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Leadership group continues learning process

The Knox-Haskell Texas Rural Leadership Program (TRLP) has held three sessions in 2015, including two day-long classes in both Haskell and Knox Counties as well as a two-day trip to Austin to meet with Texas state agencies and each county's state legislators.

The TRLP, which is in its first year, began in October 2014 and is a combined effort between Knox and Haskell counties to encourage individuals to become better educated about resources and community leadership roles in rural communities. The Knox Haskell TRLP 2014-2015 class has a total of 12 participants from both Knox and Haskell counties. The participants have met once a month since October 2014 and will continue to meet once a month until their graduation in May.

The group will participate in one more leadership meeting in Haskell the first part of April. During this meeting, the TRLP participants will choose a com-

munity development project to complete. The projects will be announced during their May 4 graduation ceremony.

The January class was held at Haskell City Hall. The topics for the day included Organizing and Group Dynamic as well as City and County Leadership. Karen Kaigler-Walker led the group through curriculum to better understand Organizing and Group Dynamics by using role playing as well as informational charts and case studies. Next, the class heard from Haskell City Manager Brandon Anderson and Haskell Mayor John Ganaway regarding the City of Haskell's planning, operations and leadership. After lunch at Mi Familia, the group met with Haskell County Judge David Davis and members of the Haskell County Commissioners Court as well as elected courthouse representatives to discuss their responsibilities at the County level. Last, but not least that day, the TRLP



Knox House Texas Rural Leadership Program members visited with state legislators and agency liaisons on a visit to Austin. Shown (l-r) are: DaLinda Black, Parris Pittman, Rick Rhodes (Texas Department of Rural Affairs), Laura Bowers, James Frank (Texas State Representative), Erin Dunham, Drew Springer (Texas State Representative), Lorrie Coop, Scott Bearden, Carl Milburn, Joy Lynn Pool, Mitzi Welch, Tatiana Nchotu and Mary Drury.

participants met with City of Haskell Chief of Police Scott Kennedy as well as the Committee to Help Haskell County representative Lynn Dodson and the Haskell Noah Project representatives Janis Brozowski and Cynthia Alvidrez.

The February session was held in Austin. The TRLP participants departed as a group from Haskell City Hall

on the morning of February 3 and made a stop in Goldthwaite to visit the Goldthwaite Botanical Gardens and Native American Interpretive Center. During the visit to the center, the TRLP group met with Jan Fischer, who was the catalyst for the nearly \$2 million dollar center which has brought national recognition to the community and a partnership with

the Washington, D.C. Smithsonian Museum. The group's prescheduled meetings included a private meeting with Texas State representatives Drew Springer and James Frank as well as Texas State Senator Charles Perry. Later on in the day, the TRLP group also met with the following individuals in five 20-minute sessions:

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Knox Calendar

Please notify the News-Courier to add or update your events and meeting times. Emailed submissions to kcnewscourier@gmail.com are preferred, but will also be accepted by phone at 940 422-5350. The deadline for inclusion in the next week's issue will be 5 p.m. on Fridays.

Thursday, March 19

Texas Midwest Community Network luncheon, Perry Patton Community Center, 11:30 a.m.

Breckenridge OAP Festival

Knox City JH Track Meet

Friday, March 20

Munday track at Roby Relays

Knox City Track Meet

Saturday, March 21

Knox City baseball vs. Loraine (2)

Monday, March 23

MJH track at Stamford

Tuesday, March 24

MHS at District UIL Academics, Chillicothe

Wednesday, March 25

O'Brien JH track at Jayton

Thursday, March 26

5th, 6th, 7th Munday Band at Cisco Musical Festival

Munday CISD School Board, Board Room, 6 p.m.

Friday, March 27

Knox City and Munday track at Rolling Plains Relays, Jayton

Saturday, March 28

Coach Lowrance 5K Fun Run

KCHS at District One Act Play

Knox City Chamber of Commerce Banquet, Knox City Community Center, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, March 31

MHS boys, girls golf at Tommy Terrell Invitational

Munday Junior High Track Meet

Knox City baseball at Wichita Falls Notre Dame

O'Brien track at Aspermont

Thursday, April 2

MHS at District One Act Play

Friday, April 3

Munday track at Mogul Relays

Knox City track at Aspermont

Corrections

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

KC Head Start Round Up set Monday

KNOX CITY—The Knox City Child Development Center, located at 502 N. 2nd in Knox City, will be taking applications for the enrollment of children for the Head Start program that will begin in the fall, hosting its Round Up Day from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. March 23.

The Head Start program serves three (by Sept. 1) and four year old children. It is designed to meet the needs of children by providing an environment which will help them develop socially, physically, intellectually, and emotionally in a manner appropriate to their age and stage of development toward the overall goal of school readiness and social competence.

Children with disabilities are welcome in Head Start and are offered the full range of developmental services that children without disabilities receive. The program works closely with other community agencies to provide services to meet the special needs of all children enrolled. The guidelines for participation in Head Start are established by the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services.

To make application for the program, parents must bring the following documents: child's birth certificate, immunization record and proof of income for the past 12 months, or 2014 1040 tax return. TANF recipients are categorically eligible for the program; however documentation of current benefits such as a letter from caseworker, case numbers, etc. must be provided. All information is considered confidential and will be used only for the purpose of establishing eligibility and defining the needs of the family and child.

While applications can be taken any time throughout the year, parents are encouraged to make an application as soon as possible at the Knox City Child Development Center. If you need further information, please contact director Sherry Ellis at 658-3770.

Senate OKs open carry bill

AUSTIN—By a 20-10 vote, the Texas Senate approved a bill to allow licensed open carry of handguns in shoulder or belt holsters. The measure now goes to the House.

Licensing would be the same as concealed handguns, including background checks, classroom and firing range instruction.

Gov. Greg Abbott has pledged to sign an open carry bill if one reaches his desk.

Texas already allows concealed carry of handguns, but is one of just six states that ban open carry.

St. Joseph's feeds more than 1,100



More than 1,100 people were fed during last Sunday's St. Joseph's Catholic Church's annual Parish Sausage & Fried Chicken Dinner in Rhineland

Perry's bill revives "sanctuary city" ban issue

AUSTIN—The Texas Senate revived a divisive immigration enforcement bill that bans so-called "sanctuary cities" earlier this week, rekindling emotional debates over racial profiling.

The term "sanctuary city" has no legal meaning, but is typically used to describe local governments that ban police from asking about a person's immigration status. A bill by Sen. Charles Perry, R-Lubbock, would prohibit local governments from prohibiting such bans.

Perry doesn't think police should be barred from using all tools at their disposal when enforcing the law. "These criminals swarm into our major cities knowing full well nothing will be done to them," Perry said. "The rule of law is important. ... A society without law is anarchy."

Similar measures have failed to pass in previous years, and this one still has a long way to go, but some Texas Republicans have promised to get tough on illegal immigration.

