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Rick Perry to lead 69th TCR parade July 1

Lieutenant Governor Rick Perry will lead the parade for the 69th Texas Cowboy Reunion on Thursday, July 1, Gary Mathis, TCR president, has announced.

"Stars Over Texas - Rodeo" is the theme for this year's parade which will begin at 4:00 p.m. in downtown Stamford.

"We are excited that Perry accepted our invitation to lead this year's parade," Mathis commented, "since he grew up nearby, he has attended the rodeo most of his young life and was always a special guest while he was agriculture commissioner."

A fifth generation Texan, Perry grew up on his family's farm at Paint Creek, about 10 miles northeast of Stamford.

He was elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 1984 where he served on the House Appropriations and Calendar Committees.

In 1990, Perry was the first agri-businessman to be elected as Commissioner of Agriculture.

Stamford art show, sale set for Wednesday

The Stamford art Foundation's twenty-sixth annual Preview Art Show and Sale and Western Dance is set for Wednesday, June 30, at 6:30 p.m. on the eve of the world famous Texas Cowboy Reunion.

The John Selmon Memorial Gallery on the rodeo grounds in Stamford houses the multi-media art exhibit which will feature the best works of top western artists.

Artists committed to this year's show include Barry Arthur, Gary Artzt, Brian Asher, Jodie Boren, Lynn Brown, and Garnet Buster. Other artists who will participate are Gail Copeland, Curtis W. Dykes, Jim Hamilton, Richard Harvey, Erwin M. Hearne Jr., Shirley Hullum, Barry Lambirth, Theresa Martin, Vel Miller, Paul Tadlock, Darlene Wall and K.W. Whitley.

In addition to having their works in the show, the following artists will participate in the popular "Quick Draw" event: George Boutwell, R. Russell Brown, Hugh Campbell III, Bill Chappell, Paul Friske, Steve Grey and Daniel Maldonado. The "Quick Draw" artists are given one hour to create a piece of art from "scratch". The finished artwork is then auctioned with proceeds going to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

In addition to the art exhibit and sale and the "Quick Draw" feature, Joe Allen will cater the event, serving up his famous steaks with all the trimmings. The Billy Bob Bud Band will provide music at the dance immediately following the meal.

1999 District Baseball Honors announced

Most Valuable Player: Robert Ramirez

1st TEAM HONORS

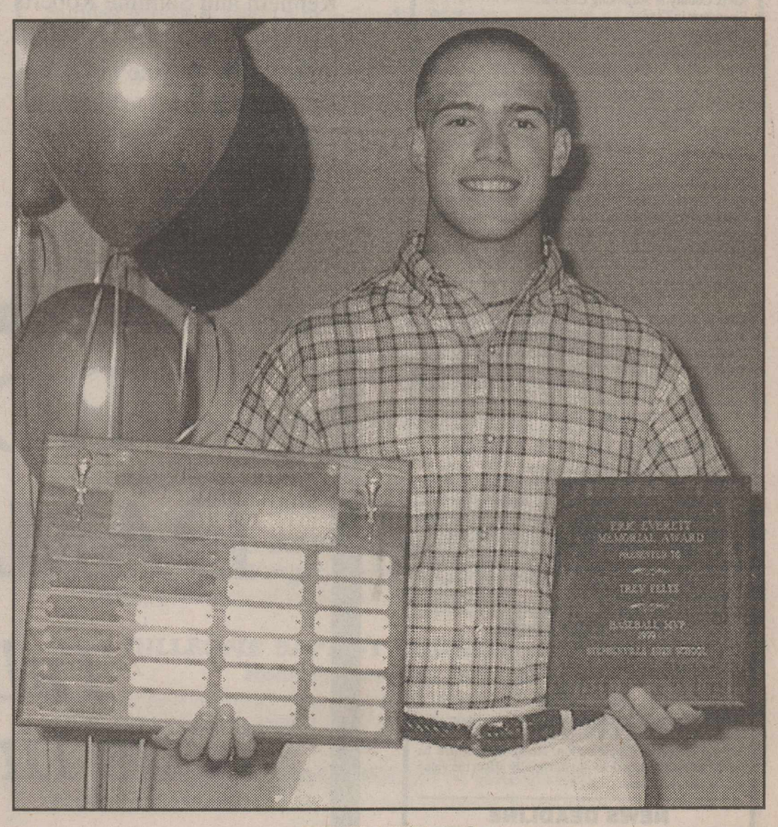
Chillicothe:	Robert Hildenbrand
Harrold:	Shane Boone
Northside:	Chad Matney
	Joel Wilson
Knox City:	Nefro Gonzales
	Aaron Large
	Jeffrey Hernandez
Paducah:	Steven Dozier
	Erik Hinojosa

2nd TEAM HONORS

Chillicothe:	Garron Morgan
Harrold:	Dustin Tunget
Northside:	Ryan Sullivan
Knox City:	Nathan Bowles
	Chris Garcia
	Brackston Barnard
Paducah:	John Tucker
	Kyle Timmons
	Derick Jones

HONORABLE MENTION HONORS

Chillicothe: Chris Campbell • Harrold: Dusty Holly
Northside: Travis Lee • Paducah: James Tucker



TREY FELTS

Locals' grandson honored at SHS

Trey Felts, son of Todd and Kathy Felts of Stephenville and grandson of Carol and Zoanne Felts of Knox City and Robert and Norma McLellan of Stamford, was honored at the Stephenville High School athletic banquet in May.

