

# THE KNOX COUNTY News-Courier

HOME OF MITZI WELCH

THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 2016

KNOXCOUNTYNEWSONLINE.COM

\$1.00

## Knox City High Class of 2016 Munday Seniors Celebrate



### 23 receive diplomas from KCHS

Special to The News-Courier

KNOX CITY —The 23 graduates of the Class of 2016 at Knox City High School heard some lessons of life from speaker Jay Rutherford, a 1981 KCHS graduate, during commencement here last Saturday night at W.R. Baker Auditorium.

Rutherford, now a lawyer in Fort Worth, mentioned that "Knox City was the center of the universe" back in his days and probably still was in their lives.

Salutatorian Ryan Heard (97.17 average) and valedictorian Sheldon Baty (98.76 average) also shared memories and offered their classmates some encouragement in their respective speeches.

Heard and Baty were also recognized as winners of the UIL scholar award certificates, students who finish in top 10% and have participated in at least one UIL activity.

Greg Oliver presented the Mirabeau B. Lamar awards, named after the Republic of Texas president, to Elias Nevarez and Brylee White.

Fifteen members of the class were named winners of Honor Graduates awards, recognizing seniors who have compiled 90 and above overall averages. "That's quite an accomplishment," said Principal Colin Howeth. The award is given by Bobby, Patsy and Natalie Day. Honored were Baty, Heard, Nevarez,



JAY RUTHERFORD

White, Cheyenne Camp, Kylie DeVille, Christina Alexander, Makaylie Steele, Samantha Lewis, Jose Torres, Caitlyn Nicholson, Jordyn Eaton, Payne Stanfield, Donovan Stallings and McKayla Bailey.

Howeth announced that \$34,900 in local scholarships and a grand total of \$115,700 in funding were awarded to the Class of 2016.

Based on his ACT scores, Baty got a scholarship worth \$42,000 to Angelo State. In addition, got for these grants: Teachers Memorial (\$750), Bobby Day (\$360), Citizens Bank (\$1,000), Lila and Barney Arnold UIL (\$400), OAP (\$125), Bill Groves Memorial (\$1,000), Alumni and Friends (\$1,275), David Counts (\$1,000), Scottish Rite (\$1,500), Texas Rural Education Association (\$1,200) and Santa Rosa (\$1,500).

Heard received a Presidential Scholarship to Abilene Christian University, paying half of his tuition. In addition, he got the following grants: Bobby Day (\$360), KC Volunteer

Fire Dept. (\$500), Masonic Lodge (\$1,000), Sammie Lee Carpenter (\$400), Bill Groves Memorial (\$1,000) and Alumni and Friends (\$1,275).

Camp received the following grants: Bobby Day (\$360), Momma Day (\$300), Ex-students (\$600), Grace Osborn Dudley (\$150), OAP (\$125), Bill Groves Memorial (\$850) and Alumni and Friends (\$1,400).

DeVile got the following grants: Bobby Day (\$360), Citizens Bank (\$1,000), Bill Groves Memorial (\$750) and Alumni and Friends (\$1,400).

Lewis' grants included Bobby Day (\$360), Baker-Frizzell (\$150), Bill Groves (\$1,000) and Alumni and Friends (\$800).

Nicholson's grants included Bobby Day (\$360), Butch and Suzanne Stephens (\$150), Bill Groves (\$1,000) and Alumni and Friends (\$600).

Eaton's grants included \$8,500 per year from McMurry University, Bobby Day (\$360), Citizens Bank (\$1,000), Bill Groves (\$100) and Alumni and Friends (\$500).

Stanfield's grants included Bobby Day (\$360), Citizens Bank (\$1,000), Bill Groves (\$150) and Alumni and Friends (\$500).

Stallings' grants included Bobby Day (\$360), Bill Groves (\$200) and Alumni and Friends (\$500).

White's grants included Bobby Day (\$360), Short Farms (\$250), Bill Groves (\$200) and Alumni and Friends (\$500).

Veronica Lara got the following grants: Bobby Day (\$360), Smith Funeral Home (\$200), Bill Groves (\$200) and Alumni and Friends (\$200).

Cayce Camp's grants included Bobby Day (\$360), Bill Groves (\$200) and Alumni and Friends (\$200).

Allen Self's grants included Bobby Day (\$360), Bill Groves (\$200), Alumni and Friends (\$200).

Tyler Sanders and Alfredo Martinez were recognized with medallions for the successful completion of dual enrollments through Texas State Technical College and the Rochester Vocational Technology programs. Sanders also got a grant of \$600 from the Vo-Tech program while Martinez received grants from Bobby Day (\$360), Bill Groves (\$200) and Alumni and Friends (\$200).



### 28 graduate in MHS Class of 2016

Special to The News-Courier

MUNDAY —The 28 members of the Munday High School Class of 2016 received their diplomas during commencement here Friday night at the MHS Auditorium.

Alexis Nunez and Kimberly Shahan were recognized as the valedictorian and salutatorian and provided their classmates with words of encouragement in their speeches.

Nunez, the class vice president, and Shahan, the class president, emerged as the top award winners after a close battle for the honors that showed the top five within hundredths of a point from each other. The decision was not finalized until the day before commencement.

"This class was very competitive as the valedictorian mentioned in her speech," Supt. Troy Parton said. "In my opinion, this is a very good problem to have that the students were so competitive not only in academics, but the top students were in one act play, track, basketball, UIL academics, volleyball and many activities outside of school, in churches, working jobs, spending time with family, etc. The fact that our students were so close says to me that we are doing things right. The students are working hard to the end, competing for those top two spots."

Denise Araujo received the Munday Lions Club Flora Bell Blacklock Memorial Scholarship of \$250 and renewable for seven more semesters along with following scholarships: Annie Ozella Jones (\$500), Masonic Lodge (\$1,000) and Zavala Hispanic Culture Initiative (\$1,000).

Bryan Castorena received the Ronny Lowrance Memorial (\$250) grant.

Kathryn Cude was a big winner, receiving the Texas Tech College of Human Science (\$8,000) and the Texas Tech Presidential (\$16,000) along with the Texas 4-H Opportunity from San Antonio Livestock and Ex-

position. (\$20,000), MHS National Honor Society (\$100), Darwood Marshall Memorial (\$200), MHS Student Council (\$250), Jeffrey Urbanczyk Memorial (\$400), Knox County Farm Bureau (\$500), Texas Midwest Community Network (\$750), Big Country Athletic Hall of Fame (\$1,000), Texas Extension Education District 3 (\$1,000), Texas Extension Education state (\$1,000) and Scottish Rite Foundation (\$1,500).

Cude also got lucky as her name was drawn from a list of seniors who did not use their personal devices inappropriately, getting \$300 toward education from fines collected from students who used these devices inappropriately.

Skylar Gomez received the Midwestern State University Merit (\$1,000) and the Maynard "Sonny" Moore Memorial (\$500).

As the highest ranking graduate, Nunez got tuition for one full year at any state supported college or university plus the Joe Choucair Memorial (\$250) and Vernon College's M.K. Berry & John H. Mikkelsen (\$1,500).

Cole Parton received the Lake Creek Men's Golf Association (\$250) and Munday First United Methodist (\$500) grants.

Kamille Redder also was a big winner with the John C. Stevens Scholarship from Abilene Christian University, valued at \$65,000 paid over four years. In addition, she got the ATPE (\$250), Brenda Norville Memorial (\$500) and MHS Purple Cloud Band Boosters (\$500) grants.

Kellen Redder got a \$250 grant from the Munday Volunteer Fire Department.

Shahan received the Midwestern State University Regent's and Merit grants valued at \$2,000 each along with Kile Gray Memorial (\$1,000), Jeffrey Urbanczyk Memorial (\$400), Munday Faculty (\$250) and MHS National Honor Society (\$100).

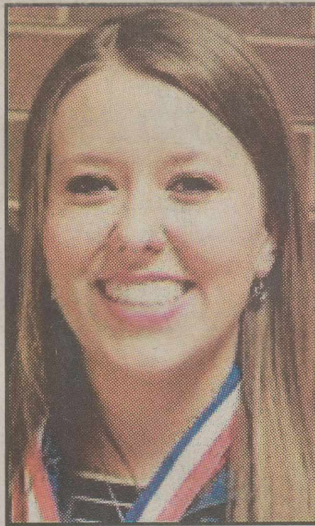
Austin Smith got a \$500 scholarship from Munday First United Method-

ist Church and \$250 for the B.R. Winchester Memorial.

Taylor Thompson received the Big Country Scholarship, valued at \$40,000 over four years, along with the Hardin-Simmons University's Early Choice (\$1,000), HSU's James Simmons (892), Munday VFD (\$250) and Lake Creek Men's Golf Association (\$250).

See MUNDAY, Page 4

## 2 Ratings for Redder



Courtesy photo

MHS senior Kamille Redder received 2 ratings in piano and twirling at the UIL solo and ensemble contest in Austin earlier in the week. No results were available about the MHS flutist quartet.

## Knox Notes

Please notify the News-Courier about your upcoming events. Emailed submissions to kc-news@courier.com are preferred. The deadline for inclusion will be the Friday before the following week's issue.

### Pool to open Monday

MUNDAY —The Munday swimming pool will open Monday. Normal hours during the summer will be 1-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

### Wild Hogs event

KNOX CITY —The Wild Hogs lady golf tournament is scheduled here this weekend at the Knox City Country Club.

## News on the go



Use your smartphone to scan the quick response, or QR, code to visit us online.

Knox County News-Courier  
Copyright 2015  
Volume 38 No. 40  
USPS 439-620



8 10499 02101 7

## KCHS reunion starts Friday

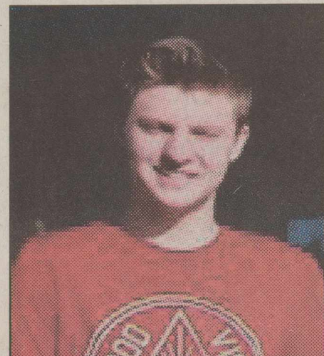
Special to The News-Courier

KNOX CITY —Ex-students of Knox City High School will return Friday and Saturday for their traditional biannual homecoming.

Registration is scheduled at 3 p.m. Friday and will be followed by a program at 7 p.m. at W.R. Baker Auditorium.

Breakfast and lunch will be served on Saturday at the KCHS Cafeteria and class meetings will be held during the day. There will be a program at 7 p.m. that night at the auditorium and then a dance at the park at 9 p.m.

## Richardson Sixth



Sheri Baty/The Knox County News-Courier  
KCHS sophomore Clayton Richardson finished in sixth place in the UIL state poetry contest last week in Austin. Classmate Hannah Duhon finished in the middle of the pack in spelling while Hailee Cox failed to make the finals in poetry interpretation.

## City-wide cleanup set in Munday

MUNDAY —A city-wide cleanup is planned here for June 4.

City administrator J.D. Moore indicated that three

additional dumpsters will be available and that residents should take items to the Recycle Center between 8 a.m. and noon.



**Office**  
121 E. B St., Munday  
P.O. Box 151, Munday, Texas 76371  
940-422-5350

**Email** kcnewscourier@gmail.com

**PUBLISHER**  
William C. Blackburn

**EXECUTIVE EDITOR**  
James McAfee

**OFFICE STAFF**  
Vonda Carter

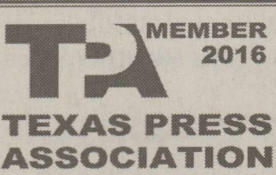
The Knox County News-Courier (ISSN 8750-6750) is published every Thursday, including holidays, by Blackburn Media Group Inc., P.O. Box 1260, Childress, Texas, 79201-1260. Entered at U.S. Post Office, Munday, Texas, for transmission through the mail as a Second-Class matter, according to an Act of Congress, March 3, 1879. Periodical Rate Postage Paid at Munday, Texas, 76371. Postmaster: Send address changes to The Knox County News-Courier, P.O. Box 151, Munday, TX 76371.

All material Copyright 2014 The Knox County News-Courier

It is the mission of this newspaper to promote the rights of individualism in the American Declaration of Independence. The right of life, liberty and the ownership of property are the cornerstone of freedom. Government's sole purpose is to enhance our liberty and freedom. Therefore, we hold every elected and appointed agent of government accountable to that standard.

**DEADLINES**  
Advertising: Noon Mondays  
Editorial: 5 p.m. Mondays

**SUBSCRIPTIONS**  
\$36 a year in the county  
\$42 a year outside the county



## Knox gets up to 4 inches

While only 1.06 inches of rain was reported by Brandon Carr in Knox City, there were reports of up to four inches in the northern part of Knox County and at Goree.

Meanwhile, flooding was reported in other areas of the Big County, including Breckenridge and Brownwood.

### From the Preacher's Desk

#### Lest we forget

On Memorial Day 2010, CBS Sunday Morning featured the efforts of Wayne Van Doren and his family to place American flags beside the grave sites of veterans in six Sandusky County, Ohio cemeteries. The report began: "New grave site flags flutter row upon row as if vying for a little attention in the midst of a Memorial Day weekend swirl of beaches, boats, and backyard barbecues. It's easy to forget that this holiday is meant to honor soldiers who died in our wars. But Wayne Van Doren never forgets. He's been placing American flags at the graves of veterans since he was a boy."

Wayne says the family tradition began in 1946. He used to tag along when his uncle and father began putting out flags upon their return from WWII. Wayne carried on the tradition. He goes through the obituaries daily, searching for veterans who have died. When he finds one, he will cut the obituary out of the newspaper. Then the next day or the day after, he will go out and locate the grave and mark it on his maps so he can keep track of the veteran's grave. He also checks with veterans' organizations and county records to update his lists and maps. "Why is it important to be that meticulous about it?" Wayne was asked.

