

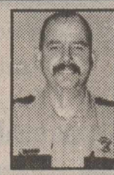
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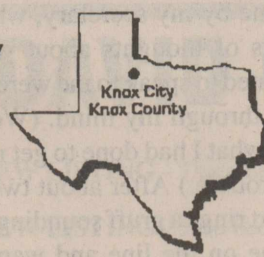
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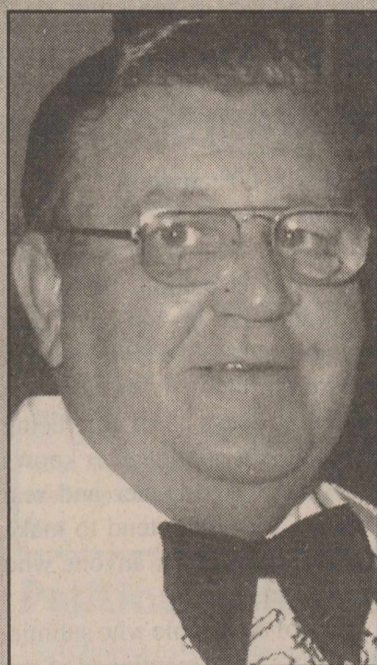
Rites set Thursday for Joe Reeder Jr., former County Attorney, District Attorney and Judge

Knox City and Knox County lost another great community leader early this week when Joe C. Reeder Jr., 82, of Knox City died Tuesday morning, January 20, in an Abilene care center following a lengthy illness.

Services will be Thursday, January 22, at 10:30 a.m. in the First Christian Church in Knox City. Officiating will be church pastor Steve Pepper, Rev. Dolan Brinson, Rev. Leon Ward and Stanton Brown. Burial will be in the Knox City Cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Born January 7, 1916, in Knox City, he graduated from Knox City High School in 1933. He was the son of pioneers Joe and Grace Anderson Reeder. His grandparents gave the land for the City of Knox City to be established.

He received his bachelor's degree from Texas Christian University in Fort Worth in 1937. While at TCU, he served on the student council and was president of his senior graduation class. He was honored as their distinguished alumni at his 50th class anniversary in 1987. He attended Southern Methodist University's School of Law in Dallas and received his law degree in 1940. He was a student director over the men's athletic dorm while at SMU.



JOE C. REEDER JR.
1916 - 1998

He married Maurine Davidson on May 22, 1943, in Little Rock, Arkansas. They moved to Knox County in 1945 and he established his private law practice in 1945, in addition to farming.

Mr. Reeder served as Knox County Attorney in 1945 and 1946, again in 1969 through 1973 and then again from 1980-1981. He served as district attorney from 1947 to 1950 and was 50th Judicial District Judge for two years from 1970 to 1972.

He served in the United States Army during World War II. He was in counter intelligence corps in the United States and Europe theater operations. He was in Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland and Central Europe

campaigns. He worked in counter intelligence in combat zones and in occupied areas. He was awarded the combat medal with four bronze stars, the American Defense Medal, Good Conduct Medal, one service stripe and three overseas service bars. He served from 1941 to 1945.

Mr. Reeder was a very active member of his church, First Christian Church, Knox City, serving as elder, chairman of the board and groundskeeper. He was a Mason.

Survivors include his wife, Maurine of the home; a son and his wife, Joe III and Celia Reeder of Fort Worth; a daughter and her husband, Jinx and R.A. Shaver III of Rochester; five grandchildren, Richard Shaver and wife Mandy, Ross Shaver, Jennifer Shaver Mathis and husband Casey, Joe Reeder IV and Joshua Reeder; two great-grandsons, Andy Shaver V and Zachary Shaver; and a sister, Margaret Siecke of Abilene.

Pallbearers will be Richard Shaver, Casey Mathis, Ross Shaver, Jace Reeder, Josh Reeder, Dusty Bradley and Sid Richardson.

The family requests that memorials be made to the First Christian Church, Knox City; the Wincrest Alzheimers Unit, 1600 Hospital Drive, Abilene; or a charity of the donor's choice.



CUTTING THE RIBBON for the grand opening of CareerStop in Knox City were (from left) Cheryl Haliburton of the West Central Texas Workforce Center, Knox City DHS Manager Jo Scott, Brad Helbert, Executive Director of the West Central Texas Council of Governments, Kathy Turner of the West Central Texas Workforce Center, and Business Services Coordinator Joanne M. Meyer of the West Central Texas Workforce Center (NEWS Photo)

Knox City benefits from opening of new West Central Texas Workforce Center

Knox City recently made another giant leap into the age of computer technology when the West Central Texas Workforce Center System opened a branch office of CareerStop right here in our community.

Housed at the Texas Department of Human Resources Building located at 606 Main Street, the new CareerStop program serves as a modern age one stop contact between those seeking jobs and those offering jobs. Open to residents throughout the area, the main goal behind the CareerStop program is building partnerships between employers and future employees by offering information on employer services to rural West Central Texas.

