable by law in favor of each jurisdiction.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THIS _____ day of _____,

 Sheriff, Knox County, Texas

By _____
 Deputy

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Greyhounds open 8-1A play against Aspermont

KNOX CITY—The Knox City Greyhounds, who finished a tough non-district schedule with a 5-2 record, have high hopes of making the playoffs as they kick off District 8-1A/Division I play against the Aspermont Hornets here Friday night.

Winning the district title, however, will be a more formidable task for the 15th-ranked Greyhounds with the Crowell Wildcats, the defending state champions off to a 6-0 start and ranked No. 1, waiting the following week.

The Hounds have averaged 411 yards a game with Jacoby Thomas and Elias Nevezar sharing the rushing load with 499 and 459 yards, respectively. Nevezar can go to the air when necessary with Ryan

Heard and Zach Rodriguez as his favorite targets.

The Hornets, led by quarterback Trey Meador, finished non-district play with a 3-4 record, including a 48-14 setback to Newcastle last week.

District 8-1A/Division I				
Team	W	L	Pts.	Opp
Crowell	6	0	400	81
Knox City	5	2	369	285
Rotan	4	3	290	312
Aspermont	3	4	323	322

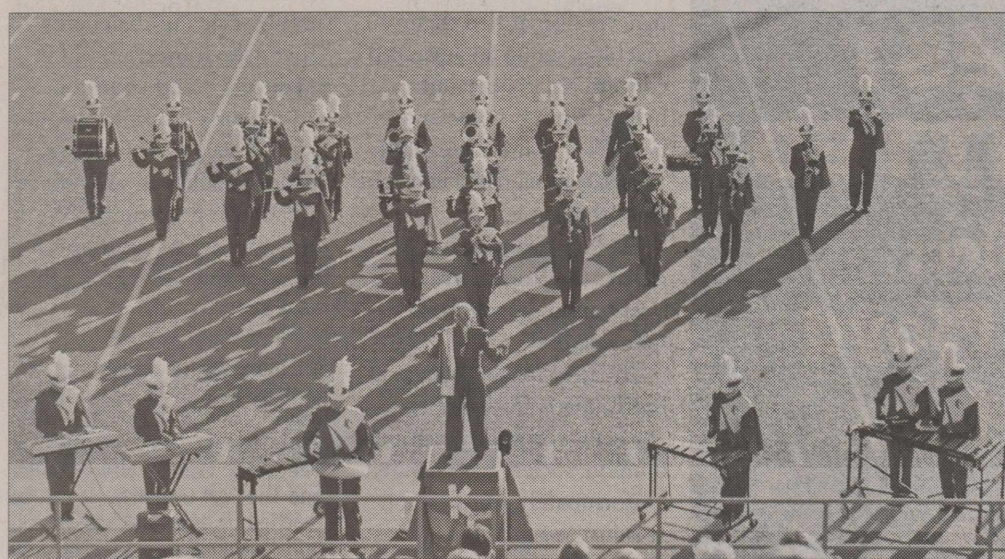
Last week's results
Newcastle 48, Aspermont 14
Week's schedule
Aspermont at Knox City, Crowell at Rule

Knox City vs. Munday volleyball



Makaylie Steele of Knox City (left) tries to avoid a block by Munday's Raci Dillard

Knox City Pride band receives a 2 rating



WICHITA FALLS—The Knox City High School Pride Band, under the direction of Mark Tucker, received a 2 rating from the judges for its program featuring Beatles music here Saturday at Memorial Stadium in the UIL regional marching contest.

Tucker, obviously a little disappointed, noted that the judges gave his band a 1-2-2 rating, but noted, "I was very pleased with their performance. I thought they did an amazing job."

This is a contest year for the smaller

class, so the Pride will finish up at the football games, will be the featured band in Benjamin for the Veterans Day Celebration Nov. 11 and then will perform Dec. 15 at the Christmas Concert in Baker Auditorium in Knox City.