"I just felt that it was important that everybody on the list was accounted for. I think everybody should be recognized for what they've given. They've earned it."

Wayne's three sons, six grandchildren, and his sister all join in the ritual. In 2010, they set out 1,227 American flags in six cemeteries near their home in Clyde, OH. "We speak their name out loud, and we speak the name out loud because that name has not been spoken for many years," Wayne said.

The CBS Sunday Morning reporter noted that the veterans "range from generals to privates, soldiers from the Revolutionary War to Middle East conflicts, Medal of Honor winners to unknown soldiers."

"There are a lot of these veterans that get forgotten," Wayne said. "I like to carry on. It gives me a great feeling of satisfaction, pride, and accomplishment." "Do you feel like it's your duty?" "No," Wayne immediately replied. "It's a privilege."

On Memorial Day as well as other days, it is our hope that all will also remember the One who gave His life for us so that we might live. This One was the only One who could pay the price for our sins and give us the gift of eternal life, for He was—and is!—the sinless Son of God. "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).

YOU may receive the eternal benefits of His ultimate sacrifice by placing your faith and trust in Jesus (Acts 16:30-31), turning from sin in repentance (Acts 17:30-31), and being baptized (immersed) into Christ for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38). He will continue to cleanse from sin those who continue to walk in the light of His word (1 John 1:7). Accept God's offer of salvation and eternal life on His terms, then, never forget the price that was paid for your redemption. Show your gratitude by living for Him until He comes again.

—Wayne Speer, Munday Church of Christ

## Obituaries

### Jeffrey Clark Cooke

Jeffrey Clark Cooke, 54, of Burkburnett passed away Tuesday, May 17, 2016. Jeff was born Oct. 25, 1961 in Knox City to Jimmie and Nancy Cooke.

Jeff enjoyed the Texas Longhorns, working with wood and remote control cars. He loved his grandchildren and being with his family.

He was preceded in death by his father Jimmie Lynn Cooke, Sr.

Jeff is survived by his mother Nancy Tolleson; children Adam Jeffrey Cooke and Jen-



**JEFFREY CLARK COOKE**

ny Lynn Cooke of Burkburnett; brother Jimmie Lynn

### Gloria West

Gloria Wynelle West, 83, long time resident of Benjamin, passed away on Tuesday, May 24, 2016 at Good Samaritan Society in Denton. Funeral services were held last Saturday at the First Baptist Church in Benjamin, with Pastor James Jackson officiating and Tracy Cartwright assisting. Interment followed at Benjamin Cemetery under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes. A visitation with the family was held Friday at the funeral home in Knox City.

Gloria was born Jan. 12, 1933 to Thomas T. Lemley and Avis Beatrice (Yarbrough) Lemley.

She worked at the Knox



**GLORIA WYNELLE WEST**

County Court House for 30 years as a county and district clerk. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Benjamin. She loved to paint, do pottery, working in her yard and she was a great cook.

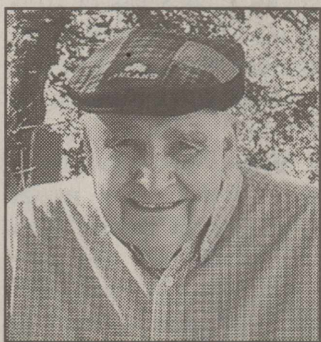
She was preceded in death by her parents Thomas T.

### James Black

James Coleman Black went to be with the Lord on Friday, May 27 2016, at his home near Graham. At his passing, he was surrounded by his loving family. Services were scheduled Wednesday, June 1 at Oak Street Baptist Church in Graham with Pastor Randy Carter of Van officiating. Burial followed in the Mountain Top Family Cemetery in Graham.

James was born March 22, 1931 in Groveton to Lemuel Wayne Black and Edna Violet Hamil. He was married Aug. 14, 1962 in Jacksboro to Mary Ruth Grantham Corbin, who preceded him in death Feb. 11 2001.

He was also preceded in death by his parents Wayne Black and Edna Hall; brothers John B., Lemuel Wayne, Jr., W.H. Morgan Black and George Hooker Deer; sisters Laura Black and Lois Black Settle; son Tommy Corbin;



**JAMES BLACK**

and great-grandson Anthony James Pippin.

Survivors include daughters Jerri Corbin, Linda Corbin Pippin and husband, Ronnie, Becky Corbin Ribble and husband Sammy, Susan Black Blackmon and husband Jerrell and Jaime Black Hood and husband Dale, all of Graham; a son Tony Black

#### Letter to the editor policy

The Knox County News-Courier welcomes letters to the editor from readers on topics of local, state and national importance.

All letters must include a first and last name, street address (no post office boxes) and a daytime phone. Please limit to 250 words or less.

Letters sent by mail should be addressed to Box 151, Munday, TX 76371, but the preferred way is by email to kcnewscourier@gmail.com.

Letters may be edited as to content and will be printed or not printed at the discretion of the editor.



Cooke Jr. and wife Rhonda of Munday; sisters Kendra Latham and husband Bill of Wichita Falls and Kammi Don Bonham and husband Mike of Munday; grandchildren McKenzie Lynn Hibbs, Bailey Lynn Cooke, Luke Jeffrey Cooke and Haelynn Cooke and Mimaw Jean Clark of Mapleton, UT; and several nieces and nephews.

Cooke's services were held at the First United Methodist Church in Munday on Thursday May 19 and burial was on Friday May 20 at the Brushy Cemetery.

Lemley and Avis Beatrice (Yarbrough) Lemley; two husbands Billy Joe Clower and Leroy West; son, Bud Clower; and sister Betty Lemley.

Gloria is survived by her two daughters Cathy Tomlinson and Betty Bowman; son Robert Clower; 13 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

If desired, memorials can be given in Gloria's name to the American Alzheimers Association, 301 S Pioneer Dr. # 105, Abilene, TX 79605, (325) 672-2907.

Online condolences can be shared with Gloria's family at www.smithfamilyfh.com.

and wife Ruthlynn, of Magnolia; and brother Roy Black and wife Barbara of Fort Worth. Also, surviving are 12 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

"We are confident that to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord." This verse in 2 Corinthians 5:8 comforts and assures us that our father, grandfather, brother and friend is in heaven right now enjoying the company of our Lord and loved ones that have gone on before him. He told us that he was ready and anxious to go to heaven, and he would often say, "If I don't see you tomorrow, I'll meet you in the morning."

#### Obituary policy

The Knox County News-Courier will post an obituary in the next possible issue for \$65. If a photo is wanted, add \$10.

Death notices are free, containing name, date of death, date of service and survivors.

People are DYING to hear from you. Really. ☎

You are TWENTY THREE TIMES more likely to crash when you text while driving. Is sending an LOL text message really worth killing someone? Park the phone when you drive.



## SEND US YOUR NEWS!!

Email: kcnewscourier@gmail.com

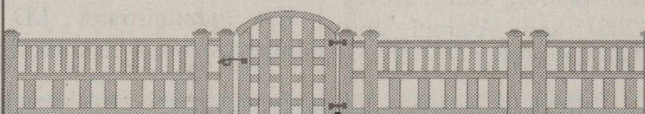
News, Pictures, Ideas, Suggestions! Send to the Editor!

### Turner Home Improvements

Heath Turner

PO Box 380 • Knox City, TX 79529 • 940-256-3475 (cell)  
Heathturner96@yahoo.com

- New Construction
- Dry Wall
- Flooring
- Electrical
- All Types of Roofing
- Sprinkler Systems
- Plumbing
- Privacy Fencing
- Welding
- Home Theater Installations & Much More



## Knox County Aging Center Menu

Menus for week of June 6-10  
Monday: Enchiladas, rice, pinto beans, salad, fruit  
Tuesday: Crispy chicken filet on a bun, tomatoes, lettuce, potato wedges, carrot & raisin salad, cookies  
Wednesday: Pork roast, sweet potatoes, succotash, rolls, banana pudding  
Thursday: Chicken tenders, mashed potatoes, gravy, carrots, peaches  
Friday: BBQ sandwiches w/vegetables, broccoli raisin salad, pineapple delight

## Area News

### StarWalk set Saturday

CROWELL— StarWalk®, the nationally acclaimed public astronomy program at Copper Breaks State Park, continues its popular naked-eye presentations on Saturday with a look at the mysterious "Realm of the Galaxies." Sky Guide Terry Paridon will lead participants in an exploration of the night sky beginning at sunset, around 9 p.m., in Big Pond Campground. In addition, Sky Guide volunteers offer Sun Fun, beginning at 5 p.m. Sun Fun offers the public rare views of our own star, the Sun, through telescopes fitted with filters for safe viewing.

### Master of Memory

ABILENE—June 10 will be the deadline for signing up for the two-part Master of Memory, calling the Taylor County Extension Office at (325) 672-6048. Part 1 of the series will be held on Thursday, June 16 with Part 2 scheduled the following week, Thursday, June 23. Participants may choose to attend either the morning sessions from 9:30 a.m. - noon, or the evening sessions from 5:30-8 p.m. Classes will be held at the Taylor County Extension Office.

## AT&T will host state title games

Special to The News-Courier

AUSTIN— As expected, all University Interscholastic League football state championship games will be played at AT&T Stadium in Arlington for the next two years, the UIL announced last Thursday.

The 11-man and six-man football championship games, with a new schedule, will place all 12 games in a four-day span Dec. 14-17.

"The UIL Football State Championships will be bigger and better than ever this year at AT&T Stadium, with all 12 games in the same week in one location," said UIL Executive

Director Dr. Charles Breithaupt. "The UIL is excited to showcase the best high school football in Texas at AT&T Stadium during the football finals for an outstanding championship experience."

"For more than four decades the Dallas Cowboys have enjoyed a wonderful relationship with the UIL and high school football teams all over the state of Texas," said Cowboys Chief Operating Officer Stephen Jones. "We are proud to have the games coming back to the city of Arlington and AT&T Stadium where many more memories will be made."

## Lake Creek Golf Schedule

June 25: 3 Lady Scramble	Aug. 21: 1 Person Scramble
July 9-10: 3 Person Scramble	Sept. 10-11: 3 Person Scramble
Aug. 7: Guys & Dolls	

## Knox City CC Schedule

June 4: 22nd annual Ladies Wild Hog Classic	Aug. 13: Ag-Oil
June 18: Par 3 Classic I	Aug. 27: Glow ball
July 2: Bill Baker Memorial	Sept. 5: Labor Day play day
July 4: July 4th play day	Sept. 10-11: Guys & Dolls
July 30: Knox City Festival	Sept. 24: Par 3 Classic II
	Oct. 8: Guys & Dolls

CHANGES

Patti Chumley  
Barber Stylist  
Nail Tech

940-889-2727

412 N Main  
Seymour TX 76380

First Baptist Church  
Munday, Texas

220 South 5th Ave.  
Munday, TX 76731  
P: 940-422-4559

## Service Times:

### Sunday

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Worship: 11:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m.

### Wednesday

Kidz Impact, Pre-K to 6th grade:  
5:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.  
Youth: 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.



## Benjamin News

By Gladene Green

This past Monday morning found a majority of Benjamin residents in their yards picking up limbs, pieces of shingles from their roofs and other debris after a terrible wind storm on Sunday evening. Thank goodness there was no tornadic activity, but the straight line wind was strong and along with it was some pretty heavy rain. I'm not sure of the amount, and I'm not sure if anyone else is because the wind was blowing so hard, there's no way a gauge could have caught enough for a near close amount. (Some later reports mentioned up to four inches in the northern part of the county.) It was a mess.

We lost another good friend early last week. Gloria West died on Tuesday night at a nursing facility in Denton, where she had resided for several months. Her funeral was last Saturday here in Benjamin. I worked for her in the county and district clerk's office as deputy clerk for about 15 years. She was a good boss as well as a close friend.

It was good to see her family, daughter Cathy Tomlinson and family, daughter Betty Bowman and family, son Robert Clower, and Gloria's daughter-in-law Debbie Clower and her family. It's sad but very true—with the fast lives we all are living, about the only time we get to visit anymore is when there is a death, and friends and family gather for a funeral. Of course, my sincere sympathy goes to all of Gloria's family.

Janice Tolson spent a couple of days last week in the Knox County Hospital with what might have been a virus or the result of dehydration. Regardless of the cause of the problem, she felt hor-

rible, but after a couple of days' rest and medication, she began to "perk up." A lot of it, I think, was due to the busy schedule that she's been keeping lately. She's been working constantly getting ready for the homecoming on June 11 and 12. Last I heard, she was still pretty weak but feeling better.

School's out, and I think everyone is happy. Junior high graduation was last Thursday night, and some parties followed the program at various places for friends and family to honor their graduates. Now a few weeks of summer fun before the "grind" starts again.

Here 'n there  
Dennis and Pam Duke and Nancy McGreger were in Abilene last Friday night for the commencement program of Wylie High School. The Dukes' granddaughter Paige Boone was a member of the 300+ graduating class. The program was held at Moody Coliseum at Abilene Christian University. Paige is the daughter of Phil and Rebekah Boone and will enter A& M University in the fall.

Lucille McCanlies and David and Dolores Dykes of Fort Worth were here Saturday for the funeral of Gloria West. They said if all goes well they will be back for homecoming.

Also attending the funeral were Pete and Kay Lindsey, former Benjamin residents who now live in Whitesboro. It was good to see them and visit a few minutes. They were doing well. Their daughter Debbie and her husband, who live in Snyder, were also here, as was Rhonda Heard Kessler of Bryson. I don't see her very often either.

