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## 'Carnival for Cure' scheduled Saturday

By James McAfee  
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MUNDAY—The Relay for Life's "Carnival for a Cure," part of the American Cancer

Society's national fundraiser "Paint Your World Purple," will be held here Saturday at the Phillip McAfee Track from 4-10 p.m.

Entertainment will be pro-

vided by various singers, dancers and musicians along with The Movement Space dancers, the Munday High cheerleaders, a group from the Munday Elementary and the MHS Purple Cloud band.

Rian Dillard will serve as the master of ceremonies while Jimmy Trevino will be handling the DJ duties.

There will be also be the usual laps for survivors and caregivers plus themed laps, such as the YMCA dance, Simon Says and Name That Tune along with karaoke and a lip sync battle.

Here's a lineup of the teams participating:

\* "Carnival for Hope" from the First United Methodist Church in Munday will host a cake walk and offer ice cream and coke floats.

\* "Clowning for a Cure" from the St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Rhineland will have drinks, snacks and carnival games.

\* "The Bearded Ladies" in Misty's honor will have a dunking booth and offer sno cones.

\* "Lions for a Cure" from the Munday Lions Club will have a jail, collecting donations or fines for those arrested for a good cause.

\* The Bankneers' "Banking on a Cure" from the First Bank Texas will offer popcorn and cotton candy.

\* The Magnificent Magical Moguettes will be operating a photo booth.

\* The Munday Volunteer Fire Department will sell hamburgers, hot dogs and nachos.

The Munday Church of Christ will serve as the welcoming committee, offering water, peach tea and cookies along with bingo

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## Munday residents will pay more

By James McAfee  
The Knox County News-Courier

MUNDAY—The Munday City Council made it official that its residents would be paying more taxes and higher water bills during its regular monthly meeting here Tuesday night.

The Council approved its proposed tax rate of 1.0957 per \$100. The rate consists of .94902 for maintenance and operations and .14674 for interest and sinking on certificates of obligation for transportation related projects.

In addition, it passed on a price increase from the North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority by hiking the minimum water bill by \$2.50 a month.

Saying they had to do the right thing to pay back money to the EDC A and B boards, the council approved a three-year repayment plan.

Following advice of its CPA, the Council OKed a plan to pay employee Ralph Adams out of the operating account.

In addition, a bid from O'Keith Taylor and Lori Lynn Colbert was approved for a property in East Munday.

In his report, administrator Jimmy Don Moore noted that the city broke even in August. "We've had a few surprises and it was good to see us come back to even," he said.

He also noted the planned city-wide cleanup for November had been cancelled for financial reasons.

## Latham's Exhibit set in Abilene



Special to The News-Courier

ABILENE—Munday artist Kacy Latham's solo exhibit "Eye Candy," a collection of colorful abstract paintings, will be on display here in Gallery 4 at the Center for Contemporary Art starting next Wednesday through Oct. 6.

"It has been a lifelong goal of mine to have such a serious exhibit," Latham said, noting that

the Center for Contemporary Art had made her a member in May

Latham's work has been in five shows in the past year, including juried shows at the old post office and art center in Graham, the Stars of Texas Juried Show and the Artspace 111 Juried Show.

Latham will also be teaching art at the Taylor County Juvenile Detention Center this fall.

## Patriots Day at Greyhound Stadium



Sheri Baly/The Knox County News-Courier

Patriots Day was a big part of the opening ceremony for the Knox City Greyhounds' first game of the season at Greyhound Stadium. The Greyhounds entered the field carrying a U.S. flag. The Greyhounds lost by a 66-32 margin to Crowell in a game delayed by lightning.

## Knox Notes

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

## Living Proof simulcast

MUNDAY—A Living Proof simulcast featuring Beth Moore is scheduled from 8:30 a.m. until 4:10 p.m. on Saturday at the First Baptist Church Munday. Cost is \$20 and includes breakfast and lunch.

## Help available

Need money? Or help with bills? Double Mountain Outreach Services/ASBDC would like to help and will be in Knox County Thursday from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Munday Church of Christ and from 1-3 p.m. at the city hall in Knox City. Call 940 989-3538 or 940 200-0864.

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## Circus catch



Terry Messer/The Knox County News-Courier

Munday's Brady Weaver goes high in the air to catch a pass from Trevaul Mitchell in the Moguls' 42-13 victory over the Bronte Longhorns last Friday night. (See story pg. 4)

## Perry backs O'Donnell students

AUSTIN—For years the "Freedom From Religion Foundation" has fought to intimidate Christians into eliminating all public displays of faith from our society.

Last year they unsuccessfully targeted the Kountze cheerleaders and the Childress Police Department. Now they are threatening O'Donnell High School over its display of the

Ten Commandments.

"I am proud of the hundreds of students at O'Donnell that are standing up for their faith and starting a movement to save the Ten Commandments at their school," said Sen. Charles Perry. "Our office is working to ensure the school is in touch with the necessary experts to explain their rights and determine a plan of action."

## Relay for Life schedule

- 4:00 p.m. Opening ceremonies  
Survivors, caregivers lap
- 4:30 p.m. The Movement Space
- 5:00 p.m. Munday Elementary/  
MHS Purple Cloud Band
- 5:30 p.m. MHS cheerleaders
- 6:00 p.m. Paris Pittman
- 6:30 p.m. Maria, Ana Vega
- 7:00 p.m. Jalenn Earle
- 7:30 p.m. Wilma Lee
- 8:00 p.m. Kristen Kuehler
- 8:30 p.m. Luminaria ceremony
- 9:30 p.m. "Blow Away Cancer" lap
- 10:00 p.m. Closing ceremony

In between the entertainment, the DJ will play music from the 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s decades.

## A defense strategy for the new administration

By Mac Thornberry and Andrew F. Krepinevich Jr.  
Third of four installments

A core element of any defense strategy involves gaining military advantages in certain areas to offset losses in other areas. For example, the near monopoly that the United States has enjoyed in precision warfare is coming to an end as its rivals acquire new A2/AD capabilities. For over 70 years, the U.S. approach to projecting power has centered on building up ground and air forces at forward bases and positioning its fleet close to the enemy's shores. But with ever-greater numbers of missiles and aircraft armed with precision-

guided munitions, China and other rivals are increasingly able to target U.S. forces at greater distances.

The United States is also losing its edge in a number of key military technologies. Artificial intelligence, big data, directed energy, genetic engineering, and robotics all have military applications, yet their development is being driven primarily by the commercial sector. So they are available to anyone with the means to obtain them, including U.S. rivals.

To sustain its advantage in key areas of competition, the U.S. military will have to develop new operational concepts—the methods by which it organizes, equips, and employs

forces for deterring an enemy or prevailing against one should deterrence fail. Above all, this means ensuring that the military is focused on the right set of challenges, such as the A2/AD threats in those regions where the United States has vital interests. The effort should entail experimenting with different types of forces and equipment, since history shows that experimentation lies at the heart of every great military innovation. In the period between the world wars, for example, the German army experimented with exploiting rapid advances in commercial technologies—mechanization, aviation, and radio—thus laying the foundation for the blitzkrieg form of warfare; the U.S.

Navy experimented with similar technologies to make the leap from a fleet centered on battleships to one organized around the aircraft carrier. In addition to encouraging innovative thinking, experimentation helps ensure that new weapons systems are sufficiently mature before large-scale production begins, reducing the odds that a program will have to be canceled.

History also shows that a military will have to accept regular failures in order to make major breakthroughs. If every experiment is a success, then no one is learning much. The German army suffered many failures along its path to the blitzkrieg, as did the U.S. Navy as it created the aircraft

carrier force. Above all, past experience shows that because preparing for new problems frequently requires making major changes, there is often firm resistance to such efforts. Strong civilian and military leadership is needed to overcome it.

Not only must the U.S. military identify the right operational concepts to exploit emerging technologies; it must also field the forces needed to execute them more quickly than rivals. The faster it generates new capabilities, the less it needs to spend on standing forces. Currently, however, the United States takes far longer than its adversaries to get new equipment from the drawing

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## Obituaries

### Kurt McCord

Kurt O'Connor McCord, 40, of Olney, died Sept. 6, 2016, at United Regional Hospital in Wichita Falls. A memorial service was held on Monday at the First Baptist Church in Haskell with Rev. Jesse Erhart of Olney officiating and Kristi Stewart assisting. Kurt was buried next to his brother in Willow Cemetery. All services were under the direction of Smith Family Funeral Homes of Haskell.

Born in Wichita Falls on Sept. 5, 1976, Kurt was the oldest son of Andy and Christy Gannaway of Haskell and Dusty McCord of Round Rock.

He graduated from Haskell High School in 1995 and from Texas Tech University with a bachelor of arts degree in English and a minor in communications. He was a certified forensic interviewer (CFI) and a certified member of the International Association of Interviewers (IAI).

Kurt had worked for Target as an investigations technician for Organized Retail Crime (ORC) and Internal Theft Investigations, and also served as an executive team leader of asset protection. He then worked as a loss prevention supervisor at Burlington Coat Factory before becoming a corporate investigations supervisor for 7-Eleven, Inc.

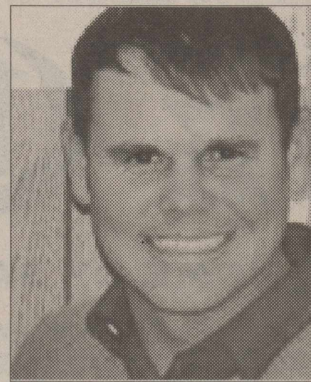
Kurt received honors and recognition for his outstanding efforts in combating organized retail crime. He built strong partnerships with law enforcement at local, state and federal levels, including

the Secret Service, to investigate and prosecute cases. A champion of the underdog, his exposure of alleged questionable business practices by corporate giant 7-Eleven made the national news, drawing the attention of the New York Times, LA Times and other media outlets.

A talented musician, entertainer and writer, Kurt played guitar, composed music and wrote lyrics for original compositions. Words were a gift for him, and after he left investigative work, he turned to creative writing, journalism and newspaper publishing. Currently, he was editor and publisher of the Olney Advocate newspaper in Olney.

In high school, he lettered in football, tennis and ran cross country and track. He played in the band and belonged to the H-Club and FFA, participated in UIL poetry and earned cast honors for One Act Play competitions. His senior class voted him best dressed. He worked part time at Sport About where the owner said customer service was Kurt's specialty.