The state House voted unanimously to pass a separate measurement to curb human trafficking as part of a broader plan on border security.

Such consensus was nowhere to be found, though, during a meeting of the Senate Subcommittee on Border Security, which discussed Perry's bill.

Civil rights activists believe immigration status inquiries are likely to lead to racial profiling of minorities while a few law enforcement groups think it will likely cause some victims of crime to not call police because they fear being asked about their immigration status.

Knox Notes

Rural healthcare luncheon

MUNDAY—A regional network luncheon sponsored by the Texas Midwest Community Network will be held here today from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Perry Patton Community Center. Stephen Kuehler, CEO of the Knox County Hospital District, and Keddy Cheek of the West Texas Area Health Education Center will provide insight into their respective healthcare stories, services offered and their perspectives of the future of rural health-

care.

Chamber banquet set March 28

KNOX CITY— Judge David Counts III will be the speaker for the Knox City Chamber of Commerce Banquet, scheduled at 6 p.m. March 28 here at the Knox City Community Center. Tickets will cost \$18 and are available at the Chamber office during office hours—10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday—or from one of the board members.



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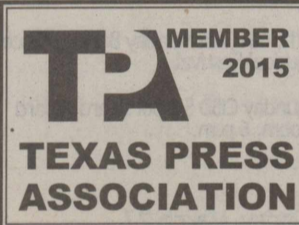
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Deaths

Lottie Loraine Parks

Lottie Loraine Parks, long-time resident of Dallas passed away Monday, March 9 at the Munday Nursing Center in Munday, Loraine was 90. Funeral Services were held last Thursday at Benjamin United Methodist Church in Benjamin. Burial took place last Saturday at Grove Hill Memorial Park in Dallas under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes.

Loraine was born April 10, 1924, in Kaufman County to Minnie Bernice (Selby) and Thomas Jefferson Stoy. Loraine married Jesse Lee Parks on Dec. 31, 1966 at Owenwood Methodist Church in Dallas. Loraine was employed at Grand Avenue Bank as a



LOTTIE PARKS

bookkeeper for 20 years. Later in life she moved to Knox County. Most people knew her as "Bea". She enjoyed people and baking cakes. Loraine was a member at Benjamin United Methodist Church in Benjamin;

She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Minnie Stoy; husband, Jesse Lee Parks; sister, Lucy Mings; brother, Art Stoy.

Loraine is survived by two sisters Jessie Roberts of Munday and Pauline Floyd of Woodlands and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

If desired, memorials can be given in her name to Benjamin United Methodist Church, U.S. Hwy 82 & N. Church Street, Benjamin, TX 79505 or to the Methodist Children's Home, 1111 Herring Ave., Waco, TX 76708. Online condolences can be shared with her family at www.smithfamilyfh.com.

Joe E. Sharp

Joe E. Sharp passed peacefully into the arms of Our Lord on Monday, March 9, 2015, after a brief illness. A funeral service was held at 9 a.m. on Saturday, March 14 at First Baptist Church of Colleyville. Interment was held Saturday in Childress City Cemetery.

Joe was born to H. E. and Alice Sharp on May 14, 1937 in Childress. He graduated from Munday High School in 1955, and later obtained a degree in accounting from North Texas State University. His accounting career began with Peat Marwick Mitchell and Company prior to establishing his own accounting practice in Amarillo.

In 1984, his attention turned to banking when he acquired the First National Bank of Baird, just east of Abilene. He would later purchase other banks, including First Security Bank of Beaver, First National Bank of Munday in his old hometown, and First National Bank of Weatherford.

Under Joe's leadership, this group of institutions would eventually expand to a highly-successful organization that



JOE SHARP

includes several bank branches as well as a bank software company.

He served as Chairman of the Board of First Bank Texas, First National Bank of Weatherford, and First Security Bank of Beaver with a passion for the employees and customers of those banks.

Joe served on the boards of Marine Military Academy in Harlingen and Independent Bankers Association of Texas.

He was an active member of First Baptist Church of Colleyville and a faithful partner with Southwestern and Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminaries in the spread of the Gospel.

Wet weather could mean more cotton will be planted

COLLEGE STATION — By delaying corn planting, wet weather could mean more grain sorghum and cotton will be planted than earlier predicted, according to Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service experts.

In early February, the National Cotton Council was predicting a large reduction in Texas cotton acreages planted — nearly 14 percent, according to Dr. Gaylon Morgan, AgriLife Extension state cotton specialist.

In mid-December the producers across the 17-state Cot-

ton Belt were surveyed to determine their cotton planting intentions for the 2015 crop, he said. The reduction in intended plantings was thought to be largely due to several factors, including projected cotton prices and changes in the recent U.S. farm bill.

"But based on current conditions, neither I nor Dr. John Robinson think we'll lose 14 percent of the cotton acres; more like 10 percent maybe," Morgan said. Robinson is the AgriLife Extension cotton state marketing specialist, College Station.

The main reason for the more stable cotton acreage is how wet weather has delayed planting of corn and may delay the planting of grain sorghum in South Texas, Morgan said. Both crops need to go in earlier than cotton.

"It is not too late to plant sorghum," he said. "Probably if corn is not planted in the next two weeks, then produc-

ers will switch to sorghum or cotton in the upper Gulf Coast and Blacklands. Now if it stays really wet, and it gets too late to plant sorghum, then cotton acres more than likely will be increased. Prices aren't that good for any of the crops right now, so many producers are just waiting to see if something is showing a little economic potential over others."

Additionally, the U.S. Department of Agriculture is extending the deadline for producers to update their base yields or reallocate their base acres from Feb. 27 to March 31.

"This should be a good thing to give producers some time to try to understand the farm bill and to see if commodity prices will shift in favor of one crop over another," he said.

The USDA won't release its planting intentions report for spring crops until March 31, Morgan noted.

Farmers get extension for safety-net programs

WASHINGTON — Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced that a one-time extension until Tuesday will be provided to producers for the new safety-net programs established by the 2014 Farm Bill, known as Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) and Price Loss Coverage (PLC).

"These are complex decisions, which is why we launched a strong education and outreach campaign back in September," Vilsack said. "Now we're providing a one-time extension of an additional month so that every producer is fully prepared to enroll in this program."

"This is an important decision for producers, because these programs provide financial protection against unexpected changes in the marketplace. Producers are working to make the best decision they can. And we're working to ensure that they've got the time, the information, and the opportunities to have those final conversations, review their data, and to visit the Farm Service Agency to make those decisions."

