

#### Erin Lierly wedding

Former Knox City resident marries US Air Force Airman, moves to Minot, North Dakota.

See wedding story, page 3

### Greyhound Pride

Greyhound Pride, the KC School News is featured inside this edition. These pages are done totally by the students - and they do a good job!

See school news, pages 6 & 7

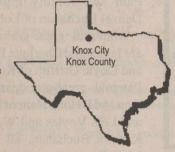


#### O'Brien school news

Principal Eddie Bland talks about courtesies, good manners and respectful behavior.

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# Benjamin youth selected for trip to capitol

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) Bobby Condron of Benjamin has been selected to attend The National Young Leaders Conference from February 17 to February 22, 1998 in Washington, D.C. The National Young Leaders Conference is a unique leadership development program for high school students who have demonstrated leadership potential and scholastic merit. Bobby will be among

350 outstanding National Scholars attending the conference from across America.

The theme of the National Young Leaders Conference is The Leaders of Tomorrow Meeting the Leaders of Today. Throughout the six-day conference, Bobby will interact with key leaders and newsmakers from the three branches of government, the media and the diplomatic corps.

Highlights of the program include welcoming remarks from the Floor of the United States House of Representatives and a panel discussion with prominent journalists at the National Press Club. Scholars will visit foreign embassies and receive policy briefings from senior government officials. Bobby may also meet with his Senators and Representative or an appointed member of

their staff to discuss important issues facing Benjamin and the

To complement these special meetings and briefings, Bobby will participate in a number of leadership skill-building activities. In one activity, "If I Were President", students role play the President, members of the Cabinet and representatives from Capitol Hill who must respond to an international crisis. The National Young Leaders Conference culminates with the "Model Congress", in which Scholars assume the roles of United States Representatives by debating, amending and voting on proposed legislation dealing with juvenile

Conference is sponsored by the gain knowledge and experience the challenges of the future.'

Congressional Youth Leadership Council, a nonprofit, nonpartisan educational organization. Founded in 1985, the council is committed to "fostering and inspiring young people to achieve their full leadership potential." Over 400 Members of the United States Congress join this commitment as members of the Council's Honorary Congressional Board of Advisors. Each year, only 7,000 outstanding youth nationwide may participate in the 20 sessions of the National Young Leaders Conference.

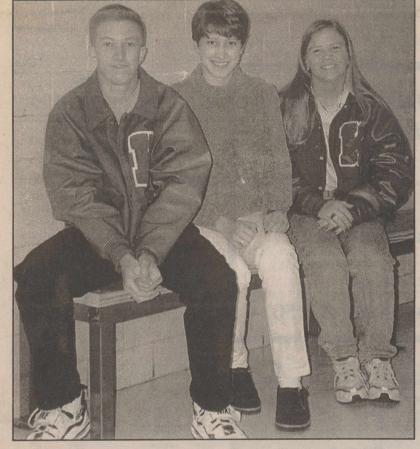
"The Conference provides the opportunity for students, like Bobby, to distinguish themselves as tomorrow's leaders," said Michael Lasday, Council Execu-The National Young Leaders tive Director. "Scholars not only



**Bobby Condron** 

in the nation's capital, they leave with a sense of accomplishment and an increased ability to face

### KCHS students are first place contest winners



KNOX CITY HIGH SCHOOL seniors Heath Turner, Amy Hunt and Kim Grimsley were first place recipients in the Small Schools Competition held Sunday afternoon at Munday High School. (NEWS Photo)

Knox City High School's team won first place in the Small Schools Competition held at Munday High School last Sunday afternoon. Team members are Kim Grimsley, Amy Hunt and Heath Turner.

The team won \$2500.00 in scholarship money to be held until they are enrolled in the college or trade school of their choice in the fall. They answered essential element questions in the areas of English, Math, Science and Social Studies to win.

Scholarship money is derived from the \$500 entry fees each school pays. First place winning team receives 50%, second place receives 30% and third place receives 20%.

The local students will advance to the state contest, which will be held at the Brown County Coliseum in Brownwood on Sunday, April 5.

Howard Payne College will be hosting the competition.

Team sponsor is Renella Watson.

### **UIL** announces football, basketball alignments

Early Monday morning, the UIL announced the tentative football and basketball district alignments for the school years 1998 through 2000.

Knox City appears to go back to an old and familiar district alignment with Throckmorton in football, but travels into unknown territory with Windthorst and Petrolia in basketball. Here are the alignments for Knox City, Munday and Benjamin.



11 Man Football - Region II, District 9 Aspermont, Crowell, Knox City, Munday, Paducah, and Throckmorton.

6 Man Football - Region I, District 4 Benjamin, Afton Patton Springs, Guthrie, Jayton, Rochester and Rule.



Basketball - Region II, District 22 Knox City, Munday, Petrolia, & Windthorst. Basketball - Region II, District 23

Benjamin, Goree, Paint Creek, Rochester, and Rule.

### Benjamin Postmaster honored for 30 years of service



BENJAMIN POSTMASTER DUB CARTWRIGHT (shown here in center of photo) was honored last week by the U.S. Postal Service for his 30 years of service. Presenting Dub with his 30 year pin and certificate was Sam Mendez, Postal Operations Officer from Abilene. Dub's wife, Joetta Cartwright, (at left) was also at the presentation in the Benjamin Post Office.

### Penman's Convenience Store celebrates all day Saturday with grand opening festivities



JUST A SMALL PORTION OF THE VERY LARGE CROWD on hand all day last Saturday for the grand opening festivities of Penman's Convenience Store, the folks shown here all took part in the ribbon cutting ceremony held by the Knox City Chamber of Commerce. Shown from left to right are Chamber President Rita Rosencranz, State Representative David Counts, Monty Penman, Jane Ann Penman, Store Managers Roland and Sue Marion, Owner Ray Penman, and Chamber Director Jim Dillon. Other (NEWS Photo by Betty Bailiff) Related Photos are inside this edition on page 10.

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Coby Ray Buchanan



Estelle Griffith is proud to announce the birth of her grandson, Coby Ray Buchanan, son of her daughter, Carol. Coby's dad is Steven Buchanan. He was born in Lubbock on January 7, weighing in at nine pounds, and was 21 1/2 inches long.

Paternal grandparents include Pam and Johnny Fulton and Denzel Buchanan of Lubbock.

Maternal great-grandparents are James and Charlotte Patterson and Doyle Griffith of Knox City. Paternal great-grandparents are Don and Deloris Hancock, Jonnie and Lois Voyles and Walter and Kenelia Buchanan, all of Lubbock. Paternal great-great-grandmother is Mrs. Bert Polk of Slaton.

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A survey reported in The ElderLaw Report says a third of law schools are now offering courses on law and aging. About 30 schools have added aging programs in the past five years.

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### Benjamin ISD receives \$98,950 grant for the Internet

(Austin) Benjamin ISD has received a grant in the amount of \$ 98.950.00 from the Telecommunications structure Fund Board.

This is the third round of TIF grants, each designed to provide public schools with the necessary equipment to allow students ac# cess to the Internet. This third round was a non-competitive award process designed to level the playing field across the state, with a cap on each award of \$100,000. TIF awarded more than 600 grants to individual districts or campuses within districts.

TIF was created by the 74th Legislature, under House Bill 2128, and is designed to provide grants and loans to improve telecommunications infrastructure around the state. TIP serves K-12 public schools in this effort, as well as institutions of higher education, public libraries and nonprofit health care facilities. The most recent grant award stresses the importance of modernizing the infrastructure of K-12 public schools as a part of the overall plan to increase the economic competitiveness of Texas.

The district fulfilled a series of TIF requirements in order to receive funding. Some of the TIF requirements included creating a technology task force consisting of teachers, administrators, students, and community members, and submitting an approved technology plan.

"We are very pleased to receive this award," said Superintendent Ben Grill. "We will use TIF funds, along with the matching funds we have committed to the project, to bring the Internet into the classroom as a teaching

Benjamin ISD committed in matching funds to the project. The money will be used to purchase the necessary telecommunications equipment to provide a direct connection to the Internet, wiring of classrooms, and the purchase of computers.

The funds will be used for the entire campus, according to Superintendent Ben Grill.

### Benjamin news

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

Not much happening over this way these days. We're "winding down" basketball season with only one game left for the boys and girls in regular season play. All teams - both Junior High and High School have done well this year and the high school will be playing Northside Friday night as a finale. Games I have seen have been very good, hard fought "battles" and I congratulate all teams and the coaches on a successful season.

The other main news is politics. Lots of "visiting" is taking place and March 10 will be here before we know it. Bet all those "running" will be glad when this year's election is history.

Here 'N There - Claudia Opal Renthrop of St. Augustine, and Gene and Mike House of Mansfield were Benjamin visitors during the weekend.

Charles and Joy Jones spent a few days with their son David and family at Runaway Bay last

week.

Zeke Duke of Texas Tech was a weekend guest of his parents, Pam and Dennis, and other relatives and friends.

Gerald and Darlene Barnett of Baytown visited several days last week with Omitene Barnett.

Larry and Glenda Bearly, who reside in Colorado, are here for an extended visit with her mom, Odessa Cox.

Don, Marilyn and Amanda Ervin visited relatives in Fort Worth during the weekend.

I was in Gilliland Saturday for burial services for Jewett Richie of Wichita Falls. Jewett was the grandson of my longtime friend, Peggy Cure Richie and her husband, Guindell. The young man died Wednesday morning from gunshot wounds received on Monday night. Other survivors are his wife, Jackie and young daughter,

Among the Benjamin folks attending the musical Saturday

night in Knox City to benefit the Knox County Aging service were Dutch and Imagean Young, Jane Gideon, Odessa Cox, Nora Duke, Earlene Meinzer, Kenneth and Jessie Roberts, Bea Parks, Lucy Ming and myself. Also our visitors, Larry and Glenda Bearly.

Former resident, Louise Hall of Vernon, has been a patiennt in a Lubbock hospital. (I'm not sure if she's home yet or not.) Louise underwent angioplasty and then a few days later had some surgery on her leg. According to reports, she's making good progress.