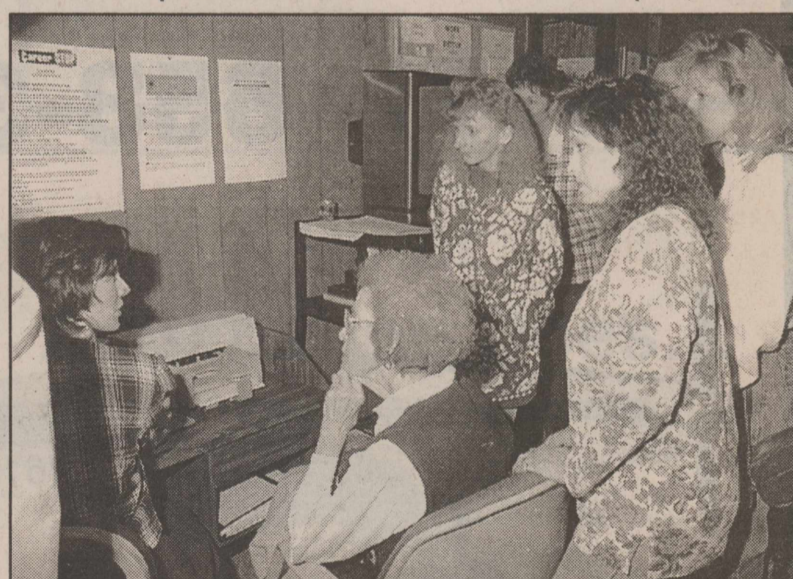
While attending the grand opening of CareerStop the week before last here in Knox City, guests were given the grand tour and well informed on how the program works.

Acting as a one stop referral center for those seeking jobs and information on career choices, the program utilizes a computer with both state wide and world wide internet links that a job seeker can use to gain valuable information in order to make wise decisions. Services offered by the program include Job Search Skills Workshops, Business Skills Workshops, job postings from both the TWC Job Express and America's Job Bank, internet access, information on area and educational opportunities. On hand computer software includes resume preparation software, career exploration software, word processing software, assessment software, remediation software, and labor market software. Other services offered include job search assistance, information on support services in the area, help with unemployment insurance claims, sponsorship for vocational training in a demand occupation, a basic computer workshop, and a home page on the internet. The home page address is: <http://www.camalott.com/~career>.

When a person seeking a job or information about an employment field enters the CareerStop for information, he or she immediately has a wealth of knowledge available through the computer. Information immediately accessed on job and job fields in



LOCAL DHS PROFESSIONALS ready to help with the new CareerStop program in Knox City are shown in the above photo during the grand opening ceremonies. From left to right are Dorethy Harrison, Jan Wilde, Robbin Rocha, Lorrie Coop, Mona Chenhall, Jo Scott, and Debbie Welborn. Unavailable for the photo was Raul Espinosa. (NEWS Photo)



LEARNING ABOUT the CareerStop program, these interested persons from Knox City were just a portion of the large crowd on hand for the program's grand opening in Knox City. Shown from left to right are CareerStop Instructor Cheryl Haliburton, Knox City Chamber of Commerce Manager Doris Crownover, Sherry Ellis from the Knox City Headstart Program, Penny Winchester-Kyser (in background) from Knox County Aging Services, Diana Casillas from West Texas Utilities, and another unidentified woman. (NEWS Photo)

cludes job postings, recruitment and screening referral, wage information, labor market information, interviewing facilities, a web site, a resource library of training materials, information on the Smart Jobs and Skills Development Fund, and assistance with task analysis and job restructuring assistance.

In the week following the grand opening, Knox City's CareerStop hosted a one day workshop with 15 persons enrolled for some type of assistance in seeking a job or seeking to improve their employment status.

In commenting on the opening of the new facility in Knox City,

Brad Helbert, the Executive Director of the West Central Texas Council of Governments, stated that "With Knox County Judge David Neil Perdue having been a long standing member of the West Central Texas Council of Governments Board of Directors for so long, Knox City has been a pretty special place to us down through the years." Mr. Helbert was just one of a host of guests invited to Knox City for the grand opening of CareerStop.

The new CareerStop facility in Knox City is the eighth branch office to open in the 19 counties served from the Abilene office of the Texas DHS.

Rep. David Counts to address Texas Farmers Union



Representative David Counts

Texas on January 30 and 31.

Texas Farmers Union members will convene at the Harvey Hotel in Plano to conduct the organization's annual business.

The convention opens at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, January 30, and concludes with a banquet session at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday evening, January 31.

Convention-goers will be addressed by Texas officials and candidates for state offices, as well as by national agriculture leaders. Rocky Mountain Farmers Union Vice President and Meeker, Colo., rancher Kathleen Kelley will speak on the impact of current policies on America's system of family farm agriculture. Kelley two years ago authored an extensive research document on agri-

cultural concentration and its impact on farm prices.