Trey, a junior at SHS, was presented the Eric Everett Baseball MVP Award for Yellowjacket baseball.

Trey pitched and played short stop for the Yellowjackets defense, leading the team in strikeouts, ERA base on balls and fewest hits allowed. He led the offense in batting average and had a team high four home runs including one left handed and a game tying grand slam.

Trey is a three year starter for Stephenville and was the only returning player from the 1998 varsity squads. Trey was also a member of the 1998 4A Division II State Championship Football team where he played strong safety and kickoff and return teams.

Trey will graduate from SHS in 2000 and plans to go to college and play college baseball in the fall.

Trey has played baseball since he was five years old and his dream is to pursue a career in baseball.

Annual King County 4-H open horse show held June 5 in Guthrie arena

The annual King County 4-H Open Horse Show was held Saturday, June 5, at the Lath Withers 4-H Arena in Guthrie.

Twenty-three 4-H youth from King County and surrounding counties participated in the pee wee, junior and senior ages.

Judging this year's horse show was Wes Allison, County Extension Agent from Claude. Awards were given from first through sixth places with a high point accumulation in each age division.

Placing were:

Mares under 5 - 1st, Scott Jones, Motley; 2nd, Tom Butler, King;

Geldings under 5: 1st, Becky Daniel, Foard;

Gelding 5 & over; 1st, Kallie Antiley, King; 2nd, Katie Boyd, King; 3rd, Melyssa Elliott, Cottle; 4th, Holley Hurt, King; 5th, Jonathan Mathis, Foard; 6th, Shandra Jones, Motley;

Showmanship 9 - 13 years: 1st, Becky Daniel, Foard; 2nd, Kallie Antilley, King; 3rd - Tom Butler, King; 4th, Melyssa Elliott, Cottle; 5th, Holly Hurt, King; 6th, Cassie Lyles, Knox;

Showmanship 14-19 years: 1st, Scott Jones, Motley; 2nd, Shandra Jones, Motley; 3rd - Katie Boyd, King;

Western Pleasure 9 - 13: 1st, Becky Daniel, Foard; 2nd - Jeff Daniel, King; 3rd - Kallie Antilley, King; 4th - Holly Hurt, King; 5th - Pat Butler, King; 6th, Ty Fox, King;

Western Pleasure 14-19 years: 1st, Leon Lewis, King; 2nd, Jackie Harris, foard; 3rd, Katie Boyd, King;

Western Horsemanship 9-13 years: 1st, Jeff Daniel, King; 2nd, Kallie Antilley, King; 3rd- Holly Hurt, King; 4th, Jonathan Mathis, Foard; 5th- Becky Daniel, Foard; 6th, Reid Ware, Hall;

Reining: 1st, Leon Lewis, King; 2nd, Scott Jones, Motley; 3rd, Tom Butler, King; 4th, Riley Abbott, King; 5th, Katie Boyd, King; 6th, Melyssa Elliott, Cottle;

Working Cow Horse: 1st, Leon Lewis, King; 2nd, Scott Jones, Motley, 3rd, Zane Daniel, King; 4th, Tom Butler, King; 5th, Riley Abbott, King; 6th, Melyssa Elliott, Cottle;

Poles 8 and under: 1st, Blake Fox, King; 2nd, Kara Hurt, King;

Poles 9-13 years: 1st, Melyssa Elliott, Cottle; 2nd, Zane Daniel, King; 3rd, Holley Hurt, King; 4th, Cassie Lyles, Knox; 5th, Kallie Antilley, King; 6th, Becky Daniel, Foard;

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Pee Wee High Point Buckle: Kara Hurt, King County;