Jan Carver returned home Thursday after a few days in Abilene seeing doc-

tors and visiting her brother Dennis Anderson and his wife Evelyn.

Judy and Randolph Barnett attended the burial of a friend at the Rule Cemetery last Sunday. George Morgan, formerly of Rule, but who had lived in Alvin for several years, was buried with military honors. He had been ill for quite some time.

A post nuptial bridal shower honored Ariel Benson on Sunday at the Benjamin Methodist Church. Calling hours were from 3-4 p.m. and the guests were served punch and cookies. Receiving guests with Ariel was her sister-in-law Wendy Benson of Roby. Hostesses for the occasion were: Susan Jones, Nancy McGreger, Pam Duke, Linda Griffith, Jill Jackson Cricket, Judy Barnett, Carl Layton, Stacia Propps, Melody Rizan and Tina Sealy. The honoree was very appreciative of the nice gifts she received. She and husband Dylan and their two children reside in Benjamin.

The Big Empty Trades Day here last Saturday proved to be very successful. Lots of "neat stuff" was available, plus some good barbecue if you got hungry. A good place to shop around, visit and buy. Maybe there will be another one in a few months. Who knows?

One last thing. Shirley McNulty called me after the news had been sent in last week and asked me to put a note in my column expressing her family's appreciation for the food and hospitality shown them after Lonnie Vincent's memorial service. She said they all agreed they would not have done anything different if they had done it themselves. So to everyone who helped in any way, from their family goes a big "Thank you."

**ROBERT GONZALES**  
R.O. Box 929  
Stamford, TX 79553

**GONZALES CARPET CLEANING**  
Carpet Cleaning  
Upholstery Cleaning

Residential & Commercial  
325-721-6195 • 325-773-2258

**Isabellas**  
TEX-MEX CAFE  
940-658-1049

**Thursday - Saturday  
Sirloin, Ribeye Steaks**  
Monday - Saturday : 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.  
Sunday: 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
owned by Sanjuana Marcos Gallegos  
121 North Central Ave., Knox City

**HIT A HOMERUN  
WITH SRTC!**

During the entire month of June, SRTC is swinging for the fences! When you sign up for a new or additional SRTC service you will receive waived standard installation fees and your name will be entered into a drawing to win a set of 4 tickets to a Texas Rangers game in August! Stop by any SRTC office and get signed up today!

**SANTA ROSA**  
Telephone Cooperative

<b>VERNON OFFICE</b> 710 US Hwy 287 E Vernon, TX 76384 (940) 886-2217 (888) 886-2217	<b>HASKELL OFFICE</b> 113 N Ave. D Haskell, TX 79521 (940) 863-1125 (888) 863-1125	<b>SEYMOUR OFFICE</b> 310 W California Seymour, TX 76380 (940) 889-1125 (877) 889-1125
--	--	--

ask@srcaccess.net

Some restrictions may apply. Services where available. Up to three (3) connections waived. Additional connections \$20.00 each. Three (3) sets of four (4) tickets will be given away to the Texas Rangers game on August 13, 2016.

HOME OF THE  
**TEXAS RANGERS**

### KCHS Most Athletic



Kaylie Steele and Skylar Neill were selected as the most athletic at Knox City High School. It was the third straight year for Steele to be honored.

### KCHS Best All Around



Hailee Cox and Sheldon Baty were picked as the best all around students at Knox City High School.

Get the Latest News from  
**News-Courier**  
THE KNOX COUNTY  
www.KnoxCountyNewsOnline.com

**Robert Alcalá Construction**

- Inside & Outside Painting
- Sheetrock Work
- Carpentry
- Roofing
- Building Storage Buildings
- Minor Plumbing

(940) 257-1487

**Decker Electric Motor Company**  
•Gould's Water Pumps

P.O. Box 55  
Munday, Tx 76371  
940-256-8388

**BENJAMIN ISD**  
Announces the 2016-2017

**PRE-KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP**

FOR CHILDREN AGE 3-4; 4 AS OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2016  
Registration at Benjamin ISD Administration Office  
Starts Monday, May 31, 2016  
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
(All-Day Pre-K)

REGISTRO PARA LOS NIÑOS 4 AÑOS DE EDAD  
SE COMIENZA EN BENJAMIN ESTE MES,  
Lunes, 31 DE MAYO, 2016, 8:00- 4:00  
Distrito Escolar de Benjamín  
940-459-2231

**TALKTEXTORASH**

**GREYHOUND, HOUNDETTE SUPPORTERS**

**Pumpers Supply & Equipment**  
940-658-3260

**Jeremy Eaton Equipment Services**  
940-658-1322

Jeremy Eaton  
Equipment Services, LLC.

**Pepper's Dry Goods**  
Knox City, TX  
940-657-4406

**Lynn Electric Motor CO., INC.**  
1011 Main St. (940) 658-3511  
Scott Lynn  
TELE #18951/58587kpl

**Lawrence Brothers**  
206 E. Main  
Knox City  
940-658-3714

We are cheering for you.  
**GREYHOUNDS & HOUNDETTE**  
Have a Great Season

Knox County Hospital District  
Your Hometown Healthcare Team

**Knox County Hospital**  
(940) 657- 3535  
(940) 657- 5521

**SKYREY OILFIELD & CONSTRUCTION**  
307 SOUTH CENTRAL  
KNOX CITY, TX  
940-256-0058

**BILL STEWART INSURANCE SERVICES**  
O (940) 658-3211  
M (940) 256-2394  
700 E. MAIN STREET

**ABUNDANT LIFE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
940-658-3384  
Knox City, TX

**BASIC ENERGY SERVICES**  
100 N. Birch  
940-658-3990

**PENMAN SERVICES**  
940-658-3513



# Daniel Ramirez Memorial Scramble

Championship flight  
Brom-Porter-Porter  
52-56-108  
Baldwin-James-Snyder  
55-57-112  
Hinson-McElroy-Pace  
58-58-116

62-62-124  
Bowen-Heersink-Gray  
63-61-124  
Second flight  
Eaton-Mendoza-Zeissel  
64-64-128

Austin-Crawford-Crawford  
64-65-129  
Arismendez-Arismemdez-Flores  
66-63-129

Third flight  
Bufkin-Smith-Smith  
67-66-133  
Bone-Sharp-Townson  
67-67-134  
Rodriquez, Rodriquez,  
Rodriquez  
68-66-134

(No first names furnished)

## Turner Equipment Services

Contact Heath Turner 940-256-3475  
Septic Installs Lic# 050031909

Dirt Work	Trenching	Skidsteers
Gas Lines	Augers	Goosenecks
Shredding	Flat Beds	Demolition
Track Hoe	Tree Removal	

## MUNDAY

From Page 1

Grace Tidwell claimed the Munday Lions Club Daniel Ramirez Memorial (\$200), Bobbie Kegley Memorial (\$250), MHS Student Council (\$250), Keep Munday Beautiful (\$250) Texas Midwest Community (\$750) and Capital Farm Credit (\$1,000).

Ana Vega's grants included Jeffrey Urbanczyk Memorial (\$400) and Barbara Ratliff Memorial (\$500).

Brenley Waters receive the First Bank (\$1,000), Melissa Berryhill Memorial (\$500), Jeffrey Urbanczyk Memorial (\$400) and Ronny Lowrance Memorial (\$250) grants.

# MHS A Honor Roll



Photo by June Hrnink  
Members of the Munday High A Honor Roll were recognized at last Thursday's award ceremony.

## Masons give away dental hygiene kits

Special to The News-Courier

First graders at four area elementary schools were recently given free prevent tooth decay kits through the Fantastic Teeth Fan Club by members of Orient Masonic Lodge, led by Zeke Duke.

The Masons assembled and delivered more than 125 dental hygiene kits to first graders at Benjamin Elementary, Haskell Elementary, Knox City Elementary and

Munday Elementary schools.

The Fantastic Teeth Fan Club, sponsored by Masonic Home and School of Texas (MHS) strives to prevent suffering from toothaches reduce missed school days due to dental problems, and cut costs for dental treatment.

Prevent tooth decay kits contain: a toothbrush, toothpaste, dental floss, healthy teeth sticker, two-minute timer (optimal brushing time), *Tips for Healthy Teeth* educational info for parents in both Spanish and English and a summary of MHS services.

## Vonda's Recipe Corner

By Vonda Carter

The hot weather is coming. I'm going to try to give you recipes that do not require too much use of your ovens. The last thing we want to do when it's hot is heat up the kitchen. During the hot temperatures your grill and crock-pot are your best friends, so use them as often as possible. Just about anything can be cooked on the grill, so I'll be trying to supply you with some interesting ways to use it through the Summer. Please also take note that like last week, I have not included chicken in any of this week's recipes, just for Betty. But be forewarned there will be chicken in the future.



### Grilled Smoky Cheddar Potatoes Foil Pack

4 medium potatoes, cut into 1-inch chunks  
1/2 tsp. salt  
2 tbsp. butter or margarine  
1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese  
2 tbsp. bacon bits  
2 medium green onions, sliced

Heat coals or gas grill for direct heat. Place potatoes on 3C X 18-inch piece of heavy-duty foil. Sprinkle with salt. Dot with butter. Sprinkle with cheese and bacon bits. Wrap foil securely around potatoes; pierce top of foil once or twice with fork to vent steam. Cover and grill foil packet, seam side up, four to six inches from medium heat 45 to 60 minutes or until potatoes are tender. Sprinkle with onions.

### Grilled Foil Pack Cheesy Fries

1 bag (14 oz.) frozen crinkle-cut French fries  
1 tbsp. butter, melted  
4 slices American cheese  
2 tbsp. sliced green onions (2 medium)

2 tbsp. cooked real bacon bits  
Heat gas or charcoal grill to medium-high. Toss frozen French fries with melted butter. Tear off two (12 inch) lengths of heavy duty foil to make foil boats. Place half of the fries in a single layer in the center of one piece of foil. Loosely fold foil around edges to form a boat leaving large hole at top to allow steam to escape; repeat with remaining fries and foil. Place foil packets on grill over indirect heat. Cover grill; cook 20 to 30 minutes, stirring once, until fries are crispy and baked through. Top each packet with two slices cheese; cook about two minutes longer or until cheese is melted. Sprinkle with sliced green onions and bacon bits just before serving.

### Hearty Baked Beans (Crock-Pot)

1 lb. lean ground beef  
4 slices bacon, chopped  
1/2 cup chopped onion  
1 can (28 oz.) baked beans  
1 can (15.5 oz.) kidney beans drained  
1/2 cup packed brown sugar  
1/2 cup ketchup  
1 tsp. vinegar  
1 tsp. yellow mustard

In 10-inch skillet, cook ground beef, bacon and onion until beef is browned; drain. In crock-pot, mix beef mixture and all remaining ingredients. Cover; cook on low heat setting three hours.

If you're enjoying my little recipe corner, let me know, and send some recipes of your own to [kcnews-courier@gmail.com](mailto:kcnews-courier@gmail.com) or mail them to P.O. Box 151 Munday, TX 76371.

Trademarks referred to herein are the properties of their respective owners.

# MOGUL, MOGULETTE SUPPORTERS

Kandis Stephenson, Owner  
940.422.8600  
**Casablanca**  
boutique  
shopcasablancaboutique.com  
110 W. Main Street  
Munday, TX 76371

**Jim Cowser**  
Farm and Ranch  
Appraisals  
940-256-0708

Knox County Hospital District  
Your Hometown Healthcare Team  
**Knox County Home Care**  
940-657-3013

**Munday Tire & Appliance**  
Shahan Bros.  
940-422-4821

**Buds For You**  
422-4712  
Furniture & Decor at Bud's #2 on Main

**Messer Photography**

Knox County Hospital District  
Your Hometown Healthcare Team  
**Munday Clinic**  
940-422-5271

**QUALITY IMPLEMENT CO.**

**the movement space**  
Pilates, Cheer, Dance, Fundraising & Training  
141 N. Munday  
940-421-3269

**Glenn Herring Insurance Agency**  
940-422-4359  
**Germania Insurance**

**LAWRENCE BROTHERS SUPERMARKETS**  
940-422-4133

Knox County Hospital District  
Your Hometown Healthcare Team  
**Munday Nursing Center**  
940-422-4541

**RAS Trucking**  
422-4501

**Booe ROOFING**  
940-422-4500

**PENMAN SERVICES**  
940-658-3513

**MEERS MERCANTILE**  
Todd & Lezli Meers, Owners  
toddmeers@hotmail.com  
422-4851 fax: 940: 422-4435  
Box 107 • 241 W. Main  
Munday, TX 76371

**PETTY FLYING SERVICE**  
940-487-3327 • www.pettyflying.com

**First Bank Texas**  
Munday Office  
111 South Munday Ave. • (940) 422-4522  
Member FDIC

**Decker Electric Motor Company**  
PO Box 55  
Munday, TX 76371  
940-256-8388

**CAPITAL FARM CREDIT FCS**  
PART OF THE FARM CREDIT SYSTEM  
940-422-4323

Knox County Hospital District  
Your Hometown Healthcare Team  
**Knox County EMS - Munday Station**  
940-422-4400

Todd & Lezli Meers owners  
**MEERS MERCANTILE**  
toddmeers@hotmail.com  
422-4851 fax: 940: 422-4435  
Box 107 • 241 W. Main • Munday, TX 76371

**BLIZZARD THE MONTH**  
Dairy Queen  
STOP in Now for a

**COTTON candy**  
BLIZZARD TREAT

Back by Popular Demand For a Limited Time!  
**DQ TEXAS STOP SIGN**  
dqtxexas.com

Blizzard, DQ and the ellipse shaped logo are trademarks of Am. D.Q. Corp., Mpls. MN ©Reg. U.S. Pat. & TM Off. TX. D.Q. Op. Coun.; © 2016. © 2016 Great Lakes Dairy Queen Owners Marketing Group, L.L.C., All Rights Reserved.