In 2015, a pilot program has been approved by the UIL that will allow Class A schools to compete separately from 2A schools

Concert and site reading contests will be held March 4 in Anson.

Amber Waves



Houndettes suffer loss to Mogulettes

KNOX CITY—The Knox City Houndettes saw any hope of making the playoffs eliminated when they suffered a 22-25, 14-25, 22-25 setback here Friday night to Knox County neighbor Munday.

The loss left the Houndettes with a 4-6 record in District 6-2A, three games in the loss column behind the Mogulettes in a bid for the third playoff spot.

"We came out and were leading in the first set, but couldn't finish," said Coach Brenna Hoegger. "I think overall the girls played well, but we just had too many mental errors. From two-a-days till now,

the improvement I've seen from them is night and day and how much better they play as a team is something I'm proud of!"

Makaylie Steele had six kills and two blocks while Leighton Pepper and Jordyn Eaton had five and three kills, respectively in the loss to Munday.

Knox City had an open date earlier this week and will play Woodson on Saturday in its final game as next Tuesday's scheduled contest will not be played since Benjamin will forfeit because of not enough players.

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Dockins' pick 6 seals 33-21 win over Electra

By JAMES McAFEE
The Knox County News-Courier

ELECTRA—In another cliffhanger not decided until the game's final play, the Munday Moguls ended up on the right side of the score here Friday night, taking a 33-21 District 7-2A victory over the Electra Tigers. A 105-yard return of a pass interception on the game's final play by Day'veon Dockins sealed the victory for the Moguls.

After the Moguls drove to the Tigers' five-yard line in the fourth quarter with hopes of adding to a 27-21 lead, they were hit with a 15-yard penalty and failed to convert the opportunity, turning the ball back to Electra at its 25.

The Tigers moved into the red zone and got as far as the Moguls' five before a key defensive stop and the pick 6 of a desperation Markesis Lee pass in the end zone by Dockins turned the tide in Munday's favor.

"We let them hang around too long," Coach Patrick Corcoran said about allowing the Tigers to stage a second half comeback from a 27-7 deficit. "We've got to learn how to put a game away. It's a process of growth and maturity."

Corcoran noted that Lee did take over the game in the second half, allowing the Tigers to narrow the deficit to 27-21, and that Electra's adjustments at halftime coupled with untimely penalties hurt the Moguls offensively.

"We did what we intended on both sides of the ball in the first half," Corcoran added, pointing to a 20-point run in the second quarter.

Against a defense primed to halt the Mo-



Day'veon Dockins picked off a pass in the end zone, returning it 105 yards on the game's final play

Terry Messer/The Knox County News-Courier

guls' rushing game averaging more than 300 yards a game, Munday went to the air for the game's first score on a 33-yard pass from Alfonso Nunez to Temerick Reagins. Diego Reyes added the PAT.

The elusive Lee, who gained 219 yards on 26 carries, scored from the one in the second period and Hamilton Hayers tied it 7-7 with the PAT kick.

Then the Moguls exploded for 20 unanswered points in the second quarter as Nunez broke free for a 55-yard TD run and Dockins added two more touchdowns from 65 and 30 yards. Reyes added the point after following each of Dockins' gallops. Dockins finished the night with 258 yards on 25 carries to go over 1,000 yards for the season.

Corcoran indicated that Dockins has started trusting himself and the blocking in front of him. "He's just taking what is there and hitting the holes really hard," the coach added.

In addition to the game-ending pick 6, Dockins made 17 tackles, including two for losses, and forced a fumble.

Things changed in the third quarter as the Tigers got new offensive

firepower from Lee, who scored from 15 yards in the third quarter, tossed a two-point conversion pass to Xavier Waggoner and added another TD from five yards out with 11 minutes left in the game. Hayers missed the PAT try.

While losing a pair of fumbles themselves, the Moguls came out on the right side on turnovers, picking off two other passes by Nunez and recovering a fumble.

