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Floyd, Cypert, Godsey, Urbanczyk win county races

By James McAfee
The Knox County News-Courier

BENJAMIN—Just like in the state races during this midterm election, Republicans prevailed in the Knox County contested races.

Incumbent County Judge Travis Floyd of Munday was reelected, receiving 594 votes as compared to 334 for his Democrat challenger

Charles Griffith.

The other incumbent, District Court Clerk Annette Offutt of Munday, however, will be replaced in January by her deputy Lisa Cypert of Munday, who received a 483-437 margin from voters.

In the closest race, Daniel Godsey of Knox City edged Kim Sealy of Benjamin, 108-105, for Precinct 1 Commissioner.

Nathan Urbanczyk of Goree got the nod for Precinct 4 Commissioner by a 182-52 margin over Robert Bowen, the mayor of Munday.

Incumbent Rosie Ake of Munday was re-elected Knox County treasurer, receiving 483 votes, while Augustin (Augie) Rodriguez of Knox City received 610 votes to move up to replace Vonnie Ivy as justice of peace.

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.

Seniors to be honored

MUNDAY—Munday High seniors who have participated in football, cross country, band and cheerleading will be honored starting at 6:25 p.m. Friday prior to the football game with Haskell. Parents and students need to arrive before 6:15 in order to be lined up.

Chicken dinner

MUNDAY—The Munday High freshman class fried chicken dinner is scheduled from 5-6:30 p.m. Friday prior to the football game with Haskell as a fundraiser. Adults will pay \$10 and children 10 and under \$5.

Veterans breakfast

KNOX CITY—The Knox City High School NHS and student council will host a breakfast for all past and present veterans at 8 a.m. Tuesday in the KCHS Home-Ec room.

Christmas poinsettias

HASKELL—The Noah Project-North is taking orders for Christmas poinsettias. The cost will be \$12.50 or \$25 if dressed. Call 940 864-2551 to place order. Delivery is planned Dec. 4-6.

'Big Buck' contest

MUNDAY—Hoof & Horn Taxidermy is sponsoring a "Big Buck" contest through the end of deer hunting, offering prizes for the three largest properly tagged deer brought into their new Munday store.

Free Thanksgiving meal

MUNDAY—The fourth annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner is again planned Nov. 27 here at the First United Methodist Church. The meal is free and no registration is needed. Carla Key reminds those who are shut-in can call the church at 940 422-5144 to arrange for delivery. In addition, take-out meals will also be offered.

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

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GOP seizes control of U.S. Senate

WASHINGTON—Republicans seized control of the United States Senate, strengthened their hold on the House and put a series of Democratic-leaning states under control of new Republican governors during Tuesday's midterm election.

Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell, who easily held off his Democratic challenger in Kentucky, is positioned to become the new Senate majority leader and confront President Barack Obama over his signature health care law and on other issues.

Republicans took over formerly Democratic Senate seats in seven states, including GOP-leaning Arkansas, Montana, South Dakota and West Virginia. That number also included three states that figured prominently in Obama's two victorious presidential campaigns: Iowa and Colorado, where he won twice, and North Carolina, where he won in 2008.

In the House, Republicans were on track to meet or exceed the 246 seats they held during President Harry S. Truman's administration more than 60 years ago.

"We are humbled by the responsibility the American people have placed with us, but this is not a time for celebration," said House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio. "It's time for government to start getting results and implementing solutions to the challenges facing our country, starting with our still-struggling economy."

In state capitols, Republicans were poised to leave their imprint, picking up governors' seats in reliably Democratic states like Illinois, Maryland and Massa-

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Thornberry scores landslide victory

CLARENDON—Rep Mac Thornberry, the congressional District 13 incumbent, scored a landslide victory on Tuesday night.

"It's an incredible honor to represent our area in the U.S. House and especially with so many problems here at home and around the world," he said. "I really am tremendously grateful for the amount of trust that people put in me."

Since Republicans captured the U.S. Senate, Thornberry said he hoped that House and Senate leaders would work together with President Barack Obama to solve some of the nation's more pressing problems.

"This is an opportunity to get some things done," Thornberry added. "I think people need to see their government—at least their Congress—begin to function again."

Thornberry, 56, fended off two Republican challengers in the March primaries to earn the GOP nomination for the 13th Congressional District, a seat he has held since winning the 1994 election after defeating Democrat Bill Sarpalius.

Mogulettes fall to Archer City

VERNON—The Munday Mogulettes saw their Class 2A volleyball playoff campaign end here Tuesday night in the Vernon High School Gym, falling 25-9, 15-11, 25-13 to Archer City.

"Our blocking was good tonight," Archer City Coach Allison Bussey said. "If we play like this, we can play with anyone."

The outcome didn't surprise Coach Kim Kuehler as she realized the Mogulettes were going up against a much larger school with more girls available to participate that had already won more than 30 games this season.

She did see some positives from the game as seniors Raci Dillard and Maria Vega both were 100 per cent in their serves. Dillard also had seven kills while Vega had nine assists.

Kuehler is already looking forward to next season, pointing out that there will be a Class 1A volleyball state championship where smaller schools will have more of a chance.

"We will not have to compete against 2A teams in the playoffs—like Archer City and Windthorst, who have more girls and their girls all play club ball," Kuehler noted.

She then added that Munday will not have to compete with 2A schools like Albany and Hawley in district.

Albany suffered a 19-25, 26-24, 25-15, 25-19 loss to Petrolia Tuesday night.

Water wells drilling completed



The cities of Haskell, Knox City and Munday are a lot closer to solving their water concerns as the drilling of five water wells was completed last week. North Central Texas Municipal Authority general manager David Kuehler expects the pipe lines will be completed within the next 60 to 90 days.

Republicans maintain hold on state politics

AUSTIN—Republicans continued their 20-year hold on the political status of Texas, sweeping all the statewide races during Tuesday's midterm election.

Leading the way was Greg Abbott, the state's attorney general for 11 years, who enjoyed a 60-39 percent edge over Democrat Wendy Davis. Abbott, 56, will become the first elected governor in the United States to be in a wheelchair since 1982.

The landslide victory delighted Republicans while the loss was a sobering reality check for Democrats.

Gov. Rick Perry, who has held the office for 14 years, is reportedly mulling another White House run in 2016.

Dan Patrick, a conservative talk radio host, enjoyed a similar edge over Leticia Van de Putte, in the battle for lieutenant governor and Ken Paxton did the same in his battle with Sam Houston for attorney general.