Lucille Moorhouse and Tom and Becky Moorhouse visited with Jed Moorhouse and family and with Danny and Ann Allen in Amarillo during the weekend. Jed and his wife are the proud parents of a new baby boy born last week. They have been living in Canyon but moved to Hereford during this weekend and were glad to have Tom and Becky to assist with that chore.

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### Lierly-McQueen vows are read December 20

Erin Jane Lierly and Airman Steven Neal McQueen were married December 20 at First United Methodist

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Lierly. The bridegroom is the son of Ms. Connie McQueen of Brownfield.

Janet Kephart of Wetherford, Oklahoma, was maid of honor. Sarah Vacek and Micah Lierly, sister of the bride, were bridesmaids.

Serving his brother as best man was Greg McQueen. Chris McQueen, also brother of the bridegroom, and Nathan Lierly, brother of the bride, were groomsmen.

Taylor Tucker of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, was flower girl. Logan Fisher of Shiatook, Oklahoma, was Bible bearer. Both are cousins of the bride. Ring bearer was Devin McQueen, nephew of the bridegroom.

Candles were lit by Clinton Morrison and Layne Fisher, both of Skiatook, Oklahoma. Ray-Don Daniels of Ponca City, Oklahoma, was usher. All are cousins of the bride. Jonathan Pennington of Snyder, also served as usher. Jonathan is a cousin of the bridegroom: Sarah Lowe registered guests.

Ryan Pfeiffer of Fort Worth officiated, assisted by Vergil Ichertz.

A reception was held in the church fellowship hall immediately following the ceremony. Serving as hostesses at the bride's table were her aunts, Jane Harris of Alva, Oklahoma; Melanie Bird, of Hodgen, Oklahoma; Linda Wyrick, Laura Fisher and Shelby Fisher, all of



MR. AND MRS. STEVEN NEAL McQUEEN ... the former Erin Jane Lierly

Shiatook, Oklahoma. Gina McQueen, sister-in-law of the bridegroom, served as hostess at the bridegroom's table. The couple lives in Minot, North Dakota, where the bridegroom is stationed at Minot Air Force Base and the bride attends Minot State University.

### O'Brien happenings

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"Man to waiter in trendy restaurant" 'I'll have the cabernet sauvignon for my cholesterol, the oysters on the half shell for my cardiovascular system and the french fries for my inner child."

Here and There - Bro. Bill Trice, Mutt Ivie, Orval and Helen Manning, Delbert and Norma Hayes, Bernice Rowan, Marilyn Talbot and I were all in Anson last Monday night to attend Baptist Associational meeting. There were lots of people there and men and women singing and two different preachers preached.

Paul and Dwight Gothard were in Gorman recently to attend the funeral for a niece of Dwight's, Lurlean Nelson. She was always Dwight's good friend.

Alton and LaUna Hester spent the weekend in Panhandle visiting their daughter Brenda Robinson, husband Doyle, granddaughter Mandi and grandson Zack. They all got to see Zack play basketball. LaUna also visited an aunt who was her father's sister, Hazel Barnett, who's in a care home in Amarillo.

Spending a few days recently with Evelyn Underwood were her kids, Bob and Carol Lanham of Amarillo. They enjoyed visiting and getting things set up for Evelyn since she had had several days of illness in the care home and hospital and is home and doing

Attending the musical at the aging center last Saturday night

were Beatrice Ellis. Vivian Hendrix, Delbert and Norma Hayes, Troy and Clara Hanson, Bernice Rowan and I. We all sure enjoyed the music. The musicians were all real good.

Tom Long, age 96, was buried at Paducah on January 31. A cousin of Billie Walker, Tom was a farmer and rancher. Belle Duncan of Aspermont accompanied Billie to the funeral and they were met by Julie and Dale Sanders of Amarillo.

February 1, Elmo Long, Tom's younger brother, was a guest in the home of Billie Walker.

Allen, Lesa, Rebecca, Sam and Elizabeth Herring of Junction visited Ranzy and Adelle Herring over the weekend.

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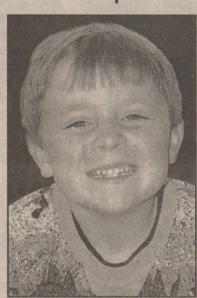


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Common courtesies, good manners, disrespectful behavior

By Eddie

Bland, O'Brien Principal

What has happened to common courtesies? Has it been that long ago since good manners were normal behavior? Are we that far removed from a simple courtesy of removing one's hat when stepping inside a building? I can still remember the days of when students got in trouble at school, they got in double trouble at home. As a school administrator, I continually hear complaints about student attitudes, and almost without exception the complaints stem from basic disrespectful behavior. While it should be generally accepted that, ... "The times they are a changing," basic social skills should remain constants.

Schools in general have a tremendous responsibility to educate students and prepare them to be productive members of our society. This responsibility does extend beyond plain ol' book learning; however, it is unrealistic to think schools can provide all of the necessary social skill education. Students social skills are the result of combined efforts of the home, the school, and the community. Any behavior taught at school through the form of rules

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must be reinforced at home, or it will produce little or no results.

Believe it or not, we do not set rules at school for the sole purpose of torturing students. Order, discipline, and respect are necessary requirements for a successful school, as well as a successful society. In our society today we abide by certain rules with which we do not always agree. School is no different; we have certain rules that every student may not agree with, however, it is necessary that they stay within these boundaries. It is just as important that parents and community members support these rules. Without parent and community support we will inevitably evolve into an "us versus them" mentality. If our students are to be successful it is crucial for parents, community, and school to work together, not against each other.

Social skills are learned behaviors, and without question adults, especially parents, are in the most powerful position for teaching social skills to children. Everything we say and do as adults is observed and learned by our children. Something as simple as adult behavior at an athletic event is teaching our children how to behave. Every time we as adults are rude and disrespectful to one another we are doing no less than reinforcing with our children that rude and disrespectful behavior is acceptable. Every time we as adults are rude and disrespectful to one another we are doing no less than reinforcing with our children that rude and disrespectful behavior is acceptable. Every time a parent openly challenges a school rule they are reinforcing to their children that it is acceptable to defy authority, as well as teaching children that they are not to be held accountable for their actions. By no means am I saying that it is unacceptable to question certain rules. However, there is a right way to address concerns about school policy. Make an appointment with the campus principal, or other appropriate person(s), to discuss your concerns. It is easy to be critical from a distance, however, it takes time and effort to become an active participant. Become more involved with development of school policy through the campus and district site based decision making committees. I really like the old adage of "If you don't take the time and effort to vote, then you don't need to be

complaining." With all of this said, my main goal behind this article is to encourage each of us to be good role models for our kids. There should be little doubt that students, parents, community and school should be striving toward the same objective. This objective is success in life.

### **Social SecutityNews Update**

Workers, employers, urged to check wage reports

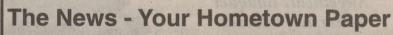
Workers and their employers are urged to make sure wage reports to the Social Security Administration are accurate. Workers should check the W-2 statements of their yearly earnings they receive by the end of January and employers are reminded to double-check the report of wages paid to employees they are required to file with Social Security by the end of February. Common errors include a misplaced digit in the Social Security number, failure to reflect a name change in the newly married and incorrect or misspelled names, particularly in the case of Hispanic surnames. Social Security maintains a lifetime earnings record for each worker on which retirement, survivors and disability benefits are based.

### County-wide 4-H Valentine dance cancelled

scheduled for Saturday, February 14, has been cancelled.

Facilities for the dance were

The 4-H Valentine Dance unavailable. No plans are being made to reschedule the event. For more information, contact the Extension office at 454-2651.







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#### Stock shows & CEU's

The 1998 Knox County Jr. Livestock Show is now a memory. However, it is not completely finished

The final activity of each Knox County Jr. Livestock Show is the Buyers' Appreciation Banquet.' The 1998 banquet will be held on Thursday, February 12 at 7:00 p.m. at the Benjamin Memorial Building. The Memorial Building - or known by some as the Ex Students Building is located one block south of the courthouse in Benjamin.

All youth who exhibited animals at the 1998 Knox County Jr. Livestock Show are required to mail both a Thank You note and a Buyer's Appreciation Banquet invitation to their buyers and prize donors. Any youth that does not have their buyer or add-on list should contact the Knox County Extension office in Benjamin or their local Ag. Science Instructor.

Many of the 4-H and FFA youth are busy preparing for other stock

shows around Texas. Local youth will be participating at livestock shows in Fort Worth (Jan. 21-Feb. 7); Houston (Feb. 20 - March 8) and San Angelo (March 7-15).

On Friday, January 23, Nathan Bloxham, senior at Knox City High School, exhibited a market wether goat at the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show in Fort Worth. In a very tough class that consisted of 71 goats, Nathan placed 26th. Congratulations go out to Nathan for a job well done.

The second biggest business item that takes place in January-February is farmers/ranchers wanting CEU's for their private applicators license. The only ones that I know of in February will be the Big Country Farm & Ranch Show (February 10-11) and the Texoma Farm & Ranch Show (Feb. 18-19).

The Big Country Farm & Ranch show will be held at the Taylor County Coliseum and the Texoma Farm & Ranch Show will be held at the MPEC center in

Wichita Falls. I do 'not have a schedule for the Farm & Ranch Show in Abilene. The one in Wichita Falls will offer 3 CEU's. This program will be offered once on Wednesday (6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.) and twice on Thursday (9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon and 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.) For more information call 1-800 827-8007.

Three upcoming events offering CEU's closer to home are a Nuisance Wildlife Appreciation Program in Haskell on March 11 (4 CEU's); Rolling Plains Cotton Conference in Haskell on April 1 (3 CEU's) and a Chemical Safety Program offered in conjunction with the Brazos Valley Young Farmers meeting on April 7 in Munday (1 CEU).

For more information about the contents of this article, please give Paul Weiser a call in the Knox County Extension office at 454-2651

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### Auxiliary purchases in excess of \$20,000 during '97

The Knox County Hospital Auxiliary was a huge contributor to the Knox County Hospital during the year 1997.

A total of \$20,717.66 was spent purchasing equipment during the year. In this total were two purchases made in November 1996.