The win left the Moguls in a four-way tie for second place in 7-2A with Electra, Petrolia and Haskell after the Hamlin Pied Pipers raced to a 61-7 win over the Petrolia Pirates and the Haskell Indians walloped the Seymour Tigers, 49-14.

The Moguls will entertain the Petrolia Pirates here Friday night before closing the regular season against Seymour and Haskell, needing victories to assume themselves of a spot in the playoffs.

Last week's results
Munday 33, Electra 21; Hamlin 61, Petrolia 7; Haskell 49, Seymour 14

Week's schedule
Petrolia at Munday, Electra at Seymour, Haskell at Hamlin



Munday dominates 8-A cross country

CROWELL—As expected, Munday dominated the District 8-A cross country competition here last week at Copper Breaks State Park and now the runners are preparing to go to Lubbock Oct. 31 for the regional competition.

The Mogulettes easily won the girls title as their runners took the top seven places, led by Janie Salinas with a 12:23.66. Following her across the finish line were Myca Flowers, 13:53.97; Karla Taylor, 14:10.44; Kayla Taylor, 14:26.51; Jenna Wertz, 15:20.36; Raci Dillard, 15:35.64; and Kathryn Cude, 16:00.16.

The Moguls' Christian Araugo claimed the gold medal among the boys with a time of 20:26 while Chillicothe took the team title, led by the second

and third finishes by Hunter Kurek and Dylan Reagan. Eduardo Rangel of Munday won the junior varsity race.

Coach Corey Stephenson thinks his runners definitely are in the mix of teams that could advance to the state meet Nov. 7 in Round Rock. The top four teams and the top 10 runners not on a team advance.

Salinas barely missed out at regional last year, finishing 11th, and did advance to state as a sophomore, finishing 24th.

In the junior high division of 8-A, Munday's Temi Flowers took the gold, but the team finished second behind Crowell. Emily Scott, Madison Thompson, Bryanne Cude and Evan Hunter placed seventh through tenth.

Mogulettes wrap up spot in playoffs

MUNDAY—The Munday Mogulettes wrapped up a berth in the volleyball playoffs with a 25-15, 25-12, 25-8 victory over Woodson on Tuesday.

The victory left the Mogulettes with a 7-3 record in District 6-2A, a game back of Albany, their opponent next Tuesday. For the season, Munday stands 25-11.

Raci Dillard eclipsed the 500 kill ratio with 12 of 14 against Woodson. She

also had four aces and four digs. Maria Vega had 10 aces and 10 assists. Skylar Gomez contributed four aces and five kills.

Earlier, Munday scored a 25-22, 25-15, 25-22 victory over the Knox City Houndettes last Friday night. Dillard had 21 kills while Vega provided 32 assists. Aiding the winning effort, Kimberly Shahan contributed five kills and two aces.

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Benjamin News

Gladene Green

This week's column begins on a very sad note. The entire community shared the sorrow of Bonnie Bohannon Howell's unexpected death on Thursday, with her parents, Roger and Betty, her sister Jamie and her family, and her brother Lonnie and his family. Bonnie had health problems for several years, but none that were life threatening, as far as any of us knew. And reports are that her daughter came home from school and found her unresponsive. Of course, an autopsy was performed, and no results of those findings have been released. Bonnie and her family (husband and four children) lived in Geneva, Nebraska. Her funeral is set for tomorrow (Tuesday) in Geneva. Sincere sympathy goes to all her family. Bonnie's parents and sister left for Geneva soon after learning the news of her passing, and will remain there until after the funeral.

It's a beautiful early fall day today. The temperature is just perfect, and there's no wind at all. A wonderful day for any outdoor activity. I dread the extreme cold that I know is just "around the corner."

Nothing much new on the ill of the community today. Bud Conner saw a cardiologist Friday in Abilene for a consultation. He will see another cardiologist in Wichita Falls Thursday, and the two will compare their notes and decide what they will do next.