# News-Courier Classifieds

GOT SOMETHING TO SELL? SELL IT IN THE NEWS-COURIER CLASSIFIEDS!

**Years to buy it...  
Minutes to sell it.**

**1997 CADILLAC DEVILLE**  
Very sharp, only 20,000 miles. Champagne Pearl with neutral leather interior, heated seats, chrome wheels-looks and drives like new. \$19,000 firm. Call for info drive! 800-0000

**We can help you.**  
Let one of our classified specialists help you create an ad that will drive your car away. Within minutes you can be on your way to a new vehicle.  
Call 1-888-400-1083 today!

**Knox County News-Courier**

The Munday Housing Authority (MHA) and the Knox City Housing Authority (KCHA) have apartments available to eligible applicants for immediate occupancy. Renters may choose flat rent or income based rent, and rent includes some utilities. Come by 131 West Cisco Street in Munday or 203 SW 4th Street in Knox City, or call 940-422-4941 for more information. It is the intent of MHA & KCHA to rent vacant apartments to high income applicants when there are no eligible low or very low income applicants on the waiting list. Both are equal opportunity providers and employers.

**Find us on Facebook!**



**The Knox County News-Courier**

It is the intent of the Munday Housing Authority to temporarily rent USDA-RD apartments to all persons without regard to income restrictions when there are no eligible applicants on the waiting list. Call 940-422-4941 for more information. The MHA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

**Limited Time, Special Offer Below!**  
It's easier than ever to wake up with...

**THE KNOX COUNTY News-Courier**

**\*Subscribe to the News-Courier each week and get it every day online for FREE!**

NEWS • SPORTS • OBITS • LEGALS  
AGRICULTURE • COLUMNS • CLASSIFIEDS



For a limited time, get a **Complimentary online subscription** with the purchase of a print subscription!

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET \_\_\_\_\_  
TOWN \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
TELEPHONE ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

MasterCard VISA AMERICAN EXPRESS

EXPIRATION DATE \_\_\_\_\_ V CODE \_\_\_\_\_  
MM/YY on back of card

SIGNATURE: X \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address for FREE Online Sub: \_\_\_\_\_

CHOOSE SELECTION(S):  
 In County Resident Annually \$36  
 Out of County Resident Annually \$42  
 Out of State Resident Annually \$52  
 Online FREE

PAYMENT BY PHONE: 888-400-1083, Ext. 100 **SUBSCRIBE TODAY!**

**THE KNOX COUNTY News-Courier DEADLINES**

Display ads - Monday @ Noon  
Legals - Friday @ Noon  
Classified ads - Monday @ Noon  
Editorial - Monday @ 5 p.m.

E-mail: kcnewscourier@gmail.com  
Telephone: 940-422-5350  
Address: P.O. Box 151  
Munday, TX 76371

These deadlines must be met in order to guarantee your ad or editorial is placed in The Knox County News-Courier on the date requested.

**Advertise in the KC News-Courier!**

Give us a call and let us help you!

**888-400-1083**

TEXAS STATEWIDE CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING NETWORK

# TexSCAN

**TexSCAN Week of May 29, 2016**

**HOME BUSINESS**

**OPPORTUNITY TO GET PAID DAILY,** Great Home Business, Please call 832-225-5005 first. Ask about \$100 cash referral! Fred 469-909-6624, fredcornell@legalshieldassociate.com, LegalShield, Independent Associate

**BUY OR SELL AN RV ONLINE,** Best RV Deals and Selection, Owner and Dealer Listings, Millions of RV Shoppers, Visit RVT.com Classifieds, www.RVT.com, 888-574-5499

**DRIVERS WANTED**

**ATTN: CDL DRIVERS** - Avg. \$60k+/yr \$2k Sign-On Bonus Voted Best Fleet 2016 Love Your Job and Your Truck CDL-A-Req - (877) 258-8782 driveformelton.com

**Drivers-OTR Miles!** Paid loaded/Empty on Practical miles. Volvos/APUs, 1 year OTR Exp. Req. Good Home time/benefits. www.Climateexpress.com or 1-636-584-6073

**EMPLOYMENT**

**WALK-IN BATHTUB** sales person wanted. \$100,000+ \$4,000/mo guaranteed. Sales experience required, Call Jerry Stewart at 913-276-2143 Ewing Enterprises, LLC

**SCHOOL/TRAINING**

**AIRLINE CAREERS** begin here - Get started training as FAA certified Aviation Technician. Financial aid for qualified students. Job placement assistance. Aviation Institute of Maintenance 1-800-475-4102

**REAL ESTATE**

**10.10 acres,** Duval County. End of road privacy. Behind locked gate. Heavy south Texas brush cover, deer, hogs, turkey. \$1793/down, \$297/mo. (9.9% 30-years). 1-866-286-0199. www.ranchenterprisesltd.com.

**30.96 acres,** Concho County. Enc of road privacy, borders large ranch Mesquite, cedar, brush cover. Whitetail turkey, quail. \$3,870 down, \$640/mo. (9.9%, 30-yrs.) 800-876-9720, www.ranchenterprisesltd.com

**TRAINING**

**FREE Heavy Equipment Training** in Dallas! APPLY BY JUNE 9TH\* Classes start June 20th. Info/Application can be found online at: www.UTA.edu/ded (search:TCCA) EOE

**FINANCIAL SERVICES**

**RECEIVING PAYMENTS** from real estate you sold? Get Cash now! Call Steve: 1-888-870-2243, www.SteveCashesNotes.com

**Run Your Ad In TexSCAN!**

Statewide Ad .....\$550  
288 Newspapers, 844,050 Circulation

North Region Only .....\$250  
95 Newspapers, 297,505 Circulation

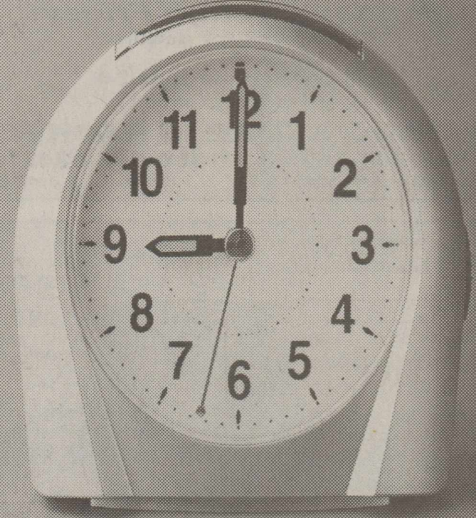
South Region Only .....\$250  
101 Newspapers, 366,627 Circulation

West Region Only .....\$250  
92 Newspapers, 205,950 Circulation

To Order: Call this Newspaper direct, or call Texas Press Service at 1-800-749-4793 Today!

**“A man who stops advertising to save money is like a man who stops the clock to save time.”**

—Henry Ford



**Does advertising work? ...**

**... It just did!**

**TALK TEX! CRASH**

**2016 West Texas Western Swing FESTIVAL**  
\* SIBDER, TEXAS \*

Wednesday, June 8 thru Saturday, June 11, 2016

For more info and tickets: Call (325)573-3558

**WE BUY OIL, GAS & MINERAL RIGHTS**

Both non-producing and producing, including Non-Participating Royalty Interest (NPRI)

Please provide us your desired price when you contact us and we will evaluate for a possible offer.

**Lobo Minerals, LLC**  
P.O. Box 10906 • Midland, TX 79702  
C: 806-620-1422  
lobomineralsllc@gmail.com



NOTICE: While most advertisers are reputable, we cannot guarantee products or services advertised. We urge readers to use caution and when in doubt, contact the Texas Attorney General at 1-800-621-0508 or the Federal Trade Commission at 1-877-FTC-HELP. The FTC web site is www.ftc.gov/bizop

Extend your advertising reach with TexSCAN, your Statewide Classified Ad Network.



**JASON YOUNG, CPA LLC**  
TAX, ASSURANCE AND ADVISORY

940-422-4110  
JASON@JYADVISOR.COM

221 EAST MAIN STREET  
MUNDAY, TX 76371

940-422-4045 - FAX

**LAKE CREEK Beverage Co.**  
BEER • LIQUOR • WINE

LOCAL, RETAIL, & WHOLESALE

940-421-3300  
940-421-3301 (FAX)

503 S. 5TH  
GOREE, TEXAS 76363

**Lewis Paint & Body Shop**  
"In Loving Memory of Sterling Lewis"

CLINT LEWIS  
Owner

INTERSTATE BATTERIES

(940) 658-3342

106 North 2nd  
Knox City, Texas 79529

WE TAKE THE DENT'S OUT OF ACCIDENTS Excellence Since 1952

**THE DRUG STORE**  
in Haskell

Wild Horse Prairie Days  
June 3 & 4 in Haskell

**Jewelry**  
30% off  
regular price

Create - Print - Share  
Your Graduation Photos with our  
**Kodak Picture Kiosk!**

**Flag Day - June 14**  
Display your flag proudly.  
We have flags in assorted sizes.

**Father's Day is June 19!**  
We have gifts your Dad will LOVE!  
**Russell Stover Candy**  
**Father's Day Cards**  
Much, much more

We want to be Your Drug Store!  
Call us today about  
transferring your Prescriptions  
to our Pharmacy!  
Prescription delivery service is  
available to Knox City  
and Munday, daily,  
Monday through Friday!  
Please call for details.

Sale prices good June 2-4  
www.haskelldrugstore.com

**THE DRUG STORE in HASKELL**  
940-864-2673 1-800-962-0743  
8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mon-Fri 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sat



**Keep The Machinery In Gear**

When you're a producer, you gotta keep growing and keep the machinery in gear. You can't have a lot of down time while you're waiting for parts or repairs, no matter what the equipment is. If your machinery is holding you back, talk to us. We can offer you loan options that make sense for your Ag business. And get you back in gear.

**First Bank ★ Texas**

Munday  
940-422-4522

Haskell  
940-864-8555

Stamford  
325-773-2122

www.go2fibt.com



**Mac's Views**  
**Close finish delays graduation special**

The graduation special issue is featured in this week's issue of The Knox County News-Courier because Munday High School had to wait until the next to last morning of school to pick the winners of the valedictorian and salutatorian awards.



**JAMES MCAFEE**

This was confirmed at last Thursday's awards ceremony. Of course, that was too late for last week's issue.

In all my years of working for newspapers in Texas, I've never seen it take that long.

Usually, the names are released by mid-May with announcements in the papers before commencement ceremonies.

Here is Supt. Troy Parton's explanation that I received Monday morning, saying the last finals were held Thursday morning before the awards ceremony:

Knox County 4-H'ers were well represented on the awards stand at the District Round-Up in Vernon last month where members competed in a variety of contests.

The two major categories were "Share-the-Fun," an artistic talent competition with sub-categories such as singing, dancing, and acting, and "Educational Presentation," a public speaking event where 4-H'ers can choose a category (e.g., agriculture, clothing, cooking, etc.), pick a specific topic, and give a three-minute presentation on their subject.

In Educational Presenta-

tion Open, Kathryn Cude and Grace Tidwell won first place for a presentation on their "Storywalk" community project in Munday; Corrie Earthman won first for giving the steps for sewing a pillowcase and donating it to charity in clothing and textiles; and Ryan Earthman finished fourth for a talk about building a space-saver garden using a rain gutter.

Ryan and Corrie Earthman performed the song "I See Fire" from "The Hobbit: Desolation of Smaug" and placed fourth in Share-the-Fun Solo Band.

In the junior division of Educational Presentation clothing

and textiles, Bryanne Cude got a first when she taught listeners how to make their own T-shirt quilt; Belle Earthman got second when she made a rubber-band bracelet while explaining the process; Shawn Earthman placed third with tips on how to create a stylish outfit; Morgan Earthman got fourth for a demonstration of how to put together two different sets of earrings; and Nate Earthman finished second with a presentation showing and teaching the many parts of the violin and bow.

Shawn and Morgan Earthman won first in Share-the-

Fun musician instrumental, playing the lively fiddle-tune "Redwing," with each of them taking a solo, while Nate and Belle Earthman got third with a fast performance of "Devil's Dream."

Earlier in the month, a new slate of officers was elected: Corrie Earthman, president; Josiah Coplen, Knox City vice president; Bryanne Cude, Munday vice president; McKayla Coplen, Benjamin vice president; Shawn Earthman, health and safety officer; Jonah Duke, treasurer; and Ryan Earthman, secretary/reporter.

It's refreshing to know that common decency finally won out over the never-ending chase for the dollars and the glory associated with a winning football program.

I'm speaking about how Baylor University finally got it right by firing football coach Art Briles for covering up crimes committed by his football players.

It appears even more of the staff has now been fired and athletic director Ian McCaw has decided to resign after earlier being put on probation. Ken Starr was ousted as president, but remains at Baylor because of tenure.

New Munday administrator J.D. Moore

**Knox 4-H'ers do well at district level**

Over 16,000,000 Americans fought in World War II. Think about that number...which is about twice the population of New York City.

Of that 16,000,000-plus, 800,000 are still alive.

Over the past several years we have worked to find the remaining WWII veterans in the communities we represent in an effort to get their stories in print. If you know of any WWII veteran which we have not done a story on, please call the newspaper of-

face so we can arrange it.

**The Paperboy**

**No generation like the greatest**

The Greatest Generation, those Americans who fought for and supported the U.S. during WWII, saved this planet from tyranny.