If no changes are made to yield history or base acres by March 31, the farm's current yield and base will be used. A program choice of ARC or PLC coverage also must be made by March 31 or there will be no 2014 payments for the farm and the farm will default to PLC coverage

AREA NEWS

White feature speaker at Baylor ag day fete

SEYMOUR — Michael White, Farm Bureau State Director for District 3, will be the featured speaker at the luncheon here April 14 during the 25th annual Baylor Ag Appreciation Day. Barry Mahler will be the emcee for the 25th year while Jason Huckabee, youth pastor and worship leader from Harvest Christian Fellowship, will provide entertainment. Awards will be presented to the Rancher/Cattlemans of the Year, the Farmer/Conservationist of the Year and the Agri-Business of the Year. A health fair will be held with 80 plus Ag and health related booths open from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Free blood tests will also be offered. Raffles for shotgun will raise money for scholarships.

Car show set April 4

HASKELL — The Wild Horse Prairie Car Show is scheduled here April 4 at the Haskell County Courthouse Square. Entry fee is \$20. Registration opens at 8 a.m.

Gem show April 11-12

ABILENE — The Central Texas Gem & Mineral Society will host its annual Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show here April 11-12 at the Abilene Civic Center. It will be open at 10 a.m. both days, closing at 6 p.m. on Saturday and 4 p.m. on Sunday. Admission will be \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for children 6-12 and free for children 5 and under, scouts and military in uniform.

USDA will conduct sorghum referendum

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is announcing procedures for the upcoming referendum regarding the continuation of the Sorghum Checkoff Program and is announcing the dates it will conduct the referendum.

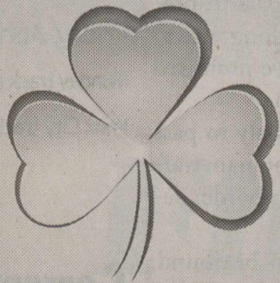
The Sorghum Promotion, Research, and Information Order requires that a referendum be conducted no later than seven years after the start of assessments, which began on July 1, 2008. For the program to continue, a majority of those voting must favor the continuation of the order.

USDA will conduct the referendum beginning on March 23 through April 21 at county USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) offices for producers and the Agricultural Marketing Service office for importers. Ballots may be obtained in person, by mail or facsimile at county FSA offices, or via the Internet.

Any eligible person engaged in the production or importation of sorghum from January 1, 2011, to December 31, 2014, is eligible to participate. Individuals are required to provide documentation such as a sales receipt or remittance form that shows they engaged in the production or importation of sorghum.

Thank you for spending the day with us!

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Knox County Aging Center

Menus for week of March 22-28

- Monday:** Spaghetti & meat, salad, garlic bread, fruit.
- Tuesday:** Chicken fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, pudding.
- Wednesday:** Baked chicken, green beans, cookies.
- Thursday:** Turkey, corn, sweet potatoes, rolls, cake.
- Friday:** BBQ sandwiches, tater tots, dessert.

The 501 The University of Hard Knocks

Some people claim to have graduated from the School of Hard Knocks. I'm still enrolled.



HANABA MUNN WELCH

Who hasn't learned things the tuition-free way? You show up and learn by living. Your mistakes are your best teachers.

In my opinion, the School of Hard Knocks features enough schools to deserve university status. Me, I've long been enrolled in the college of corrugated metal, where the major professor's nickname is Barn Tin.

If you're still with me, hold on for the ride. I don't know where we're going either.

One thing's for sure. You aren't allowed to say "barn tin" unless you know it isn't. Corrugated sheet metal - the wavy stuff - isn't just for barns, and it's not tin. It's steel. Tin cans aren't tin either, but we digress. Sometimes I wonder if anything is tin. Maybe computer components? We digress even more.

In the University of Hard Knocks, even an inanimate material can be the teacher. If you've ever handled a piece of barn tin on a windy day, you know what I mean. A little scar on my right hand reminds me to be careful. Grandmother and I were patching the north wall of her barn when I got the gash.

If you get hurt in the Hard Knocks setting, pampering is against the credo. Mother would have taken me to the doctor for stitches. I might have gotten a tetanus shot too. But Grandmoth-

er was born in 1884. She wrapped my hand in a clean white rag, and that was that.

Daddy and I also worked with barn tin. It's one way I learned about recycling before it was a word.

Basic lesson:

If you reuse corrugated metal, what you take off a roof is OK for a wall but not for another roof. Too many holes.

Therefore, unless you're trying to impress neighbors, use your best tin on the roof and old stuff for walls. That lesson probably belongs in the Hard Knocks philosophy curriculum. I'd have to think about it. I haven't.

If corrugated metal roofing flaps in the wind, expect metal fatigue to cause cracks - the stuff of airplane crashes. That's interdisciplinary knowledge. (Apologies to metallurgists if I've oversimplified the phenomenon.) Incidentally, don't think roofs can't fly. A strong enough Texas wind can make one take off. (No apologies to aerodynamics experts; I've seen it happen.)

If you shop for corrugated metal, you should know it comes in different thicknesses. The heavier stuff costs more. You get what you pay for. It's a Hard Knocks rule.

Like most other products that are the fabric of our lives, flimsy corrugated metal is now being touted as the standard stuff, at least in some settings. Caveat emptor. If it's cheap, it'll cave.

Times are changing in other ways too. Even the School-University of Hard Knocks is on the Internet, source of all knowledge.

Somewhere there's online advice against moving sheet metal by hand in the wind - one way to learn the lesson. It beats getting a scar.

Or maybe not.

Benjamin News

By Gladene Green

Maybe Spring has finally arrived—at least for a while anyway. The last few days have been so nice, especially Sunday. The wind on Saturday was very disagreeable, but at least there was no snow and ice! I'm sure we'll have an "Easter Spell" or two, but maybe the worst is over for a few months.

My sincere sympathy to the family of Bea Parks, who passed away last Monday. Bea had resided in the Munday Nursing Center for quite some time, and her health had been failing for several months. She was always pleasant to visit with and had a wonderful sense of humor. Bea will be missed by so many. Her funeral was here on Thursday, with burial in Dallas on Saturday. Bea was a sister of Jessie Roberts.

Regarding Our Ill

Walter (Soupy) Hertel of Munday (formerly of Benjamin) is a patient in ICU in a Lubbock hospital. He has been there several days. No definite diagnosis has been made, but, hopefully, they will determine his problem in the next few days. Walter is a brother-in-law of Charles and Joy Jones.

My great grandson, Dillon, was released from United Regional in Wichita Falls Tuesday. He's feeling better and has two doctors' appointments on Thursday for a checkup. His surgery is still scheduled for March 25, but whether or not he has it will depend on a number of things. He has a history of developing infections, and he must be infection free before surgery.

Buddy Tolson was in Abilene last week to see his doctor. He got a fair report. He is cancer free in his colon, but doctors found a place on his hip that they will

check out the next time he goes. They also discovered he has gall stones, so that will have to be taken care of. However, they are pretty satisfied with his report, and of course, anxious to get these other problems corrected.

Betty Bohannon is still having a few problems. She has a lot of trouble with her back and legs and is going to a pain management doctor this week. Hopefully, she will get some relief from that discomfort. We hope that she surely does.