Rep. Charlie Stenholm, the ranking member of the U.S. House Agriculture Committee, will address the group Saturday morning, Jan. 31.

TFU policy will be debated and adopted Saturday afternoon from 2:30-6:00 p.m.

Policy debate is vital to the organization as it sets TFU priorities for the coming year. It is also important that TFU determine any issues that need to be brought for consideration before the NFU convention this March.

National Farmers Union President Leland Swenson will be the featured speaker at the convention's closing banquet Saturday evening. He is expected to review the impact of 1997 legislative and other policies on producers, as well as review NFU priorities for 1998. Swenson, who grew up on a Minnesota farm, was recently appointed to the 21st Century Commission on Production Agriculture, which will review the 1996 farm bill's impact on producers and make recommenda-

tions for changes.

Texas Comptroller John Sharp also will speak to the group at Saturday's luncheon.

Along with State Representative David Counts of Knox City; other speakers include State Representative Pete Patterson of Brookston; Richard Fleming, Milk Marketing Administrator, U.S.D.A.; Larry Mitchell, U.S.D.A.; John Leininger, assistant to president, National Farmers Union; Marilyn Wentz, communications director, NFU; Leland Beatty, president, Texas Rural Communities; Diane Cowan, director, Texas Green Thumb; and Bob Girard, director, Senior Texans Employment Program.

A leadership conference "Working Today for a Better Tomorrow" will be held prior to the convention at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 29, 1998, conducted by Jennifer Luitjens, NFU.

Texas Farmers Union is a general farm organization representing farmers and ranchers on issues from farm income to rural health care.

Little League to meet Mon.

An organizational meeting for Little League has been set for Monday, January 26, at 8:00 p.m. at the Doug Meinzer Community Center, 203 SW 4th Street.

Mitzi Ham announces for JP post, precincts 1 & 2

Mitzi Ham of Benjamin has authorized *The Knox County News* to announce her candidacy for

Justice of the Peace, Precincts 1 and 2 in the March 10 Democratic primary.

Her formal statement to voters will appear in a later issue of the *News*.

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Letter to the editor....

Dear Editor:
 You might image the surprise that I felt, when the Williamson County Judge's secretary called and requested that I contact his office for an unknown reason. As I dialed the phone number given to me by my secretary, while all sorts of thoughts about why he wanted to speak to me were buzzing through my mind. (Wondering what I had done to get myself in trouble.) After about two very short rings a gruff sounding voice came on the line and wanted to know what I was doing. I informed that voice that it was Sgt. Russell from the Sheriff's Department returning his call. I couldn't believe my ears it was Judge Perdue from back home. It was so good to hear from him and very surprising. He had requested to be shown the damage from the Jarrell tornado and ask if I could be assigned to show him through the area since it was restricted to emergency personnel only.

I picked up Judge Perdue at the Williamson County Court House and drove him to the tornado sight. The damage was unbelievable and to be able to think of the effect it had on so many families and friends could not be conceived. As we drove through the area I pointed out where literally hundreds of head of cattle were killed and strewn across the open fields. The asphalt was ripped off the surface of the roads that surrounded the community. The wheat that was planted just to the north of the houses was taken up into the tornado, like a giant vacuum cleaner had been run over it. Cars had been picked up and deposited miles from where they were sitting when it came roaring through. Next I pointed out the saddest part of all, where one of the other investigators that I work with had to risk his life going

under a cement wall attempting to save a mother and child only to find he was too late. At another spot where a dry creek bed was rushing with rain water and another Sgt. Investigator had pulled out a small boy that had been killed and was floating down the creek. After seeing the damage and hearing even more of the horrifying events that surrounded this disaster, Judge Perdue informed me that he was on a mission. After seeing everything first hand he informed me that his motive for seeing this was to raise funds for the victims of this terrible disaster, and felt he would be more effective if he saw it himself. Most people don't realize that due to the enormous response from people in the entire State of Texas, like Judge Perdue and the Associations of Counties, and their kind hearted giving that not so much as one 'federal' dollar was given to the victims in Jarrell. The results of his efforts in making people aware of the great need and working toward people taking action over \$15,000 dollars was raised by the Associations of Counties, of which he is current president. I know that he saw a need that he could help with and did a great thing for the people of Jarrell. On behalf of all the victims that suffered a loss I would like to thank Judge Perdue and all of the people that contributed to the cause.

This kind of generosity of people from all across the state makes me proud that I know people like Judge Perdue and can call him my friend. The kind of lessons that you learn in life, like helping gather the crop of a neighbor who is sick, or taking a meal to someone in need, can't be taught in a classroom. People helping people is the only way we learn that it is the right thing to do and that it makes you feel really good to help someone else. I learned a lot of lessons while serving as Chief Deputy for Knox County and running for office. It is a shame that all of those lessons didn't come sooner in life.