Equipment and amounts include: a wall unit transformer, \$265.67; Opthalmascope / halogen, \$126.86; Otoscope diagnostic Tic with specula, \$76.64; Hot Sack IV warmer, \$275.00; Blanket warmer, \$3,924.15; Life Pack 10" for ambulance, \$9,176.26.

Also, EMS response collars, \$145.60; Oximeter, \$695.00; foam tape, \$29.00; nurse training for trauma center, \$790.00, handheld oximeter with case, \$700.74; Broselow bags for ER, \$400.41; new x-ray equipment, \$10.000.00

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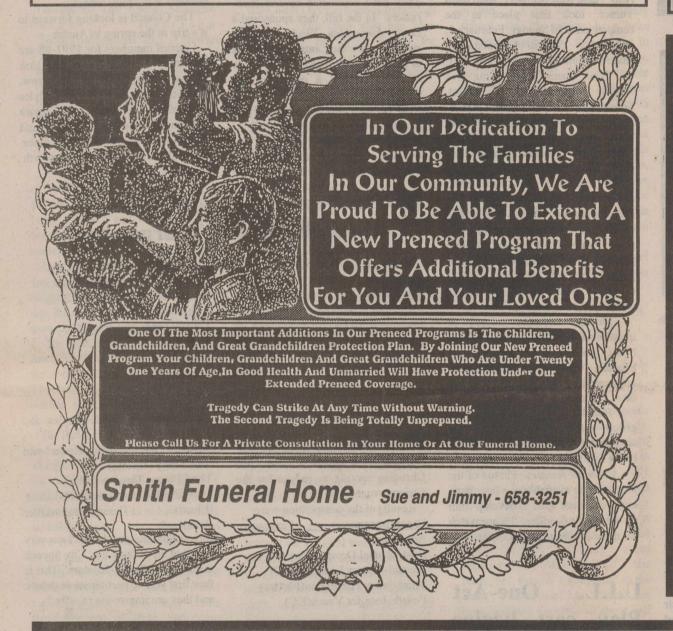
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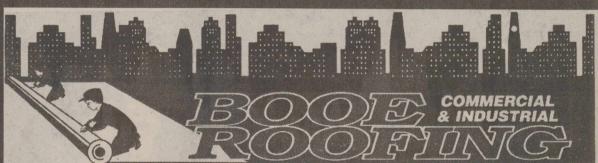
The expression of love we have received from this community has been overwhelming. The many visits, calls, flowers, cards, food and memorials made in his name, and prayers in our behalf, have helped us face the burden of losing Dewey.

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# GREYHOUND PRIDE

### "Gamma Gurton's Needle" delights theatre-goers

by: Mary Shahan

The KCHS Drama Club presented the delightful comedy, Gamma Gurton's Needle, at its Dessert Theater on December 14. The characters in the play had the audience laughing heartily on several occasions. The play is an I.E. Clark adaptation of the original 1575 edition by an unknown author who used the pen name "Mr.. S., Master of Art". He is thought to have been William Stevenson, a professor at Cambridge University, and possibly John Still, an English Bishop.

The play is the second recorded comedy written in the English language. It is important historically because it welcomed in the golden age of English theatre known as the Elizabethan Period. The lines in the play reflect the language of the times with words and phrases such as "Adieu, adieu, for aye" and "Keep

ye content a while! See that your tongues you hold. I suspect from the looks of things, that this brawl first began with the pranks of a knave

A good crowd turned out for this fun-filled evening of rich food and light-hearted entertainment.

Cast members were as follows: Hodge - Heath Turner; Tyb - Gloria Nevarez; Gammer Gurton - Mary Shahan; Cocke - Omard Walton; Diccon - Anthony Ainsworth; Dame Chat - Audra Dale; Doll - Amanda Espinosa; Doctor Rat - Chris Bartley; Master Baily - Aaron Large; Stage Manager - Biviana Silva

(Photo at right) Anthony Ainsworth plays the devious trouble-maker, Diccon, in the production of "Gammer Gurton's Needle"







Characters from the play "Ganmmer Gurton's Needle" work together to dislodge the long-lost needle from Hodge's (Heath Turner) "posterior." Actors pictured are (left to right) Chris Bartley, Amanda Espinosa, Audra Dale, Heath Turner, Aaron Large, Mary Shahan, and Gloria Nevarez. (Photo by Greta Waldrip)

#### Feature Article:

#### Students Survey reveals interest of KCHS students in baseball, softball

by: Audra Dale

The Knox City High School Athletics program will have two new sports beginning with the 1998-99 school year. The School Board took decisive action this fall by voting to add both baseball and softball to the list of sports offered to high school

The interest level of future players was surveyed by the staff of the Greyhound Pride News. All students who will be in high school next year were given the opportunity to complete a survey containing the following questions:

1. If given the opportunity, would you play baseball/ softball next year? 2. Would you be willing to play two or more spring sports?

Ninety-two students responded to the survey. This total includes current eighth graders who will be freshmen next year, and students who will be sophomores, juniors and seniors. Current seniors were excluded.

Of those who responded, forty-nine have stated they would play baseball

Thirty females indicated they would play softball. Twenty-one of that total

will be freshmen or sophomores, which would indicate a majority of interest coming from the younger generation. This could be seen as a real plus for proponents of the program looking to the future.

Nineteen males responded to the affirmative that they would play baseball. The numbers were more equally divided between classes. Ten will be freshmen or sophomores, and nine will be juniors or seniors.

This preliminary survey would suggest that the student body is split in its overall interest. Thirty girls would be an excellent showing for the girls softball, however. Nineteen would be enough for the boys baseball, but would not be as comfortable a margin to work with.

When answering the second survey question, thirty girls also said they would be willing to play two or more spring sports. Twenty-one boys indicated that they would play two or more spring sports.

Overall, the survey results reflect that there will be a good turnout to fill the team rosters of the new spring

#### Congratulations to FFA students!

The Knox City High School FFA students, under the direction of teachers Leon Burkham and Jim Dillon, made a great showing this year at the Knox County Stock Show. The results are too long to print on our school page, and have been adequately covered in the Knox County News and Abilene Reporter News. We, the Greyhound Pride News Staff, would like to offer a special word of cougratulations and thanks for your hard work. You continue to make our community proud of you! We encourage our readers to keep up with the success of this fine program.

#### **FHA Chapter** plans busy month

by: Mary Shahan

This year's FHA Chapter has a full agenda of activities planned for

On February 9, Lora Lierly will host a Beauti-Control Party in the Knox City High School Homemaking room. A beauty consultant will demonstrate techniques of applying make-up. Students are encouraged to bring their mothers and grandmothers and find out what cosmetic colors look best on them. Refreshments will be served.

February 14 is the date set for the Bake Sale. There will be a variety of delicious desserts available. Locations for the purchases are at the Post Office, M-System, and The Art

The Region II FHA Meeting is an event the FHA members are looking forward to. It will be held Friday and Saturday, February 27-28 in Wichita Falls. Chapter members will be among 1,000 delegates attending the conference. The theme, "A Sea of Opportunity with FHA/HERO" will be carried out throughout the workshops. Members will be encouraged to become actively involved in issues facing today's youth. Some of the issues to be addressed will be family ties, substance abuse, self-esteem, child leadership, etiquette, handwriting analysis, and home economics careers.

**ATTENTION!** Yearbooks go on sale for ONE day only! The sale will be Wednesday, February 4. Cost: \$20.00



Pictured above are the members of the hard-working Student Council. They are (Seated, left to right) Jennifer Vacek, Sara Dillon, Anthony Ainsworth, Roni Morrow, Tamara McGaughey, (Standing) Erik Rocha, Chris Bartley, Kelly Estrada, Heath Turner, Amber Collins, Natalie Bloxham, and Myles Richardson. (Photo by Greta Waldrip)

#### Academic Challenge Team takes First Place honors

The Small Schools Academic Challenge team, consisting of seniors Amy Hunt, Kim Grimsley, and Heath Turner, took first place in the competition held Sunday, February 1, in Munday. The trio of scholars will share a scholarship award of \$2,500.

Nine teams representing five schools competed in the contest. Schools represented were Quanah, Rotan, Woodson, Munday, and Knox City. Quanah placed second, Rotan third, and two teams from Munday placed fourth and fifth. The top five teams advance to the State competition to be held in Brownwood later this spring. The top three teams shared the scholarship money; first place received 50 percent, second place received 30 percent, and third place 20 percent. The money is paid to the students when they prove enrollment in college.

Students are asked an array of questions from the academic areas of Math, Science, Social Studies, and English. Each student is asked five questions per round, and there are three rounds of questioning.

Renella Watson sponsored the group and proudly accepted the scholarship check on behalf of the Knox City team.

team will be available at a later date, as there was not time to develop film for Monday's deadline. Please watch for more coverage of this event.

#### U.I.L. One-Act Play cast begins rehearsals

by: Audra Dale

After finishing "Gammer Gurton's Needle", the Drama Club has begun rehearsal for this year's One-Act Play entry," Into the Woods." This dramatic comedy is a mixed-up fairy tale that is sure to please. The Drama Club will compete with this play in the One Act Play Zone contest at Asperment on March 24. The District contest is at Munday on March 27.

The cast includes veterans Heath Turner, Audra Dale, Chris Bartley, Kevin Casillas, Jessica Frazier, and Gloria Nevarez. The large numbers of new-comers that have joined the cast are Aaron Large, Mary Shahan, Melissa Stovall, Tandy Roberts, Natalie Dempsey, Erica Quintana, Sara Dillon, Anthony Ainsworth, and Nathan Bloxham. Crew members are Mathew Lowe, Serena Parker, Amanda Espinosa, and Biviana Silva.

Mrs. Watson, play director, commented that "we are all excited to get started. We are getting props ready and looking forward to a winning year."

#### **Knox City High School Student Council's** activities numerous

by Amber Collins

The Knox City High School Student Council has been busy this year. They have conducted several fundraisers. In the fall, they sponsored a Drug Awareness Week. If the students wore their anti-drug ribbons to school, they were given some candy and they earned a privilege, like wearing a cap to school. The Student Council was also in charge of the concession stand during volleyball. At Christmas the members all had a gettogether at Mrs. Edmond's house. They had a great time. They also

sponsored a canned food drive, and the cans poured in, thanks to all of the students at the high school.