Proposition 1, dealing with transferring money from the Rainy Day Fund to help with highways in the state easily passed with 80 percent in favor of it.

Salinas earns spot in state

By James McAfee
The Knox County News-Courier

MUNDAY—Munday's Janie Salinas accomplished one of her goals as a senior, earning a trip to Round Rock for the state cross country meet, scheduled Saturday at Settlers Park.

Salinas earned the return trip—she also qualified as a sophomore and finished in 28th place—by earning a gold medal in the Region 1-A meet at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock last Friday, finishing 10 seconds behind Hartley's Angelica Gonzales in a time of 12:25.56.

Coach Corey Stephenson noted that this was a "great time" for the Lubbock course, but added that she has twice gone under 12 minutes for

the two miles this season. "If she can do it again at Round Rock, she has good chance to finish in the top five based on times I've seen," he added.

The Mogulettes finished ninth as a team as Karla Taylor placed 29th in 13:30.54, Myca Flowers 62nd in 14:17.1, Kayla Tylor 75th in 14:31.47 and Jenna Wertz 95th in 15:07.17.I.

In a close battle for first place, Hartley totaled 91 points—just like in golf, the low score wins—to edge Hart (92) and Nazareth (94). New Home (129) also advanced.

With three of the top five runners returning next season, prospects look promising for Munday to be able to qualify again for the regional meet.

Munday's Christian Arango finished in 30th place



JANIE SALINAS

among the boys with a time of 19:03.08 for the three miles. Derek Wieck of Harley took the gold, but Crosbyton had more depth to run away with the team title with 62 points. Also advancing to Round Rock were Spur (127), Lefors (146) and Whiteface (147). Chillicothe placed seventh.

Sports Calendar

Thursday, Nov. 6

Knox City JV football at Rotan, 6:30 p.m.
Munday 7/8 football at Haskell, 5 p.m.
Munday JV football at Haskell, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 7

Munday varsity football vs. Haskell, 7 p.m.
Knox City varsity football vs. Rotan, 7:30 p.m.

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KNOX COUNTY ADVENTURE DAYS
ARTS AND CULTURE EDITION
HOSTED BY THE KNOX COUNTY VISIONING GROUP
NOVEMBER 8, 2014
All events begin at the Knox City Community Center

9:00 A.M. BUSINESS SHOWCASE & EXHIBITS OPEN
The business showcase and art exhibit will take place from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Exhibitors wanted! Booth spaces are free. Call 459-4121 to register.

9:30 A.M. DEMONSTRATION
Demonstrations will be held throughout the day. Educational topics will include painting, carving, plaster and more. Stay tuned for more details. (Free to attend.)

10:00 A.M. BIKE RODEO
Kids will have fun going through an obstacle course and learning bike safety. Open to ages 4-13. You must bring your own bike. All participants get a free bike helmet.

10:00 A.M. BUS TOUR OF KINDER MORGAN
Hop aboard the air-conditioned bus. Take a scenic tour of the Kinder Morgan operation. See the tremendous economic impact this company has had on Knox County. (55)

11:00 A.M. DEMONSTRATION - MITCHELL WELCH: PAINTING
Mr. Welch will demonstrate some of his artistic talents and inside secrets on how to do a canvas painting.

11:30 A.M. FUNDRAISER LUNCH (11:30 - 1:30)
All proceeds benefit the Park Project in Munday. The menu will be spaghetti and chicken spaghetti with all the trimmings.

1:00 P.M. AMAZING GRACE RACE
The race will take you around the county. You must be able to drive or have someone to drive you. Participants work in groups of two. The race is open to all ages. Winning team gets \$100. (520 per team to enter and includes two free t-shirts)

2:00 P.M. DOMINO TOURNAMENT
Double elimination - \$20 per team - Register on-site.

2:00 P.M. PAINTING (WITHOUT THE TWIST)
Hands on painting activity. Only 24 spots available. Hosted by TPA. For more information call 459-2451.

3:00 P.M. DEMONSTRATION

Deaths

Lou Allison

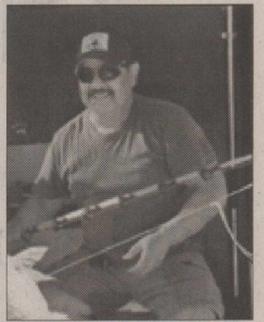
Lou Allison, age 68 of Rockwall, Tex., passed away Friday, Oct. 31. He was born Dec. 17, 1945, in Dallas to Louis Alexander II and Floy (Nelson) Allison. Lou's career in advertising spanned nearly 45 years, primarily with the advertising agency Tracy-Locke. He began his career in 1970 as an art director and later creative director. In 1984, he switched tracks and became a copywriter. He owned his own firm from 2000 to 2007 before rejoining Tracy-Locke as a senior copywriter. Lou grew up in Houston where he lived until the age of 12.

He moved with his family to the small West Texas town of Seymour, where his parents owned the local drug store. He and his brother, Jim, worked there as soda jerks. Lou was an Eagle Scout and an avid bass fisherman. Lou is survived by his loving wife: Sherrie (Killgore) Allison of Rockwall; three children: Melanie Medina and husband Mario of Flower Mound, Tex., Nicole Allison of Rockwall, and Sandi Allison of Los Angeles, Calif.; one brother: Jim Allison of Murchison, Tex.; and two grandchildren: Allie and

Miles Medina of Flower Mound, Tex. A memorial service was held Thursday, Nov. 6, at the First United Methodist Church of Rockwall with Rick Donoho officiating. There was a night of remembrance from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5, at Rest Haven, Rockwall Chapel, 2500 State Highway 66 East, Rockwall, Tex. (972) 771-8641. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation (www.pulmonaryfibrosis.org) or to the American Cancer Society (www.cancer.org).