An Army veteran and a loyal Chicago Cubs fan, Kurt's mega-watt smile and outgoing personality earned him friends wherever he went. An unabashed Democrat, he followed politics faithfully. Blessed with tremendous talents, he often used them to document the life and times of growing up and living in small towns, to promote organ donations and to right wrongs. He also celebrated



KURT MCCORD

his brother's life through his music, newspaper columns and articles. Like his brother, Kurt, too, was an organ donor.

He is survived by two sons, Cash and Cannon McCord of Corinth; his parents; one sister, Alexandra Baker and husband Bonner of Austin; maternal grandmother, Joyce Greenwood of Goree; paternal grandmother, Mary Lou McCord of Seymour; former wife, Amy McCord and stepdaughters, Cassi and Katy Crain of Corinth, and numerous uncles, aunts, cousins and friends.

Kurt was preceded in death by his brother Matthew McCord, his maternal grandfather T.W. Greenwood, his paternal grandfather Fred McCord, and his grandmother-in-law Lucile Gannaway.

Cousins Bobby Greenwood, Ryan Redder, Tyler Davis, Craig McCord, Jim Gannaway and Jonathon McCord served as pallbearers.

Memorials may be made to Southwest Transplant Alliance, 5489 Blair Road, Dallas, TX 75231; The Refuge, 1418 W. Elm St., Olney, TX 76374, or to a charity of one's choice.

## The Paperboy

### Pentagon to combat obesity

When you think of our American military personnel, what comes to mind? Bravery? Dedication?

Well something else will come to mind after reading this. Out military is the fattest it has ever been.

Like the population in general, our military personnel are growing in their growth.

According to Military Times writer Andrew Tilghman, it's not clear what the issues are.

Tilghman writes, "Could be that 15 years of war have weakened the focus on fitness. Could be that millennials, with their penchant for sedentary activities like playing video games and killing time on social media, aren't always up to the rigors of military life. Could be all the burgers, fries, cakes and pies served in chow halls around the world.

"And maybe, too, the military is simply reflecting the nation's broader population, whose poor eating habits are fueling an alarming rise obesity rates."

The Pentagon has disclosed data indicating about 7.8 percent of the military — roughly one in 13 — is clinically overweight, defined by a body mass-index greater than 25. In 2001 it was 1.6 percent, or one in 60. The data shows the biggest weight gains have been made by women, blacks, Hispanics and older service members.

"If I have to climb up to the top of a mountain in Nuristan, in Afghanistan, and if I have someone who is classified as clinically obese, they are potentially going to be a liability for me on that patrol," said Army Command Sgt. Maj. John Troxell, the military's top noncommissioned officer and the senior enlisted adviser to Joint Chiefs Chairman Gen. Joseph Dunford.

Troxell told the Military Times today's force is combat ready, but he believes the obesity trends are troubling, and demand careful consideration from senior leaders. "I don't think it's a clear readiness concern right now. But I think it's something that needs our attention. And we really have to look across our services at what we're doing every morning or every day to prepare the men and women for what could be the worst day of their life."

The start of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan transformed the fitness culture in the military. "In the 90s we were a running culture. If you weren't running, you weren't training. And we were doing a lot of foot marching and things like that," said Troxell. "As 9/11 happened and we started doing operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, and the operational tempo rose for service members, I think more and more we started slowing down. We started doing more walking. Obviously in the Army and Marines, we started doing more walking with heavy loads, and moving over rough and uneven terrain, which in itself was developing muscles that we weren't developing before. So now we were going from looking like runners to these block-y looking football players."

Troxell told the Times he believes the urgent demands created by combat may have led some unit-level leaders to prioritize missions over traditional physical training. "In some cases," he added, "the first thing that gets cut is the fitness session that was on the training calendar, when actually that is probably the most important thing we do every day."

According to Pentagon officials, the weight gain is being studied and what will be done to combat obesity will be published in an upcoming report.

It will be interesting to see if the remedy is as easy as rising early and training. I suspect that's exactly what is needed.

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

## Sheriff's report

July 22-Aug. 31

1. Cude, Shawn, 7/22/16, Dob 7/25/68, Theft of service (F-2) Knox County
2. Cude, Keila, 7/22/16, Dob 2/23/70, Theft of service (F-2) Knox County
3. Plume, Cleborn, 8/3/16, Dob 9/21/91, Evading arrest (M-A), Insufficient bond (Sexual assault) (F-2) Knox County
4. Alley, Christopher, 8/6/16, Dob 9/21/91, Burglary of habitation with intent/other felony (F-2) Knox County
5. Carranza, Felipe, 8/7/16, Dob 1/8/92, Aggravated assault of child (F-1) Immigration hold included Knox County
6. Armendariz, Pedro, 8/7/16, Dob 4/6/76, Deadly conduct/Discharge firearm at vehicle (F-3) Knox County
7. Munoz, Jesse Jr., 8/10/16, Dob 8/21/80, Theft

- (SJF) Stonewall county warrant Knox County
8. Reagins, Jonathan, 8/11/16, Dob 6/14/79, Interfere w/emergency call (M-A) Knox County
9. Dorsey, Kevin, 8/12/16, Dob 7/18/77, Evading arrest (M-A) Knox County
10. Tarin, Victor, 8/12/16, Dob 5/12/88, theft (F-3), Assault/ family member (F-3) Knox County
11. Armendariz, Rigoberto, 8/13/16, Dob 12/7/16, DWLI w/previous (M-B) Knox County
12. Ramos, Andreas C., 8/13/16, Dob 4/18/66, Possess controlled substance (F-2) Knox County
13. Hamilton, Octavies D., FTA criminal trespass (M-B) Knox County
14. Ortega, Joe Rafael, 8/19/16, Dob 4/14/72, DWI 2nd, (M-A) Knox County
15. Zuniga, Alexander, 8/19/16, Dob 5/19/74,

- MTR: DWI 3rd or more (F-3) Knox County
16. Munoz, Jesse Jr, 8/19/16, Dob 8/21/80, Theft of firearm (SJF) arrested in Callahan County Knox County
17. Garcia, Alan, 8/21/16, Dob 12/8/95, DWLI w/ previous conviction (M-A) Knox County
18. Weaver, Tyler Jacob, 8/21/16, Dob 3/15/96, Possess controlled substance (SJF), Possess controlled substance (M-A), Delivery of marijuana (SJF) Knox County
19. McWhirt, Alissa, 8/28/16, Dob 11/29/88, Aggravated assault w/deadly weapon/family member (F-1) Knox County
20. Phillips, James Christopher, 8/29/16, Dob 6/31/79, Theft (F-2) Haskell County warrant Knox County

## From the Preacher's Desk

What do 'S-M-O' Christians miss?

By Neal Pollard

The 'Sunday Morning Only' Christians are an eclectic group. Some have always only come to one service a week. Others used to attend all the services, but slowly stopped coming until it was once a week. The Bible makes it clear that those who fail to put Christ first have put something in that place. They deprive themselves of so much.

They miss information. Bible classes, sermons, devotionals and mid-week devotional talks all help increase our knowledge and strengthen our conviction in what we already know. This information is like a flashlight for the journey in a dark, dark world (Ps. 118:105). If we take heed to that word, we do well (2 Pet. 1:19) To identify the enemy, you must know all about him.

They miss association. The people dearest to God are there. Christ, our Savior, friend, older brother, King, Shepherd, Door and Mediator, is there. The earliest Christians were steadfast in fellowship and meeting with each other. (Acts 2:42).

They miss inspiration. We need our spirits lifted. Others need us to lift their spirits, too (Heb. 10:24). Coming together helps us each face the world. We are to be renewed in the spirit of our minds (Eph. 4:23-24). When we assemble it aids us in this.

They miss provocation. Often, we do things we know we should not do. As such, we need to be provoked or stimulated to do what we already know is right. (Heb. 10:24).

They miss edification. We have a responsibility to be present and build up other Christians. Remember, love edifies (1 Cor. 8:1). One cannot do that from a remote location. We are to use our abilities from the Lord to help perfect the saints, to work in ministry, and to build up the body of Christ (Eph. 4:12). That's a "done together" activity in which those withholding their presence cannot engage.

They miss immunization. The world is infected with sin and it is often hard to live for Christ (1 John 5:19). We can and do "inject" ourselves with strength at every meeting; an injection that will help us fight off the cancer of sin (Jer. 7:18). Who thinks he or she is better equipped to fight alone than with the collective help of the members of the body of Christ? They miss jubilation. There is nothing as seemingly miserable as the Christian who feels that it is his "duty" to come to the services. It is a shame that "S-M-O" Christians miss the excitement of some baptisms, those who come asking for prayers, repentance, or young people demonstrating their faith in words, actions and attitudes that make us glad we are Christians!

The many, many principles of Scripture lead to an unavoidable conclusion. We should want to be together with Christ and His people at every opportunity. If we don't want this enough to make it happen, maybe something is wrong with our "affections" (Col. 3:1-2)

—Wayne Speer, Munday Church of Christ

## Knox County Aging Center Menus

Menus for week of Sept. 19-23

- Monday:** Spaghetti with meat sauce, Italian vegetables, salad, garlic bread, baked apples
- Tuesday:** Beef goulash, butter beans, broccoli, cornbread, pudding
- Wednesday:** Ham & beans, spinach, red bliss potatoes, cornbread, cake
- Thursday:** Chicken spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, chocolate pudding
- Friday:** BBQ sandwich, tomato, lettuce, pickle, salad, pineapple delight

*The Family of Claudia Reed Tidwell extends their deepest gratitude to everyone who has responded so lovingly to our loss. We know many of you are missing Claudia too, and we pray for you as well. Your prayers, food, flowers, cards and continued acts of kindness are a comfort that eases our pain. Thank you also for sharing your stories of her acts of generosity and love she extended to you.*

*"And now these three things remain: Faith, Hope, and Love, But the greatest of these is Love." 1 Cor. 13:13*

*God Bless and Keep you,  
The Tidwell Family*

## Area News

'Taste of Country' scheduled Tuesday

HASKELL-The Noah Project will hold its annual "Taste of Country" here Tuesday at the Haskell Civic Center. There will be food to sample from area restaurants from 5-7 p.m. A silent auction is set for 4:30-6:30 p.m. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door. Funds raised will go to help victims of family violence in Knox, Haskell, Jones, Throckmorton and Stamford counties.