The Council is looking forward to it's trip in the spring to Austin.

Council members for 1997-98 are Freshmen Jennifer Vacek and Erik Rocha; Sophomores Roni Morrow, Natalie Bloxham, and Myles Richardson; Juniors Tamara McGaughey and Chris Bartley, and Seniors Kelly Estrada, Heath Turner, Sara Dillon, and Anthony Ainsworth.

#### Speech Department hosts first "CottonBoll Classic" Tournament

Knox City High School Speech Department hosted the first "Cottonboll Classic" tournament Saturday, January 17. Students from Electra and Knox City squared off in competition in Oral Reading(Prose and Poetry), Extemporaneous Persuasive Speaking, Informative Speaking. Stamford joined in on the competition for the Cross-X Debate. Kay Adkisson served as Meet Director, with Greta Waldrip, Renella Watson, Darlene Bellinghausen, and Jeff Christian serving as judges for the

Results of the competition were: Extemporaneous Persuasive Speaking:

First -Rachel Dovel (Electra) Second-Audrey Lankford(KC) Third-Jenny Harrington(Electra) Fourth-Jennifer Vacek(KC)

Prose Reading: First-Laura Easter(Electra) Second-Erica Quintana(KC) Third-Sarah Dillon(KC) Fourth-Tandy Roberts(KC)

First-Shawn Gibson(Electra)

Cross-X Debate: First Place-Tamara McGaughey and Jennifer Vacek (KC) Second Place-Stephen Easter and John Curry (Electra)

Third Place-(Three-way tie:) Sipple/Neff,(Electra); Kidwell/Dovel, (Electra); Thomas/Weirsmiller (Stamford)

Mrs. Adkisson remarked, "I am very proud of all of the Knox City Speech team, especially the debaters. This is their first year to participate in debate and they are improving rapidly."

#### Houndettes play hard despite losses

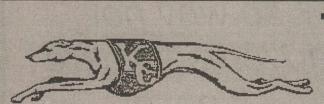
by: Audra Dale

It's been a tough road this year for the Knox City Houndettes, despite the great effort shown by the players. The season record stands currently at 6 -14, and 0 -5 in District play. According to Coach Young, ten games this year were lost by less than ten points. This year's players include Senors Sara Dillon and Kim Grimsley, Juniors Jessica Frazier, Tamara McGaughey, and Tamieka Ware; Sophomore Roni Morrow, and Freshmen Kayla Garcia, Tandy Roberts, and Jennifer Vacek. The current leading scorers are Sara Dillon with and average of thirteen points per game and Kim Grimsley with nine points per game.

Coach Dala Young commented that the teams strengths were being "more competitive and more aggressive," while the weaknesses were "lack of speed and size, shooting less than fifty percent from the free throw line and from the field." She also commented,

"We've had the opportunity to win more ball games. We just haven't taken advantage of those We've opportunities. competitive in most of our games, but our lack of speed and size definitely have hindered our performances." District ends on Friday, February 13

J.V. Basketball: Girls playing on the J.V. squad this year are: Chrystal Wallace, Sonya Contreras, Christina Hernandez, Natalie Bloxham, Kevina Walton, Erica Quintana, Brandy Riggins, and Stephanie Rios, manager. Brandy Riggins, starting post, stated, "At the beginning of the season, we were playing good, then we had a slump. But after we had a change of attitude, we decided we knew we could do better. We've come back playing better than we ever were before. We've kicked it into high gear!. " J.V. coach is Coach



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# KC SCHOOL NEWS



#### **Seventh Grade News**

by: Ashley Harrison, B.J. Stewart, Scooter Thompson, and Wes Parker

Seventh graders have been improving on their musical skills under the direction of Mark Tucker. They performed at the Christmas concert in December. To everyone's surprise, they did extremely well and have been doing so ever since. Other areas that seventh graders have been working hard in English(conjugating verbs, adjectives, and nouns), Reading(short stories and plays like "Monsters Due on Maple Street") History (Indians in Texas, the Alamo, Explorers in Texas, the missions of Texas, and The Battle of San Jacinto), Science (alloys and ceramics) TAAS and Keyboarding. Seventh grade G/T students have been participating the "Professor for the Day" program where each student teaches an area of "expertise". So far, the reports have been: Wes Parker-"Chemical Reactions", Scooter Thompson-"The Apollo Missions", Harrison-Ashley "Neurofibromatosis"; B.J. Stewart-"The U.S.S. Constitution Battleship", and Jennifer Eaton-"Raising Rabbits".

#### Pre-K News

interesting.

The Pre-K kids have been exploring winter this cold month of January. They made snowballs out of Ivory Snow and observed the formation of frost in the science center. Because there are two books called *The Mitten*, the class learned that the same folk tale can be told in slightly different ways. On the last day, the class divided into groups and reenacted each of the stories.

Brad Johnson will has not had his day

as Professor yet, but it will be

The first week after the holidays found the Pre-K students reading four versions of *The Gingerbread Man*. Theclass culminated the stories by baking gingerbread in paper cups in the electric skillet.

The Pre-K began learning the letters and sounds as well as the manual alphabet (sign language). In addition, the class sings songs about each letter. That way, students can see, hear, and feel each letter. Besides learning alphabet songs, Mrs. Bowen and Mrs. Bailiff are teaching the months of the year in a song.

Some new centers are available this month, too. The class has a new building center where they create structures out of large Styrofoam pieces using golf tees for nails. In the art center, the class drew winter pictures and then painted them with "snow". They also cut snowflakes out of coffee filters and sprayed them pink or blue, as in Ezra Jack Keats' snowflakes in his book, *The Snowy Day*. January is a busy month in the Pre-K room.

#### Sixth Grade News

by: Brandon Espinosa, Cody Brockett, and Sondra Lankford

Sixth graders are learning about the Olympics in World History, taught by Mr. And Mrs. Chappell. Students are also researching different countries such as Togo(Brandon, Cody, Jodi, Haleigh, Ariana and Mathew), Israel (Sondra, Samantha, Sophia, Moses, Wesley, Jordan), Mexico(Ashley, Blanca, Brian, Joanna, Daisy, and B.J.), and Spain (Carlos, Shea, Nicole, Amado, Eddie). In Science with Coach DeVille, students are learning about sound effects. They get in groups and tape themselves telling a story and adding sound effects. They also studied light and watch "Bill Nye," (the science guy) videos a lot. The class has several pets in Coach DeVille's room; Millie, the prairie dog, four snakes, one tarantula, a fish and a rat.

Mr. Sloan teaches the class calculator; Mrs Speck teaches math, and Coach DeVille teaches basketball in P.E. The class also has Mrs. Hedgecoke and Mrs. Young for English, Mr. Tucker for band, and Mrs. Chappell and Mrs. Hedgecoke for reading.

## Mrs. Austin's and Mrs. Brockett's Second Grade News

by: Jessy Schur, Orrin Myers, and Joseph Albus (Austin's class)

Today students are writing about what is fun at school. In Math, students learn about shapes like cubes and cones, and write to 1,000. In P.E. second graders are learning basketball. In Science they learn about recycling cans, and about different colored bottles and glass and used paper. In Math they also studied how to add up money, like, the numbers 60,47, and 35 add up and that gives us \$1.42.

by:Laura Harrington, Brittany Garcia, and Derek Agraz (Brockett's class)

Mrs. Brockett's students have died many things. In math, they' have been working with money like quarters and with clocks. In Science , they studied the planets, the Earth's resources, wildlife, and the soil. They learned the musical staff and to sing Rockin' Robin in music class. They sang in the Christmas show. In P.E. students have been learning basketball skills and how to dribble in all different directions. In Social Studies, second graders read biographies about Martin Luther King and Christa McAliff. She was the first teacher to go into space. She died on the Challenger when it exploded. In Reading the class read a book called Friend or Frog. They made postcards.

#### Mrs. Vacek's and Mrs. Lierly's First Grade News

Mrs. Vacek's first grade stays very busy. It is sometimes very hard learning to read. Reading is fun and teaches about everything. The children do class cards, reading, coding, and the paper each day.

In math the class learns about "how many" and "how many more" on graphs, and how to tell time. The day begins with the math meeting.

At 2:30 on Wednesday, the class goes to the library. The Weekly Reader helps in learning about many things for science and social studies. This week, the class calculated the hundredth day of school, and read The Hundredth Day of School, and One Hundred Hungry Ants. The class also made a mix of many tasty things

to eat, one hundred of each of course. Then the class enjoyed eating it!

Mrs. Lierly's first grade celebrated the one-hundredth day of school on January 21. They wrote the numbers from one through one-hundred on a paper graph and then answered some questions about it. Next, the class read 100 Days of School. They also read a story about one hundred hungry ants who were going to a picnic.

To end the celebration, the class made a "100 mix." Each student brought a goodie(such as marshmallows, peanuts, cereal, and M&M candies) to put in the mix; one hundred of each item was counted out and mixed together. The afternoon was a fun one.

Readers: Do you enjoy reading the <u>Greyhound Pride News</u>? We would love to hear from you. Send correspondence to: Editor, <u>Greyhound Pride</u>,Knox City High School, Knox City, Tx.79529

#### **Bulldog Basketball**

by: Brad Johnson and Landon Weiershausen

The 7th and 8th grade basketball teams have worked hard this year. The 8th graders have had a tough time getting wins, but they have played hard and lost some close ones. They only lost to Roby by three points their first game, and by one point the second time they played them. Their wins have been over Rotan twice, with losses to Munday, Roby, Aspermont, and Spur. Members of the 8th grade team are Russell Bishop, Will Grimsley, Justin Casillas, Shawn Speck, Trey Burt, and Garry Manley.