Joe Daniel Reyes

JOE DANIEL REYES, 68, passed away peacefully on Thursday, Oct. 30 at one of his favorite fishing spots. Joe, also known as "Papa" by his grandkids was born on July 25, 1946, in Knox City to Steve Reyes and Benita Flores. He grew up in his beloved hometown with his four sisters and one brother. He married his high school sweetheart Ann Hise and together they had two children. They settled in Wichita Falls for many years where he lived close to his relatives enjoying family gatherings for holidays and the annual dove hunting trip on Labor Day weekend. He retired from Washex Machinery in 2001 and he and Ann moved to Pearland, Tex. to be close to his grandchildren and watch them grow up. Joe was a fisherman and he loved to be outdoors. In his earlier years, he entered and won many Bass Tournaments all around North Texas. Joe always had a joke, prank or funny story to tell, he was the family "comedian" and enjoyed life to the fullest. He was a kind, caring, selfless person that would do anything for his family. Joe will be missed greatly. "Do not grieve for me. Be happy that I have fought the fight, run the race, and reached the finish line. I will be waiting in Heaven for all of you." Author Unknown



JOE REYES

He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Ann Reyes; a son, Joe Ray Reyes; daughter-in law, Richelle Reyes; a daughter, Cherish Reyes Bradshaw; Son-in-law, Brian Allen Bradshaw; 3 grandchildren, Alexandra Bradshaw, Benjamin Bradshaw and Isabella Bradshaw; a brother, Jimmy Reyes; four sisters, Nellie Lewis, Bea Caram, Stella Brand and Mary Ann Palma. Sister in laws, Jana Brendle, Lesa Meir, Connie Reyes, Paula Hise; brother in laws, Randy Hise, Royce Meir, Dickie Brendle, Sonny Brand and Ralph Caram; numerous nephews and nieces.

A memorial service for Joe Reyes will be held at Abundant Life Fellowship, 308 E Main St., Knox City, Texas on Saturday, Nov. 8, 2014 at 11 a.m. All are welcome and dress attire is jeans and a shirt since Joe liked to keep it casual.

Kenneth Lynn Beason

Longtime Rochester cowboy, Kenneth Lynn Beason, rode his horse, Biggen, into Heaven Nov. 1. Kenneth was 69. Funeral services were held Tuesday, Nov. 4 at the First Baptist Church in Rochester with Bros. Bud Adkins and Don Harrison officiating. Interment took place immediately following the service in the family cemetery west of Rochester under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes. Visitation was held Monday evening, Nov. 3 at the funeral home in Rochester.



KENNETH BEASON

bert Beason. After attending Rochester schools and college in Cisco, he settled into farming and ranching in the Rochester area. He married the love of his life, Jean Took Logsdon, on Aug. 30, 1990, in Haskell.

He was preceded in death by his father, Tolbert;

son, Stevie; and grandson, Mitch.

Kenneth is survived by his wife of 24 years, Jean, and grandson, Cody of the home; son, Joey and wife Mallori of Rochester; daughter Amy and husband Merik Quinn of Houston; his mother, Lorene Beason of Rochester; sister, Noel and husband Alvin Pittman of Earth, Tex.; and brother, Jerry Beason and wife Elaine of Mt. Pleasant, Tex. He is survived by 10 grandchildren; Cody, Tanner, Ross, Mackenzie, Nate, Sawyer, Stephen, Haley, Zachory, Phaden, and many nieces and nephews.

Cordas Ray Lambeth

Cordas Ray Lambeth, 80, of Munday passed away Saturday, Nov. 1 in Seymour. He was born February 23, 1934 to Felton and Faye Lambeth in Goree. Cordas worked for Lone Star Gas for 43



CORDAS LAMBETH

years and was known by his friends as "Rabbit". He loved playing softball, fishing, and spending time with his family. He married the love of his life, Shirley, on Feb. 7, 1952 and together they raised two children, daughter, Debbie and husband Derrald Cho-

ate of Wichita Falls and son, Terry and wife, Terri Lambeth of Saginaw, Tex. Cordas is also survived by grandchildren; Cody Choate of Wichita Falls, Crystal and husband Sam Hermesmyer of McLean, Tex., Brad Lambeth of Holliday, Laura Jones and husband, Doug, of Gardendale, Ala., and Heath Lambeth and wife, Micha, of Wichita Falls. Great-Grandchildren; Morgan, Cutter, Libby, and Malayah. Visitation was held Monday, Nov. 3 at the funeral home in Munday. Funeral services were held Tuesday, Nov. 4 in the First United Methodist Church. Burial will follow in the Goree Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Smith Funeral Home of Munday.

When planning your holiday events, weddings, or birthday parties, consider using the facilities of the Truscott Community Center.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of **DELORES ANNE UNDERWOOD**, Deceased, were issued on September 8, 2014, in Cause No. 2599, pending in the County Court of Knox County, Texas, to Mary Lou Underwood Hodges and Donna Underwood Baca.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Mary Lou Underwood Hodges and Donna Underwood Baca, Co-Executors
Estate of Delores Anne Underwood, Deceased
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Aurora Rocha

Aurora Rocha, lifelong resident of Knoxville, passed away at her home Thursday morning, Oct. 30. Mrs. Rocha was 85. Funeral services were held Monday, Nov. 3, at Santa Rosa Catholic Church in Knoxville with Fr. John Cerikomalayii and Deacon Ruben Castaneda officiating. Interment took place immediately following the services at Knox City Cemetery under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes. A rosary was held, Sunday evening, Nov. 2, at the funeral home in Knoxville located at 210 Avenue A. Aurora was born in Ben-

jamin to Margarita (Solis) and Manuel Casillas, Sr., on Oct. 31, 1928. She married Simon Rocha on June 5, 1944, in Knoxville and they celebrated 61 loving years of marriage together before his death on Nov. 25, 2005. Aurora enjoyed cooking for her family and visiting friends. She was a member of Santa Rosa Catholic Church. In addition to Simon, Aurora is preceded in death by her parents, Margareta and Manuel Casillas; seven brothers, Louis, Felipe, Grady, Arnold, Rudy, Edmund, and Manuel, Jr.; and two sisters, Celia and Nancy. Au-

rora is survived by her son, Simon Rocha, Jr.; daughter, Carolina Rios and husband Lupe; grandchildren, Simon Charles and wife Cyndy, Lupe Jr. and Christy; great-grandchildren, Lisa Rocha, Tiffany Rios, Whitney Large, Dawn Munoz, Bryce Munoz and Nyome Munoz; and great-great grandchildren, Lauren and Jackney. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews whom she loved very much and brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law. Online condolences can be shared with the family at www.smithfamilyfh.com.

The Paperboy

A perspective on writing

My son asked me a strange question tonight. "Dad, how do you write?" I had to think about it a minute before I decided I'd have to think about the answer awhile.

It is a good question. How does one write. To me, it's more complicated then explaining how to put a news story together.

Just off the top of my head I can think of several ways to write in journalism alone. My favorite "way" to write is probably here in this space. Column writing can be pretty loose and in my case, random at times.

Sports writing is interesting. It's more loose style-wise than hard news writing. Feature writing is pretty loose as well.

In small towns, most writers are accustomed to writing in several styles.

Beyond journalism there are many other writing styles as well. Just think of television. Almost everything you hear on television was written.