Buddy Tolson is doing pretty well. Still in Knox County Hospital, and the report is that they are trying to get some of his medicine regulated. Good to hear that he is doing as well as he is.

And the latest reports on Marilyn Searcey Goodin are that she may be showing some improvement in some areas but still has a long way to go. They have removed the feeding tube, and she's taking nourishment by mouth now, so that sounds like a big step to me. I ask your prayers for all these friends as well as others we are not aware of.

Here 'N There

Barbara and Donnie Ryder are very proud of a new great grandson. Aiden Paul was born on Wednesday, October 15, 2014, and he is the son of Jacy and Chris Garza. He weighed 5 lb. 13 oz. And was 18 3/4 inches long. He has a brother and sister, and his maternal grandparents are Jay and Paula Haynie.

The Adolph Byers Showcase and barbecue lunch on Saturday proved to be another successful event sponsored by the Knox Co. Historical Society. I was busy and did not get to attend any of it, but am told everything was very nice, well organized, and enjoyed by a large crowd.

Weekend guests of Debi and Mike Moorhouse were Lynn and Michael Rogers and family of Snyder, Liz and Nathan Herring and family of Munday, Jessica and Brandon Hutchinson and Noah of Abilene, Will Moorhouse of Snyder and Megan Kimbrough of Haskell and Texas Tech.

Betty Jo Riggs of Elk City, OK, spent Monday night with her brother, Randolph Barnett, and his wife, Judy. On

Tuesday they all went to Fredericksburg to visit Betty and Randolph's aunt, Wynelle Hollowway. They were met there by their brother, Dicky, and his wife of Mt. Belview, and their sister, Patricia of Paris, and all enjoyed a good visit. As reported last week, Wynelle is having some health problems and had just been released from the hospital. She's doing pretty well and in a good state of mind, for which they are all very thankful. Wynelle needs prayers also.

Cody Propps, student at Tarleton in Stephenville, and a friend, Kelly, were here for a weekend visit with his parents, James and Stacia.

Linda Griffith was in Lubbock Thursday to see her podiatrist. Her foot is healing nicely, and she was released. She's had several months of really having to be careful since her surgery, so that release was welcome. Doctors have told her it will still be several months before it is completely healed, but it's coming along nicely.

I had a nice visit with Kelly Milson Slade on Sunday night. She lives in San Marcos now, and she and a friend, Steve Hepler, were here to visit her mom, Bo Milson. On Saturday they were all in Spur to honor Bo on her birthday. The get together was held at daughter, Kathy, and Kermit Wooley's home and attended by several family members. Other than Bo, Kelly and Steve and the hosts, Kathy and Kermit, Shane Milson of Duncan, Oklahoma, was there, and Kathy's children, Jamie and Daniel and their families. Bo said it was wonderful, and she surely did enjoy it.

I visited with Gordon and Shirley Smith of Munday recently. Shirley is the treasurer for the cemetery association there at Munday, and she said their finances are getting pretty low. She said if anyone wished to donate to the association, they could send the money to her. It is needed for the maintenance and upkeep of the cemetery. Like most cemeteries in the area, the money received in donations is all the monetary support they get. Send your contribution to Johnson Cemetery Association, c/o Shirley Smith, Box 475, Munday, TX 76371. It would be very much appreciated.

The Benjamin football teams play Harrold this week. Both junior high and varsity play on Friday night. The junior high game starts at 5:30 pm, followed by varsity. We wish both teams well. And it's another word of congratulations to the Munday Moguls. They defeated Electra Friday night. Benjamin and Knox City each had an open date. And what about the Cowboys and Giants game? It was a good matchup and even better final score. I love it when the "Boys" win.

I talked to Kathy Roberson Waldron last night. She said the movers would be in Knox City today (Monday) to get their furniture, and that the family would be moving about Tuesday or Wednesday. She's looking forward to their new adventure, but says she will miss her friends and family in this area. They are moving to San Antonio.