The 7th grade has only lost one District game to Munday, 18-22, but beat them the second time 42-31. They determined in their hearts that they would get revenge, and that's exactly what they did. They have now won eight games, with two left to play, ending what has been a great season. Ever since elementary school, the 7th graders have been looking forward for the chance to show how good they know they were, and now they have! They are tied for the District Championship. The team hopes they keep winning! The 7th grade team members are Logan Morrow, Kendrick Green, Brad Johnson, Caleb Carver, Gemile Roberson, Scooter Thompson, Landon Weiershausen, and Ryne Burkham; the Tiger squad is Jose Miranda, Patrick Garcia, Josh Warren, James Huber, and Alfredo

Coach Chappell has been a real inspiration to the team this year, win or lose

#### Mrs. Collins' and Mrs. Kight's Third Grade

by: Katelyn Railsback and Cody Wainscott (Collins'class)

Hello! This is your third grade news reporters, Katelyn and Cody. Let's get right to what the third graders have been doing. First, in Math students have been trying really hard to learn their mulitplication tables, but it's not going so well for some. In Science, the class has been studying penguins this month. The class LOVES studying about penguins with Mrs. Collins. She reads "Mr. Popper's Penguins" to the class. In Music, Mr. Tucker has been teaching the class all about half notes, quarter notes, eighth notes, whole notes, time, and key signatures. In P.E. students have been learning lots of basketball skills.

by: Tiffany Wilde, Vanessa Solis, and Brandon Grimsley (Kight's class)

The third grade is working on idioms like 'it's raining cats and dogs.' They are also doing Saxton Math and Saxton Board. All the students are working on 1998 Stewardship of Wild Animals. Also, the class is learning to write in cursive. They completed two puzzles before Christmas. Pansy Hale gave the class four creative puzzles. The students are learning to find words in the dictionary by using the guide words.

The class has been doing three different kinds of tests; multiplication tests, vocabulary tests, ans assessment tests. Tests all the time, and they are hard!

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Gifted and Talented fourth and fifth graders attending the Public Speaking Workshop at Cameron University in Lawton, Oklahoma are(Kneeling,left to right) Grant Lewis, Jonathan Burt, and Andy Shaver. (Standing, left to right) Justin Parker, Micah Lierly, Jessica Albus, Nikki Moss, Dustin Johnson, Ricky Smith, and Tomas Myers. (Photo by Greta Waldrip)

#### Lady Bulldog Basketball

by: Jennifer Eaton

Overall, the girls basketball teams have had a pretty interesting season and a good one. They have learned a lot from their basketball experience. We had a lot of girls playing this year. The coach is Coach DeVille. The players are:

8th grade-Dana Holmes, Lelani Bruce, Angela Roberts, Tiffany Jobe, Mandi Kimmel, Melissa Ruiz, Monica Magana, Chrystal Espinosa, Carrie Richardson, Celia Herrera, and Nikki

7th grade-Lesli Villa, Jennifer Eaton, Kayla DelValle, Kim Hawkins, Savannah Gutierrez, Ashley Jobe, Diana Miranda, Ashley Turner, Erica Acuna, Misty Booher, Mindy Hudson, Jacquelyn Lerma, and leah Simmons. The manager is Chrystal Hunt.

#### Mrs. Urbanczyk's and Mrs. Hacker's K-News

Kindergarten has been a fun place to be this semester. Everyone had a great Christmas and said they were good, so Santa was good too. Each student brought a toy to school to share with the class.

Students have been reading stories about winter and snow, and even made snowmen from paper plates. Students also celebrated the 100th day of school and counted all kinds of things to 100. Kindergarten has been learning new games on the computer. Everyone seems to enjoy this very much.

#### Fifth Grade News

by: Dustin Johnson, Ricky Smith, Jonathan Burt, and Justin Parker

Fifth graders are having fun in Language by learning the correct ways to spell and write. Here is an example of the WRONG way to say and spell: "We's a lernin' how ta spek rite an' also hayo to spail rite. So's yal' all kin unerstan whut we's a tryin tu sa tu ya. Got it?"

In Science, the class is trying not to shock themselves while learning about electricity at the same time. Electricity is fascinating but can also be very dangerous and you need to now about it.

In Reading, the class is reading AR books. AR books are books that you have to take a test on in the computer. If you pass it you get points. At the end of the year, if you have a certain number of points, you get a prize.

In P.E. students are shaping up and learning basketball skills. In Band, the class is learning how to play and count much better.

#### Music concerts "superb"

Grades Pre-K through 4th presented vocal concerts, and grades 5-12 performed on instruments in two separate and highly enjoyed evenings of Christmas cheer. Mr. Mark Tucker's music and band students brought much joy to large crowds of parents and community members. Students and audience alike felt pride in their performances.

#### Fourth and Fifth Grade Gifted/Talented students attend workshop

Gifted and Talented students from the Knox City Elementary fourth grade and O'Brien Mid-School fifth grade attended a Public Speaking workshop hosted by Cameron University in Lawton, Oklahoma, on November 12.

Students were given the opportunity to work in large and small groups on communication skills. Activities required students to work cooperatively in planning and presenting information in a public speaking setting. Following the workshop, the students stopped at the tourist bureau and collected several informative brochures and information guides to numerous geographic locations in Oklahoma.

#### Mrs. McGaughey's and Mrs. Kuehler's Fourth Grade Class News

Conservation Posters: by Meagan Schur and Sandra Silva: Doing the Conservation posters is lots of fun. The themes were "Wonderful Wildlife and Backyard Stewardship". The following won places: 6th, Jessica Albus;5th, Kylin DelValle;4th, Andy Shaver;3rd, Micah Lierly; 2nd, Cheyenne Favor;1st Meagan Schur. Hillary Chenhall remarked, "It's too bad everyone can't win! They were all so beautiful!" 1st, 2nd, and 3rd go on to the County Competition.

TAAS Practice: by Hillary Chenhall

Last year's fourth graders received a TAAS score of 100% from working for forty hard days. They listened to Mrs. Kuehler and Mrs. McGaughey very well. This year's fourth graders expect to do the same thing! That is why they have set their goal to make a 100% score on TAAS again this year. The four kinds of writing that the class has been learning are Classificatory, Persuasive, Narrative, and "How To."

The Fourth Grade Musical: by: Jeremy Saxton, Jamilla Ward, and Micah Lierly

In December the fourth graders put on a fabulous play called,"Shaping Up Santa". The play was about Santa losing weight before Christmas because last year he got stuck in a chimney. Mrs. Claus and one of the elves, Hughie, took him to Betty Body's Health Club. What happened was very funny. Santa escaped because he couldn't stand the food. Everything turned out good. The fourth graders sang many songs. Santa was played by Jeremy Saxton, and Mrs. Clause by Jamilla Ward. Micah Lierly was Hughie, Meagan Schur played Betty Body, and Nikki Moss was Tony the Pizza Guy. Everyone else was an elf or a member of the fitness club.





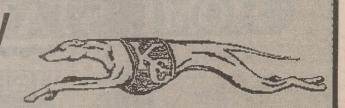
(Above)Elementary students sing Christmas songs at their Musical concert.

Donnie Gee(Right) enjoyed participating in a skit during the show by playing the class "dunce". Photos by Greta Waldrip





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February 9 thru 13

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Wednesday, February 11 - Barbecued chicken, cole slaw, creamed sliced potatoes, whole kernel corn, hot rolls, jello with fruit.

Thursday, February 12 - Chicken fillet with gravy, pea salad, hominy casserole, baked potatoes, hot roll, fruit cobbler.

Friday, February 13 - Hamburgers with cheese slice, lettuce, tomato, pickles, onion slices, seasoned pork and beans, potato wedges, Valen-

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BY JACK FARIS

#### Improving Worker Safety the SAFE Way

One of the most dreaded federal agencies involved with the American small business community soon could get a legislative face lift that will leave it looking and acting kinder and gentler in some very important ways.

The Safety Advancement for Employees Act, or SAFE Act as it's called, is a bill that offers a new partnership approach to employee safety between the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and employers. The plan is designed to encourage safety-conscious employers to achieve safer and more healthful worksites by working with private sector safety and health experts.

Why is the SAFE Act needed?

There is a growing consensus that the heavy-handed, big stick policies of OSHA are not effective. Work-related accidents occur, but not necessarily because employers don't care about the safety of their employees. The problem, artfully described by Rep. Jim Talent, R-Mo., one of the SAFE Act's lead sponsors, lies instead with "the ineffective and adversarial nature of OSHA." The agency has a tendency to penalize first and ask questions

As Rep. Talent recently pointed out in a letter to his House colleagues, OSHA has only 2,451 state and federal inspectors to regulate 96.7 million American workers. With a ration of about one inspector to 3,000 worksites, OSHA can currently inspect a workplace just about once every 167 years! Yet the agency plunges ahead, threatening businesses with fines and even harsher action for non-compliance with its safety standards.

The SAFE Act may be a way to quiet all the hoopla surrounding OSHA and still promote employee safety. In fact, the legislation would force the president to live up to his "reinvention of OSHA" initiative. The act is actually a mirror image of the president's reinvention proposal for OSHA.

Under the SAFE Act, employers are encouraged to voluntarily seek out qualified professionals to evaluate the safety of their operation, thereby allowing OSHA to concentrate its resources on policing those work sites that truly need federal enforcement. The bill also encourages employees to share their safety ideas with businesses through employee participation health and safety programs.

Small-business owners want this type of reform. In a survey by the National Federation of Independent Business, 86 percent of NFIB members favored OSHA replacing penalties with information and incentives to promote safer and healthier

The legislation also would protect small-business owners from civil penalties for minor paperwork violations which account for the majority of small-business related citations. The SAFE Act would help create a safer working environment without unnecessarily penalizing small-business owners.

Sen. Mike Enzi, R-Wyo., the bill's primary Senate sponsor, is optimistic about the bill's chances for passage, saying that "this is the best shot we have had in 30 years of passing legislation that will provide for a safer workplace by creating a cooperative environment between employees, employers and OSHA."

The SAFE Act would go a long way toward putting OSHA on the same sideline as American small business.

Jack Faris is President of the National Federation of Independent Business, the nation's largest small business advocacy organization. For information call 1-800-NFIB-NOW.