How about speeches. Think of all of those politicians giving speeches.

Novelists - there's nothing like reading a great piece of fiction. I think great authors are some of the best writers.

Today we have a world of bloggers where anybody and everybody can be a writer.

And it goes on and on. From essays to cookbooks - there are dozens of ways to write.

So the answer to "Dad, how do you write?" is quite complicated. I don't really know how I write. I learned the basics a long time ago and

I just do it. And it's like most things in life: the more you do something, the more proficient you are at it.

Speaking of being proficient at something ... is there anything like experience?

I have no idea what percentage of business owners would tell you they'd take experience over education, but I bet it's pretty high.

I'll concede that a college education has advantages as far as getting a foot in the door, but beyond that, there is nothing like experience.

Looking back at the time I arrived on the job, I didn't know much. I knew how to write, but not real well. I certainly didn't know how to be a boss. I was so ill-prepared for so much of the job that I honestly felt lost.

Right now in the U.S. there are hundreds of thousands of college students trying to enter the workforce in their respective fields. Sadly, companies are not hiring and when they do, they want experience. These workers will tell you, "They want experience only, but you can't get experience if you can't get a job."

It's a tough deal.

Veterans: Thank you.

Thank you for your sacrifice.

Thank you for the sleepless nights.

Thank you for the training.

Thank you for representing me to the world.

Thank you fighting for freedom.

Thank you for your commitment.

Thank you for doing the hard work with little pay.

Thank you to all veterans of this country. You make me proud to be an American.

Reinvestment zone public hearing set

BENJAMIN—The Knox County Commissioners' Court will conduct a public hearing at 9 a.m. on Nov. 17 here in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Knox County Courthouse to consider an application by New Generation Power Texas to designate certain property as a reinvestment zone, eligible for property tax abatement.

New Generation plans to use the property, located in the southeastern part of the

county, as a wind power facility.

The Commissioners will consider whether such a designation would contribute to the retention or expansion of primary employment or would attract major investment to the economic development of the county.

They will also consider and act on whether to approve and execute an abatement agreement with New Generation.

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM
At the
KNOX COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL
ON
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2014
11:00 A.M.

A HAMBURGER meal with BEANS and COBBLER will follow at the Benjamin Ex-Students Building Meal - \$8.00 per person

VETERANS DISPLAY IN THE MUSEUM BUILDING
VIEW VETERANS ALBUMS
9:00-11:00 A. M. - 1:00-2:00 P.M.
***Bring your lawn chairs for the program**

Notice of Public Hearing

The Knox County Commissioners' Court will conduct a public hearing at its next regularly scheduled meeting to consider the application by New Generation Power Texas, LLC to designate certain property located in Knox County as a Reinvestment Zone eligible for property tax abatement under Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code. The property is located generally in the southeast part of the County. The property is intended for use as a wind power facility by New Generation Power Texas, LLC. In determining whether to designate the Reinvestment Zone, the Commissioners' Court will consider whether such designation would contribute to the retention or expansion of primary employment or would attract major investment in the Zone that would benefit the land to be included in the Zone and would contribute to the economic development of the County. The Court will also consider and act on whether to approve and execute an abatement agreement between the County and New Generation Power Texas, LLC allowing for property tax abatement. The public hearing will take place at 9:00 a.m. on November 17, 2014 in the Commissioners' Courtroom of the Knox County Courthouse in Benjamin, Texas. All interested persons may appear and present testimony regarding designation of the Reinvestment Zone. A copy of the proposed Reinvestment Zone is available for public viewing at the County Judge's office or the County Clerk's office in the Knox County Courthouse during normal business hours. If further information is needed, please contact County Judge Travis Floyd, Knox County Courthouse, 940-459-2191.

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Hounds need win over Rotan to make playoffs

By **JAMES McAFEE**
The Knox County News-Courier

KNOX CITY—The Knox City Greyhounds have to rebound this Friday at home and beat the Rotan Yellowhammers if they want to make the playoffs against the Ira Bulldogs, the No. 2 team in the state.

The Hounds found out last Friday night just why there's little doubt the Crowell Wildcats have to be the favorites to repeat as Class 1A/Division state champions, suffering a 66-16 setback here at Dick Todd Stadium before a homecoming crowd who probably wanted to go home after the crowning of the football king and football sweetheart.

However, the game didn't end by the "mercy rule" at half time as it has for six other Crowell opponents this season.

It wasn't because the Wildcats didn't pull out 'all stops either, taking time outs to stop the clock as they took over at midfield with 51 seconds left until intermission, leading 46-8. They scored on a 19-yard pass from Mitchell Parsley to Jared Brown with 12 seconds left. Needing only a point to end the game, Parsley had to rush a passing attempt that failed after a high snap from center.

Crowell got the ball to start the second half, but the starters stayed on the sidelines as Coach Nathan Hayes wanted to see his reserves in action. It appeared they might have some success as Tristen Hayes appeared to convert a fourth down try with a pass to Kevin Strickland. However, it was wiped out by a penalty. Flushed backward on the next try, Hayes lost the handle on the football and Zach Rodriguez recovered for the Greyhounds at the Wildcats' five-yard line.

Three plays later Jacoby Thomas found a hole on the right side from three yards out. Jose Torres added the PAT kick, cutting Crowell's lead to 52-16.

Obviously a little upset, the regulars returned for the Wildcats and less than 20 seconds later Parsley found Moya for a 57-yard score. Parsley's PAT padded the margin to 44 again.

Converting a third down on a pass interference call against the Wildcats allowed the Greyhounds four more downs, but then on third and 24, a Thomas-to-Zach Rodriguez completion came up nine yards short before an incomplete pass on fourth down.

After missing his targets twice, Parsley elected to take the ball the final 30 yards to end the game with 3:21 left in the third quarter.

Parsley showed why he may be the best spread back in Texas six-man football as he had a hand in eight touchdowns,

scoring four times when he found his receivers covered by the Greyhounds and throwing for four more six-pointers to his favorite receiver Moya.

"We knew going in to this game that we would have to play one of our best games to compete with them," Coach Charles Steele said. "We made some costly mistakes early that gave them some momentum. You cannot do that against good teams."

Steele felt the Wildcats' high risk, high reward type defense paid off with two quick turnovers, but thought the Hounds settled in and moved the ball but just could not get the ball in the end zone, being turned away twice inside the 10.

"Defensively, we knew they were going to spread it out and throw the ball a bunch," Steele said. "We stopped their run game so they went to the air. We had some blown coverages and some misalignments a couple times that gave them some easy scores." Steele did feel that moving some guys around due to injuries hurt the Hounds' comfort level on defense. Zach Rodriguez was recognized as the defensive MVP.