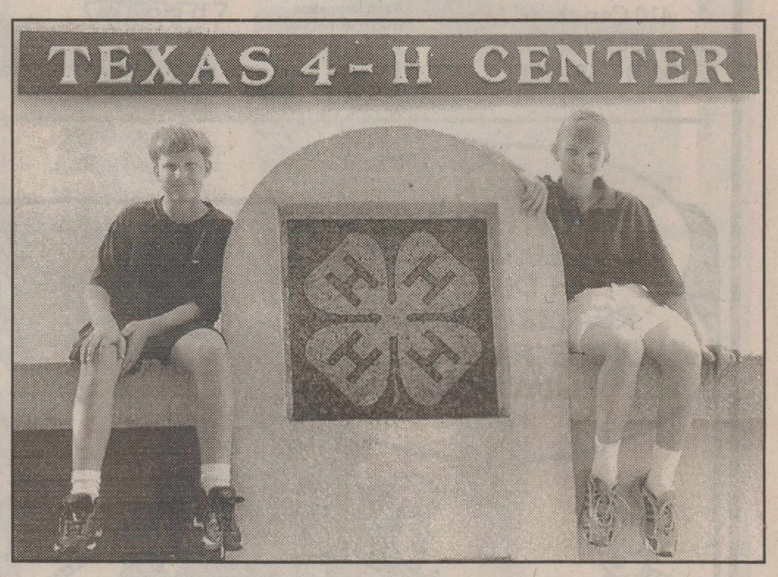
Junior High Point Buckle: Holley Hurt, King County;

Senior High Point Buckle: Scott Jones, Motley County;

Pee Wee Reserve High Point: Blake Fox, King County;

Junior Reserve High Point: Becky Daniel, Foard County;

Senior Reserve High Point: Shandra Jones, Motley County.



ATTEND 4-H AMBASSADOR LAB - Justin Lowe and Kari Kuehler of the Munday 4-H participated in the 1999 District 3 4-H Jr. Ambassador Lab at the Texas 4-H Center on Lake Brownwood, June 2 through 4. They enjoyed three days and two nights of activities developed to improve leadership and communication skills. Justin is the grandson of Susie and Jerry Ray of Knox City. (Courtesy Photo)

The Knox County News Office will be closed the remainder of this week as we attend the Texas-Oklahoma Golf Tournament in Wichita Falls with our son, Scooter.

With the help of Lewis Alambar and his printing press at the Stamford American newspaper, we were able to get this paper out and in the mail in between rounds of the tournament. We thank Lewis for his help and we also thank our customers for being so understanding as we take most of the week to support our son in his first tournament of this caliber. We will reopen for normal business hours on Monday morning.

Lila Rector named to WTA&M dean's list

CANYON - Two hundred seventy-three West Texas A&M University students were named to the President's List and 815 students earned mention on the Dean's List for the 1999 spring semester.

Students making the Dean's List achieved GPAs of at least 3.25 and less than 3.85 with a minimum of 12 undergraduate honors.

Named to the dean's list from Knox City was Lila Jo Rector, a senior general studies major.

She is the daughter of Barbara and John Rector.

Lila is a graduate of Knox City High School.

WTA&M, formerly known as West Texas State University, is located in Canyon.

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Letters to the Editor are encouraged. They must be signed by the author and include the telephone number for verification purposes. Only the writer's name will appear in print. Letters should be kept to a reasonable length, are subject to be edited for clarity, liable and for the purpose of only conveying a single point. Every attempt will be made not to change the meaning of letters. All letters are run "space available". Each letter is accepted on that basis.

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Note: Since we are a small business with a full time staff of two, these times may vary as we cover news & sports stories, take pictures, conduct business or handle family matters. Thanks in advance for your understanding and cooperation.

O'Brien happenings

By Audie Johnston, O'Brien Correspondent

"Open and Shut Case - When there was an unexpected knock on my door, I first opened the peephole and asked, "Who's there?"

"Parcel post, with a package for the Drexhages."

"Where's the package?" I asked suspiciously. The deliveryman held it up.

"Could I see some ID?" I said, still not convinced.

"Lady," he replied wearily, "if I wanted to break into your house, I'd probably just use these." And he pulled out the keys I had left in the door.

Here and There - Sandra Childress of Ozona has spent the week with her mom, Beatrice Ellis.

Janoma Stephens was in California over the weekend to attend a study club meeting.

Kenneth and Sammie Roberts of Plainview and Avis Johnston of Waco came for me last Monday and we went back to Plainview Monday night. On Tuesday we all visited my sister Mildred LaDuke who is in the care home at Olton. Wednesday Kenneth and I carried Avis to Amarillo and we visited my sister-in-law Hazel Barnett in the care home at Amarillo. Sammie and Ken brought me back home Wednesday and went on to Palo Pinto Lake and will attend a Roberts reunion over the weekend. Rodney and Sherri Roberts and Cannon of Lubbock spent Friday night with me and they went on to the Roberts reunion Saturday.

Jon Bryant of Levelland spent the weekend with his parents, Eddie and Claudia and his grandparents, Claudale and Jean Barnard.

Gayle Rowan Nunn of Lubbock visited with her parents, Ivan and Delma Rowan and Keith, Jane, Kyle and Kate, over the weekend.

Spending the weekend with C.H., Linda and Reed Underwood were their daughter Beth and husband Shawn and daughter Faith Donham of Roby.