Weinert homecoming Sept. 30-Oct. 2

WEINERT-Plans for the Weinert Homecoming 2016 are being finalized. The "Coming Home" celebration is scheduled Sept. 30 through Oct. 2. The classes of 1966 and 1967 will be honored. All Weinert Bulldogs, teachers and patrons are encouraged to attend.

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# The 501 Aptitudes can come true

You can be anything you want to be. Today's kids hear that message often. My peers and I did not.

Instead we took aptitude tests. We learned what we couldn't be. We drew lines simultaneously with both hands to determine whether we should be jewelers. We answered many questions. I learned I should not be a jeweler or social worker or plumber and other things. Instead I was destined to be a movie producer.

**HANABA MUNN WELCH** I felt doomed. All I knew about movie producers was that all the good slots were filled. What chance did I have to go to Hollywood to show off my aptitude?

What's more, we'd read about a guy who wanted to be a lawyer. Maybe it was Daniel Webster. Somebody told him there were already too many lawyers. His reply: "There's always room at the top."

He went on to success, proving his point and driving home to me what I already knew. I would never squeeze out Frank Capra for a chance to produce a Glenn Ford movie.

**PAUSE TO LOOK UP DANIEL WEBSTER.**

Was it really Webster? I can't get an Internet connection here at the farm, and I don't feel like wading through my book of 5,000 un-indexed famous quotes. I've texted a friend for the answer.

Meanwhile, it took me years to figure

out there's often room at the bottom. In fact, if you're bad enough at what you do, you can create a new bottom.

Therefore, I've decided to go for it. I am going to produce a movie. Sort of. **BREAKING NEWS**

Got a reply to my text. It was Daniel Webster. He followed his own advice and found room at the top. I think that makes us counterparts. He aimed high; I'm aiming low. We balance.

Back to my new career. My movie is going to be about my friend's RV park. She doesn't even know it's in the works. But since I'm doing it for free -- bottom of the pay scale for movie producers -- I don't feel obligated to tell her about it. Therefore, she won't hamper my creativity with any advice. Artistic freedom works best when you're unpaid, beholden to no one.

Stars of the production will be dolls handmade by my clever friend Terri. They'll drive a classic Winnebago just their size. We'll shoot minimal video (hard to do with dolls that can't even walk on their own and a Winnebago that has to be pushed); I'll string together still shots. Ken Burns gets away with it.

The words of the background music will be the script. The dolls will exchange a few lines in the style of silent movies. For special segments, they'll become puppets for some real action. An invisible thread will move the Winnebago.

So much for aiming low. I've invented a whole new art form, never before used to promote an RV park. I'm at the top, and I haven't even shot the movie yet.

Never give up on your aptitude.

# KCOCISD buys 2 new vehicles

Special to The News-Courier

**KNOX CITY**—The Knox City/O'Brien Consolidated Independent School District board approved the purchase of a 2016 Chevrolet 2400 pickup for the vocational agriculture department and a 2016 Chevrolet Impala for faculty and student travel

during its August meeting.

The board also named Knox County Extension agents Jerry Copeland and Lorrie Coop as adjunct faculty members for the 2016-2017 school year.

After Supt. Louis Baty provided an overview of the 2016-2017 handbooks for students and employees, it was OKed as presented.

Baty announced that the Knox City band was the only one from Class 1A to be among the finalists for honor band.

In addition, he informed the board that all three campuses achieved the "met standards" rating from the Texas Education Agency for student performances last year.

# Time to start 4-H activities

**Ryan Earthman**

Special to The News-Courier

Autumn is almost upon us, and with it comes the start of another 4-H year. Now is the perfect time to join, as you will have the opportunity to participate in any contest throughout the year. But perhaps you would like to know just a bit more about 4-H. Very well, read on.

4-H is a club which seeks to teach and connect children up to the 12th grade who share a few of the same interests. It has a focus on agriculture, with activities such as rais-

ing and showing animals, horse, beef and swine quiz bowls and range, grass and soil identification, but has expanded to include activities for shooting sports, cooking, clothing, fashion, robotics, public speaking, photography, music, and a host of other categories.

Each has one or more contests during the year, with some being individual and others being team competitions. Competing is not mandatory, but contests are a great way to utilize the skills you are learning. Regardless of which activity (or activities) you choose to follow, you will not only be

having fun, but you will be developing skills you can use for the rest of your life, such as being comfortable in front of a crowd, public speaking, creating a nutritious meal or identifying a healthy animal.

The Knox County 4-H Club will be holding our first meeting of the year and annual banquet on Sept. 19 at the Benjamin Courthouse at 6 p.m. Monthly meetings will be on the third Monday at the Benjamin Courthouse at 6 p.m. If you would like more information, contact the Knox County Extension Office at 940 459-2651.

# TCEQ approves water permit

Special to The News-Courier

**WACO**—The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) approved a water right permit last month that will make additional water supply available for use in the Brazos River basin.

The System Operation Permit will allow for more efficient use of water in the basin through coordinated operation of existing reservoirs with other flows downstream. The permit is also one of the first of its kind to be issued by the state that will include environmental flow provisions and requirements resulting from the passage of Senate Bill 3 by the Texas Legislature in 2007.

"The Brazos River Authority is extremely pleased with the final approval of the System Operations Per-

mit by the TCEQ," said Phil Ford, general manager/CEO of the Brazos River Authority. "The permit will appropriate a new, reliable supply of water to help meet a variety of water needs within the Brazos basin, without the costly and time-consuming construction of new reservoirs by allowing the BRA to use naturally occurring flows in the basin and return flows from wastewater treatment plants in conjunction with the water supply in our 11 existing reservoirs."

The application for the System Operation Permit was filed in 2004 as the state's water plan began addressing the increasing growth in Texas' population, yet limited sources of water supply. In the ensuing decade, the BRA issued the last of its available long-term water supply

contracts allowable through existing permits. The System Operations Permit will eventually, in coming years, allow the BRA to write new contracts for long-term water supply. The permit is currently included as a recommended strategy in the State Water Plan for Brazos Region G and Region H planning areas to meet the state's growing population needs.

BRA will be conducting a drought study as required by the permit, prior to entering new long-term contracts. The drought study must be completed within nine months after the permit is issued and will evaluate impacts of the recent drought, including how much water can be supplied on a reliable basis under the new permit. BRA has estimated that amount to be approximately 100,000 acre-feet.

# Cattle conference set Tuesday in Haskell

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**HASKELL**—The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Haskell Ag Committee will host a Beef Cattle Conference from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. next Tuesday here at the Haskell American Legion Hall located at 507 Avenue E in Haskell.

Registration will begin at 8 a.m. with the program following at 8:30. The cost will be \$10, and a sponsored lunch will be provided by the Texas Beef Council. RSVPs are requested by today to the AgriLife Extension office in Haskell County at 940-864-2658 for a meal count.

"We have a great meeting lined up with some very timely topics to discuss," said Jason Westbrook, AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent in Haskell County. "This meeting will follow up last year's program discussion, which

focused on range and pasture management as well as economics and sire selection. We will also have a copy of the Haskell Forage Demonstration Results and Stocker Cattle Budget Templates available."

Westbrook said producers who still have farm bill questions and concerns will be able to hear from and discuss those with Joe Outlaw, AgriLife Extension economist and co-director of the Agricultural and Food Policy Center at Texas A&M in College Station. He said there also will be a Worker Protection Standards training at the end of the day for those needing this certification.

Other topics and speakers will include:

Fly Control, Dr. Sonja Swiger, AgriLife Extension livestock/veterinary entomologist, Stephenville.

Protein and Nutrient Requirements for Replacement

Heifers on Pasture, Dr. Ted McCollum, AgriLife Extension beef cattle specialist Amarillo.

Veterinary Feed Directive, Antibiotics and Darts, Dr. Tom Hairegrove, AgriLife Extension livestock and food animal systems coordinator, College Station.

Stocker Cattle Health on Wheat Pasture, McCollum.

U.S. Department of Agriculture Updates, Shawn Ferguson, USDA Farm Service Agency county executive director, Haskell.

Cloning Prime Beef, Dr. Ty Lawrence, West Texas A&M University animal science professor, Canyon.

There will be two Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units available -- one integrated pest management and one laws and regulations -- at the meeting. This program will also qualify for 2.5 Beef Quality Assurance credits.

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# Apache makes oil, gas find

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**HOUSTON**—Apache Corp. announced last week that it had made a significant oil and gas discovery near the Davis Mountains in West Texas.

The company said it had secured 307,000 net contiguous acres at a cost of \$1,3000 an acre with between 2,000 and 3,000 drilling locations in an area it is calling "Alpine

High" that could produce three billion barrels of oil.

In addition to oil reserves, and hints from management that they may turn out to be bigger yet, there is an estimate 75 trillion cubic feet of natural gas. As a bonus, the gas is "wet," meaning it is liquids-rich (propane, butane, ethane, pentanes) at a time when gas prices are low and gas liquids are priced against oil benchmarks.

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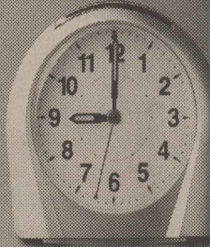
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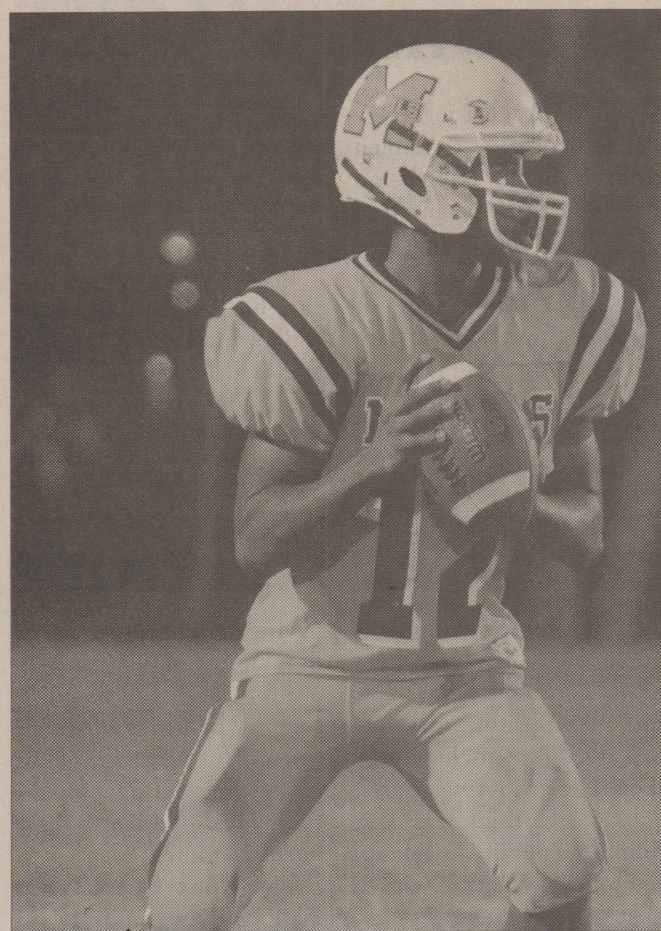
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**Munday quarterback Trevaul Mitchell completed 14 of 15 passes for 249 yards in a 43-13 victory over the Bronte Longhorns.**

# Thomas leads Moguls to 42-13 win

**By James McAfee**  
The Knox County News-Courier

Jacoby Thomas showed why he was a better offensive weapon as a receiver and runner rather than as the quarterback, scoring five touchdowns on 10 touches as the Munday Moguls cruised to a 42-13 victory over the Bronte Longhorns here Friday night at Scruggs Stadium.