I am working as a Sgt. Investigator with the Criminal Investigations Division of the Williamson County Sheriff's Office in Property Crimes. This is a large agency by some standards, with about two hundred employees. We have a Patrol Division with some sixty officers patrolling about eleven hundred square miles and a population of some two hundred thousand in the county. In the Criminal Investigation Division there are twenty two assigned to three classifications, Juvenile, Property Crimes, and Crimes Against Persons. We also have a Traffic Division and Sup-

port Services Division. Many of the things that I learned back home are serving me well here in this urban setting.

Common sense seems to be a valuable commodity regardless of where you are. What little I have I can thank the fine officers that I worked with in Knox County and countless others that gave me advice, which I wish I had listened to at the time I was there. These big city folks are learning a little from a country boy and I am learning a lot from them.

Margaret and I are doing well and are very happy here. Tuwi is about to graduate from High School and Shawnee and Tina live in Round Rock, which is just down the road. Lisa is in San Antonio. I wish all of the people in Knox County well and if your down near Austin give me a holler. (Yeah I'm still country.)

Ricki & Margaret Russell
 Georgetown, Texas



Ciera Rhae Flores

Christina and Joe Paul Flores of Wichita Falls announce the birth of their daughter, Ciera Rhae, born January 2, 1998, at Wichita General Hospital at 7:55 p.m. She weighed in at seven pounds, fifteen ounces.

Welcoming Ciera Rhae home were her two older sisters, Chelsea, nine years; and Paige, three years. She also has a sister, who lives in Haskell, Cassie Flores, age 14.

Paternal grandparents are Carolyn and Billy Joe Flores of Knox City. Maternal grandparents are Josie and Rudy Agraz, also of Knox City.

Billy Newton is hospital's 'extra mile' award recipient

By Joyce Greenwood

This quarter's recipient of the Extra Mile award goes to a young man who is seldom without a genuine smile on his face. Like everybody else, EMTP/LVN Billy Newton probably has days when he really doesn't feel like being pleasant, but nobody ever knows it. His upbeat manner and real concern for others tend to make the day brighter for anyone who meets him.

One of the people who submitted Billy's name mentioned a September 19 incident when five patients were dismissed from the hospital within a short period of time. Housekeeper Gracie Zavalla was trying to clean all the vacated rooms when, without being asked, Billy stepped in and began to help her.

"This is definitely not in his job description," said the man who submitted his name. "And he could have just sat in the nurse's station reading a magazine, but Billy doesn't question the conditions of his job description, he just does whatever needs doing."

Another person who submitted

Billy's name stated, "Billy is one of the few people I know who is really concerned about other people. Unlike most of us, when he asks, 'How are you', he really stops to listen instead of walking on by. I have never seen Billy as much as bat an eye when someone asks him for help. He instantly jumps right in as a team player. I think he serves as an excellent example for the rest of us."

This writer, too, in the capacity of 9-1-1 dispatcher, has seen the evidence of Billy's sincere caring for others. Dispatchers, like everybody else, have to work sometimes when staying in a sick bed would be far more beneficial. On several occasions, Billy has come to the 9-1-1 office and und a dispatcher who really didn't feel well. He makes it his business to check on us, bring juice or coffee and just do his beat to make us feel better. This is not in his job description, either, but it is greatly appreciated.

Everyone who knows him seems to be in agreement. The world would be a far nicer place with more Billy Newtons in it.

Class of 1966, 1967 and others? reunion in planning stages

The first weekend in June is the date to mark calendars to be in Knox City for a reunion of classes.

Representative for the class of 1966 is Carolina Rios of Knox City, 658-3224, Rt. 1 Box 193.

Representatives for the Class of 1967 are Cyndy Whitaker of Graham, 940-549-4931, e-mail cynjw@Awf.net, Karen White of Graham 549-2445, e-mail

jlzc35a@prodigy.com, Carolyn Collinsworth of Plano 972-964-0750, e-mail ccollin@pisd.edu and Anthony Logsdon of Knox City, 658-5044, P.O. Box 476.

Feedback and current addresses are needed, so please contact one of the above representatives soon.

For those wishing another class to be included, contact these also.

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The State of Texas has adopted an amendment to the State Penal Code making meter tampering a third degree felony. A third degree felony comes with a punishment of confinement in the Texas Department of Corrections for a term of not more than 10 or less than 2 years. In addition to imprisonment, an individual adjudged guilty of a third degree felony may be punished by a fine not to exceed \$5,000.

Before the amendment of the law, it was a class A misdemeanor for meter tampering unless the loss of service was more than \$200. Under the new law, any meter tampering regardless of the amount of loss is now a felony of the third degree.

Meter tampering consists of, but is not limited to:

- (1) Diverting electricity from passing through a meter device.
- (2) Preventing electric service from being correctly registered by a meter device.
- (3) Unauthorized activation of service.