Spending last week with Demp and Hazel Emerson were Hazel's sister Janice and husband Harry Sims of Summerville, South Carolina. On Saturday, Hazel and Janice visited an aunt, Onia in Slaton.

Visiting Ranzy and Adelle Herring were their daughter Pansy and granddaughter Julie and baby of Lubbock, Kevin Urbanczyk of Munday and Tamara McGaughey of Knox City.

"I will say of the Lord, 'He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." Psalms 91:2.

Aging center lunch menus

June 28th thru July 2nd

Monday, June 28 - Fish with tartar sauce, celery, onions, peppers, cheesy potatoes, blackeyed peas, hush puppies, fruit crunch.

Tuesday, June 29 - Pork roast with gravy, cranberry sauce, green salad, mashed potatoes, buttered squash, hot rolls, fruit cobbler.

Wednesday, June 30 - Meat loaf with tomato sauce, cole slaw, buttered squash, pinto beans, cornbread, jello with fruit.

Thursday, July 1 - Chicken fried steak with gravy, garden green salad, baked potato, sweet peas, hot rolls, dessert.

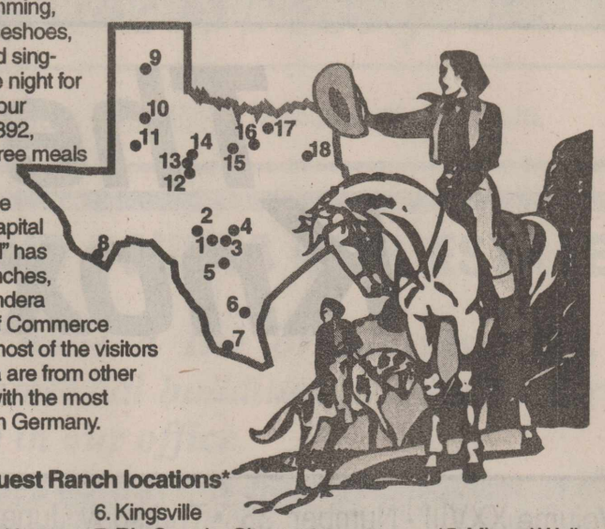
Friday, July 2 - 'Indoor picnic' build your own sandwich, pork and beans, potato chips, ice cream and cookies.

(All menus subject to change without notification. It is important to contact the site manager in order that meals can be prepared.)

Keeping an eye on Texas

City slickers head to dude ranches

Texas is home to about 90 dude and guest ranches, offering a unique western experience with activities including trail rides, campfire cookouts, cattle drives, nature photography, fishing, hayrides, swimming, tubing, horseshoes, bonfires and sing-alongs. One night for a family of four averages $392, including three meals per day. Bandera, the "Cowboy Capital of the World" has 13 dude ranches, and the Bandera Chamber of Commerce notes that most of the visitors to their area are from other countries, with the most coming from Germany.



Dude & Guest Ranch locations*

1. Bandera	6. Kingsville		
2. Mountain Home	7. Rio Grande City	11. Lamesa	15. Mineral Wells
3. Pipe Creek	8. Terlingua	12. Winters	16. Grapevine
4. Wimberley	9. Amarillo	13. Buffalo Gap	17. McKinney
5. Lytle	10. Lubbock	14. Abilene	18. Tyler

* These locations represent only some of the sites of dude and guest ranches. Many ranches are in the "country" and are not located close enough to call a town home. More than one ranch may be located in each town.

SOURCES: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, (www.window.state.tx.us), and Duderanches.com.

WTU completes power systems year 2000 readiness checks

ABILENE - West Texas Utilities Company (WTU) has completed Year 2000 (Y2K) readiness activities within its critical power production and delivery systems.

"Year 2000 readiness has been a top priority for WTU," Paul Brower, President and General Manager, says, "and our employees have met the challenge to examine and update our most critical power systems to make them ready for the transition into the year 2000 and beyond. Their commitment to the project has resulted in our reaching this milestone."

West Texas Utilities' mission-critical systems where Y2K testing is complete include:

- Power generation facilities that currently produce electricity for the CSW system
- Power transmission and distribution networks (wires, poles, switches, relays, etc.)
- Energy Management System (economic dispatch of pwoer)
- Fuels acquisition and management (coal and natural gas supplies)

Brower said, "We are confident we can maintain the same high standard of safe and reliable service our sustomers have come to enjoy. Our findings revealed no Y2K related issue we believe would have impacted ourability to produce or deliver power around critical year 2000 dates."

Employee teams have been part of a formal readiness program addressing Y2K issues for WTU for several years.

Weather

Courtesy of
Plant Materials Center
4 Miles N.W. of Knox City

Date	Low	High	Rain
06/15	61	85	
06/16	61	85	
06/17	62	77	
06/18	62	88	
06/19	70	93	
06/20	68	80	.09
06/21	70	85	.07

1999 Rainfall - 20.42

Benjamin news

By Gladene Green, Benjamin Correspondent

On a showery Father's Day afternoon, I hope all the Dad's have had an enjoyable day. For those of us who no longer have those special Dads in our lives we can only reflect on the memories of special days of the past but do so with thankful hearts and gratitude that we had them as long as we did.