With no one else on the field having his speed, Thomas escaped for touchdown runs of 47 and 64 yards and caught passes from Trevaul Mitchell for scores on plays for 43, 25 and 62 yards. He finished the night with five carries for 126 yards and five catches for 177 yards.

The first two catches for touchdowns came in the final seconds of the first half when the Moguls increased their lead to 30-0.

Meanwhile, Mitchell continued his razor-sharp passing

by completing 14 of 15 attempts for 249 yards. "He's only had three incomplete passes in two games," said Coach Patrick Corcoran.

Corcoran was able to substitute freely for the last 18 minutes of the game after the Moguls increased their advantage to 42-0 when Thomas scored from 62 and 64 yards.

Getting a good block on the outside from Alex Thorn, Thomas escaped untouched around the right side the first time he touched the ball. Mitchell kept the ball and added the two points.

After Bronte was forced to punt, Thomas returned it to the Longhorns' 22, but it was brought back to the Munday 28 because of a block in the back.

On a similar play to the one Thomas ran earlier, Thorn found daylight down the right sidelines for 77 yards. Mitchell's run made it 16-0 midway through the first quarter.

The Moguls couldn't convert three trips into the red zone, twice losing fumbles and having an apparent Day'veon Dockins TD run wiped out by a penalty. It appeared the half would end with the score at 16-0.

However, Thomas has other ideas. After Trever Swearingin came up with an interception, he got behind his defender and caught a 42-yarder for a TD with just seven seconds left in the half.

Corcoran noted that the first two times that this route had been called that Mitchell had been sacked. "This time, he had the protection and stepped up and delivered a perfect strike."

David Serrato found an open spot down the left side for the kickoff and Dee Hemphill won the race to the ball at the Bronte 25. Thomas beat his defender again and Mitchell hit him for another quick score.

In the second half, Bronte still could not find a way to stop Thomas as he caught another pass from Mitchell and escaped for another long run to pad the Moguls' lead to 42-0.

That's when Corcoran started getting reserves some valu-

able playing time for the last 18 minutes. "There's no reason to do otherwise," he said. "It's always good to give them some playing time. That's how they gain experience."

Bronte finally got out of the shadow of its own goal post when Isaiah Ornelax escaped for 77 yards. Running from the opposite side of the field, Thomas caught up with Ornelax and assisted Raylynn Dockins in making the tackle.

On fourth down from the 20, Kaleb Turner outjumped Dane Leija in the end zone to put the Longhorns on the scoreboard. Jaxon Tutino added the PAT.

The Longhorns capitalized on a recovery and run by Garrett Knight of a high snap to set up shop at the Munday 23. Given a second chance on a pass interference call on fourth down, the Longhorns scored from three yards out on a run by Bedford.

It was obvious early that the Longhorns' game plan was to use as much of the clock as they could on offense and con-

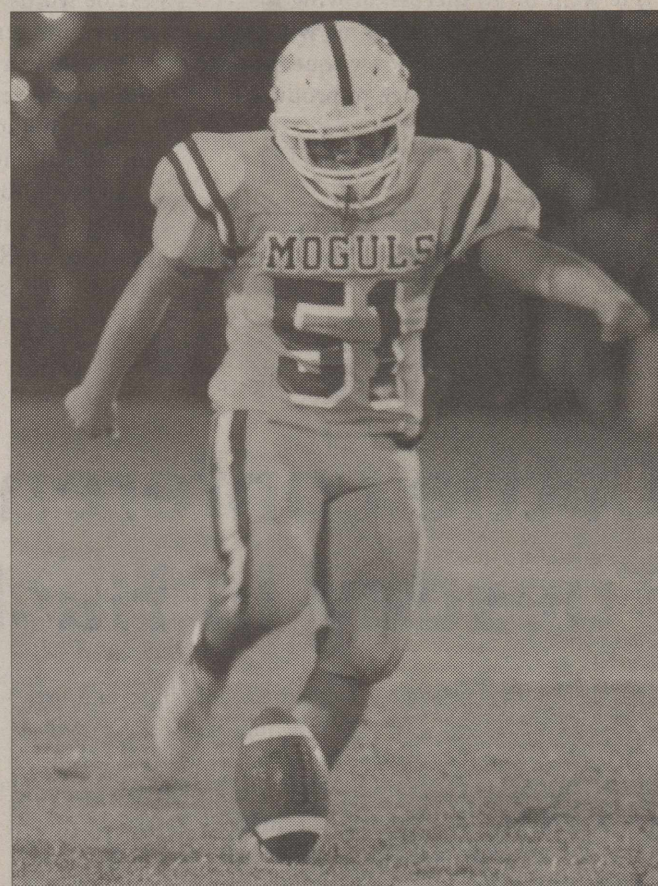
centrate on not letting Dockins beat them after his strong performance against Stamford the previous week.

"That's OK with us as we're not limited with our options," Corcoran said, pointing to the Moguls' new-found success through the air and having other runners capable of going all the way on any one given play.

Corcoran was pleased with another strong game by the defensive unit, pointing out that linebackers Day'veon Dockins and Holt Bivens continued to be the leading tacklers like linebackers were expected to do. "Our missed tackles were down," he added.

The Moguls came out of the game almost injury-free with only Kade Sanders in the whirlpool on Sunday afternoon.

The Moguls finish non-district play with a couple of tough games against Division I opponents Windthorst on the road Friday and at home against against Seymour the following week.



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**Munday kicker David Serrato's short kicks proved effective against Bronte, allowing one to be recovered that led to a touchdown with one second left in the half.**

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## Electra, Petrolia remain undefeated

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Electra and Petrolia remained unbeaten in District 7-2A DII non-district play with 28-8 and 49-33 victories over Wichita Falls City View and Lindsey last week.

Electra Coach Todd Dougherty said the Tigers' defense, led by Xavier Waggoner and Montana Hernandez, was a little ahead of their offense, but the offense did come up with 57 and 72-yard runs by Drake Cooper and Hernandez.

Dane Williams paced the Pirates, connecting on 14 of 19 passes for 261 yards and six touchdowns. He added another 125 on 14 carries. Jake Edgemon is his favorite target, catching two for TDs that covered 40 and 68 yards last week.

Baird scored with 13 seconds

left to edge Haskell, 44-37.

Playing with five two-way starters out, Quanah remained winless, suffering a 34-8 loss to Division I Windthorst.

Archer City also remained winless, falling to Seymour, 37-12, but does get a chance to get into the win column this week against winless Olney.

### 7-2A DII standings

Team	W	L	Pts.	Opp.
Electra	3	0	78	42
Petrolia	3	0	158	51
Munday	2	1	108	51
Haskell	1	2	89	123
Quanah	0	3	23	98
Archer City	0	3	35	115

### Last week's results

Munday 42, Bronte 13; Electra 28, City View 8; Petrolia 49, Lindsey 33; Baird 44, Haskell 37; Windthorst 34, Quanah 8; Seymour 37, Archer City 12

### This week's games

Munday at Windthorst, Petrolia at Seymour, Quanah at Memphis, Haskell at Stamford, Electra at Alvord, Archer City at Olney

## Taylor's finish 5th and 11th

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SEYMOUR--The Munday Mogulettes finished in fourth place in the Seymour Invitational Cross Country meet.

"We ran hard," said Coach Cory Stephenson. "I am proud

of the girls and the way they are competing."

Kayla and Karla Taylor led the Munday runners, finishing fifth and 11th with times of 13:18.91 and 13:44.94, respectively.

The other runners were

bunched at 35th to 39th as Kendall Thompson ran 15:40.84, Madelyn Mendoza 15:44.09, Rianna Manning 15:49.53 and Madison Thompson 15:50.24.

Holliday ran away with the team title by taking the first three places in the race.

## Mogulettes start 0-2 in 6-2A

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MUNDAY--The Munday Mogulettes suffered their second setback in two District 6-2A starts, losing to the Benjamin Lady Stangs in four sets Tuesday night. They won the first set 25-15, but fell short by 25-23, 25-15 and 25-23 counts in the other sets.

"Even though we came

up short tonight, I am very pleased with the way the girls played as they competed until the last point," said Coach Jessica Toliver.

Sophomore McKenna Zeissell had her best game ever with six aces, four kills and 14 digs while freshman Karsyn Sanders had 10 kills and three digs four kills and 14 digs, sophomore Emily Scott had two digs and 15 as-

sists and junior Kristen Kuehler had five kills and 15 digs.

Munday lost its district opener to Hawley in three straight sets, 25-13, 25-2 and 25-19. Kuehler had eight kills, six digs and one solo block.

The young Mogulettes (3-22) are guaranteed a spot in the playoffs since there are only three Class 2A teams playing in the district.



# Greyhounds fall again to Crowell

By James McAfee  
The Knox County News-Courier

KNOX CITY—The Knox City Greyhounds managed to play an entire four quarters against the Crowell Wildcats, something they hadn't done the previous three seasons, but had trouble finding a way to stop Tristen Hayes and dropped a 66-32 decision here Friday night.

The game was delayed for two hours by lightning, occurring within 10 miles of the stadium.

"Friday was a game that really gave us an opportunity to see areas that need improvement," said Coach Caleb Callaway. "I feel that we had a good plan entering the game, but had too many empty drives and not enough stops to win the ball game. It was a great opportunity to learn and grow in areas where we may be slow in developing. The number of reps we got in during this game can do nothing but help us. Even though we didn't win the ball game we were able to gain a lot of experience from it."