I visited with my friend, Martha Whitford, on Monday. She's doing pretty well. She takes a chemo treatment every 21 days, and so far, is tolerating it quite well. She says she's feeling pretty good most of the time, has a good appetite, and is pretty "up-beat." I think that's a big plus for her. She avoids crowds as much as possible because she doesn't want to be exposed to something that may complicate her situation. It was good to see her.

Please continue to pray for her and all these I have mentioned and those who we may not know about. We know there are a lot of needs, and prayer is the answer to many. Let's not forget anyone.

Here 'N There

Spring break is this week, and everyone is happy! It will give everyone a break from the everyday routine. I just hope the weather stays nice so if any outdoor activities are planned, they can go on with it.

Lonnie Bohannon of Abilene spent the weekend with his parents, Roger and Betty. He spent the better part of his time doing a few repairs around the house for them. It's great to have kids to help us out from time to time.

Lexie, Katy, and Blaze Taylor of Amarillo are spending their spring break with their grandparents, Mike and Debi

Moorhouse, and with their dad and his wife, Cody and Kayla, in Seymour. Grandmother Debi has a lot planned for this week. Lynn Rogers and little daughters, Kaylee and Maddie, of Snyder spent the weekend with her parents, Mike and Debi. Her husband, Michael, was on a hunting trip.

Bud Conner and Kim Moore attended the funeral of Debra Coker Adkins in Rule on Wednesday. Debra was an aide in the Benjamin school about three years ago. She was Pam Conner's sister.

Bella and Ashburn Carver are spending their spring break with relatives in Irving.

Wanda West called one day last week just to check on everyone and wanted us to express her sympathy to Keith and Pam Conner for the loss of Debra. Wanda is doing OK now, but I think she had triple bypass surgery a while back. It was good to hear from her.

Stephanie and Bob Brannon and kids of Lubbock visited Hazel Stockton briefly one day last week.

Crews are getting the "Exxon Corner" ready to start the new building that will be an extension of the Penman store. It will enable them to handle more stock. Unofficial reports are that it will be a truck stop, but I'm not real sure of that. Whatever it's going to be, it will improve the looks of that corner, and that will be good. Last I heard, they hoped to have it ready by August, but that could change. Everyone knows that any kind of construction takes longer than is first expected.

I was in Munday on Sunday for the seventh birthday party for Taylor Herring. She and a lot of her friends and relatives had a blast, and we all enjoyed the cake, ice cream and punch. Taylor's parents are Nathan and Liz.

Walker and Bud Walker led the group through the curriculum on Leading Together which included lecture material as well as group discussion and application. Next, the TRLP group met with the Knox City Hospital Administrator, Stephen Kuehler as well as Dr. Ezekiel Duke. After lunch at Pepper's Dry Goods, the group toured the new Knox City Clinic and Pharmacy, heard from Aging Center Administrator, Maggie Maghee; Double Mountain Coach Director, Rick Ake and Ministerial Alliance member, Gary Schnable. To finish out the day, the group traveled to Rochester to tour the Vocational Tech School, meeting the Vo-Tech's Director, Monty Moeller, who told them of the programs available through the school

and its future. The Knox County Visioning Group and the Development Corporation of Haskell are sponsoring the TRLP. Partnering organizations are the Knox and Haskell County Extension Offices. Applications for the next leadership course will start in August of 2015. For more information, call 940 459-4121 or 940 864-2434

The Paperboy You want an opinion or two?

I get asked frequently what I think about certain topics so I offer the following:

Hillary Clinton:

If the Democrats are smart they will distance themselves from her as a candidate for president and find someone else to support. If Clinton can't

properly handle email accounts (many of which are of vital importance) what makes anyone believe she can handle the presidency?

Republican letter to Iran:

Why don't you just send a letter to Satan while you're at it. I don't know whose bright idea it was to send a letter to Iran to attempt to sabotage ongoing negotiations with Iran, but it was idiotic at the highest level. Next time, write an open letter to Americans. Don't make statements by whining to our enemies. Shame on you.

Waste:

You really want to know how out of touch President Obama is? He and his wife took separate jets (really it's more than that because there are two Air Force Ones and accompanying aircraft) to L.A. despite flying in on the same day.

Hey Obama - FYI: You are the greatest money waster in the history of this entire planet. If that was your goal, then well done sir.

Our society:

I was in a group of about 30 people and I noticed that every single person in the group was looking at a digital devise of some kind. Can you imagine how rich some people would be if they

got paid for the time they spent on Facebook, Twitter and games? Go garden. Start up a conversation with someone. Take a walk and leave your phone at home.

Respect for God and the U.S.A.:

I'll put these two together - When someone is praying before a meal, game or other event, men need to remove their hats. Likewise, remove your hat when the National Anthem is playing. Put your hand over your heart when facing Old Glory as well. Millions have fought for your right to live free so show some respect.

Trust and respect:

It occurs to me that the biggest problem in our federal government are trust and respect. Neither side has trust or respect for one another and the American public have neither trust nor respect for our national leaders. Strangely enough, both trust and respect must be earned and I don't see leaders attempting to earn either from anyone. That's very sad and it results in an ineffective government.

Rural America:

Next time someone gives you a hard time about where you're from, you look them right in the eye and say "I'm proud to be from a place that provides the food, fiber, water, fuel and soldiers that keep this country free and running."

That statement is more of a fact than opinion.

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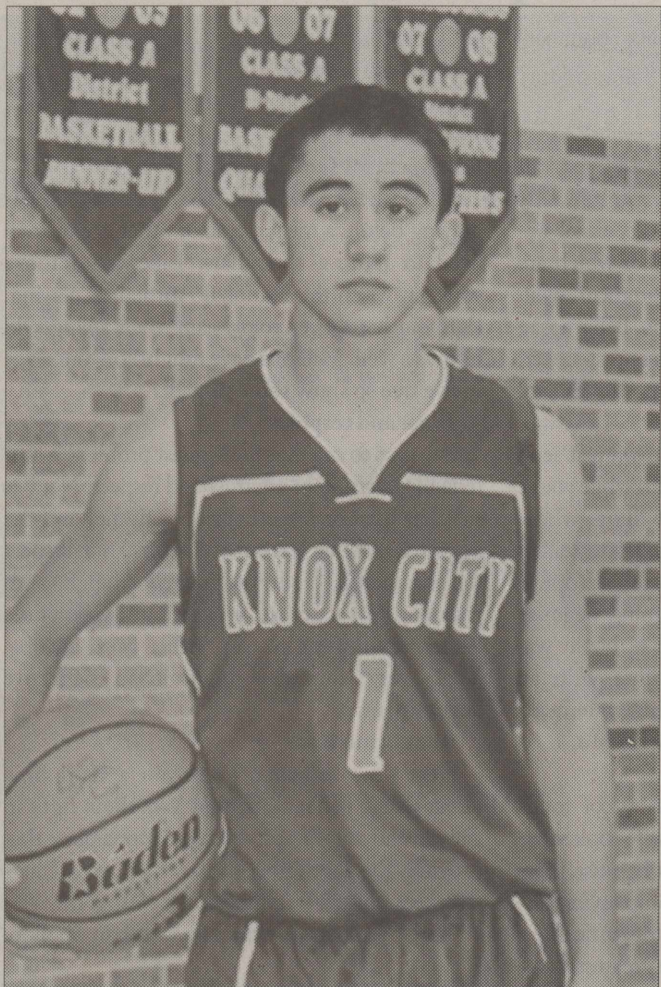
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Estrada shares 7-1A newcomer honors