After the two early Crowell scores, the Greyhounds responded by moving into the red zone on a 38-yard pass from Thomas to Kryz Campos, selected as the Hounds' offensive MVP, but then had to turn the ball over at the Crowell 17 when a fourth down pass failed.

Showing they are human, the Wildcats lost a fumble and Nevarez recovered at the 17. A holding penalty pushed the Hounds back to the 27 before Nevarez connected to Estrada for 12 yards. A face mask penalty against Crowell then gave the Greyhounds first and goal at the Crowell 4. Estrada hit Campos for the TD and Torres, the special team MVP, added the PAT, cutting the deficit to 14-8.

Parsley then took over control of the game after that.

District 8-1A/Division I Standings						
	District		Season			
Team	W	L	W	L	Pts	Opp
Crowell	2	0	8	0	520	107
Knox City	1	1	6	3	456	351
Rotan	1	1	5	4	341	401
Aspermont	0	2	3	6	317	444

Last week's results: Crowell 66, Knox City 16; Rotan 51, Aspermont 28

This week's schedule: Rotan at Knox City, Crowell at Aspermont



Jacoby Thomas gets block from Christian Abila in loss to Crowell

Sheri Baty For The News-Courier



Anthony Estrada looks to get off pass to Angel Rodriguez

Knox City basketball schedules

Varsity, junior varsity

- Nov. 11—VG girls at Crowell
- Nov. 15—JV, VG at Quanah
- Nov. 18—JVG, VG, VB vs. Northside
- Nov. 20-22—VG at Jayton Tournament
- Nov. 21—JVB, VB at Hawley
- Nov. 25—Aspermont
- Dec. 2—All vs. Aspermont
- Dec. 4-6—VG, VB at Guthrie Tournament
- Dec. 9—All vs. Eula
- Dec. 11-13—VG, VB at Archer City Tournament
- Dec. 11-13—JVB at Albany Tournament
- Dec. 19--VG vs. Valley at Paducah
- Dec. 19-20—VB at Jayton Tournament
- Dec. 30—All vs. Cross Plains
- Jan. 2—All at Newcastle
- Jan. 6—All vs. Spur
- Jan. 8-10—JVB at Knox City JV Tournament
- Jan. 9—VG, VB at Patton Springs
- Jan. 13—JVB, VG, VB vs. Paducah
- Jan. 20—JVB, VG, VB vs. Guthrie

- Jan. 23—JVB, VG, VB at Motley County
- Jan. 27—All at Spur
- Jan. 29—JVG vs. Hawley
- Jan. 29-31—JVB at Guthrie JV Tournament
- Jan. 30—VG, VB vs. Patton Springs
- Feb. 3—JVB, VG, VB vs. Paducah
- Feb. 6—All vs. Motley County
- Feb. 10—JVB, VG, VB vs. Guthrie

O'Brien Junior High

- Nov. 13—Spur at Knox City
- Nov. 16—at Jayton Junior High Tournament
- Nov. 17—at Patton Springs
- Dec. 1—Paducah at Knox City
- Dec. 8—at Motley County
- Jan. 8—at Spur
- Jan. 8-10—Girls at Guthrie Junior High Tournament
- Jan. 15—Patton Springs at Knox City
- Jan. 22—at Paducah
- Jan. 29—Motley County at Knox City
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Moguls control own destiny for playoffs

By JAMES McAFEE
The Knox County News-Courier

SEYMOUR—When a team puts too much emphasis on trying to load up its defense to stop the Munday "Overland Express", the Moguls showed Friday night they can strike through the air when necessary,

After a scoreless first quarter and backed up to their 17, Alfonso Nunez found Temerick Reagins open and the two teamed for a 83-yard touchdown that allowed the Moguls to break open the flood gates en route to a 55-6 victory over the Seymour Panthers here Friday night.

The victory coupled with Hamlin's 33-13 victory over Electra left Munday alone in second place in District 7-2A with a 3-1 record.

Awaiting the Moguls in their last regular season home game will be the Haskell Indians, who showed an explosive two-prong offense in racing to a 64-8 win over the Petrolia Pirates last Friday. Quarterback Dylan Hansen accounted for 188 of the Indians' 254 on the ground and completed 11 of 18 passes for an additional 171 yards.

The Moguls control their own destiny for the playoffs. A victory over the Indians would assure them of the No. 2 seed from 7-2A. However, the Indians could force a three-way tie for second between the two teams along with the Electra Tigers with a victory over the Moguls by 13 or more points. Then points would determine who advances and who stays at home. The Tigers, meanwhile, would be assured of a playoff spot if they beat the Petrolia Pirates. If the Moguls lose by 11 or less, they would be the No. 2 seed. If they lose by 12, they would be No. 3. If they lose by 13 or more, they would stay at home.

"We just have to go out and execute our game plan," Coach Patrick Corcoran said about the closing game.

Corcoran noted that Seymour did a good job of taking away the Moguls' high-octane running attack in the first quarter. "They made us reach out to make adjustments and try other things," he added, pointing to the pass deep in their

own territory that broke the scoreless deadlock in the second quarter. "Once the kids settled down, they relaxed and found their groove."

Day'veon Dockins, who finished the night with 119 yards on 11 carries, then got into the act with runs of 26 and 25 yards within a span of seven seconds after the Moguls' defense forced a turnover.

Nunez finished the second quarter with two more long range connections to Reagins for 63 and 60 yards as the pair combined for a total of 206 yards. The second one came with just 12 seconds left in the half.

Seymour finally got on the scoreboard as David Watson returned the ensuing kickoff 84 yards. The run for two points failed.

With the clock running, a usual occurrence in a blow out in the second half, the Moguls added insurance scores on 44 and 49-yard runs by Dockins and Zac Huffman plus a three-yard effort by Heath Bivens in the third quarter. The fourth quarter was scoreless.

Diego Reyes continued to shine in the point after kick department, connecting on seven of eight attempts. This is a crucial area in close games that can be decided by a point.

The Moguls' defense also had its second straight game of limiting their opponents to less than 100 yards of total offense. The Panthers netted only eight yards on the ground on 27 runs.