Hayes connected on 19 of 26 passes for 340 yards and six touchdowns for the No. 4-ranked Wildcats, who dropped down to Division II and are no longer in the Greyhounds' district after back-to-back state titles and a runnerup finish last season.

The Hounds managed to tie the game at 8-8 when Anthony Estrada found Sam Schnable for a 35-yard TD and Armado Torres kicked the first of four PAT kicks through the uprights.

However, the Wildcats then took command thanks to a pair of Hayes TD passes in the second quarter for a

30-8 halftime lead. Hayes made it 38-8 with a 60-yard pass to Tyler Durham in the third period before Estrada hit Trey Ledesma for a 24-yard score. Torres' kick reduced the deficit back to 22 points.

The Greyhounds avoided the 45-point mercy rule despite an additional three TD passes by Hayes by adding a 26-yard run by Estrada for a TD and a return of a fumble by Christian Abila for six points in the final quarter.

The Greyhounds travel to Throckmorton with hopes of rebounding against another pack of Greyhounds, who

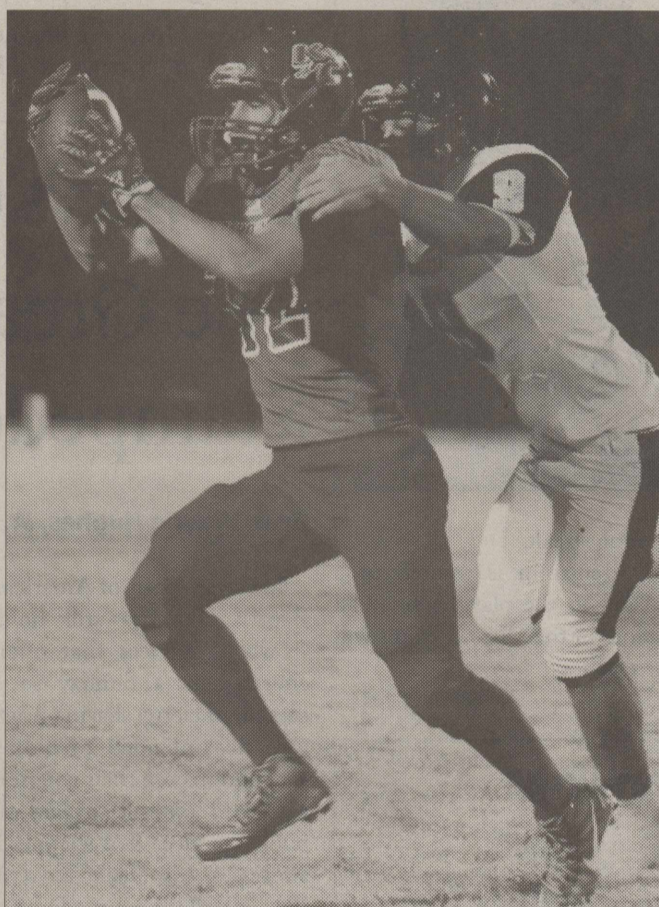
are 0-3 after a 61-32 loss to May last week.

"Our goals include getting better at things we missed against Crowell," Callaway said. "I still think we lack some confidence in what we are doing, but we are getting better. This is always the case when you are implementing new schemes. I look forward to seeing improvement on both sides of the ball this week."

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**Preston Lynn, Anthony Estrada and Angel Rodriquez help bring down Crowell's Tyler Durham, who caught eight passes for 198 yards.**



## Schnable grabs another pass



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**Knox City's Sam Schnable makes one of his five catches against Crowell. One was good for a 35-yard TD.**

## Abila finds running room



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**Christian Abila finds some running room in 66-32 setback to Crowell. Abila scored a touchdown on a fumble recovery.**

# Houndettes open 6-2A with win

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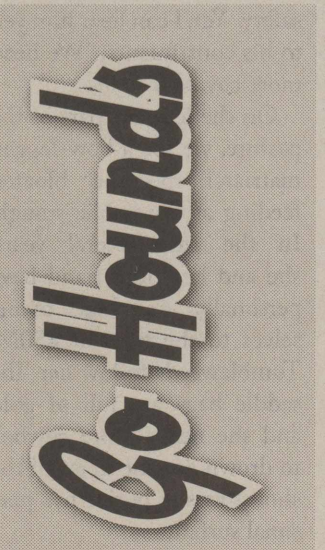
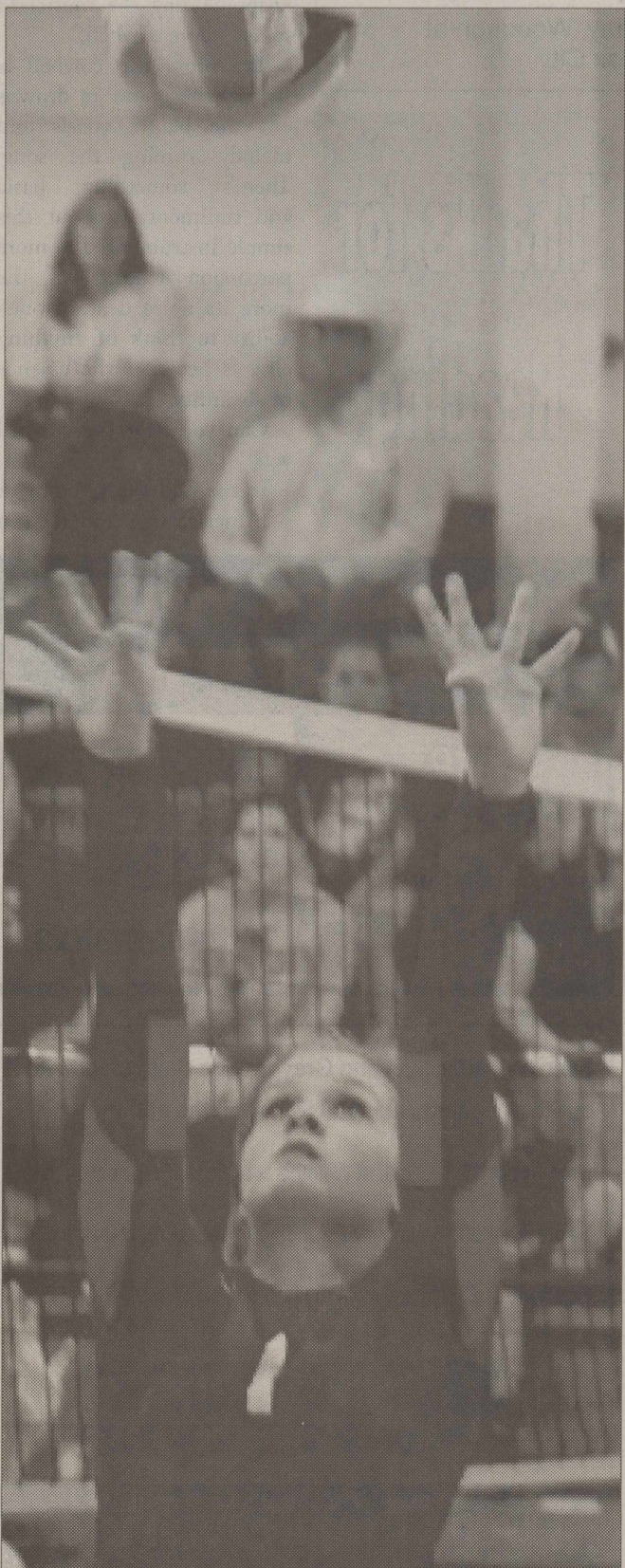
KNOX CITY—The Knox City Houndettes opened District 6-2A volleyball action with a 25-12, 25-9, 25-19 victory over Woodson last Saturday and then got a night off from district play on Tuesday.

Makayle Cline and Kirstin Tuckness combined for 11 kills while Brooke Jones contributed 11 assists.

"I was very proud of the girls as they played very well and intense the whole game," said Coach T-Keeyah Hall. "Everyone stepped up and played to their full potential. Makayle and Kirstin had phenomenal games all round against Woodson. We have a lot of room for improvement, but we are heading in the right direction."

The Houndettes travel to Albany on Saturday.

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**Brooke Jones leads Houndettes in assists.**



## No wins for 4-1A teams

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The Rotan Yellowhammers suffered their first non-district loss of the season, falling to Rule, 40-19, last Friday.

Meanwhile, the Paducah Dragons went down for their second defeat, dropping a heartbreaking 38-36 decision to McLean.

### 4-1A DI standings

Team	W	L	Pts.	Opp.
Rotan	2	1	120	40
Spur	1	1	92	84
Knox City	1	2	142	156
Paducah	0	2	36	96

### Last week's results

Crowell 66, Knox City 32; Rule 40, Rotan 19; McLean 38, Paducah 36

### This week's games

Knox City at Throckmorton, Blackwell at Rotan, Spur at Meadow, Paducah at Follett

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# Mustangs' win streak ends

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BENJAMIN—The Benjamin Mustangs couldn't avoid a slow start that put them in an early 34-0 deficit and saw their two-game winning streak come to an end in a 66-18 setback to Wichita Falls Notre Dame here Friday night.

The Knights' Clayton

McElroy returned the opening kick for a touch-down and then returned an interception for a second score two minutes later. McElroy's third touch-down after a 41-yard pass from Andrew Koch to Marc Schaefer and a 65 yard run by Sam Ozier made in 34-0.

Justin Rainwater, who

gained 62 yards on nine play, scored from four yards out with just three seconds left in the opening quarter to finally put the Mustangs on the scoreboard.

Damian Landini, who gained 83 yards on eight carries, and Rainwater added short runs for touch-downs after long drives in the second quarter, but the

Mustangs' defense couldn't stop the Knights from scoring 32 points and prevent the mercy rule end to the game at halftime.

The Mustangs have another tough task this week, traveling to Abilene to play Abilene Christian, 30-20 winners over Trent last week.

# Jayton off to a 3-0 start

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The Jayton Jaybirds remained undefeated in District 8-1A DII non-district play after a 65-6 mercy-rule victory

over Cotton Center last week.

The Guthrie Jaquars, the district favorites who are ranked seventh, were equally impressive with a 54-6 win over Aspermont, who had fallen to Jayton the previous week by a 66-19 score.