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### Poteet rites are held Tuesday

Christine Reynolds Poteet, 74, of Haskell, died Saturday, January 31, in a Haskell hospital. Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 3, in the Eastside Baptist Church with pastor David Page and Sequoyah Reynolds officiating. Burial was in the Knox City Cem-

Mrs. Poteet was born on March 8, 1923, in Knox City. She married Harley O. Poteet on July 11, 1939, in Haskell. He recently preceded her in death on January 8, 1998. She was the Haskell Hospital Food Service Director for over 20 years and had lived in Haskell for the past 28 years. She was a member of the Eastside Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Harley Gene Poteet of Artesia, New Mexico, and Michael David

Poteet of Haskell; a daughter, Anita Faye Poteet Goode of Throckmorton; 11 grandchildren, Brad Poteet, Steve Poteet, Richie Poteet, Lisa Poteet, Jimmy Goode. Cory Goode, Sherry Jackson. Kira Poteet, Travis Poteet, Kevin Madina and Kamie Scott; and 15 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Harvey Reynolds of Abilene and Bud Reynolds of Knox City; two sisters, Cleo Collins of Knox City and Pat Strahan of San Anto-

She was preceded in death by a son, Roy R. Poteet.

Grandsons served as pallbear-

Honorary pallbearers were Christy Riggs, Viola Brueggman, Zora Medford, Mary Moeller, Dr. Bill McSmith, Jamie Caldwell and the staff at Outreach Home Health Care.

### Immunization clinic is Thursday

The Texas Department of Health will conduct an immunization clinic at the Perry Patton Community Center in Munday on Thursday, February 12, from 10:00 - 11:30 and 1:00 - 3:00.

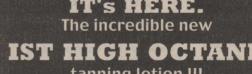
Immunizations offered include DTaP, Hib, Polio, Measles, Mumps and Rubella and Hepatitis B for infants as well as all school immunizations. The Hepatitis B immunization will be required for kindergarten entry in the fall of 1998. This immunization series consists of three injections taking a minimum of six months to complete. The Hepatitis B immunizations is also available for any child at risk or any child whose parents wish them to have for protection or prevention.

The varicella (chickenpox) vaccine has arrived at the office and is now being given to 12 month old thru 12 year olds. For those interested in more information on the varicella, please call the office.

Participants are asked to bring immunization records and social security numbers to the clinic. A parent or legal guardian must accompany a minor. All services provided by the Texas Department of Health are provided on a sliding fee scale but no one is denied services due to an ability

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#### The condensed version....

By Dave Thompson



shorter, condensed version about what is happening around the area. I Hope you get something out of it.

#### Grand opening a success

The grand opening last Saturday of Penman's Convenience Store was a huge success for everyone involved. A very large crowd was on hand for the day long event and everyone seemed to be in a festive mood and enjoying themselves. The Texas Lotto trailer was on hand for the event, and all those spinning the lotto wheel walked away with some sort of prize. And... yes, Sue even had her stool displayed for everyone to see! The next time you see Ray Penman, be sure to thank him personally for his wisdom and his confidence in our community to undertake such a venture. We do appreciate Ray and everyone associated with the new convenience store.

#### O'Brien BB ready to end

If you have not had an opportunity to see an O'Brien 7th or 8th grade basketball game, mark these dates on your calendar: This Saturday, February 7, the girls will play their last games at the Seymour Tournament. On Monday, February 9, the boys will play their last game with Spur at O'Brien beginning at 5:00 p.m., These teams do play some exciting basketball!

#### Great food this Sunday

There's some great eating coming up this Sunday, February 8th. The Knox County Historical Commission is sponsoring a meal at the Benjamin Memorial Building. The group is attempting to raise funds for the new museum project, so if you are in the neighborhood be sure to drop by and enjoy the food. An adult meal ticket is just \$5.00, and kids 12 and under can eat for just \$3.00. Leta Mangis informed me early this week that tickets for the meal will be available at the door for those unable to purchase them in advance.

#### Dogs, dogs and more dogs

Ever driven around the city and noticed all the dogs running loose? There are strays, pairs, and packs of dogs everywhere these days! Since I have seen these dogs digging through the trash cans in the downtown business area, and fighting each other in the middle of the street in front of the News office. I'm sure that others have also witnessed the growing problem. I wonder how long it will be before a child suffers injury by these wild dogs. According to

Police Chief Harry Steen, our city government does not require dogs to be on a leash or in a fenced enclosure, but a complaint on nuisance dogs can be acted on by the city. So, I guess my advice would be to those of you reading this column.... let the city know if you think this is a problem. I have read in other area newspapers recently where communities are enacting and enforcing leash laws. Maybe we need those kinds of laws here.... before a child is bitten, injured and mauled, or has to undergo painful rabies shots.

#### We appreciate

Just about every week this paper runs O'Brien News by Audie Johnston and Benjamin News by Gladene Green. These two ladies have been writing their local community news for many years and I just wanted to take a moment to say thank you to both ladies. Their weekly input is a lot of work and a big part of this newspaper. If you like reading their columns, let them know. I'll bet they would appreciate the kind words.

#### Condolences

Our prayers this week are with the family of Christine Reynolds Poteet, 74, who passed away Saturday, January 31.



#### **High Blood Pressure**

The American Heart Association says that 35 percent of Americans who have high blood pressure don't know they

According to the American Heart Association, the prevalence of high blood pressure increases with age, is greater for blacks than for whites, and in both races is greater in less-educated than moreeducated people.

#### **Physical Activity**

Physical inactivity is a risk factor for heart disease. The American Heart Association recommends that people get a total of at least 30 minutes of vigorous physical activity 3-4 times per week to maintain cardiovascular fitness. Moderate levels of daily physical activity are also beneficial.

Benefits of physical activity include lowering high blood pressure, increasing HDL (good) cholesterol, losing excess weight, strengthening the cardiovascular system and looking and feeling better, says the American Heart Association.

Physical activity does your heart good! Need some good ideas? The American Heart Association suggests walking, hiking, swimming, bicycling, jogging, stair climbing, running, rowing or endurance activities. Even housework, gardening and dancing offer some health benefits. The most important thing is to start being more physically active and then stay with it. Just move!

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### ISSUE UPDATE

Mac Thornberry

#### Lower Taxes and Less Spending will Lead to a Stronger State of the Union

Address last Tuesday night, President Clinton showed us once again that he has an amazing ability to put distractions aside and present a welldelivered speech on some of the most pressing challenges facing our

If nothing else, the President's speech provides a good starting point that will help frame this year's debate in Washington. On the one side, you have what the President is proposing: \$42 billion in new government spending; new federal programs that give even more power to the Washington bureaucracy; and, limited tax credits that essentially make people jump through hoops to keep a little more of the money that's rightfully theirs in the first place.

On the other side of the debate is what I and many others in Congress hope to achieve this year: first, providing real and across the board tax relief for the American people, and taking the first step toward scrapping the tax code itself; second, improving education -- not by giving more power to federal

With his State of the Union bureaucrats, but by giving parents more control over what their kids learn in school and sending more dollars directly to the classroom; and third, shoring up our defenses in spite of the decline in defense spending that began 13 years ago and is hurting our armed forces

Still, some things have changed. The federal government will have the first balanced budget in 30 years. When you consider that only three years ago, the President was proposing budgets with deficits as far as the eye could see, this is a step in the right direction. But unfortunately, the President continues to look to Washington first to solve most of our problems, and continues to believe the federal government knows best how to spend our money.

I believe the opposite is true. I believe that the American people themselves know best, and that if we trust you to make decisions that are in the best interest of you and your family, our whole Nation will be stronger and more secure.

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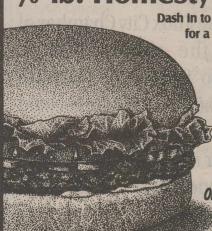
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#### Winners announced in fund raising drawing

The winners have been announced in a drawing that was held recently as a fund-raising project to help two Knox City High School students go on a trip to our nation's capitol in Washington, D.C.

Raising trip expense funds for Jessica Frazier and Gloria Nevarez, prizes in the drawing were three different 'beanie babies.

Winning 'Freckles' was Julia Hernandez, winning 'Hoot' was Charlene Del Valle, and winning

'Peace' was Joe Cantu.

While Gloria appears to have raised the need \$1000.00 for her trip expenses, Jessica still needs to raise about \$100.00 to complete her trip expenses. Anyone wishing to help Jessica can contact her direct, or donations can be left here at the NEWS office during business hours and they will be forwarded to Jessica.

The trip to Washington, D.C. will take place during the week of March 7-14 and include a tour of the White House.



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#### Shower honors Melissa Brown on January 11

A bridal shower honoring Mrs. David Brown, the former Melissa Harrison, was held Sunday, January 11, in the home of Mrs. Eddie Offield. Calling hour was from two until three o'clock in the after-

Greeting guests with the honoree was her mother, Dorethy Harrison; Melissa's sisters, Jennifer DeVille and Ashley Harrison; and her grandmother, Bobbie

Special guests were Wanda and Rene Vojkufka of Weinert.

A hunter cloth with lace overlay covered the serving table where refreshments of cookies, hot cider, punch, nuts and mints were used. Appointments were crystal.

Hostesses were Sammie Offield, Lorrie Coop, Debbie Welborn, Robbin Rocha, Mary Counts, Juanita Wilcox, Billie Jean McAuley Genie Holcomb, Donna Williams, Stacy Thompson, Billye Angle, Maribeth Williams, Rita Rosencranz, LaNell Kight, Leslie Mahan, Mary Rauch, Lois Richardson, Romain Stubbs, Jan Wilde, Jo Marie Scott, Mona Chenhall, Peggy Clarke, Sue Clayton, Betty Patterson, Sharla Jetton, Brenda Correll, Barbara Rector and Joyce Risinger.

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### Museum fundraiser dinner is Sunday in Benjamin

Sunday is the day for the Knox County Museum fundraiser dinner. The meal will begin at 12:30 p.m. at the Benjamin Memorial Building, according to Mary Jane Young, chairman of the Knox County Historical Commission.

Volunteers have been lined up to barbecue the pork and brisket and good cooks from all over Knox County have volunteered to bake turkeys and make pies and

Tickets will be \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for those 12 and under.