Regarding Our Ill - Kenneth Roberts underwent knee surgery Thursday in a Wichita Falls hospital. He's doing fine and may be home in just a few days. Will have some post-operative therapy and should be doing real well before long.

Sue Ryder Oxford underwent surgery recently, also in Wichita Falls. She's home but not feeling as well as she's hoped to. Maybe she will be doing better the next time we hear.

I haven't talked to Debra Moorhouse since her return from Houston. Maybe by next week, I'll have a report. Everyone else seems to be doing pretty well.

Here 'N There - Dutch and Imagean Young,, Deann Lamb and Anthony, Pat Benson, Jack and Mary Young and Bubba and Dillon Benson were among those from Benjamin who attended the Young family reunion at Runaway bay during the weekend.

Recent visitors of Dorothy Spikes were Rusty Spikes of Wichita Falls and Guy and Donna Spikes and children of Seymour.

Dewayne and Jarvis Polvado of Vernon spent the week with their grandparents, Charles and Joy Jones. On Saturday, Charles and Joy attended a Rutherford family reunion at Vera. Father's Day guests of their parents were David Jones of Runaway Bay and Sheila DeLosSantos and Tiffany of Vernon.

Bob and Patti Tavernia of Frederick, Maryland, came in Friday for a few days visit with her mom, Earlene Meinzer and her brothers, Wyman and Rick and their families and other relatives and friends.

Debbie Clower and children, Michael, David and Sarah, returned home Saturday after a two weeks vacation in Colorado. The first week they spent camping with the Wayne Cadenhead family of Haskell and the second week, they visited friends in Loveland.

Dickie Lloyd returned home Tuesday night after a three-week visit with relatives in Dallas.

Glenda Bearly of Erie, Colorado, and Reba Morrill of Humble spent several days last week with their mom, Odessa Cox. Mrs. Cox received word of the death Tuesday of her brother Manley Branc, who lived near Waco. She and the girls attended the funeral on Friday. We extend sympathy to Odessa and her family.

Karen Brown and children, Colton, Haley and Callie of Teague, visited with Stanton and Shari the first of the week. We enjoyed visiting with Karen and seeing the kiddoes Wednesday.

Matt Pierce of Weatherford spent last week with his grandparents, Barbara and Sammy. Father's Day guests of their parents were Jeff Pierce of Snyder and Keith Pierce of Abilene. Wade Pierce of Levelland also visited.

The Roger Bohannon family enjoyed a weekend of fishing at Lake McClellan near Pampa.

Shari Brown is attending camp this week at Panfork Baptist Encampment at Wellington.

Rosellen and Daniel Albus of Lubbock visited her brother and his wife Don and Louise and her mom Nora Hertel at Munday Nursing Cebnter Saturday.

Betty Mancille of Quanah visited Jonnie Williams briefly Friday afternoon. She was enroute home after attending the funeral of a family member at Aspermont.

Jonnie Williams and Mary Bohannon attended a birthday party for Mary's granddaughter, Courtney Hacker at the home of her parents, Cliff and Brandi near Knox City Saturday afternoon. Courtney was three. Other "Benjaminites" attending were Bonnie Bohannon and children, Taylor and Bailey.

Joan and Gary Hamilton were in Fort Worth on Saturday.

Ask Questions and Save Money

Doing your homework can get you more than a free calendar from your bank. How do better interest rates, low fees and speedy attention to your needs sound?

Take the time to talk to your banker. He or she can provide you with information on programs that are customized to your needs.

Tips from your Community Banker

Maximize Savings

- Adjustments to your banking practices might make a big difference. For example, getting your paycheck automatically deposited into your checking account may increase your interest rate while reducing or eliminating your service charge.
- If you have a good track record you may qualify for lower interest rates on loans or credit cards.
- An addition of a new account package may serve your demands more cost efficiently.

Advantages of Technology

- Experts say that direct deposits are safer and more convenient than paper checks. Electronic deposits are timely and may offer breaks on your checking account.
- The headache of mailing out your monthly health insurance premiums, utility bills and other payments can be alleviated by letting your bank perform these routine functions electronically.
- Save time by making withdrawals at your nearby ATM and by using your debit card or check card to pay for purchases.

Banks Working With You

- Establish a good relationship with your bank's employees. Helpful and knowledgeable representatives can get questions answered and problems solved.
- Depending on your circumstances, your bank may be willing to reduce or waive a penalty, if you have a history of being a reliable customer.
- By sitting down and explaining your unusual situation, a lender may agree to temporary or permanent reductions to your loan interest rate or monthly payments.