## 8-1A DII standings

Team	W	L	Pts.	Opp.
Jayton	3	0	197	41
Guthrie	2	1	165	114
Benjamin	2	1	164	156
Patton Springs	1	1	33	44

## Last week's scores

Wichita Falls Notre Dame 66, Benjamin 18; Jayton 65, Cotton Center 6; Guthrie 54, Aspermont 6

## This week's games

Benjamin at Abilene Christian, Jayton at Paint Creek, Guthrie at Petersburg, Wilson at Patton Springs

# Lady Stangs edge Mogulettes



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BENJAMIN—The Benjamin Lady Stangs opened District 6-2A with a hard

fought narrow 15-25, 25-23, 25-15, 25-23 victory over the Munday Mogulettes here Tuesday night.

The victory improved the

Lady Stangs' record to 12-2.

The Lady Stangs will play Moran on Saturday and Woodson on Tuesday as they seek to continue their win-

ning streak.

Benjamin is assured of a spot in the playoffs since all four of the Class A teams will advance

# Benjamin News

Gladene Green is ailing herself this week, but hopes to be back with all the news from Benjamin soon.

# One Man's Opinion

# The Great Stampede of 2016

By B. Wayne Hughes, Jr.

In certain parts of America, Baptist churches still hold "cowbell" services that offer churchgoers a Sunday succession of clergy sharing brief vignettes intended to motivate and inspire their congregation to commit to lives of public service. If a shepherd addresses his flock beyond the allotted time, a moderator rings a cowbell, which is the preacher's signal that their time is up. When they've overstayed their welcome, someone whispers, "Ring the cowbell."

In a famous Saturday Night Live skit, a Blue Oyster Cult cover band is cutting a song in the studio — constantly interrupted by their hare-brained percussionist and the band's producer, who keeps chiding the musicians to use "more cowbell."

The more the cowbell is struck, the more it drowns out the band's vocals and melody, ruining the song. There's something basic and rudimentary about this simple instrument. The more percussion it kicks off, the more its noise deafens one's ability to think of anything else. It becomes the essence of absurdity.

Can you hear the cowbell yet?

In the Old West, the myth of America was embodied in

the cowboy — independent, self-sufficient, skilled and capable of moving a herd of restless and simple bovines across vast distances.

The western hero was a paradox — a force of nature that possessed flaws but found redemption in his commitment to a set of ideals that influenced his actions in times of crisis and conflict.

When fear would send others diving for cover out of self-preservation, the western hero was racing ahead of the stampeding herd, attempting to prevent it from running itself over a cliff.

A century and a half later, it seems the ideal of the western hero is dead and the cattle are getting restless. And I keep hearing more cowbell.

A majority of U.S. adults, 58%, say a third U.S. political party is needed because the Republican and Democratic parties "do such a poor job" representing the American people. The electorate has begun to morph from strong livestock into feckless lemmings eager to follow someone, anyone, toward a safer direction.

As voters, most of us no longer recognize the familiar call of our legacy party as we stumble in the dark, longing for a safe place to cast a vote.

The dust-up can be seen from across the globe. To re-establish control of the electoral herd, our two entrenched political groups have chosen pathetic progeny from their ranks. And it ain't pretty.

On one side of the field, we find a restless knot of unemployed cowhands led by a bell cow that can best be described as "a shoot from the lip, megalomaniac whose empathy was removed at birth." He has little skill but tells tales as deep and cavernous as the Grand Canyon. He rides high on his horse but lacks the calluses or the temperament to cross a thousand miles of desert to safety. Yet, I can hear him yell to his constituents, "We need more cowbell!"

On the leeward part of the pasture, we see a bow-legged matriarch become bloated feeding at the public trough. In the past several years, she and her right hand have personally enriched themselves to the tune of \$50M. Tumbleweeds follow her. The saddle bags are full of gold and she needs more cowbell to drown out the noise of the shovel as she buries her personal surfeit.

## District 6-2A Standings

Team	W	L
Hawley	2	0
Albany	2	0
Knox City	1	0
Benjamin	1	0
Munday	0	2
Woodson	0	2
Moran	0	2

## Last week's results

Hawley df. Munday, 25-13, 25-2, 25-19; Knox City df. Woodson, 25-12, 25-9; 25-19; Albany df. Moran; Benjamin df. Munday, 15-25, 25-23, 25-16, 25-23; Albany df Woodson; Hawley df. Moran

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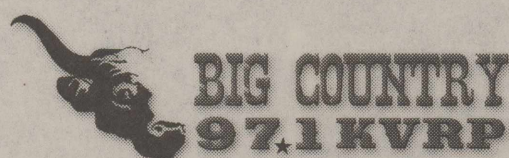
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## STRATEGY

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board into the hands of its men and women in uniform—more than a decade, in many cases. In large part, that's because the Pentagon often seeks to push new systems' performance characteristics to an extreme. Projects incur cost overruns when their overseers attempt to incorporate new technologies before they are mature, wasting both time and money while troops make do with old equipment. Compounding the problem, Uncle Sam too often spends, relatively speaking, thousands of dollars ensuring that it doesn't get cheated out of nickels and dimes. It's past time to reform that system by setting more realistic requirements and speeding new equipment into the field.

Preserving access to the global commons remains among the United States' most important goals. Its military strategy must take this into account. A little more than a century ago, "the global commons" generally referred to the high seas. Over the ensuing decades, technological advances expanded the definition to include the air and space and, eventually, cyberspace and undersea energy and telecommunications infrastructure. Once the Cold War ended, the United States' access to the commons was taken as

a given. The U.S. military controlled the seas and the air, and it viewed the other, more novel domains as benign.

This is no longer the case. Revisionist states are increasingly challenging U.S. access to the commons. Both China and Russia are perfecting antisatellite weapons. As lasers grow more powerful, more states will be able to blind or even destroy satellites. Cyberspace has emerged as a place for economic warfare, espionage, crime, and terrorism. It is only a matter of time before undersea infrastructure becomes a target. States and non-state actors can obtain unmanned underwater vehicles that can reach the seabed. As is the case with cyberattacks, it may prove difficult to identify the source of attacks on the United States' assets in space or on the seabed, which means that a strategy based on deterrence is unlikely to work. Instead, the U.S. military will have to shift to a strategy based on defending its assets, limiting damage to them, and repairing or regenerating them rapidly.

The United States' nuclear forces remain the foundation on which its security rests. But the context in which these forces function has changed dramatically. The world has entered a second nuclear age, having shifted from a bipolar U.S.-Soviet competition to increasingly multipolar regional and global competitions. These

competitions are also becoming multidimensional. Although nuclear weapons retain pride of place, other capabilities—such as precision-guided munitions and cyberweapons, as well as advanced air and missile defenses—have entered the discussion of strategic warfare. What used to be called "the nuclear balance" might now more accurately be described as "the strategic balance."

China and Russia, for example, have expressed concerns about the United States' nascent "prompt global strike" capability, which would allow the U.S. military to hit a target anywhere in the world within one hour. They have also complained about U.S. air and missile defenses: the Russians have protested U.S. plans to place missile defenses in eastern Europe to deal with attacks launched from the Middle East, and the Chinese have opposed similar plans in South Korea designed to guard against a North Korean attack. Concerns that cyberweapons could be used to disable early warning and command-and-control systems complicate matters even further.

Despite these profound changes, the Obama administration has remained firmly rooted in the Cold War paradigm of arms control, focusing on U.S. and Russian nuclear arsenals while envisioning a world without nuclear weap-

ons. The United States' principal rivals, by contrast, are already operating in the new nuclear age. The Russians have adopted an "escalate to de-escalate" doctrine, which calls for the use of nuclear weapons to offset Russia's inferiority in conventional forces, and have tested weapons that likely violate the 1987 Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty. China shares Russia's concerns about the United States' precision-strike capabilities and missile defenses and has refused to provide anything but the most modest details about its own nuclear capabilities and intentions, even as it modernizes its nuclear forces and expands its arsenal of precision-guided munitions and cyber weapons.

It is time to move beyond Cold War-era thinking and assess the competition not by merely counting weapons but by looking at it through the lens of the second nuclear age. A key initial step toward adapting the U.S. nuclear arsenal involves developing detailed plans to address various plausible crisis scenarios—ones involving the United States, China, and Russia; the possible use of nuclear weapons by minor powers such as North Korea; or a conflict between two nuclear-armed states, such as India and Pakistan. In the meantime, the United States must maintain a robust

nuclear posture—the ultimate guarantor of its security. U.S. warheads, delivery methods, and command-and-control systems have been neglected to the point where they will soon become obsolete all at once. The United States can afford to modernize its nuclear deterrent, which would cost only around five percent of the total defense budget. But it needs to begin this effort now to ensure that it has a nuclear deterrent that can address future challenges—not one designed for a bygone age.

Even the best strategy will fail if it is not properly resourced, and the strategy outlined here requires significantly greater resources than what the Pentagon is currently projecting will be made available. Fortunately, there is bipartisan support for restoring funding for defense to levels called for by the budget Gates proposed as secretary of defense for fiscal year 2012. Doing so would go a long way toward closing the gap between the United States' security needs and its ability to meet them at a reasonable level of risk.

Yet the rapid growth in entitlements and projected increases in federal deficits will likely impose political constraints on defense spending. The Obama administration's policies have produced an anemic economic recovery while burdening future generations with ever-greater

debt, thus accelerating the erosion of the United States' position. The next president must make restoring the country's economic foundation a priority. The long-term solution lies in stimulating economic growth, making tough choices on entitlements, and revising the outdated tax code. Success on this front is far from assured, and even if progress is made, it will not reverse the country's economic fortunes overnight.

There are other ways to reduce the gap between ends and means, but they will take foresight and political courage. One approach involves relying more on the United States' economic power. Sanctions exerted substantial pressure on Iran and North Korea, yet the last three administrations abandoned them in exchange for promises that proved illusory. The United States' economic might is a poorly developed source of power that, properly employed, can impose substantial costs on rivals, even to the point of compelling them to divert resources from their military efforts.

Mac Thornberry is a Republican Congressman from Texas and Chair of the House Armed Services Committee. Andrew F. Krepinevich, Jr., is President of Solarium and a Distinguished Senior Fellow at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments.