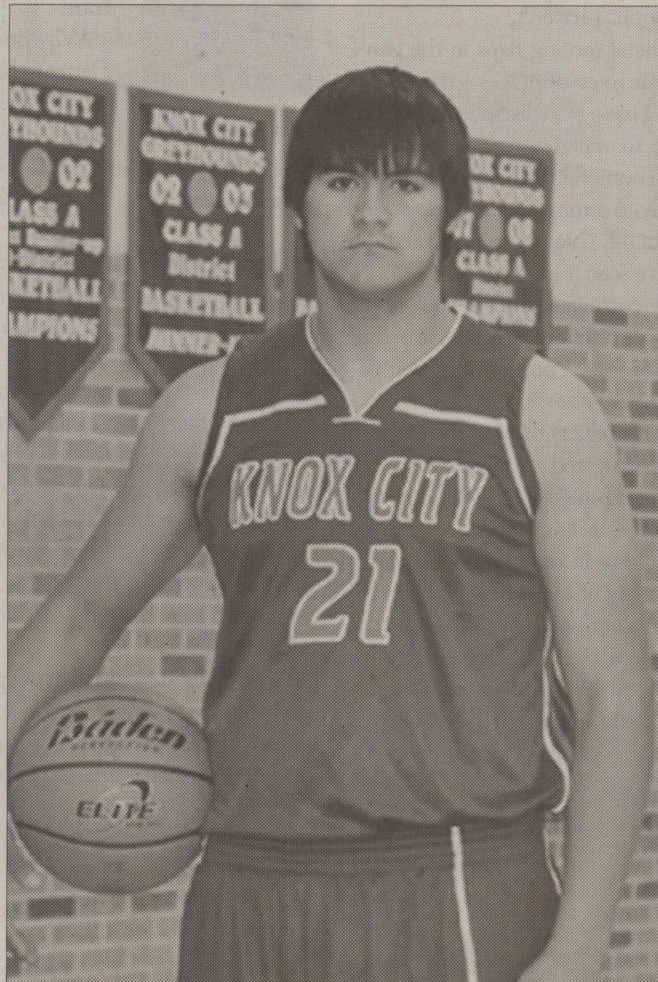
ANTHONY ESTRADA

KNOX CITY—Knox City High sophomore Anthony Estrada along with Guthrie junior Bronc Horn were recognized as the District 7-1A newcomers of the year by the district basketball coaches.

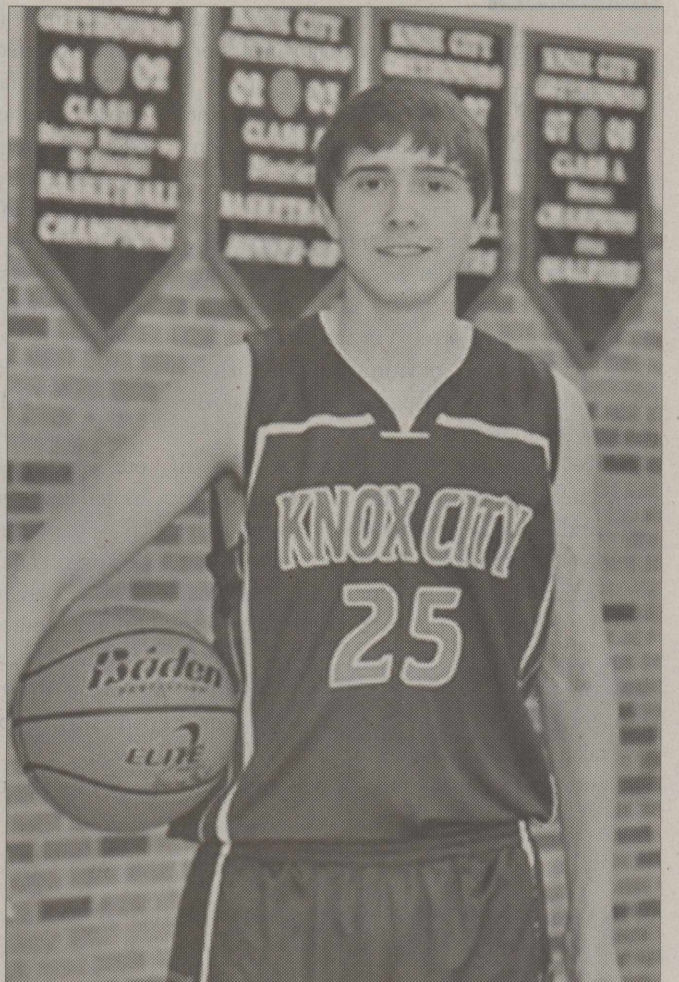
Collin Flemmons, a senior for district champion Paducah, was selected as the most valuable player and teammate Oscar Mathis, also a senior, as the defensive MVP. Christian Rocha of Guthrie was named the offensive MVP.

Three other Greyhounds were named to the all-district team—senior Krys Campos along with juniors Skylar Neill and Ryan Heard. In addition, Adrian Silva and Elias Nevarez were honorable mention choices.

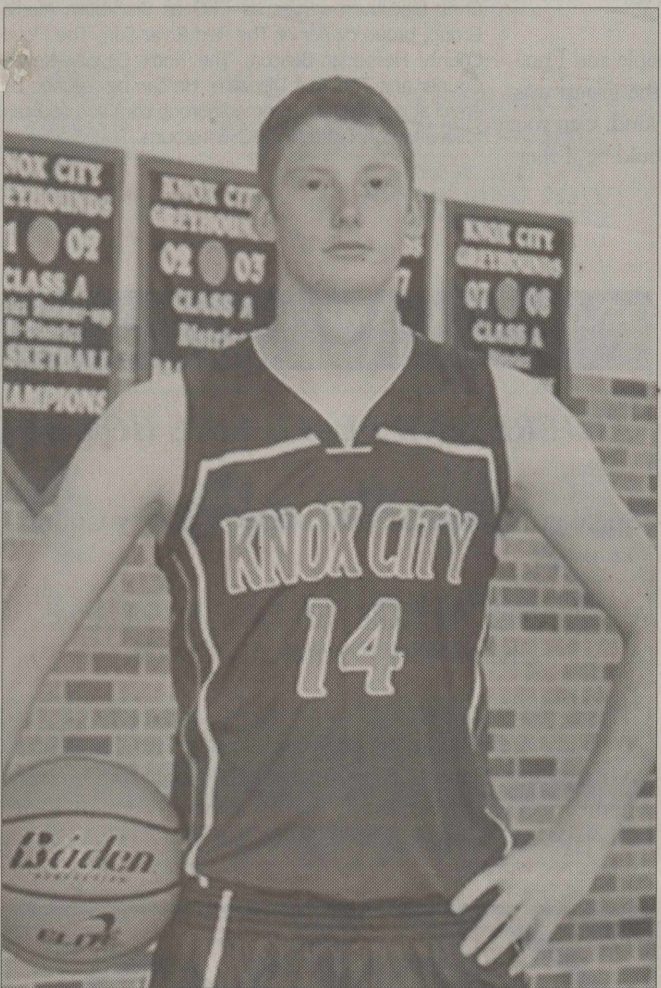
Others named to the all-district team were Caleb Clary and Seth Baxter of Motley County, Gustavo Sandoval and Graden Garrison of Guthrie, Cole Parton of Paducah, Tanner Jennings of Patton Springs and Ryan Wall of Spur. All except Parton were seniors.