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Abilene native announces candidacy for Judge of 11th Court of Appeals in Eastland

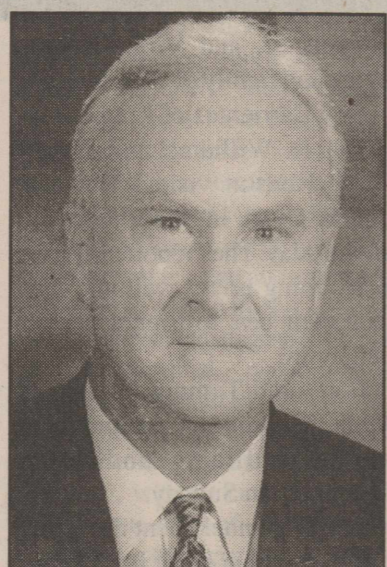
Robert Pelton has authorized *The Knox County News* to announce his candidacy for Court of Appeals in Eastland.

Pelton has issued the following formal statement:

Abilene native, Robert Pelton, lawyer, has announced as a candidate for the Court of Appeals in Eastland, Texas. He is seeking the Republican nomination to succeed retiring Associate Justice Bob Dickenson.

Mr. Pelton was born, raised, and attended public schools in Abilene and graduated from Abilene High School in 1964. Pelton graduated from McMurry College in 1970. From 1966 to 1972 he served in the United States Army National Guard and received an honorable discharge in 1972. Mr. Pelton attended South Texas College of Law in Houston at night while working for Firemen Fund Insurance Company and Dresser Industries. In law school, he was the chief prosecutor of the Honor Court. He did a legal internship with the Harris County District Attorney's office and with attorney Jim Skelton where he assisted in the prosecution of several major felony cases.

After graduating from law school with a Doctor of Juris Prudence degree he entered private practice of law in 1975. He is licensed to practice law in State and Federal courts. During his career he has represented citizens in many varied cases. His courtroom experience includes jury trials and appeals of divorce and child custody, criminal cases, personal injury cases and cases involving administrative law matters as well as appeals of both



ROBERT PELTON

criminal and civil cases. Mr. Pelton has been the lawyer for more than 1,700 criminal cases in Harris county including five capital murder clients, and numerous cases in Dallas, Fort Worth, Austin, Midland, Richmond, Lubbock, Sweetwater, Palo Pinto, San Antonio, Edna and Abilene. One capital murder case he was involved in is now the subject of a recently published book, "Ashes to Ashes" written by Lyn Riddle. Mr. Pelton has served many high profile clients including television personality Marvin Zindler in a lawsuit against the American Nazi Party. This case was appealed to the United States Supreme Court. He has served as the lawyer for other attorneys, physicians, judges, policemen and many other citizens with a wide variety of occupations. He currently involved in a capital murder case as co-counsel with Richard "Racehorse" Haynes and Mike Charlton.

Mr. Pelton has practiced law throughout the state and maintains law offices in Houston and

Abilene. The Abilene office includes his brother, Joe Pelton and Ed Paynter, former Taylor County District Attorney.

During his career, Mr. Pelton has been very active in the legal community. He has served as President of the Harris County Criminal Lawyers Association, President of the Community Service Option Program, editor of a criminal law magazine, and has served as an associate director with the Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association. He has served on the faculty of the Criminal Trial Advocacy Course that is presented annually in Huntsville, Texas. He has written numerous articles on criminal and civil law which have appeared in various legal publications. He has been a frequent speaker at meetings and seminars involving the legal community that have been sponsored by the Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, the Harris County Criminal Defense Lawyers Association and the Houston Bar Association. He is also a member of the State Bar of Texas referral service. Martindell-Hubbell, an organization that rates attorneys, has given Mr. Pelton an AV rating which is the highest rating given.

"I believe my courtroom experience over the past 22 years qualifies me for the job. During this time I have handled several hundred civil and criminal cases. Candidates for judgeships generally rely on campaign contributions from lawyers to finance their campaigns. I will not accept campaign contributions from lawyers who practice before the 11th Court of Appeals."

Tiffany Michelle McLaury named to Sul Ross list

ALPINE - Sul Ross State University has named its Dean's List for the 1997 fall semester.

Undergraduate students enrolled for 12 or more semester hours who maintain a grade point average of 3.3 or better are eligible for the dean's list. Graduate hours are not included in the dean's list computations.

Students on the fall honor list from the area include Tiffany Michelle McLaury, a pre-law major, who posted a 3.40 GPA. Tiffany is from Guthrie.

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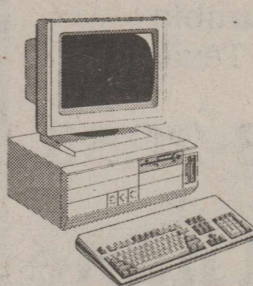
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law. If you are a person 60 or older and a registered voter, you may file as a candidate for election in the TSHL January 1, 1998 through February 28, 1998. One

Legislator is selected from each of the four districts within the WCTCOG region.