# Tucker, Cowen exchange vows

Jessen Carol Tucker and Edward James Cowen, III, were united in holy matrimony at seven o'clock in the evening on July 8, 2016, at Talkington Hall of The Legacy Event Center in Lubbock. Pastor Randal David Fields of Thomasville, GA performed the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dale Tucker of Fort Sumner, NM. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Malcolm Greer of Centreville, MS and Mr. and Mrs. Kendrick Leroy Tucker of Roosevelt, AZ. Jake is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward James Cowen, Jr. and the grandson of Faye A. Haverlock and Jack Howard Williamson of Okeechobee, FL and Mr. and Mrs. Edward James Cowen, Sr. of Cantonment, FL.

Wedding guests were greeted in the generous foyer of the former Presbyterian Church where they left special messages to the bride and groom in a custom-made vintage leather guestbook adorned with handmade paper. Musical selections of old hymns were played on the concert grand piano by Michael Womack of Lubbock as guests were escorted to their seat. Special emphasis was given to the old Church's pipe organ by Ann Apple of Lubbock, who chimed seven times before performing the "Bridal Chorus" by Wagner for the entrance of the bride, who was escorted down the elegant center aisle by her father. During the traditional Christian marriage, the couple signed their marriage Covenant as Mr. James Alexander Clark, III, of Okeechobee, FL sang "The Prayer" by Foster.

Jessen was stunning in her elegant wedding gown from the designer of Allure Bridals. The fitted mermaid silhouette of champagne satin



JESSEN TUCKER, JAMES COWEN III

was overlaid with heavy ivory Venice lace. It featured a strapless sweetheart neckline and a dipped back that was accented with delicate satin buttons. The gown was finished with layers of ivory and champagne ruffled organza that flowed into a sweep length train. Her cathedral veil was of ivory illusion. As a most special touch, the bride wore her grandmother's very old turquoise drop necklace. The choker style necklace of sterling silver bugle and round handmade beads was garnished with seven engraved silver mounted Royston turquoise pendants, which offered the perfect accent to the bride's beautiful pair of turquoise and silver earrings given to her as a wedding gift from her sister. She carried a hand tied bouquet of ivory and blush Dahlias fashioned with long satin streamers along with her grandmother's vintage handkerchief as some-

thing old. For something new, Jessen sported a new pair of Old Gringo handmade western boots, which were a birthday gift from the groom. An elegant sapphire and diamond bangle bracelet, a gift from the groom's mother, served as her something blue. The bride also stowed a six-pence in her shoe that was purchased in London, England, and given by her aunt.

Attending as maid of honor was the bride's sister Georgia Ann Blevins Tucker of Fort Sumner, NM. Bridesmaids were Laramie Ellise Greer and Madelen Renee Greer of Centreville, MS, Claudia Amanda Pyron of Starkville, all cousins of the bride; Mrs. Staci Murphree Brantley of Shreveport, LA; and Mrs. Jessica Howard Curtis and Mrs. Erika Raymond Purcell both of Peoria, AZ.

Jack Howard Cowen of Katy served his brother as best man. Groomsmen were

Levi Austin Berry of Happy, John Norman Legg of Palm City, Florida, Daniel Flint Johns of Okeechobee, FL, Zachary Michael Adams of Fort Pierce, FL, Kamry Smith Dymmek of St. Cloud, FL and Randall Tyler Fields of Tifton, GA. Ushers included Donald Lawrence Holley of Auburndale, FL, Gregory Scott Johnson of Annapolis, MD and Thomas Micajah Warnoch of Amarillo.

Hannah Kate Johns of Okeechobee, FL served as flower girl. Guest attendants were Audrey Erin Daniel of Woodson and Jesse Cummings Perry of Okeechobee, FL. Jacklyn Johnson McKesson of Guthrie served as the bride's proxy.

Following the ceremony, the bride's parents hosted a reception at Texas Tech University's Frazier Alumni Pavilion.

The famed Texas Swing Band, Jake Hooker and the Outsiders provided the evening's musical entertainment for the couple and guests. The newlyweds shared their first dance to the song "Born to Love You" by Jake Hooker and the Outsiders. Afterwards, the bride and her father took to the dance floor to "I Loved Her First" by Heartland, while guests viewed a special slide presentation of dad and his daughter.

A double row of guests lined the front entrance and cheered as they showered the couple with bird seed as they drove away in a Red Rolls Royce Corniche II Convertible.

On the eve of the wedding, the groom's parents hosted a fiesta styled rehearsal dinner at Cagle's Steak House in Lubbock. Over 100 guests, from Florida to Arizona, attended the fun night together.

Following their honeymoon to St. Lucia, the couple will reside in Benjamin.

## NOTES

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### No driving tests

MUNDAY—The driving license office here at Munday City Hall is open from 8:30 a.m. until 4:15 p.m. every Wednesday. No driving tests offered at this time.

### Screenings planned

The Haskell-Knox Share Service Arrangement in cooperation with the Benjamin, Knox City-O'Brien, Munday, Paint Creek and Rule school districts will hold screenings for children ages 3-5 whose parents have concerns of the development areas where their children

function. Parents should call 940-658-3587 to set up an appointment if they have concerns in any of the following areas: mental, learning, speech, motor and/or emotional skills. If the child is under 3 years old, parents are encouraged to contact LittleLives-ECI at 800-852-2193.

### 120th anniversary

KNOX CITY—The Gillespie Baptist Church will celebrate its 120th anniversary Oct. 2. Invitations are going out to all past and present members. Call Matt or Debbie Harrington at 940-657-3285 to RSVP.



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# USDA announces farm loan funding

Special to The News-Courier

WASHINGTON— The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) Administrator Val Dolcini announced last week that additional funding will be made available to assist more than 1,900 approved applicants who are awaiting farm operating loans.

The funds, which were reprogrammed by FSA with the approval of Congress, will leverage up to \$185 million in additional lending for direct and guaranteed farm operation loans and will allow the agency to address up to 30 percent of its projected shortfall of funds until the next federal fiscal year resumes on Oct. 1.

“Some of our farming and ranching customers are experiencing challenges due to market conditions and have been on a wait list for up to 60 days, so this will help those applicants whose paperwork has been pending the longest period of time to obtain credit or restructure loans

as needed,” said Dolcini.

“While the backlog in loan applications will grow between now and the end of the fiscal year, it is important for borrowers to continue to apply since we will process loans on a first-come-first-served basis based on the application date, once funding is replenished in fiscal year 2017.”

FSA loan funds have been in higher demand than in past years. As a result, funding for FSA's farm operating loans has been unable to meet the demand for the remainder of this fiscal year, which ends Sept. 30, 2016. In fiscal year 2016, FSA has guaranteed loans to more than 6,400 customers for farm ownership and operating purposes.

USDA also reminded lenders and potential borrowers of the loan guarantee programs available from the Small Business Administration (SBA) that can be used for similar purposes as FSA guaranteed loans.

Some lenders work with both FSA and SBA on loan guarantees and can switch between the programs. This ability to switch between programs means the SBA programs can provide a financing alternative for agricultural producers when their lender is unable to close an FSA guaranteed loan, such as when funds have expended for the fiscal year.

“SBA fully supports our small business owners in the agriculture industry. For this fiscal year, as of July, more than \$629 million in SBA loans have been provided to this community. We encourage agricultural small business owners and their lenders to look at all SBA has to offer,” said SBA Associate Administrator for Capital Access, Ann Marie Mehlum.

“Although SBA has different rates, terms, fees, limits and percentages than FSA loans, they can provide an alternative for banks and other lenders that are working to provide farmers and ranchers with guaranteed loans,” said Dolcini.

# Vonda's Recipe Corner

By Vonda Carter

I've been waiting for the professional football season to begin. Now it's here and I am ready to grab the snacks and sit in my recliner and watch with enthusiasm. I know some of you are not that excited about it, I respect that. But for the next five months it's here and that's just how it is.

Where I lose my enthusiasm is with all of the hype over the sitting down during our National Anthem. Some players have chosen to sit. While I may not agree with their reasoning, I do believe in their right to do it. Having said that, I also say that the reason we stand for the National Anthem is the very reason they have the right to sit in the first place. Because here in America nobody forces you to do anything you don't want to do. Personally I don't think they are positively affecting their cause. That's my opinion, and guess what, I have a right to it. I have also found in watching the games over the last week, that I've paid a lot more attention to who's standing up than to who's sitting down. So sit if you want, but as long as my legs hold up, I'll continue to stand.

Now who's ready for some snacks? That's what I thought.

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- 1 can Pillsbury™ refrigerated classic pizza crust
- 1 lb. lean ground beef
- 1 can (16 oz.) Old El Paso™ refried beans
- 1 tomato, chopped
- 2 green onions, chopped
- 1 cup crushed tortilla chips
- 1 jar (8 oz.) nacho cheese sauce

Heat oven to 375 degrees. Unroll dough onto ungreased 15x10-inch cookie sheet. Press dough in bottom and up along sides of cookie sheet. Bake 10 minutes or until light golden brown. Remove from oven; Cool five minutes. In 10-inch skillet, cook and crumble ground beef over medium-high heat until no longer pink; Drain. Set aside. Spread refried beans in partially baked crust. Spread cooked beef evenly over beans. Top beef with tomato and green onions. Sprinkle crushed tortilla chips evenly over tomato and onions. Drizzle nacho cheese sauce all over top. Return to oven; Bake 10 minutes longer. Cool five minutes before cutting and serving.

# San Angelo couple wins at KCCC

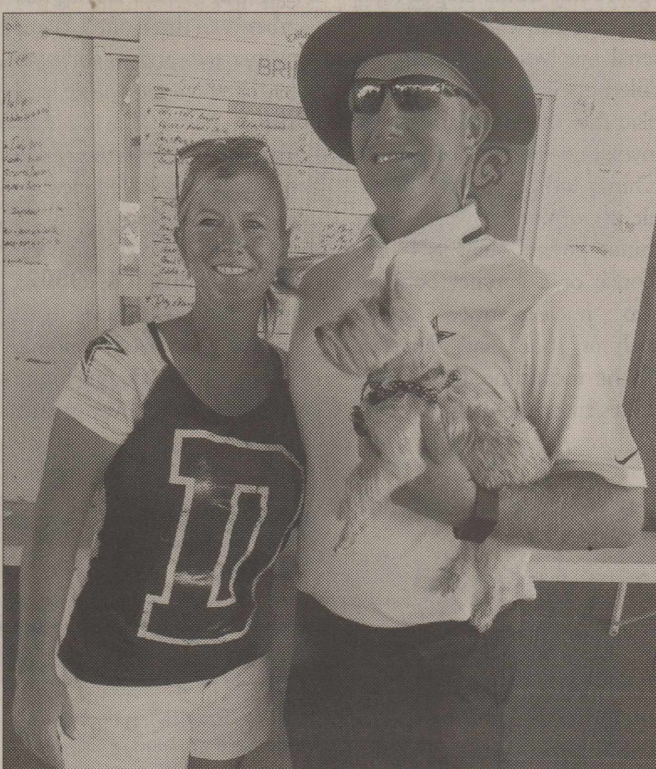
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KNOX CITY—Kelly Baggett of San Angelo hooked an approach shot around a tree and converted an eight-footer for birdies on the 18th hole to allow he and wife Kelly to win the Guys and Dolls event at the Knox City Country Club last weekend.