I'm not so sure such an effort would be remotely possible today.

In today's world, we are a self-consumed bunch busy casting judgment on one another on social media instead of correcting the ills of the world.

Today, we slap a hashtag on a slogan and feel like we've made a difference in society.

The truth is we are lost in the wilderness. We are a people without leadership.

To say we have lost our moral compass is an understatement. It's more like we took a sledgehammer to it.

So will there ever be another great generation to rival those incredible men and women which saved the planet?

I suppose it's possible, but take a look at the extreme situation it took to help form the first one.

In today's world, we look at

other Americans as the main enemy. We vilify each other. And while we're distracted, who really knows what is happening around the world? It's not as if we have a trustworthy media to inform us properly. No sir. Everything must be political.

I still contend, that despite our differences, we have much more in common than not. But without leadership, those commonalities are going to be shoved to the back while political factions bicker about ideology.

I remember a time when Americans seemed happy. A time when we didn't automatically look for something to get angry about.

Like many of you, I want those days back. I want to be able to look at my fellow Americans and think of the good they have accomplished and not their political affiliation. As my boys get closer to fighting age, my worries over this world intensify. What out-of-control situation will they be faced with? Will they have to fight? Will things continue to deteriorate to the point there is nothing worth fighting for?

When you are angry at the leadership of your country, it's hard to fathom wanting to fight for them.

Protect my family and home? Sure.

Travel to the Middle East and fight for who knows what? I don't think so.

My prayer is that we find ourselves in the not too distant future. I pray leaders emerge. I pray our political discourse subsides. Most of all, I pray for peace.

CHRIS BLACKBURN



**CHRIS BLACKBURN**

Copyright 2016

Chris Blackburn serves as CEO at Blackburn Media Group, proud owner of The Red River Sun, The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon, The Knox County News-Courier and The Post Dispatch. He can be reached by email at cbris@blackburnmediagroup.com and you can follow him on Twitter @WCSBlackburn.

**PENMAN SERVICES**

940-658-3513

**RUIZ LAWN CARE & MORE**

- Yard work, mowing, edging, blowing
- Mowing overgrown lot and acreage
- Welding projects, including carports
- Privacy fencing
- Tree trimming

**Samuel Ruiz 940 203-2187**

**COFFMAN BROTHERS**

**PLUMBING**

911 East Main Street  
Knox City, Texas  
940-658-3341

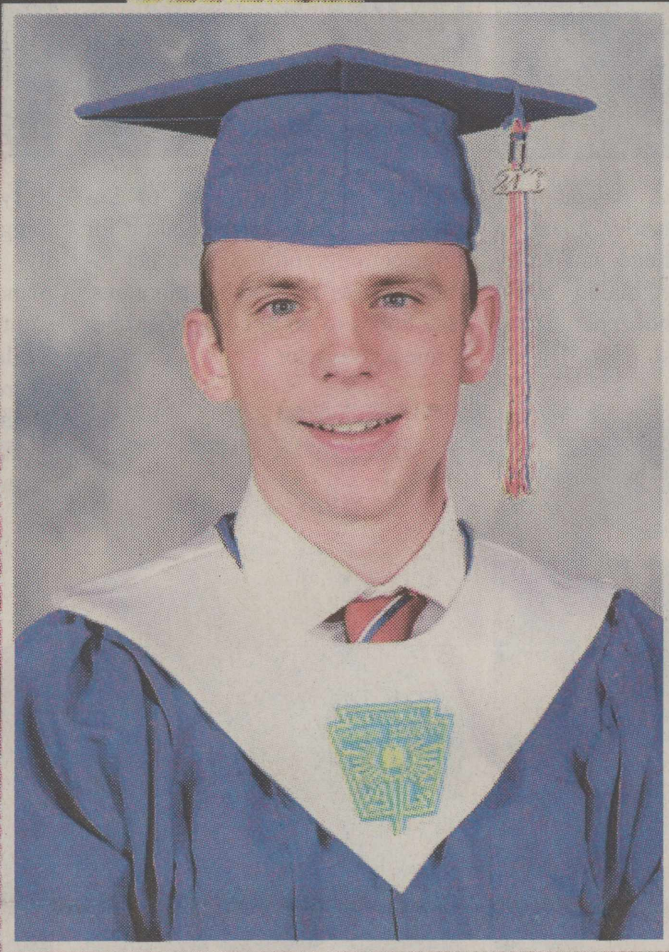
Serving Knox Baylor and surrounding areas.  
Master license number: M-37017



*Class of*

2016

**Knox City High School**



*Sheldon Baty*  
*Valedictorian*

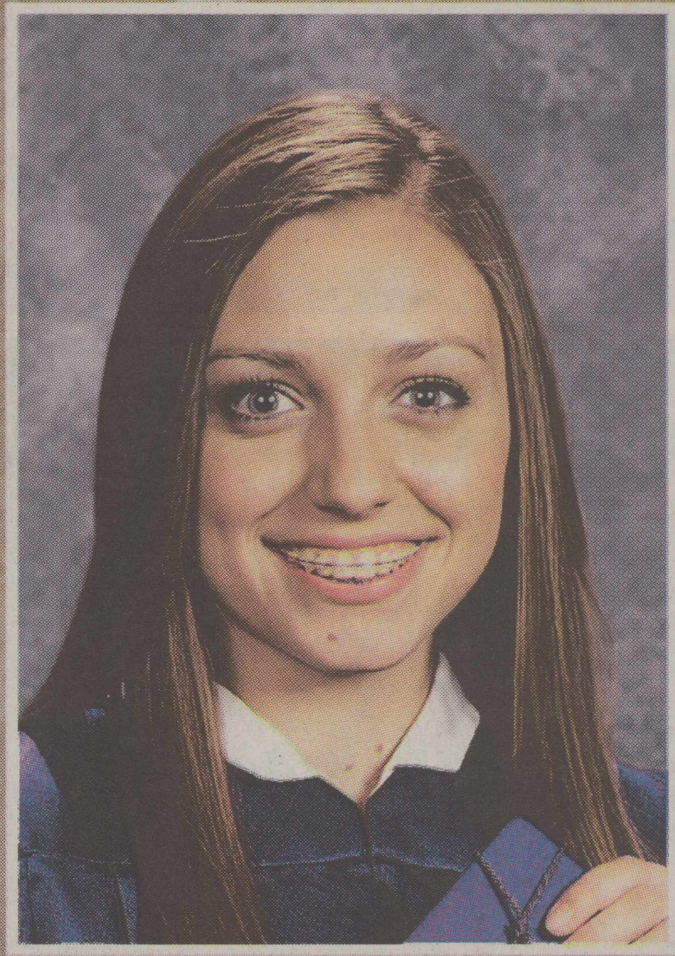


*Ryan Heard*  
*Salutatorian*

**Munday High School**



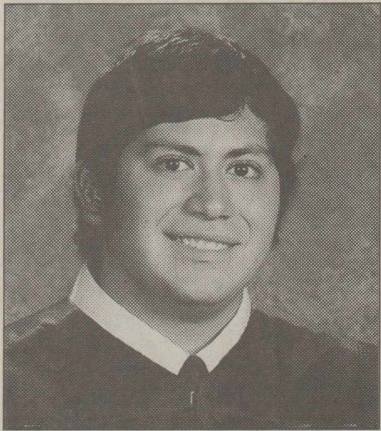
*Alexis Nunez*  
*Valedictorian*



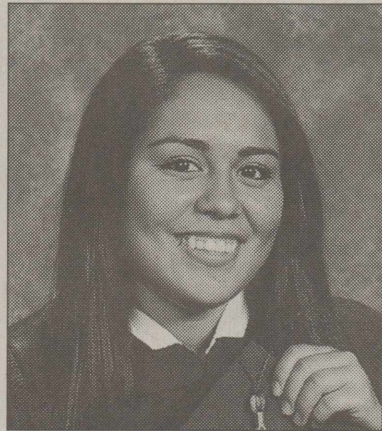
*Kimberly Phahan*  
*Salutatorian*



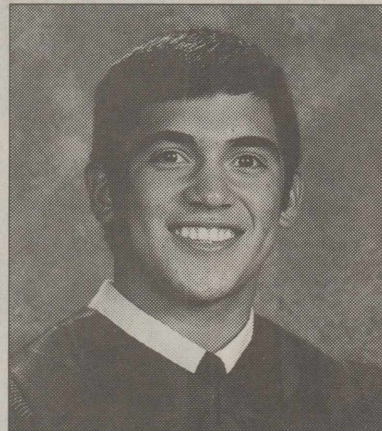
# Munday High School Class of 2016



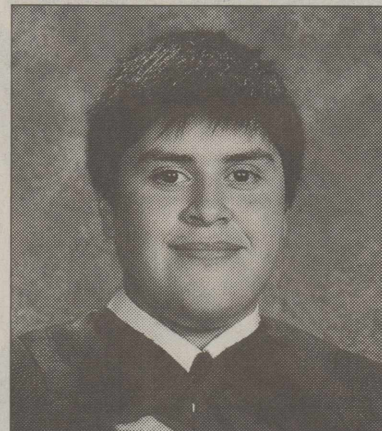
Jordan Andrade, son of Maricelda Nava and Robert Andrade, plans to go to college and major in business. Spending time with friends were his best moments in school.



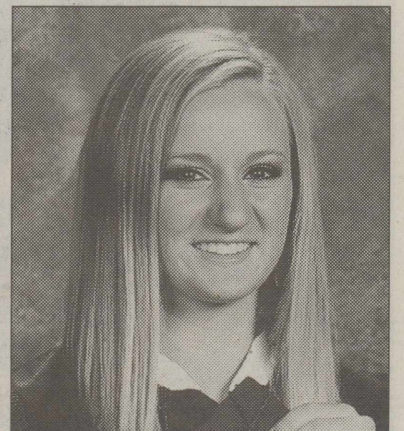
Denise Araujo, daughter of Rebecca Araujo, recalls her most memorable moment occurred when she had to play tennis in her Converse. She will attend the University of North Texas with a major in interior design.



Bryan Castorena, son of Jessica and Felipe Castorena, plans to attend South Plains College and become a HVAC technician. Watching a few kids look up to him has been his favorite memories.



Gregory Castorena, son of Lupe Barera and Jimmy Castorena, hopes to be a game designer. His most memorable moment came when the band went to state.



Kathryn Cude, daughter of Nancy and Brand Cude, plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in human and family studies/pre-physical therapy. Wrecking her car was her memorable moment.



Skylar Gomez, daughter of Rhonda Molina, plans to attend Midwestern State University and become an RN. Field day was always my favorite.



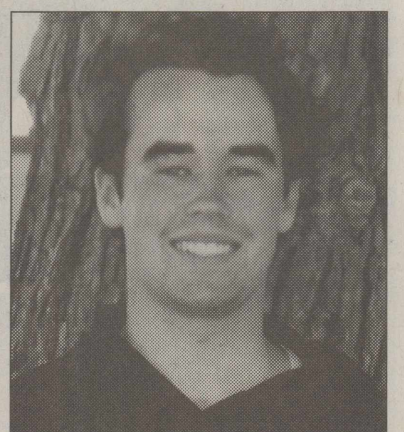
Rhealea Hendrix, daughter of Mendie and Terry Hendrix, hasn't decided on a major, but plans to go to Midwestern State University. Her most memorable moment in school was being an athletic trainer for the football team her senior year. She enjoyed getting to be a part of the boys' season and spending time with the ball boys, the coaches and Kasey and Kolbey, making lots of memories.



Daniela Hernandez, daughter of Victor David Hernandez, plans to attend Vernon College and study nursing. She enjoyed making many amazing friends and experiencing all the sports events.



Tabitha Hullock, daughter of Susan Hull, pointed to decorating for homecoming and the prom her junior year as memorable moments. She hopes to go to college and become a counselor.



Rory King, son of Mary and Steve King who lived here with host family, Deanna and Joe Fernandez, plans to attend the University of Canterbury when he returns to New Zealand where he will study for degree in commerce and law. His memorable moments were experiencing American high school and meeting new people.

*Congratulations to all Our 2016 Seniors*

<b>CHARLES BAKER INSURANCE</b>			<b>JEFF SEARCEY</b> AUTOMOTIVE PLUS, INC. 230 W. DALLAS ST. MUNDAY, TEXAS 76371 940.422.4953
<b>Jan Searcey, CIC</b> Owner	O. 940.422.4945 F. 940.422.5254 M. 940.256.1232		

	Heder Lopez, son of Meadalena Perez and Jesus Lopez, noted going to state in football in 2012 was his most memorable moment. He plans to attend UTI in Fort Worth to become a diesel mechanic.	Lecanna Machellege Magee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Salvador Fernandez, hopes to become a RN after studying at Vernon College. She pointed to all of the band trips for her favorite memories.