District 7-2A football standings

Team	District		Season		Pts	Opp
	W	L	W	L		
Hamlin	4	0	9	0	394	199
Munday	3	1	6	3	361	191
Haskell	2	2	5	4	335	232
Electra	2	2	4	5	256	184
Petrolia	1	3	2	7	165	435
Seymour	0	4	2	7	166	328

Last week's results: Munday 55, Seymour 6; Haskell 64, Petrolia 8; Hamlin 33, Electra 13

This week's schedule: Haskell at Munday, Seymour at Hamlin, Electra at Petrolia.



Terry Messer/For The News-Courier

The Moguls' defense limits Seymour to less than 100 yards in 55-6 win



Munday's Zac Huffman looks for running room against Seymour

Munday Basketball Schedule

Varsity, junior varsity

- Nov. 11—JV, VG at Abilene Christian
- Nov. 14—JV, VG vs. Aspermont
- Nov. 18—JV, VG at Newcastle
- Nov. 25—All at Petrolia
- Dec. 2—All vs. Electra
- Dec. 4—VG, VB at Miles Tournament
- Dec. 9—All at Quannah
- Dec. 11-13—VG, VB at Stamford Tournament
- Dec. 11-13—JVB at Albany Tournament
- Dec. 16—All at Olney
- Dec. 18-20—VB at Jayton Tournament
- Dec. 19—JV, VG at Wichita Falls Notre Dame
- Jan. 2—All vs. Quannah
- Jan. 6—All vs. Windthorst
- Jan. 9—JV, VG at Harrold
- Jan. 10—JVG at Albany Tournament
- Jan. 13—JVG vs. Albany
- Jan. 13—JV, VB, VG vs. Crowell
- Jan. 15-17—JVG, JVB at Aspermont Tournament
- Jan. 16—VG, VB at Benjamin
- Jan. 20—JVG at Hawley
- Jan. 20—JVB, VG, VB vs. Chillicothe
- Jan. 22-24—JVB at Knox City Tournament
- Jan. 23—JVB, VG, VB at Northside

- Jan. 24—JVG vs. Stamford
- Jan. 26—JVG, JVB at Albany
- Jan. 27—VG, VB vs. Harrold
- Jan. 30—JVG, JVB at Jayton
- Jan. 30—VG, VB at Crowell
- Feb. 3—VG, VB vs. Benjamin
- Feb. 6—JVG at Knox City
- Feb. 6—JVB at Stamford
- Feb. 6—VG, VB at Chillicothe
- Feb. 10—All vs. Northside
- Feb. 13—JVB, VB at Harrold

Junior High

- Nov. 17—JHG, JHB at Harrold
- Nov. 24—7G, 7B, 8G, 8B vs. Crowell
- Dec. 1—7G, 7B at Benjamin
- Dec. 1—JHGB, 8G, 8B vs. Abilene Christian
- Dec. 8—8G, 8B vs. Chillicothe
- Dec. 8—7G, 7B at Newcastle
- Dec. 15—7G, 7B, 8G, 8B at Northside
- Jan. 8—JHG, JHB vs. Harrold
- Jan. 12—7G, 7B, 8G, 8B at Crowell
- Jan. 19—7G, 7B vs. Benjamin
- Jan. 22—JHGB, 8G, 8B at Abilene Christian
- Jan. 26—JHG, JHB at Chillicothe
- Feb. 2—7G, 7B, 8G, 8B vs. Northside

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Benjamin News

Gladene Green

It's a blustery, cool November today. It's "hazy-looking" and sure looks like fall—finally. No rain yet, but it is predicted for the next few days. And it is kinda gloomy in Arlington today, as Arizona took a victory over the Cowboys. We'll see what happens next week. **Here 'N There**

News regarding Marilyn Searcey Goodin is still encouraging. If nothing changes, she is scheduled to return to Abilene Monday to continue her recuperation at Hendrick Rehab. Great to know she is able to come home, and maybe that will help speed up her recovery. She continues to need our prayers.

Deann Lamb is to come home Monday after several weeks in the Munday Nursing Center, recovering from a broken hip and surgery to repair it. She is ready to get back to her familiar surroundings.

Billy and Penny Trainham of Denton visited her sister and her husband, Joy and Charles Jones, during this past week.

We had a nice visit with Gene House on Saturday night. He was in the area with his family, who were doing some hunting over close to Paint Creek. Gene is doing well and said he always enjoys coming back to Benjamin to visit. He lives in Mansfield.

We also had a good visit with former resident, Jim Larned, Saturday evening. Jim and Brenda have moved to Glen Rose, and he said they love it down there. It's always good to see them (or one of them) when they come back to visit their daughter, Julie Ledesma, and family in Knox City.

I stopped by to see Evelyn Balis in Knox City today. She's not feeling well at all. She sees two doctors in Abilene on Thursday, and hopefully gets some answers to some questions regarding her failing health. She's also planning to sell her home and move to the Metroplex to be near her sons. Of course, that's in the talking stage, but she does plan to make that transition before long. Her health is just not good enough for her to be alone and try to maintain her home.

Judy and Randolph Barnett were in Abilene Friday night for the Abilene Cooper-Lubbock Cooper football game. It was the first time the two teams had met in competition, and Abilene

Cooper won by 10 points. Judy and Randolph's granddaughter, Cheyenne Conner, daughter of Jeff, plays in the Lubbock Cooper band, so that was their main interest in going. Judy said they got a chance to visit with Cheyenne a little while after the band marched at halftime. The Lubbock band left immediately after the game for San Antonio and were to march in a UIL contest at 8 am Saturday morning. This was super regional competition, and the Cooper band failed to advance any further.

Reyes Barrientez attended the funeral of her aunt, Aurora Rocha, in Knox City today (Monday). My sympathy to Aurora's family.

Kathie Waldron of San Antonio spent Saturday night with her aunt, Corrine Parrish. Kathie, Jack, and Justin were back to get some more of their "belongings" and do some cleaning up around their house. They are about to get settled in San Antonio and are liking it real well—quite a change from Knox City—but lots of opportunities are there and plenty of places to shop, eat, and sightsee! I love visiting there.

Since the remaining high school football game has been cancelled, plans are to crown the High School Football Hero and Sweetheart on Thursday night at the Junior High game with Northside. I'm assuming the Junior High Football Royalty will be crowned at that game as well. It's sad to have our high school game cancelled, but better that than to have other injuries that may be even worse than have already been experienced.

By the time this paper is read, the election will be over. Regardless of the outcome, life will go on, and we hope everyone will be willing to accept things as they are and continue on.

And don't forget the Veterans' Day Observance scheduled for Tuesday, November 11, at 11:00 am at the Veterans' Memorial site here in Benjamin. Memorabilia will be on display the morning of the 11th at the museum and after the noon meal as well. The hamburger meal, all the trimmings, and cobbler will follow the program and will be held at the Ex-Students' Building. I hope to see a lot of friends there. It's always a very good program and brings deserved honor to those who have served their country to preserve its freedom.