Ticket sales have begun, according to Kenneth Roberts, KCHC treasurer.

Tickets can be bought from Roberts and Jackie Young in Benjamin, Charles Baker in Munday, Bill Baker, Doris Crownover and Jerry Williams in Knox City, Dixie Elliott in Goree, Valeria Hertel in Rhineland, Alletha Beck in Vera, Frances Cook in Gilliland and Clara Brown inTruscott.

Tickets will also be available at the door.

Door prizes will be awarded,

so everyone needs to sign tickets before leaving them at the door February 8.

Copies of the Knox County History will be available for sale at the Benjamin Memorial Center that day. The first printing sold out years ago, so these books will be sold from the remainder of the indexed second pringint. Less than 75 copies are still available.

Anyone wishing to buy or sell tickets, bake a pie or cake, or help in anyway is asked to contact anyof the above listed persons.

### Girl Scouts to begin cookie sales on Feb. 13

It's America's favorite time of the year again.... Girl Scout Cookie

NorCenTex Girl Scouts are announcing the kickoff of their traditional cookie orders beginning February 13th. Orders will be taken until February 22, with the delivery of cookies and booth

sales beginning on March 6. New this year are the first ever sugar free Girl Scout cookies, the lemon flavored Chalet Cremes, and a "Striped Chocolate Chip", a real chocolate chip and pecan cookie with rich chocolately stripe and bottom coating. The 1998 sale will have eight varieties of the famous cookies, including America's favorite, the Thin Mint. Other types of cookies available are: Samoas (coconut & caramel, striped with cocoa), Do-Si-Dos, Trefoils, Tagalongs, Reduced Fat Chalet Cremes, and low fat iced oatmeal'n raisin, Snaps. Little Brownie Bakers uses vegetable

shortening and the cookie contains no preservatives or artificial colors. The Bakery is also kosher approved. The cost is \$3.00 per

Girl Scouts in our 11 county area will be participating in the cookie sale. They will learn valuable skills, such as goal setting, handling money, dealing with the public, marketing products, and working together as a team to accomplish goals.

The girls will also earn a bonus for their troops in addition to individual recognitions. They have an opportunity to earn a patch, a mug, a hat, T-shirt, stuffed Huskey, boxer shorts, beach towel, camping stool, sports bag, volleyball, and a campership or savings bond.

During 1997, troops received more than \$42,000 for troop activities and service projects, trips, purchasing recognitions, payment of membership dues, and for individual girl recognitions.

The remaining income enables NorCenTex to provide programs for all members in the eleven county jurisdiction and to provide financial assistance for girls of modest means.

Cookie proceeds support and maintain Twilight and Day Camps; the primitive campsite, Camp Stonewall Jackson; purchase equipment and provide training to volunteer Girl Scout Leaders and National Service projects such as "Be Your Best".

Service Unit Cookie Managers are: Jamie Bowers, Henrietta; Melissa Sadberry, Holliday; Norm Townsend, Sheppard AFB; Tina Turner, Burkburnett; Beckie Wirmel, Iowa Park; Cindy Bowden, Electra; Maureen Pimley, Wichita Falls; Sarah Park, Wichita Falls; Jeannie Allbritton, Seymour; Pamela Johansen, Vernon; Marsha Ticer, Childress; and Barbara Thompson, Quanah.

### Classic Cable offers scholarships to high seniors

Classic Cable recently announced that the 1998 application process for the Classic Cable Scholarship Fund is under way. The fund was created in 1997 for graduating high school seniors within its eight-state service area.

J. Merritt Belisle, Classic's Chief Executive Officer, views the program as further evidence of the Company's commitment to the communities served by its cable televisions systems. "We look forward to the opportunity to buid upon the enormous success of the 1997 campaign, wherein Classic awarded over \$30,000 to 101 graduating seniors. Our commitment to the scholarship pro-

gram has been bolstered by outstanding performance reports from a number of our 1997 scholarship recipients."

Specific eligibility requirements include a top 20% ranking within the graduating class, demonstrated leadership in and out of the classroom as well as participation in extracurricular activities. Financial hardship or other circumstances will also be considered when deciding between applicants whose abilities appear equal. In addition to the scholarship application, students must submit three letters of recommendation from the school principal, teachers, or administrators, a copy

of their official high school transcript showing class rank, as well as a 300 word essay on chosen goals with an emphasis on leadership and ability to reach goals.

All applications will be evaluated by a committee of employees from Classic Cable and will be judged according to the overall strength of qualifications.

Scholarship applications are available through the local high school guidance counselors or by contacting Adina Crawford with Classic Cable directly at (785) 434-7620 ext. 323. Deadline for submitting applications is March 13th and the scholarship wirmers will be announced April 20th.

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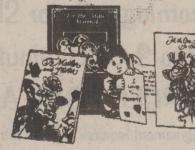
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To develop an effective advertising strategy: first, evaluate the benefits that existing competitors are offering and advertising to attract their customers; second, examine the most current market research that is available about your customers. Look for areas where you offer something unique or something more than the competition offers.

Advantages that can be advertised and promoted are of two types: the unique qualities of your business and the ability to fulfill a specific need. Examples of the first type of advantage are: "Established in 1924" implies longevity in the marketplace and provides potential customers with a sense of

security about your product. This type of distinction will be particularly effective if new competitors have entered the market.

"Find everything you need in one place" suggests to the customer that it is not necessary to visit several stores to find what is needed. If your business covers many aspects of one industry, say so. "We specialize in Widgets" indicates that you are a specialist. You offer the most complete knowledge about

the product and any special product parts. In such an advertising approach, you are relying on the reputation of the

"Over 1 thousand satisfied customers" implies acceptability by your customers. This type of statement tells potential customers that your business is well established. The second type of advantage that can be advertised depends on appealing to customer's needs. Such an

approach indicates that you really care about your customers and are willing to cater and adapt to their interests. Examples of these approaches are:

"Quicker service" indicates fast and efficient service. If your market research indicates that your customers value their time, implement a plan to raise the speed of your customer service.

"Open early/late" or "Open weekends" indicates extended business hours and provides extra flexibility for customers with busy schedules or who work long hours.

"Satisfaction Guaranteed" or "Satisfaction, or your money back" suggest a commitment to your product and provides customers with an added sense of confidence. Not everyone is the market is willing to take on this type of obligation and it can be extremely effective.

"Customer Support Service" implies that you are concerned about customer satisfaction and are willing to offer services to help please your customers.

"Free Delivery" will be especially attractive to customers who do not have a truck or automobile to transport their purchase especially if it is something large like furniture or a TV. Identify and advertise the unique aspects of your business. They will help you to attract new customers, increase

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sales volume and achieve the growth objectives of your business.

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#### Real Estate

FOR SALE - Four bedroom, two bath brick home, barn with 14 acres, greenhouse, two water wells, city utilities, barn and storage buildings. Call 658-3486.

11-7 tfc 26 FOR SALE - 501 South Fourth. Brick, three bedroom, two bath, two car garage, central heat and air, large kitchen, extra carport, storage building, shop building, storm cellar, fenced yard, covered patio, large lot, water well. Extra land available. Call 658-3841 to see. 6-19 tfc 42

HARTSFIELD REALTY - 2/3 bedroom brick, 2 bath, large dining area, lots of cabinet space in kitchen. Enclosed back porch, water well, low taxes. On 3 acres. Priced low. Esther Conn, 940-658-3904 or 940-864-2665. Hwy. 6, N 4 miles, then turn left on Co. Rd 1213, 1 mile.

10-9 tfc 6.00

FOR SALE - 117 acres of farm land between Knox City and O'Brien. Please call for information, 940-658-3486.

#### HOUSE FOR SALE IN MUNDAY

Nice, large 3 bedroom, brick, 2 baths, utility room - office, lots of cabinets, closets and storage. CH / A, ceiling fans, pecan trees, water well, double garage. Good neighborhood.

> Must see to appreciate! Floyd McGuire, Jr. (940) 864-3790 1-29 2tc

HOUSE FOR SALE - Four bedroom, one and one-half baths with approximately six extra lots in Rochester. Contact Kay or David Adkisson, 743-3591.

HELP WANTED - The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station is accepting applications for a Technician I position. The position requires a B.S. degree in agriculture with associated background and skills. Work location will be the Munday Research Station. A complete position description and application can be obtained from the Munday office during regular office hours. Contact David Bordovsky at 940-852-5125 for further information. The Texas Agricultural Experiment Station is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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#### Services

HOME DECORATORS - Building, Remodeling, Painting (Interior and Exterior), Experienced, Free Estimates. Bobby O'Neal, (817) 743-3550. 3-30 tfc 15

#### **Lost & Found**

LOST - One adult bunny rabbit. Solid white with collar. Lost in the vicinity of First Baptist Church parsonage. Call 658-2-5 1tc 20

#### For Sale

THINGS NEVER WORK out like we plan'. We ordered a bunch of La-Z-Boy recliners in leather for Christmas selling. Part of them came in the week before Christmas and some more came in late January. Anyway, we have a good selection of leather La-Z-Boy recliners and the prices are the best in the Big Country. If we don't have exactly what you want, we will special order it for you at our sale prices. Kinney Furniture in Stamford.

'HONESTY IS THE first chapter in the book of wisdom.' Thomas Jefferson. Most of us wish that all the politicians in Washington still thought this way, even though it would be hard on the comedians. Come see our honest values at Kinney Furniture in Stamford. 2-5 1tc

'HAPPINESS IS A journey, not a destination.' You will have a happy journey through life if your start sleeping on a new Spring Air mattress set from Kinney Furniture in Stamford. All bedding now at special sale prices. We stock all sizes in six different models. Too many numbers to list here. Come in or just give us a free call at 800-256-2232.

2-5 1tc

### **Political** Calendar

The following have authorized The Knox County News to announce their candidacy for public office.