The districts are as follows: District one includes Jones and Taylor counties; District two includes Rannels, Coleman, Brown, and Comanche counties; District three includes Knox, Haskell, Stonewall, Kent, Scurry, Fisher, Mitchell and Nolan counties; District four includes Shackelford, Stephens, Callahan, Eastland counties. Terms are for two years

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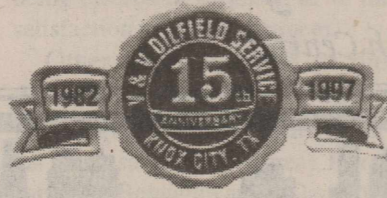
Even those who don't choose to run are encouraged to vote in the elections. Elections for TSHL representative will be held May 26, 1998, at your local senior center.

For more information or filing forms, contact Jena Price, Director of the West Central Texas Council of Governments Area Agency on Aging at 915/672-8544 or 1-800-928-2262.

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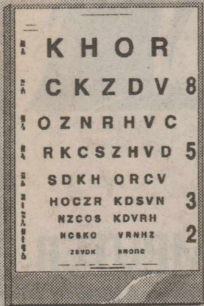
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Benjamin News

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

Not much happening these days so don't give up on me if I'm not very "newsy". Maybe in a week or so things will "pick up".

Concerning Our Ill - Good to report that there's not too much illness in the community this week. Jamie Bohannon was in Lubbock Monday for removal of a kidney stone. She went back on Thursday for her checkup and she is doing well.

There's still several cases of sniffles, sinus and sore throat, but seems those problems are beginning to "slack off" and that's good news.

Mike Young spent a few days in the hospital last week and is in Wichita Falls today for further testing. His dad, Dutch, accompanied him to Wichita Falls. We wish Mike well.

And I ask your prayers for my family. Van's sister, Neva, is suffering from cancer and his brother, Dale, who has had multiple sclerosis for years is now in a pretty bad condition. He has sort of been holding his own for several years but now his condition is worsening rapidly. And my brother's wife is a patient in the Weatherford hospital after suffering a stroke.

Here 'N There - Weekend guests of Raul and Reyes Barrientez were Sean, Mary and Hannah Widmer of Carrollton, Lupe Palacio of

Crowell, Jr. and Virginia Barrientez and family of Stamford and Jimmy Barrientez of Lubbock.

Jonnie Williams and Bobby Frank Hudson visited Bob and Bonita Pyatt in Plainview last Wednesday. They report the Pyatts to be doing pretty well and they send their best to friends here in Benjamin.

Betty and Tommy Latimer of Altus, Oklahoma, visited with Jonnie Williams and Mary Bohannon on Sunday.

Blaine Conner spent the weekend with Alicia Pettit in Guthrie.

Bob and Marie Meinzer of Albuquerque, New Mexico, are spending a few weeks at their home here while they are having some remodeling done on their New Mexico home. We're glad to have them here for a while to visit.

Jane Gideon spent Saturday night with her brother, Joe Nunley, in Seymour. A sister, Joy Yancey of Wichita Falls, also visited Joe as did Dutch and Imagean Young. Joe's health hasn't been too good, but Jane said he seemed to feel fine the weekend.

Laura Neal spent a couple of weeks after Christmas with her sister, Sara and family in Denton.

I was in Childress Sunday afternoon to visit my kids. My granddaughter, Beckie and family are moving to Tennessee - leaving on

Saturday!! A far piece from home but maybe they won't like it and will be back soon!! They are looking forward to their new venture. So when they're happy, I'm happy - - but we will miss them greatly.

Sybil Simmons of Gilliland went with me and visited her cousin, Curtis Casey, in a retirement center there.

Bill and Pearl Ryder visited his brother and sister and their families in Crowell Sunday. His sister, Edith Cash, has been in the Wichita Falls hospital. She's home and feeling better but does have some heart problems.

Charles Hertel of Midland is here for a few days to visit his brother, Don (and Louise) and is mom, Nora, in the Leisure Lodge in Munday and other relatives and friends.

Michele Conner, who is attending Texas Tech, was a weekend visitor with homefolks.

Weekend guests of Gertrude Brannan were her kids, Bobby and Stephanie Brannan and Johnny Brannan and Anson of Lubbock, and Mary and Randy Whitsett and family of Gallup, New Mexico. They came and helped their mom celebrate her birthday a little early. Her birthday is Tuesday (20th). Stephanie and Bobby also visited her "kin" here.

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AG-USE EXEMPTIONS

Annual applications for qualifying land for agriculture use is not required. If you have been receiving the AG-USE exemption on your land in prior years, you need not reapply for the exemption. If you have recently purchased a farm, you need to report this to the Chief Appraiser. AG-USE exemption forms are also available at the Appraisal District Office. Deadline for filing new exemptions are between January 1, 1998 and May 1, 1998.

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These exemptions need not be applied for annually. If you received your exemption on the 1997 tax roll, you will automatically receive it for the tax year of 1998. However, if your disability percentage has changed, you need to report the change to the Chief Appraiser. Deadline for filing new exemptions are between January 1, 1998 and May 1, 1998.