Keep Your Records

- Hold your receipts for deposits, ATM withdrawals, credit card charges and other transactions to confirm your monthly statements are correct.
- File copies of contracts or documents you have engaged in with your bank, so if discrepancies arise you have records for reference.

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Benjamin woman associated with polio foundation

Have you had polio?

And are you suffering the effects in your adult life?

If so get acquainted with P.R.Y.S. - 'Polio, Remember Your Strength' is an international public tax exempt organization with its home base in Montana. The organization has been created to help address the needs of children who suffered through their battle with polio and are now seeing its devastation again as adults.

The organization was designed to help east the burdens of these individuals and their families and help to educate those to the effects of the post polio syndrome.

For more information as to what can be done to educate the public concerning this ver ' important matter contact Betty Bohannon at 3bfarms@westex.net or texbettry@hotmail.com or call 940-454-2831.

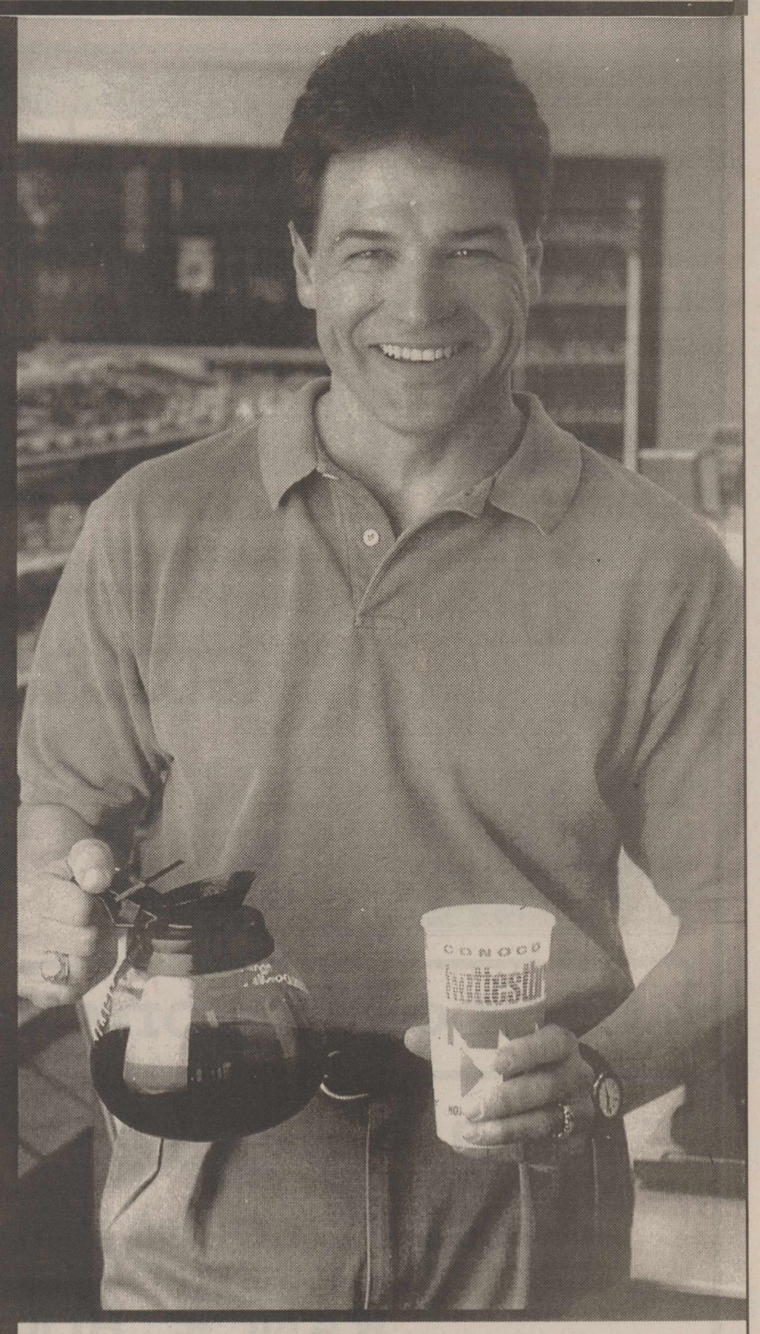
When the great Polish pianist, Paderewski, first chose the piano, a teacher said, "Your hands are too small to master the keyboard."

When the great Italian tenor, Caruso, first asked for voice lessons, a teacher said, "Your voice is like wind whistling through a window."

When Alexander Graham Bell first displayed his telephone, the people said, "You're a fool with a useless toy."

Criticism didn't discourage them, it developed them. They didn't put off their dreams. They put them over.

Never fear criticism when you're right. Never ignore criticism when you're wrong.



The NEWS will be CLOSED Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

This is our only way of taking a 'vacation' as we will be attending an event with Scooter.