State Representative, District 70 SCOTT MCLAUGHLIN (R) DAVID COUNTS (D) - Re-Election

**Knox County Treasurer** PENNY (PARKS) GOODWIN (D)

Knox County Clerk RONNIE VERHALEN (D) DANNY SPECK (D) - Re-Election

Justice of the Peace, Precincts 1 & 2 IMAGEAN YOUNG (D)-Re-Election CLODELL DUKE (D) ROBERT (ROB) HARRISON (D) MITZI HAM (D)

Knox County Sheriff DEAN W. HOMSTAD (D) JOHNNY M. ANDRADE (D)

Knox County Judge DAVID N. PERDUE (D)-Re-Election LINDA WAGNER (D)

Knox County Commissioner, Precinct Two JERRY PARKER (D) - Re-Election

Judge, 11th Court of Appeals

The Above-Named Candidates

#### **Legal Notice**

NOTICE OF REPORT OF TRANSFER OF THE ASSETS. LIABILITIES, AND CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY OF B-K ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. TO TRI-COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

an electric utility headquarted in Azle, Texas, has on December 5, 1997, filed a report of the transfer of the assets, liabilities and certificate of convenience and necessity of B-K Electric Cooperative, Inc. to Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc., as further set out on the Commission-prescribed form is kept at the offices of Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc., 600 N.W. Parkway, Azle, Texas 76020, and is available for review during normal business hours. After the transfer, some of the members of Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc. and some of the current members of B-K Electric Cooperative, Inc. will receive and pay for service at rates that may be higher or lower than they are currently

the Commission at (512) 936-7136.

**B-K ELECTRIC** Seymour, TX 76380

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PUBLIC HEARING AND CLOSEOUT

#### JACK WHITTEN

ROBERT PELTON (R)

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Tri-County Electric Cooperative, Inc.,

The case has been assigned Docket No. 18443. The deadline for intervention is March 2, 1998. Persons with questions about the consolidation may contact the Cooperative at 600 N.W. Parkway, Azle, Texas 76020. Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in or comment upon this proceeding should contact the Public Utility Commission, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326 and the telephone number of the Public Utility Commission's Office of Consumer Affairs is (512) 936-7120. Hearing-and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact

COOPERATIVE, INC. 419 North Main Street Drawer 672 (940) 888-3441

TRI-COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. 600 N.W. Parkway Azle, TX 76020 (817) 444-3201 or (817) 523-7231

### **Public Notice**

**GRANT PERFORMANCE** 

The City of O'Brien will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m., February 12, 1998 at City Hall for the purpose of reviewing its performance on a recently completed TCDP grant, Contract No. 714629. All citizens, particularly low and moderate income residents are invited and encouraged to attend. Individuals with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact Charlene Brothers to arrange for assistance. Writtencomments will also be accepted at City Hall during regular business hours. 2-5 1tc 88

TEXAS STATEWIDE CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING NETWORK



TexSCAN Week of Feb. 1, 1998 **BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY** 

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good drivers (company and owner operators). Need Class A CDL and a 1 year OTR flatbed. Roberson: We care about drivers. 1-800-473-7384. RAPID FREIGHT OF Texas is seeking OTR drivers. Minimum 1 year verifiable experience, class A CDL with HazMat required. Call recruiting 1-800-299-7274 ext. 21 or ext. 41.

SOUTHWESTERN FREIGHT CARRIERS. Division of Burlington Motor Carriers needs OTR drivers & Owner Operators. Dallas & San Antoareas. Premium pay/benefits. 1-800-968-8743,

**EDUCATION** 

BECOME A MEDICAL transcriptionist. Opportunity to work at home or in office typing for Doctors. Home study. Free literature. P.C.D.I., Atlanta, Georgia. 1-800-362-7070 Dept. YYB722. SHARE A DREAM. Host German, Scandinavian, European, South American, Asian, Russian High School students arriving August. Become a host family/AISE. Call 1-800-SIBLING.

**EMPLOYMENT** 

A&P MECHANICS. EARN over \$1,000/wk do-657-0997. PDS Aviation Services. EOE. **DELIVER RECREATIONAL VEHICLES!!!** Must have Pick-up truck, 3/4 or 1 ton preferred. Texas & Southwest trips. Sign on bonus. Home

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FOR SALE

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Free catalog! 1-800-786-9274. 24 hours.

HEALTH

DIABETIC? ARE YOU paying for supplies? Why? For information on how you can receive supplies at little or no cost call 1-800-678-5733 RESPIRATORY PROBLEMS? PAYING for medications? Why? Do you use Albuterol (Proventil, Ventolin), Ipratropium (Atrovent), Metaproterenol (Alupent), or other nebulizer medications? Call Express Med 1-800-290-6442.

**LEGAL SERVICES** 

ATTENTION: INJURIES, ADDICTIONS, Death, from SADDL use. 1-800-833-9121. Johnathan Juhan Board Certified Personal Injury Trial Law. Board of Legal Specialization. Free consultation. Principal office - Houston. FEN-PHEN REDUX DIET drug lawsuits. Heart

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Call this newspaper for details on how to advertise statewide.

### DAVID COUNTS REAL ESTATE

GREAT COUNTRY HOME - Three bedroom home, brick on six acres with several buildings with potential income possibilities. Large living area with fireplace. Need to see to appreciate. Appointment only. Three miles west of Knox City.

NEW LISTING - Three bedroom, two bath, mobile home to be moved. 700 South Fifth.

NEW LISTING - Two bedroom, one bath, large nice corner lot. 1010 South Third.

NEW LISTING - Three bedroom, one bath, large living room, kitchen, carport, fenced backyard. Good location. 805 East Main. Great price!

NEW LISTING - Corner lot, good location, good seller. Three - four bedroom, one bath.

NEW LISTING - Three bedroom, one bath, dining room, carpet.. 1002 South Fourth.

BUSINESS LOCATION with additional lot included. 204 Avenue F. THREE BEDROOM, two baths, one extra lot included. 907 Aspen. TWO GREAT LOTS on Ave. F, 100 x 140. One with RV storage garage. THREE BEDROOM BRICK, 1 1/2 bath, carport, fence, central heat & air, washer & dryer hookup. Equity buy for qualified buyer. 201 South Avenue F.

DOWNTOWN OFFICE LOCATION - Good condition, 118 North Central. THREE BEDROOM, one bath, central heat. 1106 South Fourth St. Make an offer. TWO BEDROOM, one and one-half bath. 104 Avenue H. TWO BEDROOM, two living areas, large kitchen, two car garage, large lot with trees, fence.

THREE BEDROOM, two bath, central air, workshop, fence, carport. Shown by appointment only

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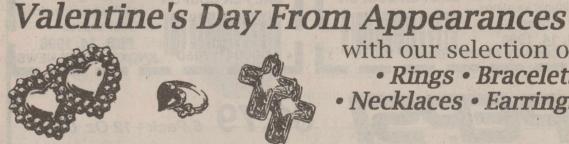
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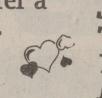
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#### FCE to meet Tuesday, February 10 in Helms Home

The Texas Association for Family and Community Education will meet February 10 at the home of Ramona Helms at 208 North Fourth Street in Knox City and will be hosted by Pam Mongrain.

County Agent Jane Rowan will present a program entitled "Scherinschnitte / Paper Embossing". Guests are invited to the 7:00 p.m. meeting.

#### Caryn Cave named to H-SU's fall dean's list

ABILENE - Hardin-Simmons University announces that Caryn Cave of Guthrie has made the Dean's List for the fall 1997 semester.

Students named to the Dean's List must take at least 12 semester hours and complete all courses with at least a 3.75 grade point average.



Then get that great winter tan now at

Appearances

### Presenting the State Flag of Texas to Penman's



PRESENTING AN OFFICIAL TEXAS FLAG that has flown over the State Capitol in Austin, State Representative David Counts (shown at left) made the presentation as a part of the opening day festivities at Penman's Convenience Store last Saturday. Others shown in the photo with Rep. Counts are (from left to right) Monty Penman, Jane Ann Penman, Roland Marion, Sue Marion, Ray Penman, (NEWS Photo by Betty Bailiff) Jim Dillon and Rita Rosencranz.



FROM SOWER Michael A. Guido Metter, Georgia

An old man watched a little boy struggling with a big watermelon. He asked, "Too much watermelon, sonny?"

With his mouth full of watermelon and his hands full of more watermelon, he said, "No, sir! Not enough boy."

There's a lot of sin in this world, and the devil's strong. We see the better things, and we approve of them. Yet we do the wrong things. Why?

There's something lacking in our lives. No, not something but Some One - the Lord.

He knows what's wrong and what's right. He not only shows us what's right, but He helps us do what's right.

Let Him give you His victory for your defeat, won't you?

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SHOWN HERE SPINNING THE LUCKY LOTTO WHEEL during the grand opening festivities at Penman's Convenience Store, Selma Swearingen came away a winner as did everyone who took a chance on the wheel. The lotto wheel was part of an exhibit brought to Knox City by the Texas Lottery Commission for the celebration of Penman's grand opening last Saturday.

(NEWS Photo)

### Free soil testing now underway

The Natural Resources Conservation Service and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are sponsoring a free soil testing program for farmers, ranchers and gardeners in Haskell and Knox Counties for the Seymour Aquifer Water Quality Project.

Since 1992 the number of soil samples submitted during the free soil sampling programs have shown an increase from 115 samples were sent in the first year to 316 samples submitted in 1997.

The soil sample should be taken from a uniform area of the field. Take 10 to 15 small sample cores to a depth of six inches for each field to be tested.

Mix the samples in a clean plastic bucket and take out about a pint of the composite sample to be sent in for analysis.

An information sheet needs to be filled out along with the sample. The informatin sheet asks about the type of crop to be grown and the yield goal of the crop.

The soil sample will be tested for pH, nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, calcuim, magnesium, sodium, sulfur, and salinity.

Soil sample bags and information sheets can be obtained at the Seymour Aquifer Project office, 900 South Avenue E in Haskell. For additional information call at 817-864-3334 or 864-3583.

towns and locations.

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Delivery will be <u>Saturday</u>, <u>February 14</u>, at the times listed for the following

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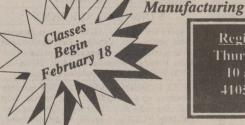
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