RENDITIONS

Taxpayers are reminded that it is still their responsibility to render their property to the Chief Appraiser. These rendition forms are also available at the Appraisal District Office. Deadline for tax renditions is between January 1, 1998 and April 1, 1998.

If you have any questions about your exemptions or any other ad valorem tax related question, Chief Appraiser, Stanton Brown invites you to write Knox County Appraisal District, Box 47, Benjamin, Texas or call 454-3891. If the Appraisal District employees can be of any assistance, please let us help.

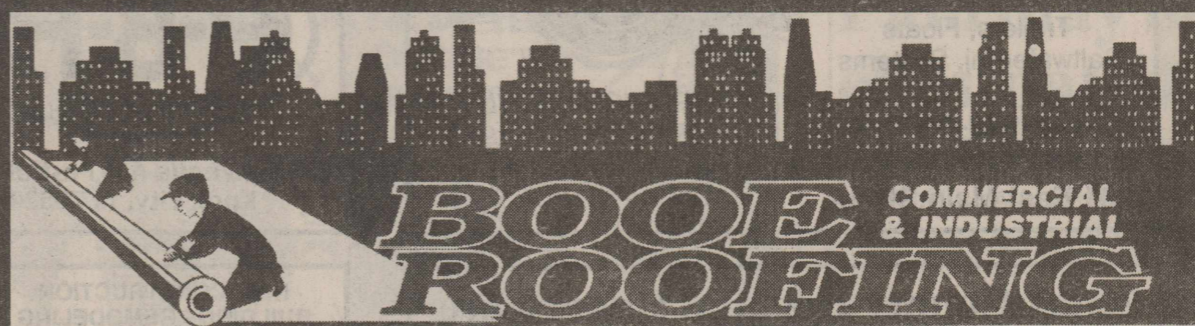
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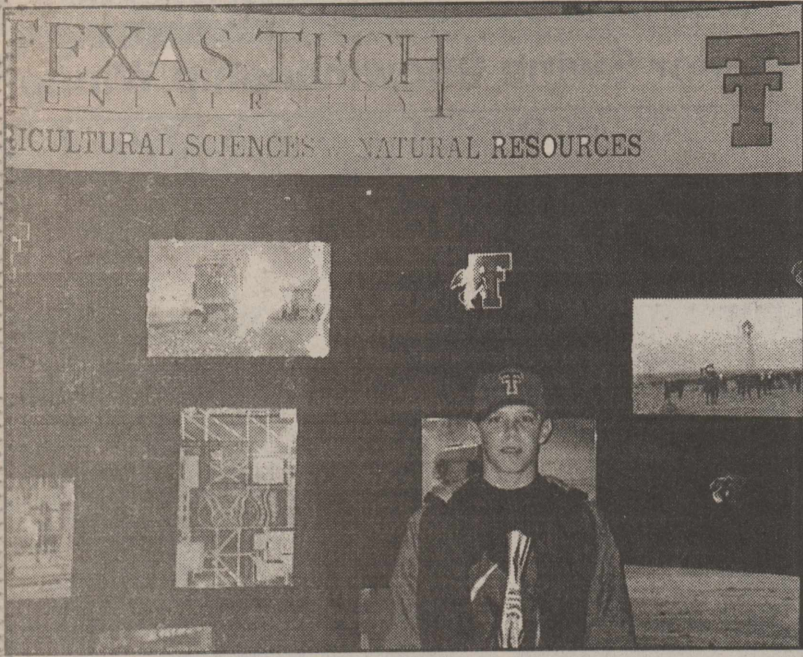
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KC Little League sets first season meeting to organize upcoming 1998 activities

An organizational meeting for Little League has been set for Monday, January 26, at 8:00 p.m. at the Doug Meinzer Community Center, 203 SW 4th Street.

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Knox County Clerk
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Knox County Hospital Home Health passes Medicare survey with flying colors

Beginning on January 13, the Knox County Home Health organization underwent its annual two day survey by Medicare officials. Director Debbie Thompson McCown, RN proudly reported that no deficiencies were found within their home health program.

The last survey was done on November 27, 1996. The program had been operating without a full time director until Ms. McCown had accepted the position three months prior to the survey.

"I wanted to quit right after that survey," McCown stated. "Needless-to say, we were in pretty sad shape. But, to coin a phrase, 'we've come a long way, Baby' in our program."

Ms. McCown stated that any program is only as good as the people within the system and gave credit to her staff.

"I can't emphasize enough the hard work of my staff members," she stated. "They have done a great job and without them, our program would still be plagued

with multiple deficiencies.

In addition to Director, Debbie McCown, the Home Health personnel includes Peggy Clark, RN, Assistant Director; Betty Hudson and Sandra Bass, LVNs; Sylvia Espinoza, Rhonda Stevens, Amy Rogers and Jodie Kennedy, Home Health Aides; Tonya Lewis, Office Manager; and Dr. Rao, who replaced Dr. Barretto as Medical Director in December of 1997.