*Good Luck with your future*

**Decker Electric Motor Company**  
• Gould's Water Pumps  
P.O. Box 55 • Munday, TX 76371 • 940-256-8388

**Fly High Graduates!!**

*The Sky is the Limit*

**PETTY**  
FLYING SERVICE  
800-687-3327 • www.pettyflyingservice.com



*Congratulations! MHS Seniors!!*

*Best Wishes, Class of 2016*

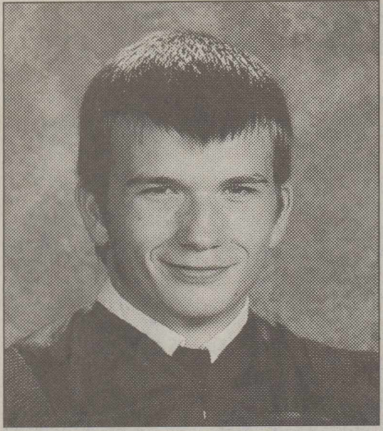
**U.S. 83 • 937-2553**

**Way to go, Graduates!!**

David Booe, President  
1-800-829-7850  
940-422-4500  
david@booeroofing.com

**BOOE**  
COMMERCIAL ROOFING, INC.  
[www.boeroofing.com](http://www.boeroofing.com)

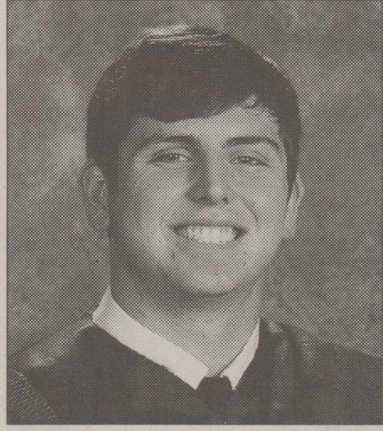




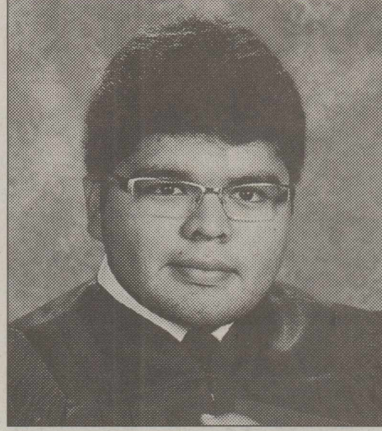
Devan Massey, son of Joanne and Michael Wilson, will go to school at TSTC to become a welder. Getting hit in the knee in the football game at Hamlin was his memorable moment.



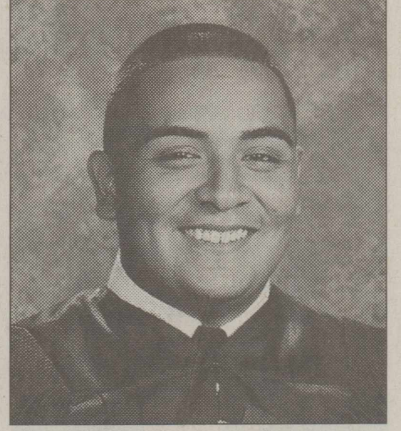
Alexis Nunez, daughter of Alisa Garza, indicated her memorable moments occurred being a state qualifier in marching band, ensemble and one act play as a senior. She wants to become a nurse and eventually a doctor.



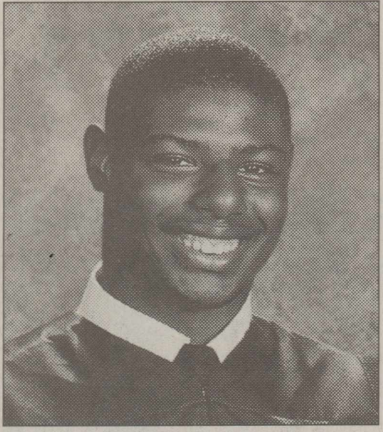
Cole Parton, son of Renee and Troy Parton, plans to attend Tarleton State University, majoring in business management and minoring in pre-law, with hopes of attending a law school. Moving to Munday as a senior was his memorable moment.



Eduardo Rangel, son of Maria Rangel, plans to start at South Plains College and transfer to the University of North Texas and become an English teacher abroad. His favorite memory was going to state in band.



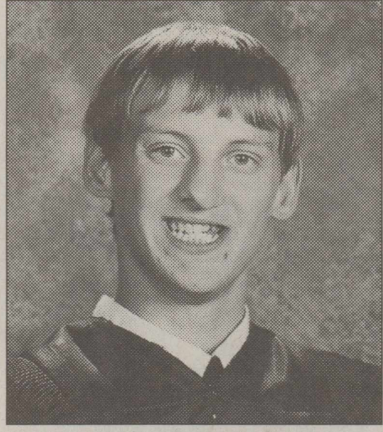
Juan Rangel, son of Ofelia and Juan Rangel, pointed to the 2012 state football game as his most memorable moment. He has plans to become a welder.



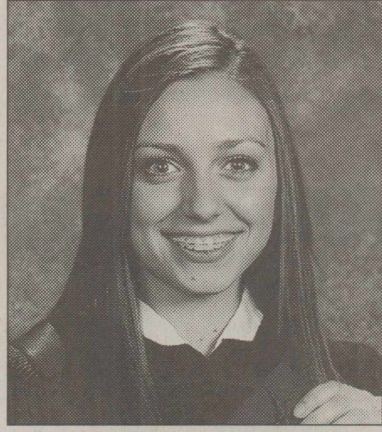
Temerrick Levett Reagins, son of Hope Collier, plans to go to South Plains College and play basketball. Being a part of the homecoming game was his memorable moment.



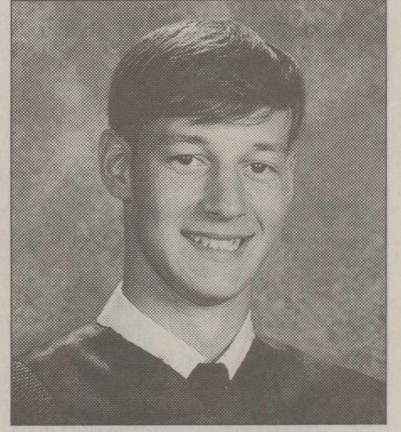
Kamille Redder, daughter of Amy and Rickey Redder, also felt the state band contest was her memorable moment. She plans to attend Abilene Christian University to pursue a degree in elementary education with hopes of becoming a school counselor.



Kellen Wesley Redder, son of Robyn and Dwayne Redder, plans to go to Vernon College in Wichita Falls and work toward a business degree. His memorable moment was being able to run at the regional track meet.



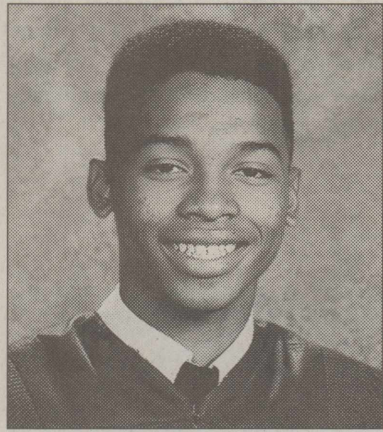
Kimberly Shahan, daughter of Christie and Lonnie Shahan, points to going to the state marching contest as drum majors as her memorable moment. She plans to attend Midwestern University and earn a major in biology so she can become a clinical lab technician.



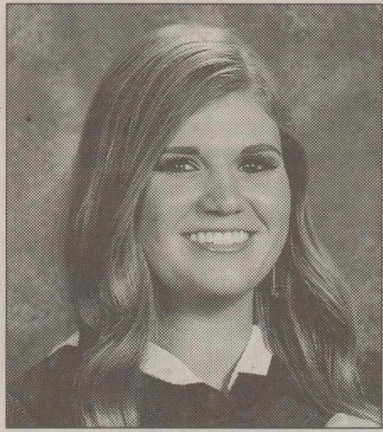
Austin Smith, son of Amanda and Kyle Bibb, hopes to become a police officer in Lubbock. His memorable moment came on the last day of school in pre-K when he went swimming with Kathryn and Taylor.



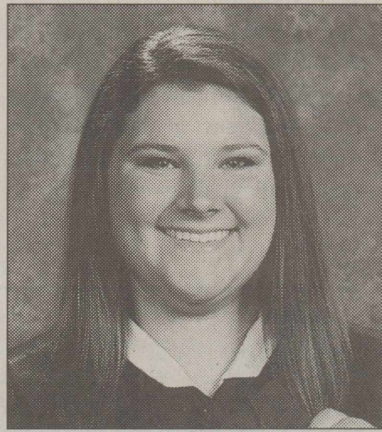
Baylie Taylor, daughter of Susie Hull, hopes to become a labor and delivery nurse after studying at Vernon College. Going to state in band was the highlight of her school years.



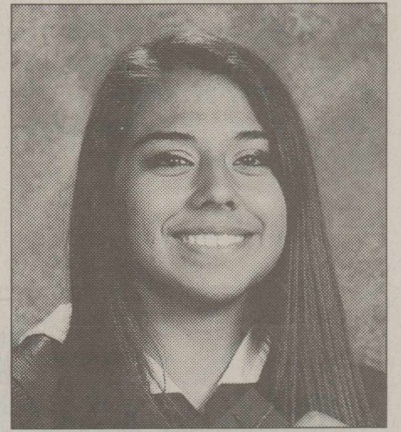
Justin Kyle Thomas, son of Debbie Adams and Richard Culberson, plans to attend Midwestern State University in the fall with hopes of eventually becoming a real estate agent. Going on field trips were his best memories.



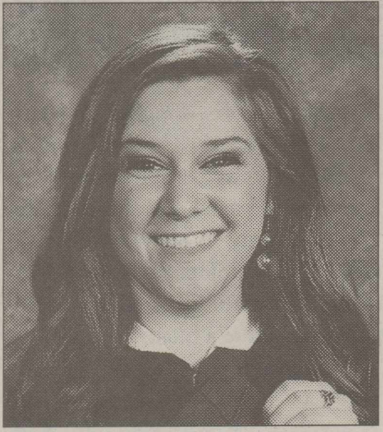
Taylor Thompson, daughter of Rhonda and Trey Thompson, pointed to competing in the state golf tournament as a junior and senior as her most memorable moments. She plans to attend Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, seeking a major in communication sciences and disorders. She will also golf at HSU.



Vera Grace Tidwell, daughter of Lianne and Doug Tidwell, has her sights set on earning a degree in animal science at Texas Tech University. Conducting the band at the state marching contest was her memorable moment.



Ana Vega, daughter of Maria and Alejandro Vega, plans on attending North State University in Denton with a major in criminal justice. Going to state in band and being able to enjoy it with friends was her favorite memory.



Brenley Waters, daughter of Heather and Shannon Waters, has dreams of becoming a medical missionary after going to nursing school. Putting an amphibious varmint in a locomotive object was her memorable moment.

*"You get in life what you have the courage to ask for."*  
—Oprah Winfrey

*Best Wishes to our  
Graduating Class of 2016*

**PACKRAT SURPLUS**  
*Your Everything Store!*

**Congratulations!**  
**Kamille! We are so proud of you!**  
—Love, Dad, Mom & Ryan

*Best of Luck  
from  
Dan & Becky  
Offutt*

**Congratulations Cole!**  
**We Love You!**  
—Mom, Dad, Austin and Zane

**Congrats Kellen!**  
We are so proud of you and can't wait to see what your future holds!  
*Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Proverbs 3:5-6*  
— Love, Dad, Mom, Kennedy & Kameron

*THE POSSIBILITIES  
ARE ENDLESS*

**THE KNOX COUNTY  
FARM BUREAU**

*Way to Go Seniors  
Buds For You*  
**940-422-4712**

*We're Proud  
of all Our  
2016 Seniors*

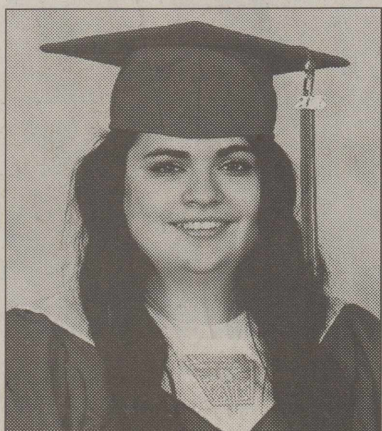
**We wish you the very best!**

**A+** **AUTO & FARM  
SUPPLY  
PARTS & PLUS**

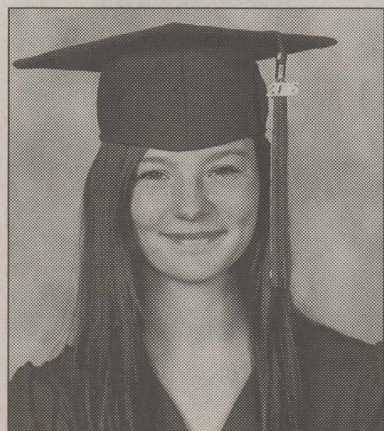
410 N Birch Munday, Texas (940) 422-4400



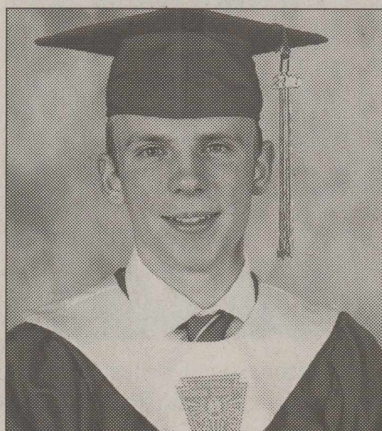
# Knox City High School Class of 2016



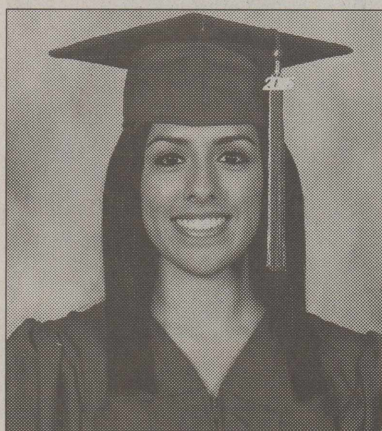
Cristina Alexander, daughter of Nicole and Arthur Kimberlin, plans to take a year off and then go to a four-year university. Her memorable moment was on the bus ride back from the church luncheon when all the seniors started singing.