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SKYLAR NEILL



RYAN HEARD

Houndettes lose first game

Sheri Baty/The Knox County News-Courier
Jordyn Eaton makes it to third base safely, but the Houndettes suffered a 9-2 setback to the Wichita Falls Rider JV Monday afternoon, dropping their record to 2-1



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Mogulettes second in Pied Piper Relays

HAMLIN—Competing against much bigger schools, the Munday Mogulettes finished second in the Pied Piper Relays here last Saturday, compiling 61 points to trail only winner Breckenridge's 121.

Karla Taylor claimed the only gold medal for Munday, winning the 400 meters with a clocking of 1:03.38 while sister Kayla Taylor took a silver medal in the 200 meters with a 27.09 time.

The Mogulettes improved to 53.17 in the 400 meter relays, but had to settle for fourth place.

Also earning points were Raci Dillard, second in shot put at 35-4; Janie Salinas, fourth

in the 3,200 meters (13:02.6) and sixth in the 1,600 meters (6:09.5); and Myca Flowers, third in the triple jump at 31-2 1/4.

The next competition will be at Roby on Friday.

Moguls earn three silver medals

HAMLIN—The Munday Moguls claimed three silver medals en route to a sixth place finish in the Pied Piper Relays here last Saturday with 51 points.

Finishing in front of the Moguls were larger schools Snyder, 99 1/2; Hamlin, 85; Coleman, 79; Albany, 78; and Haskell, 76.

Temerick Reagins finished second in the triple

jump, leaping 38-3, and picked up thirds in the high jump at 6-0 and in the 100 meters with a time of 11.33.

Mitchell Lowrance placed second in the shot

put with a 43-8 effort and Christian Araujo finished second in the 1,600 meters with a 5:13 clocking.

The Moguls will compete in Roby this Friday.



Temerick Reagins finished third in the 100 meters at the Pied Piper Relays



Janie Salinas claimed fourth in 3,200 meters in Pied Piper Relays



Christian Araujo earned silver medal in 1,600 meters in Hamlin track meet

Pied Piper Relays

Boys standings - 1. Snyder, 99 1/2; 2. Hamlin, 85; 3. Coleman, 79; 4. Albany, 78; 5. Haskell, 76; 6. Munday, 51; 7. Merkel, 43; 8. Clyde, 24; 9. Baird, 22; 10. Cross Plains, 19; 11. Anson, 10 1/2; 12. Roscoe, 10; 13. Hawley, 9; 14. Cool Runnings, 6; 15. Rotan, 3; 16. Gail Borden, 2; 17. O'Donnell, 1.

High jump - 1. Cotter, Albany, 6-2; 2. Hemphill, Coleman, 6-2; 3. Reagins, Munday 6-0.

Pole Vault - 1. Britting, Albany, 14-0; 2. Caleb Masters, Albany, 14-3; 3. Ethan Bernsten, Albany, 13-0.

Long jump - 1. Dever, Haskell, 20-8 1/2; 2. Hicks, Clyde, 19-9; 3. Norris, Coleman, 19-6.

Triple jump - 1. Perry, Hamlin, 10-6; 2. Reagins,

Munday 38-3; 3. Laminack, Cross Plains 37-4 1/4

Shot put - 1. Bell, Hamlin, 46-0 3/4; 2. Lowrance, Munday 43-8; 3. Adkins, Clyde, 40-1.

Discus - 1. Hernandez, Baird 127-2; 2. Bell, Hamlin, 125-5; 3. Rogers, Clyde 122-8.

3,200 - 1. Nava, Anson, 10:59.54; 2. Pena, Haskell, 1:05.46; 3. Goette, Haskell, 1:14.64.

400 relay - 1. Coleman, 44.85; 2. Hamlin, 45.14; 3. Snyder, 45.22.

800 - 1. Smith, Haskell, 2:04.78; 2. Hutcheson, Merkel, 2:05.20; 3. Kirby, Snyder, 2:09.34.

110 hurdles - 1. Raneau, Snyder, 15.94; 2. Neece, Albany, 16.34; 3. Pace, Haskell, 17.05.

100 - 1. Deere, Snyder, 11.13; 2. Johnson, Hamlin 11.18; 3.

Reagins, Munday, 11.33.

800 relay - 1. Coleman, 1:32.55; 2. Hamlin, 1:35.46; 3. Snyder, 1:35.89.

400 - 1. Smith, Haskell, 53:67; 2. Smith, Snyder, 54.21; 3. Friske, Merkel, 54.48.

300 hurdles - 1. Nemir, Roscoe, 42.05; 2. Dever, Haskell, 42.20; 3. Raneau, Snyder, 42.37.

200 - 1. Deere, Snyder, 22.60; 2. Arellano, Snyder, 23.49; 3. Moore, Merkel, 23.53.

1,600 - 1. Pena, Haskell, 5:01.22; 2. Araujo, Munday, 5:13.21; 4. Ash, Merkel, 5:21.25.

1,600 relay - 1. Coleman, 3:36.52; 2. Albany, 3:38.16; 3. Hamlin, 3:40.41.

Girls standings - 1. Breckenridge, 142; 2. Munday, 61; 3. Hamlin, 49; 4. Seymour, 43; 5.

Cross Plains, 42; 6. Coleman, 42; 7. Clyde, 36; 8. Snyder, 33; 9. Albany, 27; 10. Rotan, 26; 11. (tie) O'Donnell, 24; Cool Runnings 24; 13. (tie) Texas Thunder, 16; Hawley, 16; 15. Olney, 11; 16. TSS Runners, 10; 17. Merkel, 9; 18. Haskell, 4; 19. Roscoe, 3; 20. Aspermont, 2.