Harrold, Chillicothe battle for title

HARROLD—The Harrold Hornets set up a showdown with the Chillicothe Eagles for the District 11-1A/Division II title by cruising to their fourth straight win with a 61-15 romp over the Northside Indians last Friday.

Chillicothe got the week when Benjamin was forced to forfeit its last two games when injuries left the Mustangs with only five players.

Both teams will advance to the playoffs with the loser probably drawing Throckmorton and the winner going against Forrestsburg, who play for the District 12-1A/Division II title Friday night.

District 11-1A/Division II Standings

Team	District		Season		Pts	Opp
	W	L	W	L		
Chillicothe	2	0	5	4	298	254
Harrold	2	0	4	4	338	269
Benjamin	0	2	2	7	222	432
Northside	0	2	1	8	184	579

Last week's results: Harrold 61, Northside 15; Chillicothe by default over Benjamin
This week's schedule: Benjamin at Northside, Chillicothe at Harrold,

Veterans Day program scheduled Tuesday



BENJAMIN—The Knox County Historical Commission and the Friends of KCHC will present a Veterans Day celebration at 11 a.m. here Tuesday at the Knox County Veterans Memorial, a monument dedicated to outstanding and courageous men and women who have served in the military.

SSgt. Burl R. Griffith of Munday will be recognized as the Gold Star honoree.

The Wichita Brazos Museum will display military memorabilia from personal and museum collections from 9-11 a.m. and from 1-2 p.m. Families may bring their memorabilia and photos to the museum between the hours of 1-5 p.m. on Thursday and Friday with cards that describe the article, what war or time period and the names of the known. These items then can be picked up at the end of the exhibit.

Members of the six grade classes in Benjamin, Knox City and Munday will participate in the

"Veterans Day Story and Poster Contest."

Following the program, a hamburger meal, including chips, pinto beans, cobbler and tea or coffee will be served at the Benjamin Ex-

Students Building for \$8.

Four more monoliths engraved with 69 names were added to the Knox County Veterans Memorial last month.

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Knox County Rural Water Supply Corporation has filed an application to obtain a CCN No. with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to provide water utility service in Haskell, King, Knox and Stonewall counties.

The proposed utility service area is located approximately 1.5 miles north of downtown Rochester, Texas, and is generally bounded on the north by Little Croton Creek and the Brazos River; on the east by CR 4225; on the south by FM 617; and on the west by Big Buffalo Creek.

The total area being requested includes approximately 110,000 acres and 150 current customers.

The proposed application affects customers and/or areas located in the following zip codes: 79539, 79529, 79505, 79236, 79544.

A copy of the proposed service area map is available at: 110 North Central, Knox City, 79529, 940/256-1426.

A request for a public hearing must be in writing. You must state (1) your name, mailing address, and daytime telephone number; (2) the applicant's name, application number or another recognizable reference to this application; (3) the statement, "I/we request a public hearing"; (4) a brief description of how you or the persons you represent, would be adversely affected by the granting of the application for a CCN; and (5) your proposed adjustment to the application or CCN which would satisfy your concerns and cause you to withdraw your request for a hearing.

Persons who wish to intervene or comment should write the:

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If you are a landowner with a tract of land at least 25 acres or more, that is partially or wholly located within the proposed area, you may request to be excluded from the proposed area (or "opt out") by providing written notice to the Commission within (30) days from the date that notice was provided by the applicant. All request to opt out of the requested service area must include a scaled, general location map and a metes and bounds description of the tract of land.

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A copy of the request to opt out of the proposed area must also be sent to the applicant. Staff may request additional information regarding your request.

Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1-512-239-0200.

Effective September 1, 2014, responsibility for regulating water and wastewater rates and CCNs will transfer to the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC). If responding before September 1, 2014, please submit your information to the TCEQ at the address previously shown. After September 1, 2014, please submit your written response to the address below:

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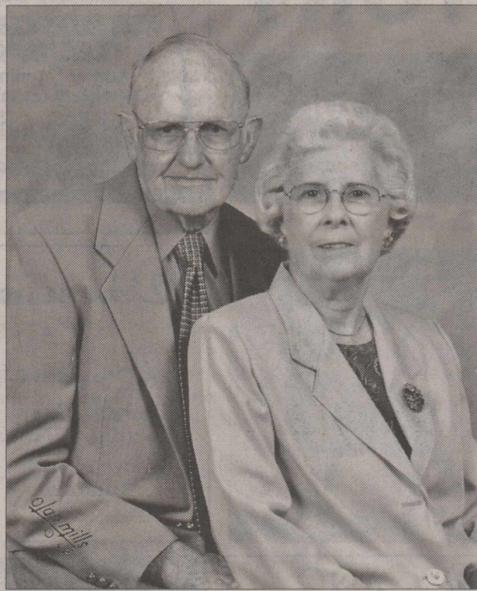
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CLARENCE, ETTA SEARCEY

Church Happenings

Annual bazaar set

KNOX CITY—The First United Methodist Church's annual bazaar, featuring a turkey dinner, is scheduled Saturday from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. The cost will be \$10 for adults and \$4 for children. Bakery items and frozen dinners will be for sale. A silent auction will also be offered.

Community-wide service set

MUNDAY—The Munday Ministry Alliance announced that a community-wide service will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23 at the First Baptist Church of Munday. "It's a fundraiser for the food pantry," said Shane Kendrick.

Community Thanksgiving meal

MUNDAY—Other groups and individuals in the community are assisting the First United Methodist Church in getting things ready for fourth annual Community Thanksgiving on Thanksgiving Day Nov. 27.

Breakfast with Santa

MUNDAY—Children can get pictures taken with Santa Claus when the Munday Church of Christ hosts Breakfast with Santa from 9-11 a.m. on Dec. 6. Breakfast will also be served.

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 are also accepted.

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—The choir performing for the Munday Christmas Cantata will continue practice at the First Baptist Church in Munday on Wednesday nights.

(Send news of your church activities to kcnewscourier@gmail.com by 5 p.m. Friday.)

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Benjamin Baptist Church
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GOP

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chusetts. With Congress grappling with gridlock, states have been at the forefront of efforts to raise the minimum wage and implement Obama's health care law.

Many Republican governors seeking re-election had struggled with poor approval ratings but prevailed, including Florida Gov. Rick Scott, who defeated Democrat Charlie Crist, a former Republi-

can governor; Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback; and Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker, a potential GOP presidential candidate in 2016.