Mustangs kick off 11-1A at Harrold

HARROLD—The Benjamin Mustangs, in their first year back on the gridiron after a three-year hiatus, start their quest to make the playoffs when they kick off District 11-1A/Division II play here Friday night against the Harrold Hornets.

"We've got a tough challenge against Harrold as it seems to be peaking at the right time," Coach Jacob Navarro said, pointing to the Hornets' 78-29 victory over Woodson last week in which they had 650 yards of total offense with Jake Welch scoring six touchdowns and Kieren Gaines adding four.

"Coming up with a way to stop them defensively will be the key," Navarro continued. "I think our offense can score some points."

Harrold does compete with only six players, which leaves no room for injury, but Benjamin doesn't have more than two or possibly three who can come off the bench.

The Mustangs took last week off and Navarro hopes to have Kaleb Whittle and Lincoln Strickland back at closer to full

speed for the final three district games. As district play starts, the Chillicothe Eagles, led by explosive back Denzel Graves, appear to be the favorites to win the title. The Eagles, obviously a little rusty after three weeks off when Spur cancelled a game, did struggle last week against No. 2-ranked Guthrie, falling 53-8.

Harrold now seems to be the logical choice for the second playoff spot ahead of Benjamin and Northside, but a final decision has to be made on the playing field.

District 11-1A/Division II				
Team	W	L	Pts	Opp
Chillicothe	3	4	233	254
Benjamin	2	4	222	370
Harrold	2	4	215	254
Northside	1	6	179	452

Last week's results
Harrold 78, Woodson 29; Guthrie 53, Chillicothe 8

This week's schedule
Benjamin at Harrold, Chillicothe at Northside

Stangs' volleyball season ends early

BENJAMIN—The Benjamin volleyball team's season came to an early end when Coach Jacob Navarro was left with only four available players after injuries and grades were posted.

So the Stangs had to forfeit to District 6-2A leader Hawley last week and to their remaining foes, Moran, Munday and Knox City, settling for a likely tie for sixth place with Moran with a 3-9 record.

Duck hunting prospects good

AUSTIN – For the first time in several years, ducks heading into Texas won't be landing in the dirt thanks to decent rainfall across much of the state in recent months. It's a reprieve from the drought waterfowlers have been waiting for, particularly in light of reports of record numbers of ducks heading this way.

waterfowlers high and dry as the ducks have sought out wetter environs elsewhere. That pattern should change this year, according to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Duck populations have now hit record highs in three of the last four years, and in a normal year Texas plays host to 90 percent of the ducks that migrate along the Central Flyway—roughly 10 million birds. But dry conditions in Texas during those record-setting migrations have left

"I would say conditions have improved over most of the state the last couple of months," said Kevin Kraai, TPWD Waterfowl Program Leader. "Waterfowl are doing well, so conditions are shaping up for what should be a good season."

Duck hunting gets under way in the Panhandle's High Plains Mallard Management Unit Saturday and in the remainder of the state Nov. 1.

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Church Happenings

Coat giveaway

GOREE—The First Baptist Church of Goree will give away coats from 5-7 p.m. on Wednesdays and at 1 p.m. Sundays. Donations of old coats also accepted.

Food, clothing drive

MUNDAY—The First United Methodist Church Youth Department will hold a food and clothing drive from 9-11 a.m. Saturday, collecting canned vegetables and fruit for the Munday Food Pantry plus clothes for deserving families.

FBC Fall Festival

MUNDAY—The First Baptist Fall Festival is scheduled from 5:30-7 p.m. on Oct. 29. Food, fellowship and games are planned.

Ladies Harvest Festival

KNOX CITY—The Foursquare Church in Knox City will host the 39th annual Ladies Harvest Festival at 10 a.m. on Nov. 15. A salad luncheon will follow.