In the more than eighteen months Ms. McCown has been director, there have been many changes in the rules and regulations. As of February 1, 1998, the regulations governing home health care are changing again. The Knox County staff has been preparing for the new policies and the good report from Medicare ascertains that their efforts were worthwhile.

The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 removed blood draws as a covered Medicare home health service if it is the only skilled service a patient is receiving. The

types of individuals who receive regulatory blood draws for laboratory analysis are the home bound elderly who are diabetics, sufferers of seizure disorders and heart conditions. Unless the 1997 act is altered by Bill H. R. 2912 to reinstate venipuncture, many home bound patients who now receive help with personal care will lose this assistance.

"Ultimately, the people who depend on home health services will be the ones to suffer from all the bureaucracy," Ms. McCown stated. "They will have no choice but to be put in care homes or go without the proper care."

Good reports from all home health agencies are vital to the continuation of the program. Knox County citizens can be proud of its home care program and of Debbie McCown and her staff. Knox County Hospital Home Health serves patients in Foard, Knox, Baylor, Throckmorton, Stonewall, Haskell, Jones and King counties.

Texas Department of Agriculture schedules meetings on Boll Weevil Eradication referendum

(AUSTIN) The Texas Department of Agriculture will hold a series of educational meetings to answer questions regarding the upcoming boll weevil eradication program referendum in the 22-county Rolling Plains Central Boll Weevil Eradication Zone. Cotton farmers and landowners with cotton production are urged to attend these multi-county meetings to learn more about the referendum process. Ample time for questions will be allotted.

A referendum has been scheduled for Feb. 27 to determine whether a boll weevil eradication program should continue in the Rolling Plains Central Zone. Growers in the zone initially approved a boll weevil eradication

program in 1994 to be funded by a maximum assessment of \$10 per land acre. If the program is retained, the maximum assessment rate will remain unchanged. If voters decide not to continue the program, assessments would continue annually until the zone's debt is retired.

In addition to deciding if an eradication program should continue in the zone, voters will elect a board member from the zone to serve on the statewide board of directors for the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Inc.

The Feb. 27 referendum for the zone was established by new legislation that corrects a constitutional problem found by the Texas Supreme Court with the

statewide boll weevil eradication program.

Under the new statute, the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation continues to carry out the program. However, TDA takes on additional responsibilities that include setting new elections on assessments and eradication programs in regional zones and appointing advisory committees for each zone.

Counties in the Rolling Plains Central Eradication Zone are: Baylor, Callahan, Comanche, Eastland, Erath, Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Knox, Mitchell, Nolan, Palo Pinto, Scurry, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Throckmorton, Young and parts of Archer, Borden, Brown and Taylor.

4-H offers shooting sports safety training

Plans are in full swing to begin a Knox County 4-H Shooting Sports Club.

Youngsters interested in learning firearm safety, as well as improve their shooting skills will need to enroll in this club as quickly as possible. The months of January and February will be used for firearm safety and to clean up and set up an area to be used for target practice.

Beginning in March, the youth will begin shooting. This spring the youth will be using .22 caliber rifles only. Next year, or maybe later this summer or fall, we will begin shooting shotguns. However, before any of the youth will be allowed to shoot in the Knox County 4-H Shooting Sports Club, they will need to do a few things.

The first item will be to attend a Hunter Safety Course. If they

have already completed such a course, all they need to do is bring proof of completion the first time they attend a shooting sports meeting or event. If they have not done so, they must attend a safety course.

Such a course will be offered at the Copper Breaks State Park on Saturday, January 31, and Sunday, February 1. On Saturday the training will last from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. while on Sunday the training will be from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. In order to attend, you must notify the Knox County Extension Office on or before 5 p.m. on Monday, January 26. Cost for attending the course will be \$10 per person. This will be an official Hunter Safety Course for anyone needing such a course to receive their hunting license (youth ages 12 and up are required to com-

plete such a course before obtaining a hunting license.

There are two individuals in Knox County who have been certified as 4-H Shooting Sports Instructors -- Michael Bufkin from Benjamin and Randy Smith from Knox City. These two men will be training the 4-H'ers and preparing them for shooting competition. If you have any questions about the Knox County 4-H Shooting Sports Club, please do not hesitate in contacting one of these two gentlemen or Paul Weiser at the Knox County Extension office in Benjamin at 454-2652.

Remember that you must contact the Knox County Extension Office on or before Monday, January 26, 1998 if you plan to attend the Hunter Safety Course at Copper Breaks State Park on January 31 - February 1, 1998.

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Tenth Grade: Natalie Bloxham.

Eleventh Grade: Aaron Large, Gloria Nevezar.

Twelfth Grade: Audra Dale, Sara Dillon, Kim Grimsley, Amy Hunt.

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