High jump - 2. Car. Yarbrough, Breckenridge, 5-0; 3. Cay. Yarbrough, Breckenridge, 5-0; 5. Willis, Coleman, 4-10 1/2

Pole Vault - 1. Swindell, Breckenridge, 9-6; 2. Pollard, Snyder, 8-6; 3. Wheeler, Cross Plains, 6-0.

Long jump - 1. Dillon, Hamlin, 16-11 1/2; 2. Coleman, Breckenridge, 16-9 1/2; 3. Walsh, Clyde, 15-7 1/2.

Triple jump - 1. Davis, Breckenridge, 35-9 1/2; 2. Gal-

legos, Hamlin, 31-11 1/4; 3. Flowers, Munday, 31-2 1/4.

Shot put - 1. Posey, Rotan, 37-1 1/4; 2. Dillard, Munday, 35-4; 3. Estes, Cross Plains, 35-3.

Discus - 1. Kitchen, Hawley, 127-3; 2. Posey, Rotan, 126-8; 3. Lipps, Breckenridge, 122-11.

3,200 - 4. Salinas, Munday, 13:02.06; 5. Bode, Breckenridge, 13:31.56; 6. Flores, Hamlin, 13:50.08.

400 relay - 1. Breckenridge, 51:43; 3. Coleman, 52.86; 4. Munday, 53.17.

800 - 1. Gandara, Albany, 2:28.21; 5. Brashear, Clyde, 2:37.96; 6. Martinez, Coleman, 2:42.29.

100 hurdles - 1. Swindell, Breckenridge, 15.85; 2. Bartels Snyder, 16.52; 3. Hill, Albany, 17.41.

100 - 1. Cobb, Snyder 12.72; 2. Karl, Breckenridge, 12.81; 3. Delagarza, Coleman, 13.34.

800 relay - 1. Breckenridge, 1:50.75; 2. Hamlin, 1:54.62; 3. Cross Plains, 1:55.22.

400 - 1. Taylor, Munday, 1:03.38; 3. Cobb, Snyder, 1:04.89; 5. Pitcher, Hawley, 1:05.73.

300 hurdles - 1. Hill, Albany, 50.17; 2. Fenwick, Merkel, 51.40; 3. Diaz, Coleman, 51.40.

200 - 1. Coleman, Breckenridge, 26.51; 2. Taylor, Munday, 27.09; 3. Daniels, Rotan, 28.79.

1,600 - 5. McGowen, Clyde, 6:06.63; 6. Salinas, Munday, 6:09.50; 7. Bode, Breckenridge, 6:10.40.

1,600 relay - 1. Breckenridge, 4:23.96; 2. Cross Plains, 4:26.63; 3. Clyde, 4:27.50.

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The Munday Consolidated Independent School District Board of Trustees will meet in Regular Session on Thursday, March 26, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room in the Administration Building.

The subjects to be discussed or considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows: (Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on the meeting notice.)

AGENDA:

- Call to Order - Roll Call
- Public Forum, Comment
- Consent Items: Approve Minutes
- Deliberation and action to amend Board Policy CCG (LOCAL) concerning tax limitation agreements
- Consideration and action to hire the Underwood Law Firm to provide legal counsel to the District concerning a limited assessed valuation agreement
- Deliberation and action to accept for consideration an Application for a Limited Assessed Valuation Agreement for Qualified Property under the Texas Economic Development Act, Texas Tax Code, Chapter 313
- Budget Amendment
- MCISD Goals - Quarterly Report
- Financial and Investment Review & Report
- Knox County Appraisal District Property Held in Trust
- Administrative Reports
- Student Activities
- Student Programs
- Student Performance
- Facilities
- Training Opportunities for Trustees
- Adjournment

If during the course of the meeting, any discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting. This notice was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act at 10:47 a.m. March 17, 2015.

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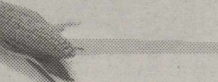
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Dickens County maintenance workers Bobby Kautz, Leland Brendle tell of close calls

County road workers face close calls

CHILDRESS — All TxDOT employees have witnessed or been involved in near-miss incidents in a work zone because of distracted drivers. Each story is different, each story is compelling and each story could have been a life changing event for each of them. This is just two stories, shared by Bobby Kautz and Leland Brendle from Dickens County, of occurrences that happen almost daily.

The Dickens County maintenance crew was working on US 82 in Dickens County. "We had traffic control set up and were performing a blade patch operation," said Kautz. "A young man pulling a horse trailer apparently was distracted, because when he saw our signs, he yanked the steering wheel. The truck he was driving jackknifed and the gooseneck came loose and started skidding towards me. I had no idea if it was going to rollover or where it was going to land. The rest of the crew was at the bottom of the hill working, so I hollered at them on the walkie talkie to take cover. Thank goodness I had a pickup sitting beside me that I could jump into before I was struck by the trailer. As soon as everything settled down, I got out of the truck, and made sure everyone was OK."

Kautz, a 16 year TxDOT veteran, said this was not his first encounter, and he is sure it will not be his last. "I'm like everyone else," he said. "I get up every day and hope and pray that the good Lord takes care of my wife, kids and grandkids, especially when they aren't close to me so I can take care of them. But when I am on the road working with the crew, they are my first priority. They come first.... even before my safety. I can't speak for everyone on the crew I work with, but I know that 90% of the guys not only here in Dickens, but the other counties in the district will do the same thing."

Brendle and Kautz grew up together, and have been friends all of their lives. "We have always taken care of each other and continue to watch out and keep the other one safe at work," Brendle said. "We were working one

day in King County and had traffic control set up with a pilot car. One person drove right into the work zone and passed the pilot car and was coming right at the workers. He would not follow the pilot car. The pilot car was finally able to catch him and pull him over. The irate person asked him, why are you working on the road right now? We get these types of questions all the time, like one time is any better for the traveling public than another. Trucks will drive so close to our work zone that the wind off their rig will sometimes blow our hard hats off. Then, when they get past the workers, they will move into the work zone and straddle the cones, knocking them all down."

The solution is simple. Slow down, drive to conditions, and respect the TxDOT workers who are out there maintaining the roads so the traveling public can be provided with a safe and reliable transportation system.

The Texas Legislature extended the Move Over or Slow Down law, effective Sept. 1, 2013, to include protection for TxDOT workers and vehicles. The law requires Texas drivers to yield to law enforcement, fire and emergency vehicles on roads. Drivers are now required to move out of the lane closest to a TxDOT vehicle when possible or to reduce speed to 20 mph below the posted limit. For single lanes, drivers must slow down; and for roads with speed limits of 25 mph or less, speeds must scale down to 5 mph. Drivers who do not obey the law can be fined up to \$2,000.

"TxDOT receives a lot of compliments too," said Kautz. "We know the traveling public's main objective is to get from point A to point B. The TxDOT maintenance employee's objective is to work an 8 hour day to safely maintain one of the best highway systems in the nation, and to go home at night a whole person just like we were when we came to work."