Voters expressed bitterness with a sluggish economic recovery and the nation's handling of foreign crises. Nearly two-thirds of voters interviewed after casting ballots said the country was seriously on the wrong track.

Obama's poor approval ratings turned him into a liability for Democrats seeking re-election. The outcome offered parallels

to the sixth year of Republican George W. Bush's presidency, when Democrats won sweeping victories amid voter discontent with the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Democrats had few bright spots. New Hampshire Sen. Jeanne Shaheen and Gov. Maggie Hassan, who campaigned with potential 2016 candidate Hillary Rodham Clinton last weekend, both won re-election. In Pennsylvania, businessman Tom Wolf dispatched GOP Gov. Tom Corbett.

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality



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

PERMIT NO. WQ0013616001

APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION. City of O'Brien, P.O. Box 38, O'Brien, Texas 79539, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for a renewal of Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0013616001, which authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 20,000 gallons per day. The current permit also authorizes the disposal of treated domestic wastewater effluent via irrigation of 7.1 acres of non-public access agricultural land. TCEQ received this application on March 28, 2014.

The facility is located approximately 0.8 mile north of the intersection of State Highway 6 and Farm-to-Market Road 2229, north of the City of O'Brien on the west side of State Highway 6 in Haskell County, Texas 79539. The treated effluent is discharged to China Branch; thence to 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 that 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 O'Brien City Hall, 1002 Grand Central Avenue, O'Brien, 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=33.39136&lng=-99.83737&zoom=13&type=r>

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 O'Brien at the address stated above or by calling Mr. James Johnston, City Council Member, City of O'Brien at 940 658-1144.

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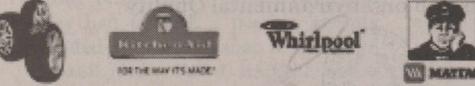
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Mac's Views

It seems like the No. 1 targets for scammers are seniors based on reports I've seen from the Better Business Bureau and the National Council on Aging.

This past summer, I remember getting an e-mail, supposedly from a high school friend, that she was stranded in Europe and needed me to send money since her credit cards had been stolen. Just a few weeks earlier, I had read where a man in Wylie--the one in Collin County, not the one near Abilene--had been victimized by a similar scam. So I ignored that email.

Recently, I read a report of how someone had tried the "Grandparent Scam" on a couple in Haskell and thought it should be addressed since there are plenty more of us grandparents here in Knox County.

Scammers call an older person and when the phone is picked up they will say something along these lines: "Hi Grandma, do you know who this is?" When the grandparent guesses a name, the scammer has established a fake identity without

doing any background research. Then the caller will ask for money to solve a problem--overdue rent, car repairs or even to get out of jail--be paid via Western Union or Money Gram, two places where no ID is needed to collect the money. As an added measure, the caller will say something along these lines: "Please don't tell my parents, they would kill me."

Why does it work? Of course, it's because as grandparents, we listen with our hearts.

Another recent scam I heard about involved telemarketing phone calls saying that seniors had been selected to receive free medical devices or supplies ordered by their doctor. Sometimes the scammers will use a variation of a well-known organization, using American Diabetic Association instead of the American Diabetes Association. When the seniors call back to confirm the shipment, they are asked for personal information and credit card to pay mailing costs. Of course, the devices and supplies don't exist.

It's probably a scam if the scammer doesn't know your name, doesn't have a legitimate mailing address or uses scare tactics. Also, remember nothing is free, especially when a fee is attached.

Bicycle rodeo part of Adventure Days

KNOX CITY--Remember the feeling of first learning to ride a bicycle on your own --- without training wheels and without a parent's balancing hand? Remember that sudden rush of freedom?

If you have to strain to think back that far, well, maybe it's time to strap on a helmet and saddle up. Because not only is bicycling fun and freeing, it's an excellent way to get healthy exercise. That's one of the reasons that 60 million Americans bicycle. Whether you're an avid mountain biker or simply trying to incorporate cycling into your daily routine, you too can reap the many benefits of bicycling. Bicycling, however, is not without its risks.

The Texas A&M Agrilife Extension, Knox County Hospital and Knox City Police Department will host a bicycle skills event here Saturday as part of Adventure Days. It is designed to teach bicyclists the skills they need in order to be better cyclists. By learning bike handling and

traffic skills, one can enjoy bicycling more and reduce the chance of injury.

The rodeo will start at 10:30 a.m. at the Knox City Community Center located here at 208 SE 3rd Street. Bicyclists aged 5 to 13 and their parents are invited to attend. This event is made up of a series of stations, each dealing with an important aspect of safe cycling. Participants will practice the safe way to exit a driveway, how to look for traffic, negotiate an intersection and avoid common road hazards. Practicing bicycle-handling skills will increase their enjoyment of bicycling and could save their lives.

A business showcase will kick off the Knox County Visioning Group's fourth annual Adventure Days at 9 a.m. Saturday. Craft demonstrations are scheduled at 9:30 and 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Kinder Morgan, which has had a tremendous economic impact on Knox County, will be the featured business on this year's bus tour, leaving at 10 a.m. Cost is \$5 for adults while kids 10 and under are free.

A hamburger lunch is scheduled from 11:30-1:30 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the Munday Park Project.

The first team to find all their clues and make it to the finish line first wins \$100 in the Amazing Grace Race that starts at 1 p.m.

The partnership domino tournament will kick off at 2 p.m. Trophies will be awarded for first, second and third places.

A painting (without a twist) event starting at 2 p.m. will be limited to 24 people. All supplies are covered as part of the \$25 entry fee. To register in advance please call 940 459-2651.

Taxidermy services



James McAfee/The Knox County News-Courier

Scott Pinkerton opened the Hoof & Horns Taxidermy shop in Monday earlier in the fall after operating a similar business in Winters for 20 years, relocating after marrying Betsy, who grew up in Goree.

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County gets welcome rain

Knox County received some welcome rain earlier this week with most areas reporting measurements exceeding an inch. The biggest total was 1.7 in Knox City.

The rain was accompanied with lower temperatures made even cooler by north winds.

Looking ahead until early next week, it appeared no additional rain was expected.

top ten

Under-21 Musicians

1. Lorde
2. 5 Seconds of Summer
3. Justin Bieber
4. Martin Garrix
5. Fifth Harmony
6. Austin Mahone
7. Earl Sweatshirt
8. Shawn Mendes
9. Becky G.
10. Chief Keef

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