Cantata choir practice

MUNDAY—Sandy King reports that the choir that will perform for the Munday Christmas Cantata continues practice at the First Baptist Church in Munday on Wednesday nights. "Other singers are

welcome to join us," King added.

Community Thanksgiving meal

MUNDAY—The fourth annual Community Thanksgiving meal will again be held at the First United Methodist Church in Munday on Thanksgiving Day. "Plans have begun to serve 500 people free of charge," reports Rhea Newton. "We especially want to reach out to people who are alone during the holidays, or whose families want a place to gather and share a meal as a community in remembering the blessings of family and friends. Many people from the community volunteer to help with this outreach project."

Holy Land trip planned

Rev. Chrissie Reeves-Pendergrass of the First United Methodist in Munday along with Rev. Dr. Brad Reeves of the First United Methodist Church in Amarillo will lead a tour of the Holy Land May 5-14. The trip will include stops and visits to the Sea of Galilee, Jericho, Mount of Olives, Bethlehem and Jerusalem.

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Hawley captures District 6-2A title

HAWLEY—Hawley remained unbeaten at 11-0 in District 6-2A play Tuesday night, beating its nearest rival Albany, 25-14, 25-14, 25-19, to assure itself of the district title.

Albany (8-2) and Munday (7-3) play Tuesday to decide sole possession of second place, and both will advance to the playoffs.

Because it did not have enough players, Benjamin was forced to forfeit its remaining district games.

District 6-2A

Team	W	L
Hawley	11	0
Albany	8	2
Munday	7	3
Knox City	4	6
Benjamin	3	7
Moran	3	7
Woodson	0	11

Tuesday's results

Munday df. Woodson, 25-15, 25-12, 25-8; Hawley df. Albany, 25-14, 25-14, 25-19; Moran by forfeit over Benjamin

Area News

Solutions seminar Oct. 29

ABILENE—Community Development-Beyond the Buzzwords! That's the theme for the 21st Texas Midwest Conference, scheduled here Oct. 29 at the Abilene Civic Center. Timely solution seminars will be provided to city leaders, economic development professionals, chamber representatives and students with information to better prepare for the challenges ahead of member communities.

NRA banquet Saturday

SEYMOUR—The Baylor-Knox Friends of NRA will hold a banquet at 5 p.m. Saturday here at the Cliff Styles Activity Center. Tickets can be purchased at the Knox County Extension Office. Raffle tickets are also on sale.

Jekyll & Hyde Oct. 28

ABILENE—The Jekyll & Hyde

Broadway show is scheduled here Oct. 28 at the Abilene Civic Center. For tickets, call 800 869-1451.

Old Timer's Steak Dinner

STAMFORD—The Old Timer's Association annual fundraiser Steak Dinner is scheduled at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28 at the Bunkhouse next to the rodeo grounds. The cost is \$30. Call 325 660-1002 for tickets.

Open health clinic

ABILENE—Uninsured individuals in Taylor and surrounding counties will have the opportunity to be screened for the Expanded Primary Health Care women's health program and the Medical Assistance for Area Citizens program from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Nov. 15 here at the Abilene-Taylor County Public Health District office.

USDA will increase farm loan limits

WASHINGTON—The U.S. Department of Agriculture has announced it will improve farm loans by expanding eligibility and increasing lending limits to help more beginning and family farmers.

The changes, effective Nov. 7, will allow farmers to borrow an additional \$15,000, from \$35,000 to \$50,000, using a simplified application process with up to seven years to repay.

Other types of skills now may be considered in addition to farm related experiences to meet the eligibility requirements. They include the operation of a non-farm

business, leadership positions while in the military or advanced education in the agricultural field.

Producers will have the opportunity to share suggestions on the loan process and definitions through Dec. 8.

In addition, individuals who own farmland under a different legal entity may now be eligible for loans administered by the USDA's Farm Service Agency.