March 23-27 is Work Zone Safety Awareness Week. The Texas Department of Transportation urges drivers to slow down, pay attention and be extra cautious when driving through work zones and construction areas

Mac's Views

"Marigold" sequel worth seeing

One of the movie industry's favorite practice is to follow an unexpected hit with a sequel and that's what happened with the release of "The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel." Betty and I went to see it recently in Mansfield and really enjoyed it just as we did with "The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel." A word of warning, if you haven't seen the first one, it may be hard to figure out who's who and what's what.



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We had days earlier seen the original on television again and that certainly helped follow the British pensioners who traveled to what they thought was a glamorous and luxurious resort in India. The film does remind us that the young don't have a monopoly on passion. I'm not sure, however, a third film is needed.

Back when I had dental insurance, I never seemed to need to go to the dentist. Now that I'm without, it seems that such visits are necessary. I've had a tooth pulled and two filled in the past month at Big Country Family Dental in Haskell and face a root canal in the near future. While pleased with Dr. Jason Mahoney's services, I'm just glad that a recent work gig at the PGA Merchandise Show allowed me to have the money to do it. Good news for other seniors: Dr. Mahoney's office offers us a 10% discount.

Leaving Mansfield Friday morning, I noticed the price of gasoline was dropping, falling to \$2.08 a gallon. It was still \$2.39 here on Saturday, but down to \$2.29 on Tuesday. While refiners are switching to more expensive summer blends, look for prices to maybe even fall below \$2—in neighboring cities, if not here. Oil prices have fallen to less than \$45 a barrel as supplies continue to rise and demand doesn't. The number of rigs operating in the U.S. fell for the 14th straight week, the lowest since March of 2011.

While I did see some fruit trees blooming this past weekend, we've probably not seen the last freeze yet. Recalling my days at the Abilene Reporter-News back in the 1960s, I remember Kathryn Duff always reminding everyone to wait until the "old" mesquite trees

bud out. Just be patient about planting things. I had several people at church ask me why the electronic signs at the Munday city limits don't have more timely messages. Maybe, whoever is responsible for this task should be reminded.

United Supermarkets has a neat program that other stores might want to follow, offering children a snack-size apple, orange or banana while parents shop during March, which is National Nutrition Month. To take advantage, all shoppers have to do is ask an employee for a Kid's Free Fruit.

Did notice last week that Dan Offutt was out walking early in the morning. He was carrying a flashlight and walking facing the incoming traffic as recommended. Another good idea when jogging or walking is to also wear bright-colored clothes.

Sorry to see the Dallas Cowboys lose DeMarco Murray to Chip Kelly and the Philadelphia Eagles, who also acquired quarterback Sam Bradford. The Eagles could be hard to beat next season. The Cowboys did keep their top priority, Dez Bryant, but weren't active in the free agency market because of salary cap concerns.

I was surprised to hear that Blue Bell had to recall some products after links to three deaths in Kansas, but reportedly all the ones on the recall list had been recovered. It was the first recall in the 108-year history of the company. While some will avoid Blue Bell, not me. I will give them a second chance, enjoying some Blue Bell snacks over the weekend.

I am filling out my Sweet 16 bracket like many others are doing. My choices for the final four are Kentucky, Arizona, Virginia and Iowa State. The champion? Obvious pick would be unbeaten Kentucky, but I'm going with Arizona.

It's not too early to do some planning for your summer vacations. Like other travelers, I have heard many theories on the best time to book airline tickets. Here's the best advice I've come up with: Tuesday is probably the best day of the week to find low fares on air travel; for domestic flights, the ideal advance purchase time is 57 days; for international flights, it's 171 days. My source? Conde Nast Traveler.

In closing, remember no amount of guilt can solve the past and no amount of anxiety can change the future!

It's time of year to beware of snakes

COLLEGE STATION — People like to move around more when spring temperatures turn warmer, and snakes are no different. With warm weather this time of year and plenty of rain to encourage them, snakes are on the prowl, and since Texas is ground zero for many snake populations, people and pets should be aware that snakes are out and about, says a Texas A&M University expert on the slithery creatures.

Jill Heatley, associate professor of veterinary medicine, notes that this is the time of year when snakes forsake their comfy winter surroundings and are on the move, and that could mean bad news for people and their pets. She and other veterinarians in the Small Animal Hospital at Texas A&M University's College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences are expecting to see snakebite cases any day.

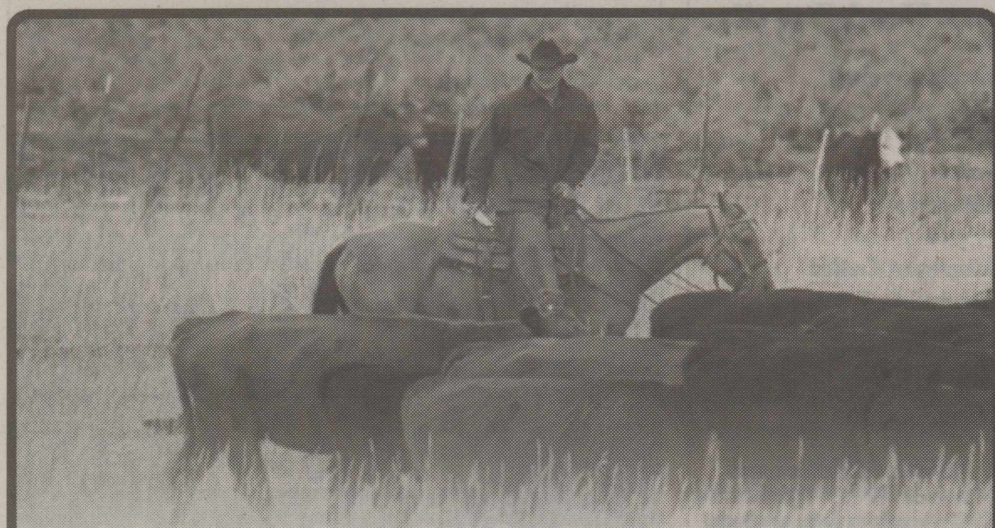
"We've already had some snakebite reports (on pets) come in," she said "If you believe your pet

has been bitten, you need to seek veterinary care and the doctor can determine what kind of treatment is necessary."

She noted that a snakebite on a human can be painful — and also very expensive. It is not uncommon for a person bitten by a venomous snake to have medical bills of \$50,000 or more because of hospitalization, which can run from one day to several weeks, and treatments on damaged tissues.

"The thing to remember about snakes is that generally, they want to be left alone. They are probably more afraid of you," Heatley explained.

"Of the four types of venomous snakes in Texas, the coral, copperhead and rattlesnake are almost never aggressive unless they are provoked. The cottonmouth has been known to be a little on the aggressive side, so you should be a little more wary of it, especially if you are near a creek or lake where they have been frequently seen."



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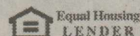
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