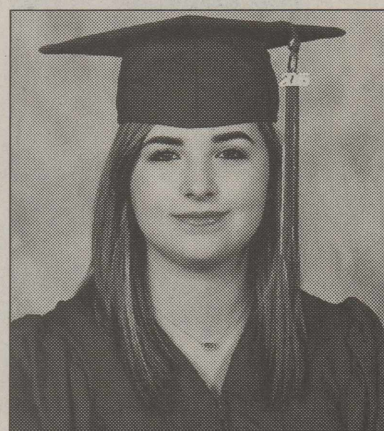
Mckayla Bailey, daughter of Natalie Caddel and John Casillas, will attend Western Texas College for basics and then transfer to a university to get a degree in pediatrics. Playing a solo in the Alamodome in San Antonio at the state band contest was her favorite memory.



Sheldon Baty, son of Sheri and Louis Baty, noted that listening to all of Coach Steele's speeches and quotes is what he will remember most about high school. He plans to go to Angelo State University and major in biology and pre-med and then attend medical school.



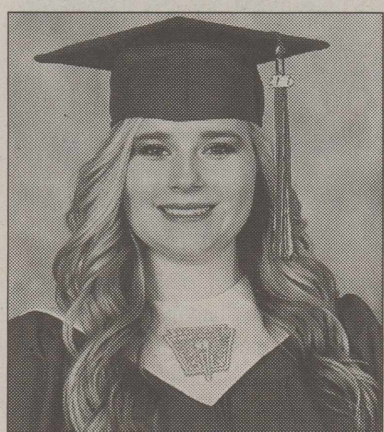
Caitlyn Baxter, daughter of Stella and Matt Baxter, hopes to attend Western Texas College for basics and major in physical therapy. Her memorable moment came as a freshman when she along with Jordyn, Chasity and Essence advanced to state in the 4x200 relay and won bronze medals. It was an unforgettable experience.



Sierra Boyd, daughter of Christy and Heath Turner, hopes to have a successful career in phlebotomy. Working on my CNA certification and going to clinics with my best friends are my favorite moments.



Cayce Le'nee Camp, daughter of Kim Camp, plans to attend Western Texas College to obtain a degree in child development and child psychology. Going to the FFA convention in Corpus Christi was her favorite high school memory.



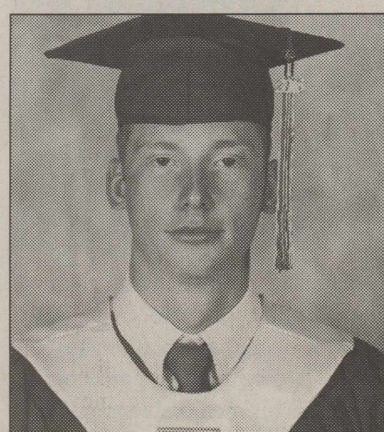
Cheyenne Layne Camp, daughter of Kim and Donnie Camp, plans to major in elementary education at Tarleton State University. She had two special moments, being named band sweetheart at homecoming and receiving the TGCA academic all-state volleyball award.



Kylie Elizabeth DeVille, daughter of Jenn and Kent DeVille, pointed to the band's trip to the marching contest in San Antonio as her most memorable moment. She will attend Western Texas College for basics and then transfer to Tarleton to obtain a degree in elementary education.



Jordyn Eaton, daughter of Lynnzie and Jeremy Eaton, will attend McMurry University in Abilene on a track scholarship, majoring in business. Her most memorable moment? The tree.



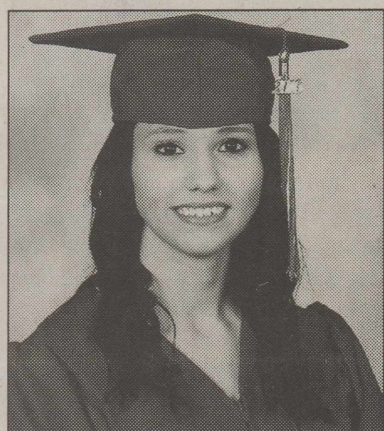
Ryan Heard, son of Shana and Glen Heard, plans to attend Abilene Christian University and then become a coach and administrator. He pointed to the football game with Follett when Coach Steele said, "I don't care if the coach eats a hot dog and scores five" as his most memorable moment.

**SALUTING GRADUATES**

Pumpers Supply & Equipment Co.  
121 S. Central Knox City, TX • 940-658-3260



Veronica Renee Lara, daughter of Yolanda and Ray Lara, hopes to attend the Art Institute of Austin and pursue a degree in interior design. Spending the best times in Home Ec with my bestie Christina and Mrs. Arendaul are her favorite memories.



Samantha Lewis, daughter of Marilyn Adams and Timothy Lewis, plans to start at Vernon Junior College for her basics and then transfer to a university to major in elementary education. Her favorite memory is being able to go to the senior prom and have a blast.

**CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES**  
*From Bill & DiAnn*  
Bill Stewart Insurance • 700 E Main  
Knox City  
940-658-3211

**Congratulations!**  
*Sheldon and Class*  
**of 2016**  
We are proud of your many accomplishments!  
—Louis & Sheri Baty

*Hats Off to the Graduates!*

**CitizensBank** N.A.  
www.citizensbank-texas.com

(940) 658-3527  
110 North 2nd St.  
Knox City, Texas

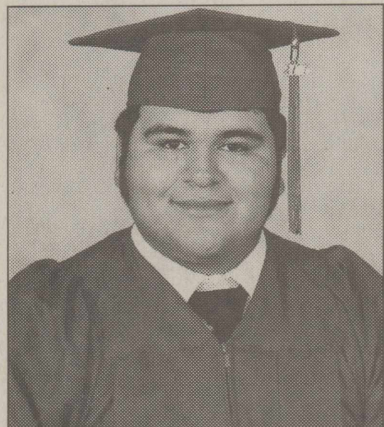
**FDIC** **LENDER**

**Congratulations**  
*from all of us at:*

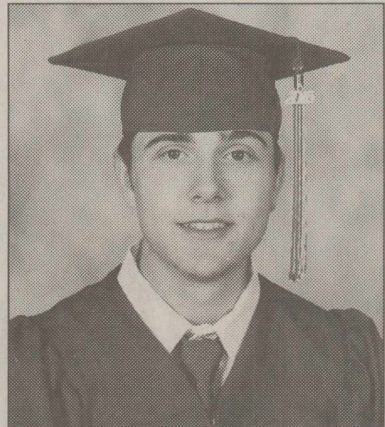
Knox County Hospital District  
Your Hometown Healthcare Team

- Knox County Hospital**
- Munday Clinic**
- Munday Nursing Center**
- Knox City Clinic**
- Knox County Retail Pharmacy**
- Knox County Home Care**
- Seymour Medical Inc.**
- Knox County EMS**

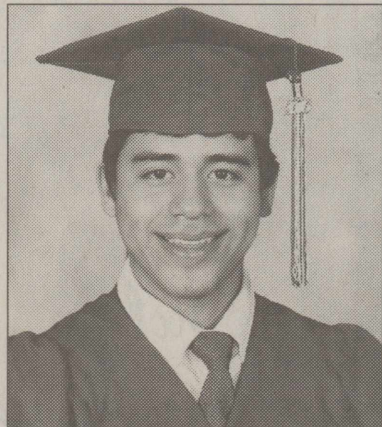




Jose Alfredo Martinez, son of Juana and Jose Martinez, remembers being late almost every day for school. He will attend Texas State Technical College in the fall.



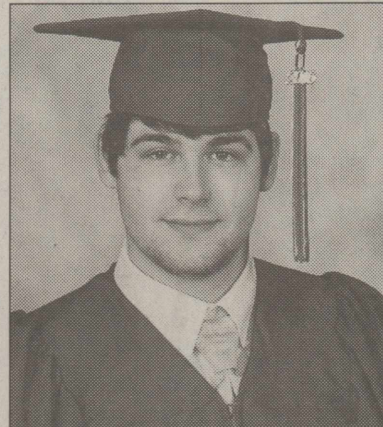
Skylar Neill, son of Hope and Charles Neill, noted that playing sports and hearing Coach Steele's quotes were his most memorable moments. He hopes to go to college and become a coach.



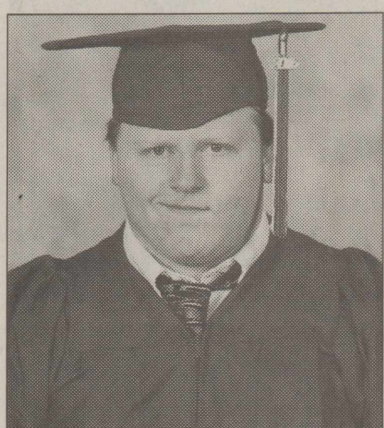
Elias Nevarez, son of Bertha and Gilberto Nevarez, plans to go to South Plains College and then transfer to Tarleton. All the moments he had in sports are his favorite times.



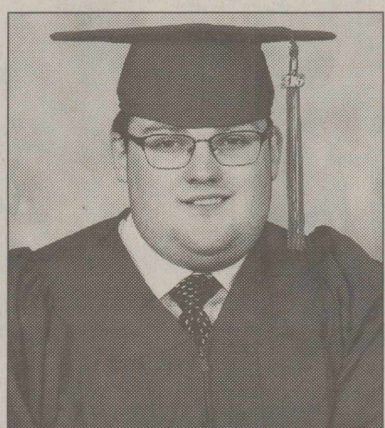
Caitlyn Deeann Nicholson, daughter of Tina Baker and Clemme Nicholson Jr., plans to attend Vernon College for the basics and then transfer to a university to major in sociology. Her most memorable moments occurred in the fifth grade when she participated in fear factor and tried gross foods.



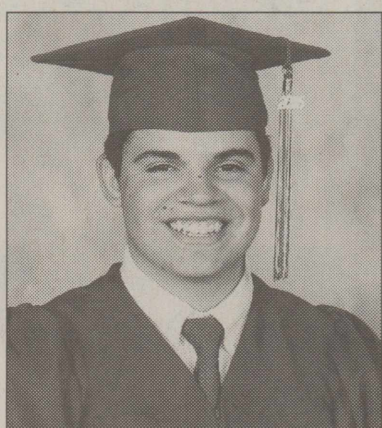
Tyler Sanders, son of Angela Griffin and Jay Sanders, pointed to the time a squirrel ran inside the school and the kids had to chase it out as his favorite memory. He plans to become a welder after going to TSTC in Breckenridge.



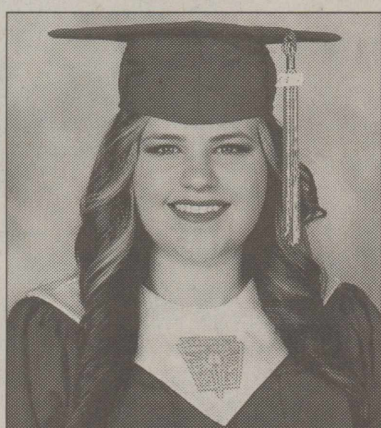
Allen Coe Self, son of Belinda and David Self, hopes to become a video game designer and is just glad to be leaving school.



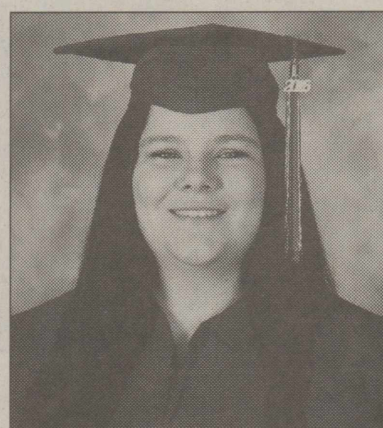
Donovan Aaron Stallings Jr., son of Shelley and Donovan Stallings, also wants to be a great game and online designer and pointed to his senior year as his favorite time in school.



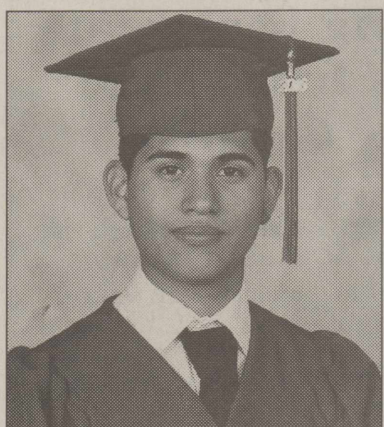
Payne Stanfield, son of Michelle and Jeff Stanfield, plans to attend Tarleton State University in the fall and work on a degree in business. Remembering all of Coach Steele's quotes is what he remembers as his favorite moments.



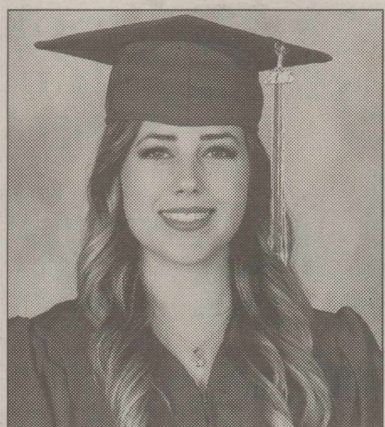
Makaylie Steele, daughter of Melissa and Charles Steele, plans to attend Tarleton State University and pursue a nursing degree in pediatrics. The cupcake fight in her freshman year is her most memorable moment.