The FSA will consider pilot projects to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of farm loan programs until Nov. 7.

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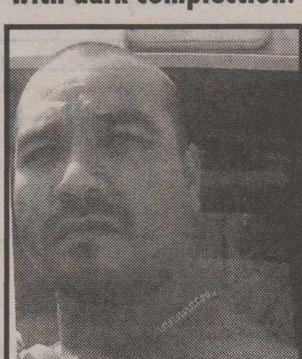
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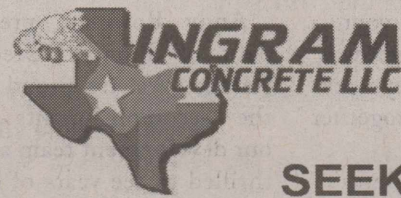
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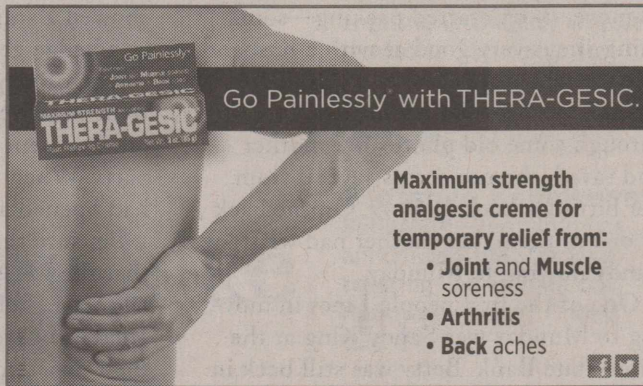
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Earlier in the summer when we were preparing to move, Betty started packing—something she is very good at with a husband like me who tends to like to move frequently, seeing new adventures. In going through some old photos her mother had saved, she ran across several from her birthday back in 1949. On the back of one of them, her mother had written: Sandy moving to Munday.

One of the first people I met in moving to Munday was Sandy King at the First State Bank. Betty was still back in Garland packing. When I mentioned meeting Sandy, Betty remembered seeing

the old photo and wondered if it could be the same Sandy.

When Betty did arrive, we went to the bank. I introduced Betty who asked, "Did you ever live in Vernon?" Sandy said "yes". Then Betty asked, "Did you ever live on London Street?" Sandy again said "yes." Then Betty continued, "Was your last name Brown?" Again, the answer was yes, letting them know for sure they were indeed the same ones that played together as young girls.

With doctor appointments and Betty's schedule, we finally got together with the Kings for dinner last week at Mati's Restaurant, giving them time to recall playing together outside all the time there in Vernon.

The two also remembered a neighborhood boy named Wayne, who used to chase them around. In fact, Sandy showed a scar from a time when she fell in a hedge getting away from him.

Then Betty recalled the time Wayne went in to her house while she and her mother went to get a birthday cake for a party. When they returned, the young lad had opened all of Betty's presents.

I'm sure this will not be the last time that the McAfees and Kings get together, allowing Betty and Sandy to recall those good old days and to catch up on some of their experiences in the 60+ years between seeing each other again.

Turbines being installed for Green Pastures project

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Capital Dynamics, a global private asset manager, acquired the project from Pioneer Green and recently closed a major financing transaction for the project. "We are pleased to have completed a significant milestone in a wind project of such magnitude that will also benefit the local community," said John Breckenridge, Managing Director at Capital Dynamics. "This is a welcome addition to our wind project portfolio - Green Pastures is our first onshore wind project in the United States and fourth overall - and Pioneer Green proved to be an excellent development partner that we look forward to working with again in the future."

Andy Bowman, president of Pioneer Green, stated, "We are proud of the accomplishments of our development team and thrilled to see years of effort by many different people now coming to fruition in Baylor and Knox Counties. The Green Pastures project will provide cheap, clean, domestic energy for decades to come, providing more proof, if anyone needs it, that wind brings huge benefits to Texas and to ratepayers."

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