AS WE SEE IT

Social Security reform: We should make it happen

BY HORACE B. DEETS

In the Bulletin's interview with House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., which appeared in last month's issue, he indicated that Social Security reform was possible this year. Since then, some political leaders and pundits have stepped forward to pronounce Social Security reform dead. While the nation's press was writing obituaries for reform, Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, Rep. Bill Archer, R-Texas, announced his new proposal to ensure Social Security's long-term solvency for future generations.

This turn of events has left many people confused about the future of Social Security reform and has raised many questions.

Is Rep. Archer beating a dead horse? Is Social Security reform a dead issue until after the 2000 presidential election? Or, perhaps more importantly, should it be?

The answer is clearly no. AARP strongly believes that Congress should press ahead with a plan to reform Social Security and ensure its long-term solvency. The sooner we act, the more options we have, and the less drastic the reform measures will be.

For the past two years, AARP, political leaders and others have brought the issues surrounding long-term solvency of Social Security to the American people. This national dialogue has led to a greater understanding of the problem and some of the options for solving it. That's progress.

Today, more people know that, even with no changes at all, Social Security will continue to pay full benefits until the 2030s, and nearly three-quarters of promised benefits after that. Taking steps this year to close that one-quarter gap will enable Social Security to pay 100 percent of promised benefits until well after the last of the boomers have retired.

We have before us an array of constructive — though divergent— reform proposals. The president and many congressional leaders have presented serious proposals that need to be examined carefully so that we understand the pros and cons and the tradeoffs of each. Most importantly, we need to understand the consequences for taxpayers and future beneficiaries.

We have an opportunity to take the discussion to resolution. For Congress and the president to abandon Social Security reform at this stage is premature at best.

Social Security reform is dead only if the public allows it to be. AARP is not ready to write its eulogy yet. There is too much at stake, especially for our members and future generations who will feel the impact of this reform the most.

Ultimately, the problem is not a lack of ideas; it's a lack of consensus and trust. The building blocks of reform are on the table. They need to be discussed and evaluated to see how they would work and whether they would ensure solvency and guarantee security.

There is still time to achieve Social Security reform this year. Accomplishing this goal, however, depends upon whether our political leaders can trust each other enough to work out a solution and whether the public demands it.

Horace B. Deets is the AARP Executive Director

A Golden Time

Brazos Valley Care Home
658-3543
605 Avenue F, Knox City

A Mayo Clinic study says that depressed people tend to recover less well from heart attacks, coronary bypasses and other heart condition problems than people without emotional problems. The study followed 310 men and 70 women entering cardiac rehabilitation programs.

Researchers know that the protein ApoE is involved in Alzheimer's. Some Duke researchers say people who inherit a variant calles ApoE are at risk before age 70.

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Two men hadn't met for many years. They had much to talk about. "Tell me," said one, "is your wife as beautiful as ever?"

"Oh, yes," replied the other, "only it takes her a lot longer now."

A dear old lady who was asked what she used to make her complexion so beautiful and her being so bright, answered:

"I use for my lips, truth; for my voice, kindness; for my eyes, compassion; for my hands, charity; for my figure, uprightness; for my heart, love; and for those who don't like me, prayer."

Four Winds RC&D continuing computer distribution in area

Four Winds RC&D Area Inc.'s ongoing project of computer distributions to area nonprofit organizations is continuing.

Donations have included 180 computers acquired from the Texas Attorney General's Office and distributed to area wide nonprofit organizations. The organizations obtained the technology by submitting letters of request to Four Winds RC&D Area Inc.

Additional computers may be available in the future. For nonprofit organizations who could benefit from computer technology, submit a letter of request to: Four Winds RC&D Area Inc.; Attn: Danny Lamberth, Executive Director; P.O. Box 548, Knox City, TX 79529.

Beta Chi members attend convention

Seven members of the local Beta Chi Chapter recently participated in the 70th annual state convention of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.

Attending from the local chapter were Kathy Bowen, Sherry Hacker, Janice Vacek, Cheryl Urbanczyk, Jo Cox, Maribeth Williams, and Irma Lyles.

Held at the Abilene Civic Center the second week of June, members enjoyed pre-convention tours to historic points of interest in Abilene.

Sharon Daughtery, convention chairman of Abilene. was assisted by cochairman Ruth Talbert and consultants Dr. Colleen Durrington, both of Abilene, and Louise Foerster of Brownwood.

A pre-convention communications / leadership workshop entitled "Enthusiasm Starts at the Top", was open to all members. Following opening night activities at the Civic Center, members participated in Abilene Night. Members enjoyed such activities as the Abilene Art Walk, free admission to the Grace Museum and a showing of A Month by the Lake featuring Vanessa Redgrave at the historic Paramount Theatre.

During the executive board meeting on Friday morning, June 11, delegates voted on a variety of recommendations and adopted a budget for the coming year. Other convention attendees participated in committee and special interest workshops during the board meeting.