The putt allowed the Baggetts to post 65-69—134 to finish a stroke ahead of Donnie and Estelle Skiles, who had 66-69—135.

Gary and Margie Williams finished third with 69-70—139.

Tracy Carter and Marci Maloney claimed first flight honors with even-par 71-69—140, three shots in front of Tommy Manges and Janice Verhalen. Third place went to Troy Burlock and Cherie Dutton at 145.



Kelly and Kelly Baggett claim Guys and Dolls title.

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# CURE

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and dominoes.

Cancer survivors will be honored with lunch at noon at the Munday Church of Christ.

There will be a silent auction set up at the front of the stage for anyone wishing to make donations.

Joel Smith, head of the finance committee, indicated that more than \$10,000 had been raised and hoped that the amount could be doubled after all the proceeds from Saturday are counted.

“Each person who shares in the Relay experience can take pride in knowing that they are working to create a world where cancer no longer threatens our loved ones,” event chair Leann Harlan said.

She added that a backup plan is in place if the expected rain comes that day.

# Teen Talk

By Stormie Renee Andrade

The new school year ushers in many new opportunities and options for students here at Munday High School and here's what happened during the first week.

Students were issued personal laptops to use during their classes. As the technical difficulties are being worked through, the students and teachers hope the majority of problems will be solved soon to allow for a smoother and more proficient school day.

A vocational program in Rochester is now available to attend. This program includes many courses, two of which are nursing and welding. The students attend part of the day at Munday Secondary School and then are sent to Rochester for the last half of the day. The purpose of this program is to

# Beware of snakes



Vonda Carter/The Knox County News-Courier

While taken next to a dead rattlesnake, it still illustrates that golfers need to be careful reaching down to pick up a golf ball in high grass as rattlesnakes are still out there.

give students the opportunity to become qualified in their profession before graduating high school.

Class officers have been elected. They include: Evan Hunter, Isabella Nunez, Maddy Mendoza, Karsyn Sanders and Logan Steel for the freshman class; Ayleen Arellano, Emily Scott, Bransen Speck and Zoe Cedillo for the sophomore class; Kade Sanders, Brady Weaver, Kolbey Brown and

Kasey Lowrance for the junior class; and Aiden Hunter, Cole Redwine, Holt Bivens and Kale Lewis for the senior class.

The following week elections were held for 2016-2017 Student Council. Elected were Cole Redwine, president; Kale Lewis, vice president; Aiden Hunter, senior class; Kolbey Brown, secretary; Kristen Kuehler and Kade Sanders, junior class; Ayleen Arellano, treasurer; Zoe Cedillo, sophomore class; Evan Hunter and Sydney Thompson, freshman class. The group is expected to accomplish many things this school year and prove to be great leaders.

The students, continuing their routine from the past school year, headed to the elementary school on Friday morning to greet and walk the kids inside the building and to class.

As we head into our fourth week of the school year, the students are finally falling back into their routines allowing for smoother days.

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The items include: toolbox, cooler, storage bin, sleeping bag, motor cycle riding accessories, jacket

The property is being sold to satisfy a landlord's lien and will be an online auction at [www.storagebattles.com](http://www.storagebattles.com).

The sale will begin October 1, 2016 at 8:00 am and will end October 6, 2016 at 8:00 a.m.

## Fall Farm Sale

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

### Notice of Application to Extend Facilities Rental Tariffs

On August 12, 2016, AEP Texas Central Company (TCC) and AEP Texas North Company (TNC) (jointly, the Companies) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to extend their Distribution Voltage Facilities Rental Tariffs an additional three years, to January 1, 2020. The Companies do not propose to change the terms of the tariffs or the current pricing in this docket. Sections 14.001, 39.001 and 39.051 of the Public Utility Regulatory Act and Sections 25.341 through 25.343 of 16 Tex. Admin. Code provide for the Commission to authorize a utility to petition to provide Facilities Rental Services if such services are not widely available to customers in an area. TCC and TNC received Commission approval to provide such services until January 1, 2017 in Docket No. 41799. The Distribution Voltage Facilities Rental Services are contained in Section 6.1.2.3.6, 6.1.3.3.6 and 6.1.4.3.6 of the Companies' Tariffs for Retail Delivery Service.

The Companies have proposed an effective date of January 1, 2017, at which time the proposed tariffs will be deemed approved if no objection is filed with the Commission. Only customers currently taking service under the existing tariffs, as well as the Retail Electric Providers servicing those customers, are affected by this application. Those affected customers take delivery service under Distribution Service Schedule 6.1.1.1.4 Primary Voltage Service, and are located throughout the service areas of TCC and TNC. This filing has been assigned PUC Docket No. 46284.

The deadline for filing a motion to intervene in this proceeding is September 30, 2016. Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon the action should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission of Texas at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136. Persons with questions or who want more information on this petition may contact AEP Texas Central Company, 539 North Carancahua Street, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401 or call (877) 373-4858 during normal business hours.

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Proposal packets for Heating and Cooling will be available for pick up beginning Sept. 19th 2016. Interested parties should contact Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc. at 9660 Hwy 83 South, Aspermont, TX. Monday -Friday 8:00 AM- 5:00 PM. The public proposal opening will be held Thursday Sept. 29th, at 10 AM. in the offices of Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc. Only completed Proposals will be accepted.

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# Burke, Finger headline Hall of Fame inductees

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SAN ANTONIO—Robin Burke, the current captain of the women's U.S. Curtis Cup team, one of Texas' greatest architects Joe Finger and five-time PGA Tour winner Blaine McCallister highlight the Texas Golf Hall of Fame Class of 2016 inductees.

Renowned Texas Teacher Lindy Miller will be honored in the Texas Golf Professional/Teacher Category while Memorial Park Golf Course in Houston will be added to the Texas Registry of Historic Golf Courses.

The inductees will be honored at the 2016 'The Gathering of Eagles' golf tournament and induction dinner to be held on Monday, Oct. 10th at Brackenridge Park Golf Course and San Antonio Country Club, respectively.

"We are certainly pleased to have such great Lone Star Legends to enter the Texas Golf Hall of Fame for our class of 2016," said

TGHOF Board Chairman Jerry Smith. "It will be a great time to honor the best of the best in Texas golf for this year."

Miller was a four-time All-American at Oklahoma State University, and served for 22 years as the director of golf at Mira Vista Country Club in Fort Worth, where he now works as an instructor.

"I was so excited, it was a real honor to be selected," Miller said. "To join the group of teachers who are already there continues our tradition in the state teaching category, which is second to none." "It's all about the game and all about Texas golf."

Robin Burke, the wife of TGHOF member Jack Burke, Jr. will be honored in the Amateur category. They will become the first husband and wife in the Texas Golf Hall of Fame. Aside from her 2016 captaincy of the American Curtis Cup amateur team this summer in Ireland, she

is one of the greatest female Texas amateur golfers.

Finger, a Houston native who passed away in 2003, will be honored in the Lifetime Achievement category. He spent 45 years as an architect designing courses all over the world. Finger teamed with fellow TGHOF member Byron Nelson to design the Riverhill Golf Club in Kerrville in 1998 near where he lived and also did a total renovation of Scott Schreiner Golf Club in Kerrville for his final project.

His widow Julia said he would be so very pleased to be included among the great Texas architects. "He started playing golf in Texas at a very early age and played until he was a very old man here," she said. "The Texas courses and the ones he did elsewhere meant so much to him."

Among the other nominees in this category was Knox County News-Courier editor James McAfee, a former Golf Digest edi-

tor who served 25 years as executive director of the Northern Texas PGA and the Dallas District Golf Association. His daughter Lorri is in her 36th year working for the NTPGA.

McCallister, a Fort Stockton native, attended the University of Houston on a golf scholarship where he roomed with Masters Champion Fred Couples and CBS Golf announcer Jim Nantz. Honored in the Professional Player category, he went on to win five PGA TOUR events highlighted by the 1991 HEB Texas Open. He now plays on the Champions Tour.

"Growing up in a small town in West Texas, you couldn't ask for a bigger honor," he said. "It's very overwhelming, honestly."

Memorial Park Golf Course in Houston was opened during the depths of the Great Depression in 1936, but has endured and been improved over the years as a shining symbol of great public golf in Texas' largest city.

## Mac's Views

# Let's help create more birthdays

It's time for all of us to provide the American Cancer Society with some much needed assistance by continuing our support of the Knox/Haskell Relay for Life here Saturday at Phillip McAfee Track.



JAMES MCAFEE

The goal of the ACS is to create more birthdays. There are an estimated 13.7 million cancer survivors living in the U.S. today! We're going to celebrate the extra birthdays of some of these survivors here at noon Saturday at the Munday Church of Christ with a meal.

The ACS has been successful in its mission to increase the number of survivors as its research has led to cancer cures, better treatments and declining cancer death rates.

We all know of someone who has been diagnosed with cancer since an estimated 65 Knox and Haskell County residents are included each year.

The ACS provided more than 145 services to 29 patients in Knox and Haskell Counties last year, according to Relay for Life Senior Manager Jake Truette from Lubbock.

Seven patients, who travel more than 30 miles for treatment, were given free or reduced hotel rooms for 65 nights while two patients utilized Hope Lodge at no cost for 55 nights, saving a total of \$6,325.

Nine patients received wigs, head coverings or other gift items.

Sixty-two Road to Recovery rides were given to 11 patients. Truette did say that volunteers were needed for this program.

The ACS is the nation's largest private funder of cancer research, funding 47 scientists who have gone on to win the Nobel Prize and giving 56 researchers at Texas medical institutions grants totaling more than \$36 million.

The ACS also empowers people to fight back by working with lawmakers to make America a healthier place to live and helps secure funding for research and continued growth for the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas.


Hats off to all the many people who helped make the Relay for Life here in Munday a success.


Hope to see you out there Saturday.



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## Museum sale a success



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