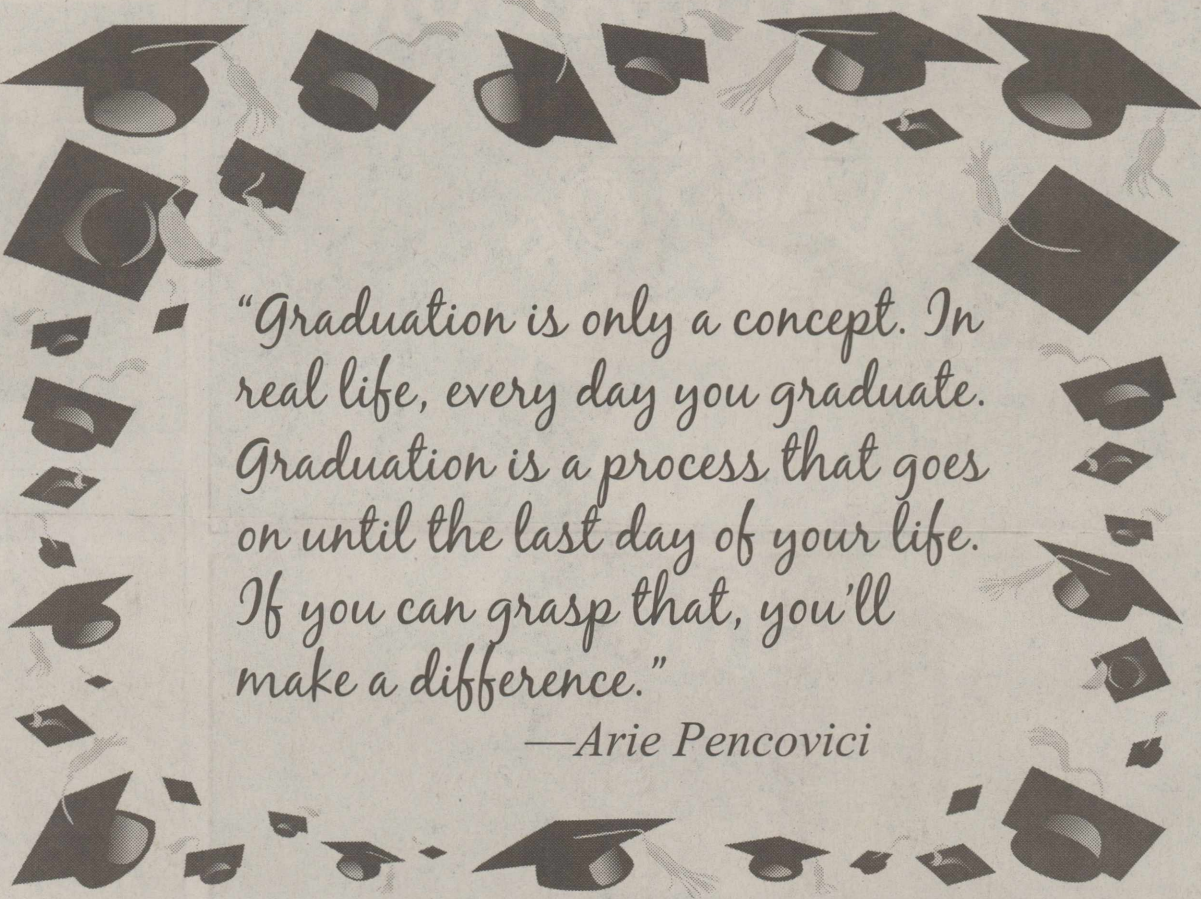
Sadie Taylor, daughter of Shelly Williams, hopes to get an online degree through the University of Phoenix. The senior prank with McKayla in Mrs. Jones' room was her most memorable moment.



Jose Merced Torres Ayala, son of MaElena Ayala and Jose Juan Torres, hopes to become an art teacher or work in architecture. His favorite memory was scoring his first touchdown.



Brylee Nicole White, daughter of Amy and Kevin White, plans to attend the Redken Salon Professionals Academy in San Antonio this fall. She pointed to the cupcake fight with Mr. Nelson as her favorite memory.



"Graduation is only a concept. In real life, every day you graduate. Graduation is a process that goes on until the last day of your life. If you can grasp that, you'll make a difference."

—Arie Pencovici

**Happy Graduation!**

Crop Production Services

*Best Wishes to all 2016 Seniors*

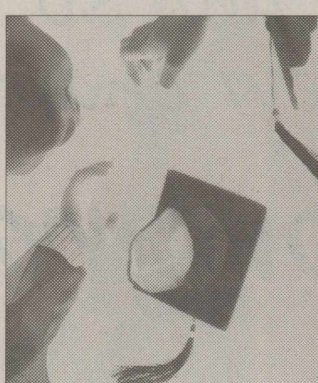
**Brazos Valley Care Home**  
605 S Ave F, Knox City, TX • 940-658-3543

**conGRADulations!**

*Bud's Cafe*  
709 E. Main, Knox City

**AIR-AG, INC**

Office (940) 658-3744  
Stan Wojcik, Owner (940) 256-1492 cell  
Terry Porter, Pilot (940) 203-0237 cell



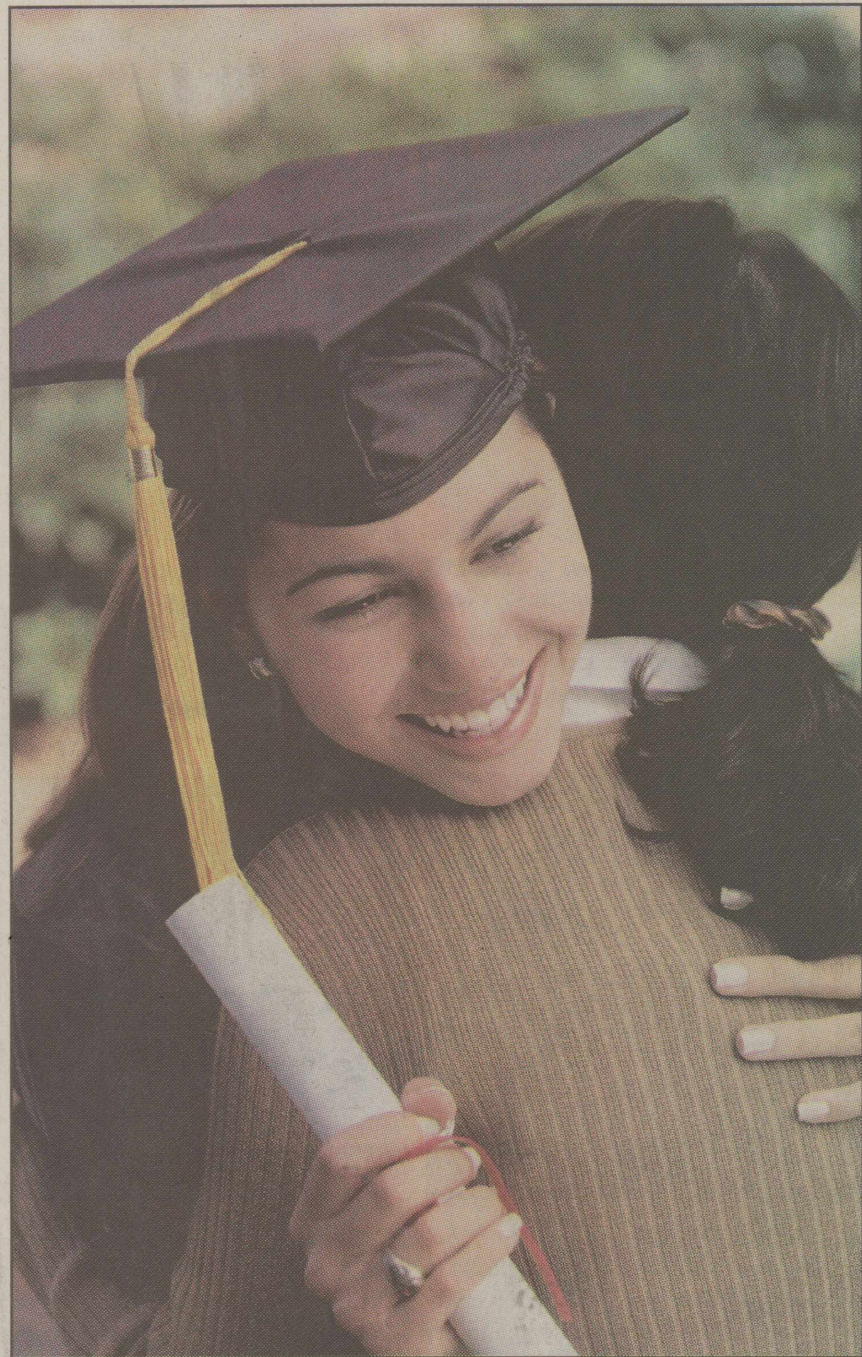
*Job Well Done! Congratulations to All Knox County Graduates!*

**PENMAN SERVICES** 940-658-3513

**Congratulations!**  
*from the staff, from Vonda and James*

THE KNOX COUNTY **News-Courier**

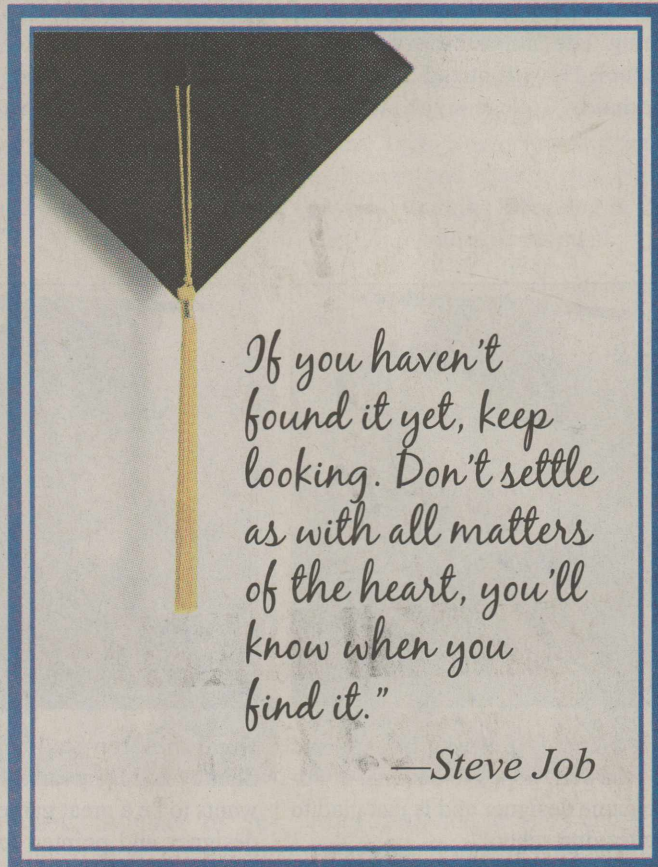




"Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail."

—Ralph Waldo Emerson

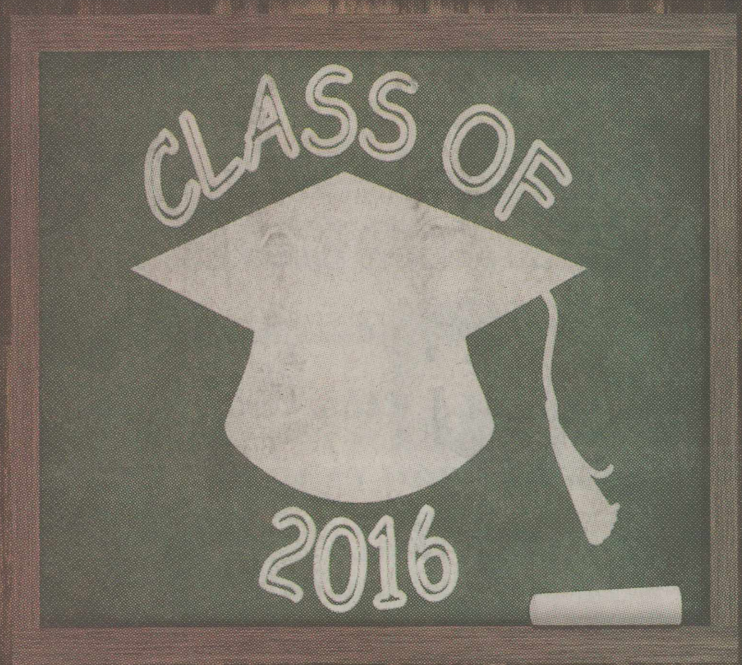
*You Made It!*



If you haven't found it yet, keep looking. Don't settle as with all matters of the heart, you'll know when you find it."

—Steve Job

CONGRATULATIONS!



**First Bank** ★ Texas

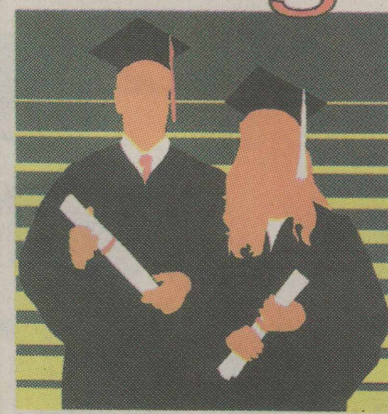
WWW.GO2FBT.COM

Munday (940) 422-4522    Haskell (940) 864-8555    Stamford (325) 773-2122



Member FDIC

**Congratulations**



"Looking for great things from the Knox County Graduates"

Matlock & Associates  
FOR ALL YOUR CROP INSURANCE NEEDS  
Becky, Kacy & Linda  
*Graduation!*

**Congratulations!**

*from the staff,  
from Vonda and James*

THE KNOX COUNTY  
**News-Courier**

...and so begins a whole new chapter in your life,

**Congratulations!**



Proud owners of  
The Red River Sun, The Floyd County Hesperian-Beacon,  
The Knox County News-Courier, The Post Dispatch