The annual birthday luncheon brought recognition to members who published during the year as well as to state and local newspapers providing exemplary coverage of education and / or Society programs and projects. Members having fifty or more years of service received a certificate and red rose, traditional flower of the organization.

Special recognition of the state Achievement Award and the Golden Rose Award honored five members who have contributed time and energy to the state organization.

State president Dr. Mary Ann Waldon of League City presented certificates to outstanding chapters throughout the state's 306 chapters. A 100 voice chorus entertained during banquets and memorial services.

Special brochures featured chapters honored for outstanding newsletters and for contributions to scholarships and other Society projects. The state president hosted a dinner for state personnel at the Windsor Hotel. Beta Chi received certificates for outstanding newsletters and yearbook.

Irma Lyles of Weinert was recognized as a member of Delta Kappa Gamma for 62 years.

A special presentation honoring the international president, the state president, past state presidents and the 306 Texas chapter presidents took place Friday evening at the Civic Center. Carol Horton of Odessa and Eleanor Scott of Seabrook directed the event.

A memorial service in the First Baptist Church honored members dying since the 1998 convention. Following the convention business session, a box lunch provided time for relaxing while chapter presidents met with their incoming and retiring area coordinators. New officers and committee chairmen exchanged materials and ideas during this time.

Program of work and membership workshops took place Saturday afternoon with surprises in store for members attending.

Installation of officers for the coming biennium took place just before the President and Founders Banquet Saturday evening. Newly elected officers include Juanita Harmon, president, of Lewisville; Dr. Karen Duke, first vice president, of Houston; JoAnn M. Brooks, second vice president, of Plano; J'Ann Payne Aman, recording secretary, of Waco; and Alma Grace Richardson, corresponding secretary, of Wichita Falls. Jean Hefner Webb of Fort Worth will serve as parliamentarian.

Evelyn Barron, international president of Clinton, Mississippi, served as official representative of the Society to the convention. She assisted in welcoming the 900 members to Abilene and presented the keynote address at the final banquet.

Dr. Waldon presented the official state gavel to the new president, who spoke briefly about her plans for the next two years.

A reception following the banquet honored immediate past and new state officers and past state presidents.

A two day orientation workshop for incoming state officers and committee chairmen took place all day Sunday and Monday morning.

Clark family holds family reunion at P-K

The family of the late Henry and Hazel Clark mat at Wayne and Ruby Clark's at Possum Kingdom.

Attending from Knox City were Johnny and Ramona Helms and Waynell Clark of the Brazos Valley Care Home; from San Angelo, L.B. and Nina Baty; from Wichita Falls, Jeff and Diane Wachsman, Bre and Kim, Karen West, Jim and Vanessa Helms, Chandler and Abby; from Jacksboro, Dale and Waneva Clark; from Archer City, Barbara Geis, Justin and Amber Bishop, Floyd and Leann Harvey and Dustin, Landon and April; from Graham, Rhonda Ayler, Johnny, Casey and Tonya, Terrie Clark and Jordon and Hector Parra, Daryle and Jackie Bishop and David; from Cedar Hill, Lynn Schmidt, Shelbi and Kolton; from Dallas, Ruth Clark, Freddie and Barbara Clark and Nathan, Kelly, Christopher and his friend Melonie Lawless; from Megargel, Pearlie Walker.

VRJC sets course on defensive driving

The Continuing Education Division of Vernon Regional Junior College has once again scheduled the popular course entitled Defensive Driving.

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The course is approved by the National Traffic Safety Institute and the Texas Education Agency and makes the student eligible for a reduction in their insurance premiums or for traffic citation dismissal.

The course will meet on Saturday, June 26, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the VRJC campus in Vernon. The course will be taught by a licensed defensive driving instructor.

For further information, registration forms and the fee, contact the VRJC Continuing Education Office at 552-6291, Ext. 2209.

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Steve Pepper, Minister
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Paul Chambers, Interim Pastor
Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. ~ Sunday Morning Worship at 10:45 a.m.
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Father Kevin Fagan ~ Deacon Julian Estrada
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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH ~ Benjamin
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GILLESPIE BAPTIST CHURCH ~ Gillespie
Ross Anderson, Pastor
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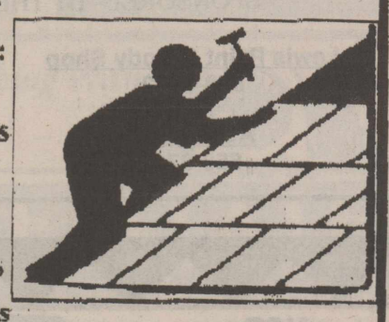

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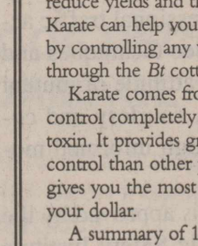

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